



**REPORT TO THE  
'AIEA-PEARL CITY-WAIPAHŪ  
NEIGHBORHOOD BOARDS  
COUNCILMEMBER BRANDON ELEFANTE  
MAY 2020**



**Hawaii Food Bank Food Distribution**

At the Hawaii Food Bank event, thousands of families waited for several hours for food, and I was grateful for their patience and smiles when they got to the front of the line. We are a resilient community and we are stronger together as one. Pictured with Royal Hawaiian Bandmaster Clarke Bright (right). Pictured with D8 Staff (below)



**Congrats, Graduates!**

We honor the accomplishments of our favorite graduates. They have embraced hardship, proven to be resilient, and are admired for their resolve. We celebrate all graduates and wish them all the best as they continue to reach and grow. And we look forward to seeing what you do next!

**FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS**

Abandoned Vehicles	733-2530
City Concerns	768-4831
HART Hotline	566-2209
Illegal Dumping	831-6714
Potholes	768-7777
Refuse Pickup	768-3200
Senior Citizen Info	768-7700
Street Light Repair	768-3500
Tree Trimming	671-7151
Zoning Info	768-8058

**Distributing Face Masks**



Councilmember Elefante and the Pearl City Lions Club handed out more 8,000 masks at the Pearl City Shopping Center earlier this month.

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Council District 8 serving the communities of Lower 'Aiea, Pearlridge, Waimalu, Newtown, Pearl City, Seaview, Crestview, Waipio Gentry, and portions of Waipahū

## In Appreciation of our City's Essential Services and All Employees

While everyone is working hard to flatten the curve and following the guidelines for Safer At Home, we want you to know that the City and County of Honolulu is still working for you. While many of us are working virtually, many of us are reporting in to work every day.

I want to express my gratitude to our City first responders: Department of Emergency Management, Honolulu Emergency Services (which includes both paramedics and lifeguards), Honolulu Fire Department, and Honolulu Police Department. These departments, their first responders, and their support staff have reported for their shifts as always. Remember, if you need help, you can always call 911 and they will respond.

Other departments are still working on essential services to collect your trash, clean your streams, keep your clean water flowing, treat your sewage, keep the buses and Handi-Vans running, process your permits, and process the paperwork and funding related to the CARES Act. I extend my deepest appreciation to everyone.

While you may see me live at the Honolulu City Council Meetings, I have been working from home for the most part. Our City Clerks have been rotating duties, while our Elections Division is still on point for the August Primary Election. Our Office of Council Services has continued to provide research, drafting, and legal support to the Council, and our City Auditor has continued with their tasks. I am grateful for all of their hard work and support, which allows me to do my job.

### One O'ahu

With the Stay At Home order (now known as Ho'oulu i Honolulu) going into effect in the middle of March, our office has received several inquiries about guidance for what that means.

The City has a handy website with Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and graphical representations of the order to assist you. You can find this information at [www.oneoahu.org](http://www.oneoahu.org).

The website is continuously updated and includes accurate and up-to-date information about COVID-19, help and resources, and details about what City services are open. If you do not see the answer to your question, please email [covidresponse@honolulu.gov](mailto:covidresponse@honolulu.gov) or call 768-CITY if you cannot send an email.

If you have questions that are related to State Government, you can always email: [covidexemption@hawaii.gov](mailto:covidexemption@hawaii.gov) or visit their website at <https://hawaiicovid19.com>. There you will find the "Guidance for All" tab, which includes the slide presentation, "Beyond Recovery:Reopening Hawai'i."

## Calendar Of Events & Activities

### June 2020

- 3 Honolulu City Council Meeting
- 11 King Kamehameha Day
- 16 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Parks, Community Services & Intergovernmental Affairs
  - Business, Econ Development & Tourism
  - Executive Matters & Legal Affairs
- 17 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Budget
  - Public Infrastructure, Technology & Sustainability
- 18 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Zoning, Planning & Housing
  - Transportation
  - Public Safety & Welfare

### July 2020

- 3 Independence Day Holiday
- 8 Honolulu City Council Meeting
- 14 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Parks, Community Services & Intergovernmental Affairs
  - Business, Econ Development & Tourism
  - Executive Matters & Legal Affairs
- 15 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Budget
  - Public Infrastructure, Technology & Sustainability
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  - Transportation
  - Public Safety & Welfare

## Motor Vehicle Transfers By Mail

Motor vehicle ownership transfers may be processed by mail during the COVID-19 emergency. Just visit the Customer Services Website at:

[http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/csd/COVID-19\\_Motor\\_Vehicle\\_Transfer\\_by\\_Mail\\_Instructions.pdf](http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/csd/COVID-19_Motor_Vehicle_Transfer_by_Mail_Instructions.pdf)

You would need the vehicle's current and valid Certificate of Title, the vehicle's current and valid Certificate of Registration, and payment of required fees.

Specific instructions are on the City website, or you may call 768-4324 for additional information.

## Online Driver License & State ID Appointments

The City and County of Honolulu recently reopened its online appointment system for driver license and state identification card services.

All in-office transactions will be served on an appointment-only basis at Wai'anae, Wahiawā, Ko'olau, Kapālama, and Kapolei. The Pearl City Commercial Drivers License (CDL) location is also available for appointments. Masks or face coverings are required during in-office visits. No walk-in services are available at this time.

Appointments can be made at [AlohaQ.org](https://aloha.hawaii.gov). The system will allow appointments only for those licenses and state IDs with expiration dates in March, April, May, June, and July. All of these expired driver licenses were just granted an emergency extension until September 30, 2020.

To make an appointment, go to [AlohaQ.org](https://aloha.hawaii.gov) and follow the prompts to select a location, choose State ID or Driver License, and verify if you are in this group of expiring identifications.

O'ahu residents with a hardship or special need outside these parameters can call (808) 768-4177 for assistance. This could include people who speak limited English or who do not have access to a computer or smart phone.

Since in-office visits were suspended in March, more than 44,000 driver license and state ID appointments had to be cancelled.

The Department of Customer Services has added cleaning time between appointments and made physical changes to their centers to create a safe environment for both customers and staff.

To help lessen demand for appointments, 50,000 letters were sent to O'ahu residents who qualify to renew their driver licenses or state identification cards either online or by mail. In addition, the federal government announced in April that the start date for REAL ID enforcement has been extended by 12 months to Oct. 1, 2021. This means that you can travel with an expired Hawaii Driver License or State ID Card.

The Kapahulu Vehicle Reconstruction Inspection Station opened on Tuesday, May 26 for in-office visits on an appointment-only basis. For assistance, you may call (808) 768-4325.

Procedures for written and road driving-test applications are being reviewed and will be announced at a later time. Satellite City Halls aren't yet open. For more information, visit [honolulu.gov/csd](https://www.honolulu.gov/csd).