

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

Hawaii Food Bank Food Distribution

My staff and I volunteered several times at the mass food distribution events held

by the Hawaii Food Bank in conjunction with donations and volunteers from the Hawaii Community Foundation and the City and County of Honolulu.

The City's Royal Hawaiian Band members worked several days a week in step with the Department of Emergency Management and other city agencies. At each event, thousands of families waited patiently 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 Mayor Caldwell (right). Pictured with D8 Staff (below).







It's Summer!

May your summer months begin with celebrating our great country and Independence Day in the safest way possible.

Whether it's a small get together with your family or taking a dip at one of our beautiful beaches, just know that it's never too late to create new holiday traditions as you stay safe andhealthy!

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

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566-2209
831-6714
768-7777
768-3200
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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

District 8 Projects in Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget

The Honolulu City Council passed the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget. I want to highlight some of the Council District 8 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects that are included in the CIP budget as well as public transportation included in the Operating Budget.

CDBG Park Improvements

\$105,000

Funds for design, planning, and engineering phase related to ADA improvements at **Waipahu District Park**.

Curb Ramps at Various Locations

\$60,000

On traffic island and intersection of **Haukapila Road and Pali Momi Street**, and at **Manana Kai Community Park** for ADA access to Makolu Street.

Hans L'Orange Neighborhood Park

\$200,000

Reappropriates lapsing funds for the planning, design, construction, and inspection work phases for facility repairs and upgrades.

Intermodal Connectivity Improvements

\$25,900,000

Includes \$10 million for construction of the Waipahu Transit Center Station Makai Entrance; \$15.2 million for Pearl Highlands Station Access (\$100,000 design, \$15.1 million construction) and Aloha Stadium Station - Pearl Harbor Pedestrian/Bikeway Extension (\$700,000).

Neal S. Blaisdell Park

\$250,000

Provides funds for the planning, design, construction, and inspection work phases to repave the entrance and exit roadways and the parking lot.

Pearl City Corporation Yard Renovations

\$2,600,000

Construct and inspect sustainable corp yard improvements (\$2,500,000 construction, \$100,000 inspection)

Pearl City Fire Station Relocation

\$500,000

Reappropriate lapsing funds to relocate the Pearl City Fire Station.

Pearl Harbor Historic Trail

\$600,000

Funds for the planning, design, construction, and inspection work phases for trail improvements and demonstration project to revitalize the trail.

Police Station Building Improvements

\$285,000

Academy Training Center Admin. Bldg. A/C System Improvements, Phase 3, \$250,000 for construction. Training Academy Roadway Improvements, Phase 3, \$35,000 design.

Renovate Recreation Facilities

\$460,000

Includes funds for **Aiea District Park** Reconstruction of Gym Roof and Multipurpose Bldg. (\$110,000 design). **Waipahu District Park** drainage improvements (\$50,000 design). **Waipio Peninsula Recreation Complex** Parking Improvements (\$300,000 design).

Calendar Of Events & Activities

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

- 16 Council Committee Meetings:
 - Zoning, Planning & Housing
 - Transportation
 - Public Safety & Welfare

August 2020

- 12 Honolulu City Council Meeting
- 18 Council Committee Meetings:
 - Parks, Community Services & Intergovernmental Affairs
 - Business, Econ Development & Tourism
 - Executive Matters & Legal Affairs
- 19 Council Committee Meetings:
 - Budget
 - Public Infrastructure,

Technology

& Sustainability

- 20 Council Committee Meetings:
 - Zoning, Planning & Housing
 - Transportation
 - Public Safety & Welfare
- 21 Admissions Day Holiday

Reconstruction of Sidewalks

\$150,000

Widening of sidewalk for appropriate ADA accessibility on the west end of **Pali Momi Street, from Haukapila Road** to the next driveway (going Makai) that is the ingress/egress to Pearlridge Mall, approximately 1/10 of a mile.

Waipio Point Access Road Improvements

\$1,000,000

Plan, design, construct, and inspect multimodal improvements along Waipio Point Access Road beginning at Farrington Highway and ending at the entrance of the Pearl Harbor Bike Path. No monies for multimodal improvements along Waipio Point Access Road shall be expended or encumbered unless State matching funds are released to the City.

Addition of Bus Operating Funds

\$300,000

In Operating Budget, funds a circulating bus route to connect riders to the **Pearlridge/Kalauao Station** from other areas in Pearl City/'Aiea.

Bulky Item Appointment System Coming to All of O'ahu

The City's Department of Environmental Services (ENV) is expanding the bulky item appointment-based collection system island-wide starting July 1, 2020, for all individual residents and multi-unit residential buildings. The original pilot project from Foster Village to Hawaii Kai has wrapped up, and lessons learned were applied before the Oahu rollout.

Under the old system, the bulky item collection trucks had to drive down every street on the island on designated days to make a pickup. This island-wide appointment system helps our island to be more efficient and environmentally friendly by reducing the driving distances of its bulky item collection trucks.

Residents may schedule their bulky item appointments starting June 1 for the month of July at www.opala.org. Those who do not have online access may call ENV during normal business hours (Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) at 768-3200 option "o," When calling, an ENV employee will assist in scheduling the appointment through www.opala.org. All scheduled appointments for bulky item pickup means items need to be curbside no earlier than 6 p.m. the night before the collection appointment day.

Note that multi-unit dwellings have two options: (1) "Default Option" Each individual unit for multi-unit properties may make their own appointments for up to five bulky items or two metal appliances; and (2) "Alternative Option" Multi-unit dwellings may "opt out" and a property or resident manager may manage and schedule appointments for the entire building, limiting the total amount of items to 20 bulky items or eight metal appliances per appointment.

Draft Pedestrian Priority Network—We Need Your Feedback

The City's Department of Transportation Services (DTS) just published the Draft Pedestrian Priority Network, which will help to later develop the first ever O'ahu Pedestrian Plan, and requests comments and input from the public.

The Pedestrian Priority Network consists of the City streets that provide important pedestrian connections to transit, schools, employment, and other major destinations. The network will be used as the basis for identifying where pedestrian infrastructure improvements are most needed.

Help to be part of the pedestrian improvements that will be designed around the City by providing your feedback on the Draft Pedestrian Priority Network until Monday, July 6th 2020 at 4:30 p.m. Please visit http://www.honolulu.gov/completestreets/pedplan to submit any comments. The public may also contact Daniel Alexander at daniel.alexander@honolulu.gov or 808-768-6652 for any additional information or comments.

It's Not Too Late—Fill Out Your 2020 Census Now!

https://2020census.gov/

Filling out the US Census has a direct impact in your community. So much of public policy and public funding at the Federal, State, and at the City and County of Honolulu levels relies on data from the US Census. Your answers help to feed our students lunch during the summer, build highway projects, keep our public transit running, and support families in need through housing, job training, and assistance to our kupuna.

You can respond, online, via the mail, or on the phone. And language support is also available at: https://2020census.gov/en/languages.html

If you don't have the paper mailed to you to use for your online response, or if you have questions, just call the US Census Bureau at 1-844-330-2020. It's toll free, and they are open Monday through Friday from 1AM to 8PM Hawaii Standard Time.

New Appointees to the Clean Water and Natural Lands Fund Advisory Commision

I have submitted appointments for two people to serve on the City's Clean Water and Natural Lands Fund (CWNLF) Advisory Commission. **Resolution 20-63 appoints Jamie Tanimoto and Resolution 20-66 reappoints Kahi Pacarro.** Both resolutions and appointments are up for approval at the July 8 City Council Meeting. The CWNLF Advisory Commission recommends projects to preserve clean water and land. These are funded by ½% of all Real Property Taxes, and the fund was created by Honolulu Voters via a Charter Amendment. More information can be found here: http://www.honolulu.gov/cwnl.html.