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While the second Monday in October is observed throughout the United States as Indigenous People's Day (& federally as Christopher Columbus Day), this day is known throughout Hawai'i as Discoverers' Day in recognition of the Polynesian discoverers of the Hawaiian Islands.

Polynesians settled in Hawai'i between 300 AD – 600 AD, a thousand years before Captain Cook's arrival. They navigated thousands of miles in outrigger or double-hulled voyaging canoes for weeks at a time, using only their knowledge of the stars to guide them. The ancient Polynesians are regarded as the supreme navigators of oceanic travel, & their accomplishments are observed with the utmost admiration.

Today, the Polynesian Voyaging Society honors & perpetuates traditional Polynesian voyaging through educational programs that inspire respect for communities, culture, & environment.

In the spirit of celebrating our wonderful community, we are thrilled to share some exciting news. The O'ahu Babe Ruth League Hawaiian Islanders emerged as the champions of the 2023 13-&-Under Babe Ruth World Series Championship, showcasing their remarkable teamwork, sportsmanship, & dedication. These young athletes have made our island home proud, & we hope their triumph inspires generations of budding sports stars.

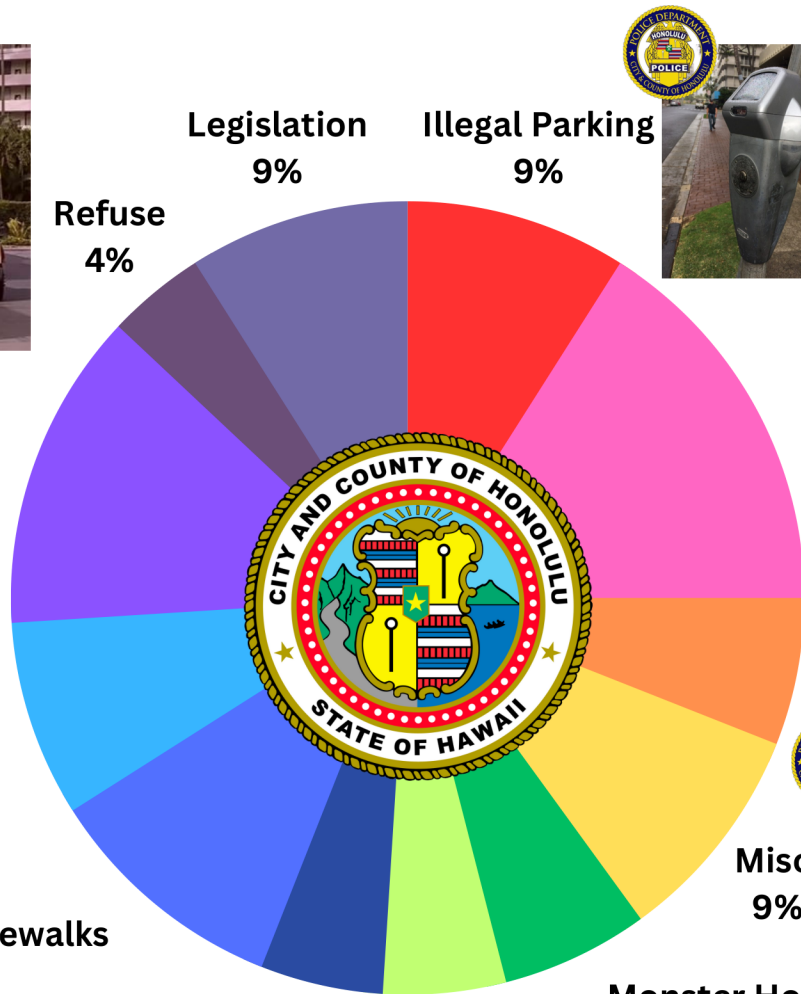
We also had the privilege of recognizing Kaimukī Christian Church, whose century of ministry has been a beacon of hope & compassion in East Honolulu. The Waikīkī Grand Hotel was also honored for its 60 years of exceptional service & hospitality, welcoming visitors from all over the world with warmth & aloha.

If you have any City-related questions or community concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or my staff. We are committed to responding promptly & working tirelessly to represent & support you.

Mahalo,

# SEPTEMBER 2023 DISTRICT 4

## CONSTITUENT REQUESTS FOR SERVICE



Refuse  
4%



Illegal Parking  
9%



Park Maintenance  
16%



Public Safety  
13%



Building Permits  
8%

Homeless  
6%



Misc.  
9%

Roads & Sidewalks  
10%



Monster Homes  
6%

Speeding  
5%



**September 2023**  
**Constituent Calls Received : 412**  
**Meetings Attended: 101**

## EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

### OCTOBER'S FULL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 4, 10:00 am  
Kapolei Hale

#### How to Register to Speak or Submit Testimony for Council & Committee Meetings

It's important to share your thoughts on Honolulu City Council's legislation. Attending Council or Committee in-person meetings may not always be possible, but you can submit testimony via mail, fax, email, or online. Visit [hnldoc.hawaii.gov/hnldoc/testimony](http://hnldoc.hawaii.gov/hnldoc/testimony) to learn more.

#### Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 02

October 5, 6:30 pm, Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse

#### Waikīkī Neighborhood Board No. 09

October 10, 6:00 pm, Waikīkī Community Center

#### Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Neighborhood Board No. 05

October 12, 6:00 pm, Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse

#### Kaimukī Neighborhood Board No. 04

October 18, 6:30 pm, Kaimukī Public Library

#### Wai'alae-Kāhala Neighborhood Board No. 03

October 19, 7:00 pm, Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse

#### Hawai'i Kai Neighborhood Board No. 01

October 24, 7:00 pm, Haha'ione Elementary School Cafeteria

#### Public Hearing Scheduled for Proposed City Park Shore Water Event Rules



Surf's up, water enthusiasts! The Honolulu Department of Parks & Recreation wants to hear from you about the proposed new rules for Waikīkī & North Shore Near Shore Water Events. Get ready to make a splash with your feedback on these guidelines covering swim races, canoe regattas, triathlons, & surf contests. You can dive into the discussion in person at Kapolei Hale or online via Zoom from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, October 20, 2023. Don't miss your chance to add your voice to this wave of public opinion & help shape the future of water events at City parks.

## DISTRICT 4 UPDATES

### Koko Head Elementary School Site Visit



I had the pleasure of meeting the 1st-grade class at Koko Head Elementary School in East Honolulu. The students were all full of energy & super akamai, with aspirations to become O'ahu's future leaders. I had the chance to talk story, shared my role at the Honolulu City Council, & answered all of their amazing & unique questions. It was a memorable day, & I'm eagerly looking forward to visiting them again soon. Mahalo nui Koko Head Elementary!

### LEGISLATIVE REVIEW



During September, the Honolulu City Council met in Committee Meetings to discuss important bills & resolutions affecting City & County of Honolulu residents & addressing issues that impact the community's well-being.

- **Bill 52 (2023) - Relating to Large Dwellings:** Aims to enhance penalties for developing oversized homes, known as monster homes. This bill proposes substantial fines of up to \$25,000 for initial violations & daily penalties of \$10,000 per violation. The goal is to discourage the construction of oversized homes that may disrupt the character & harmony of Honolulu's neighborhoods. Bill 52 passed its first reading at the Zoning Committee Meeting on September 6.
- **Resolution 23-209:** Urging the Department of Human Resources to work with the University of Hawai'i Community College System to create a General Civics Program at the Community Colleges on O'ahu.
- **Resolution 23-212:** Requesting the Department of Transportation Services to conduct a Traffic Study on the Wai'alae Avenue corridor between 1st Avenue & 11th Avenue, including cross streets.
- **Resolution 23-214:** Federal Highway Administration & Federal Transit Administration Candidate Project for consideration in the New Federal Fiscal Years 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program.

For more information on these bills or other legislative matters, visit [honolulucitycouncil.org](http://honolulucitycouncil.org).

## DISTRICT 4 UPDATES (con't)

### City Announces Junior Lifeguard Programs for Fall Break



Attention parents of keiki ages 11-17. The Honolulu Emergency Services Department, Ocean Safety & Lifeguard Services Division is proud to announce the return of the Fall 2023 Ocean Safety Junior Lifeguard Program! This FREE one-day program will be held at five locations around O`ahu from Oct. 9-13. Register your keiki at [emergencyservices.honolulu.gov/ocean-safety-lifeguard-services/junior-lifeguards](https://emergencyservices.honolulu.gov/ocean-safety-lifeguard-services/junior-lifeguards). Keiki may only participate in one of the day-long programs, & preference will be given to those from zip codes nearest each location!

Keiki who complete the program, will receive a Fall Junior Lifeguards Certificate. The one-day program will run from 9 am to 3 pm & include instruction in CPR, Basic First Aid, Rescue Board, Rescue Tube, & Near-shore rescue techniques.

Here are the locations & dates of the one-day events:

- Kualoa Beach Park, Kane`ohe (Monday, Oct. 9)
- Hūnānaniho (formerly Waimānalo Bay Beach Park), Waimānalo (Tuesday, Oct. 10)
- Poka`i Bay Beach Park, Wai`anae (Wednesday, Oct. 11)
- Kaimana Beach, Waikīkī (Thursday, Oct. 12)
- Kailua Beach Park, Kailua (Friday, Oct. 13)

Last year, almost 2,000 youth participated in the program. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity for your keiki to learn important ocean safety skills from O`ahu's best!

### Honoring & Recognizing Joy Kimura, 2023 Hawai'i Mother of the Year



Since 1935, American Mothers has been celebrating the most remarkable moms across the US. One such mom is Joy Kimura, recognized as the 2023 Hawai'i Mother of the Year & showered with honors at the Council Honorary Certificate Ceremony in September. Joy is not your regular mom; she's a compassionate leader who's spent her life serving others. She's worked for US Congressman Neil Abercrombie & even owned her own business in Asia for over ten years! These days, she's the Government Affairs & Compliance Director for Hawai'i Laborers & Employers Cooperation & Education Trust Fund. That's not all though, she's also the President of Soroptimist Honolulu, volunteers with YWCA of O`ahu Fernhurst, IHS Hawai'i, & Honolulu Habitat. Talk about a supermom!

## WHO ARE YOU GOING TO CALL?

Abandoned Vehicles	733-2530
Building Permit	768-8220
Building Code Compliance	768-8259
Bus Route/Schedule Info	848-5555
City Council	768-5010
City General Information Hotline	768-4385
Community Policing Team—East Honolulu	723-3354
Community Policing Team—Waikīkī	723-3349
Complaint (City Government)	768-4381
Dead Animal Pickup—City	832-3200
Dead Animal Pickup—State	485-6200
Dept. of Emergency Management	723-8960
Driver Licensing & State ID	768-9100
Illegal Dumping	768-3203
Mayor's Office	768-4141
Motor Vehicle Title & Reg	768-4325
Park Maintenance—East Honolulu	768-8944
Pothole Hotline	768-7777
Refuse Collection—Honolulu	832-5990
Satellite City Hall Services	768-4325
Senior Helpline	768-7700
Stream Maintenance	768-7890
Street Light Repair	768-5300
Street Sign Repair	768-6300
Tree Trimming	971-7151

For concerns about individuals experiencing homelessness or homeless encampments, the City & County of Honolulu's Crisis Outreach Response & Engagement Program (C.O.R.E.) responds to medical, mental, & social needs of non-violent homeless-related concerns. Please get in touch with C.O.R.E via email ([HonoluluCORE@honolulu.gov](mailto:HonoluluCORE@honolulu.gov)) or call their hotline at (808) 768-2673 to request for assistance.

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