

PORTIONS OF KALIHI VALLEY & LILIHA, KALIHI-PALAMA, IWILEI, KALIHI KAI, SAND ISLAND, MAPUNAPUNA, SALT LAKE, ALIAMANU, HICKAM, FOSTER VILLAGE, PEARL HARBOR, PORTIONS OF AIEA/HALAWA ESTATES

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UPDATES ON LEGISLATION

Resolution 16-23, CD1 RATIFYING A CITY INVOLVED WORK ELEMENT INCLUDED IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM (OWP)

During the February 17, 2016 Council Meeting, Resolution 16-23, CD1 was adopted which approves the ratification of a City involved work element, Kapalama Sub-Area Multimodal Circulation and Mobility Study, that was included in the Federal Fiscal Year 2015 OWP. The study area was bounded on the west by Nimitz Hwy (between Waiakamilo St. & Alakawa St.), on the north by Waiakamilo St. (between Nimitz Hwy. & N. King St.), on the west by N. King St. (between Waiakamilo St. & Dillingham Blvd.), and on the south by Alakawa St. area (Dillingham Blvd. to Kaaahi St.) This will look at the mobility and circulation patterns in Kapalama as it relates to the upcoming rail stations and would allow the Department of Transportation Services to look at any infrastructure and complete street improvements that are necessary to accommodate pedestrians, bikes, rail, bus, etc.

Resolution 16-8 URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION DIRECTING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ENFORCEMENT OF RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL NOISE STANDARDS

Councilmember Trevor Ozawa has introduced a Resolution to address the increase of noise complaints. The City and County Departments are often asked to address noise complaints but are ill-equipped to respond to the community noise control complaints on a local level. The proposed Bill is deemed necessary because the DOH has the power and authority to adopt rules to prevent, control, and abate residential and commercial noise in the State, but has failed to do so. Residential and commercial noise complaints have been increasing and the DOH is unable to address those complaints since there are no administrative rules in place to address them. Councilmember Ozawa's legislation then urges such rules to control vehicular noise and other specific areas for control of excessive noise.

Bill 77 (2015), CD1 RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR HOMES

This legislation passed third reading as amended in its current during the February 17 Council Meeting and was submitted to Mayor Caldwell for his approval on February 18. This Bill amends the ordinances relating to the real property tax exemption for homes. Real property homeowners will be able to continue to receive homeowner exemption in the event the owner of the real property vacates the home for which the exemption is granted and moves to a temporary residence outside the City during/or in the event the owner vacates the home and moves to a temporary residence within the City due to the home being damaged or destroyed by fire.

Calendar

March 1

-Public Health, Safety & Welfare Committee Meeting 9AM

-Parks, Community & Customer Services Committee Meeting 10:30AM

-Executive Matters and Legal Affairs Committee Meeting 1PM

March 2

-Budget Committee Meeting 9AM

-Public Works, Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee Meeting 1PM

March 3

-Zoning and Planning Committee Meeting 9AM

-Transportation Committee Meeting 1PM

March 9

-Kalihi Valley Neighborhood Board #16 Meeting 7PM

March 16

-Council Meeting 10AM

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HART Groundbreaking Ceremony at West Loch Transit Station

The groundbreaking ceremony for Honolulu rail system's West Loch Station, which is located at the intersection of Farrington Highway and Leoku Street in Waipahu, was held on February 25. Along with Councilmember Manahan, there were representatives from the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART), Hawaiian Dredging Construction Company, officials on the local, state, and federal level that were all present during this milestone event. The project is continually moving forward with the Kapolei to Aloha Stadium section of the rail being scheduled to open in 2018.



Mahalo to the Department of Facility Maintenance, Division of Road Maintenance for initiating a Service Request to repair the storm drain and remove the two trees located at the end of Lowell Place. Service Request is upon completion once resources become available to the department. .

Construction Work Notice on Dillingham Blvd.

Councilmember Manahan was notified that the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) will be conducting investigative potholing work to locate underground utilities on Dillingham Blvd. between Puuhale Rd. to Kaaahi St.

Work will take place weekdays, during normal working hours, from Monday March 7, 2016 through Friday, May 31, 2016 between 7AM to 5PM. Some night and/or weekend work may be scheduled on a limited, as needed basis, if required.

The investigative work include the use of potholing machinery and ground surface repair for each test location. Work will be ongoing on both Ewa and Diamond Head bound lanes of Dillingham Blvd. during this time period.

Scheduled lane closures will take place as required and may present limited traffic interruption. Special duty police officers may be on hand to assist with the flow of area traffic. Those who are within close proximity to the work zone may experience increased noise levels from machinery during work hours.

If you have any questions or comments, please call HART's 24-hour project hotline at (808) 566-2299.