

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY CONCERNS

The following are a few of the many concerns that Councilmember Menor has been working on throughout the district:

Pahika Street Traffic Signal

Councilmember Menor previously submitted a Request for Investigation and Service Report (RISR) on behalf of a constituent who raised concerns regarding pedestrian safety at the intersection of Renton Road and Pahika Street which is near Ewa Elementary School. The constituent noted that this intersection was especially dangerous for children who walk to the nearby school.

The RISR was referred to the City Department of Transportation Services and a traffic investigation was completed. The Department of Transportation Services has concluded that the intersection meets the criteria for the installation of a traffic signal. The installation of this traffic signal will be completed pending the availability of funds.

Renton Road Speeding

Councilmember Menor has submitted a RISR on behalf of a constituent regarding speeding motorists along Renton Road between Fort Weaver Road and Asing Park. The posted speed limit in this area is currently 25 MPH and motorists often drive well above this limit. The constituent recommended a number of speed abatement installations to combat this.

The RISR has been referred to the City Department of Transportation Services who will conduct an investigation into the constituent's concerns once school is back in session. Councilmember Menor will provide any necessary updates.

Fort Weaver Abandoned Boat

A constituent notified Councilmember Menor that a boat and a washing machine had been abandoned along Fort Weaver Road near the entrance to Ewa Beach Golf Club. Councilmember Menor submitted a RISR regarding this issue and it was determined that the boat had been left on State property. State work crews will remove the boat and washing machine and will be installing a barrier to prevent any further illegal dumping.

Kaieleele Place Sidewalk Repair

Councilmember Menor forwarded a RISR on behalf of a constituent regarding a damaged sidewalk near the intersection of Kaieleele Place and Kaieleele Street. The

sidewalk had been uprooted by a nearby tree.

The RISR was referred to the City Department of Facility Maintenance who sent out a work crew from the Division of Road Maintenance. The work crew patched the sidewalk last month to eliminate the hazard to pedestrians. A permanent repair to the sidewalk will be performed in the future. Councilmember Menor will closely monitor this issue and provide any necessary updates.

Kapolei Parkway Maintenance

At the Ewa Villages Owners Association's annual meeting, a constituent brought to Councilmember Menor's attention the need for maintenance to Kapolei Parkway between Renton Road and Kualakai Parkway. The constituent noted a broken chain link fence and the lack of regular landscaping work in this area.

Councilmember Menor submitted a RISR on behalf of this constituent. The RISR was referred to the City Department of Facility Maintenance who will be removing the overgrown vegetation in this area. This work will be completed by the end of August. It was also determined that the damaged fence is maintained by the City Department of Enterprise Services who will be repairing the damage.

Varona Village Update

Over the past two months, Councilmember Menor has organized several community meetings regarding the much-needed renovations to Varona Village. The residents of Varona Village have been waiting for over 20 years for the City to make good on its commitment to rehabilitate their community. Councilmember Menor is pleased to report that, at his urging, the Mayor's administration has committed to issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) by the end of August. For developers to submit plans for the redevelopment of Varona Village.

As the City prepares to issue the RFP, Varona Village residents have provided their recommendations and comments for the City to consider. The recommendations include the establishment of a priority for offering homes to tenants of record (former sugar plantation workers) and their family members.

Upcoming Meetings

Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 3, 2016

Honolulu Hale, 530 South King Street
Third Floor Council Chambers

- Morning Session: 10 am
- Afternoon Session: 1:30 pm

Committee Meetings

Tuesday, July 19, 2016

- Public Health, Safety & Welfare: 9 am
- Parks, Cmty & Customer Scvs: 10:30 am
- Executive Matter & Legal Affairs 1 pm

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

- Budget: 9 am



Useful Contact Info

- For concerns regarding refuse collection and bulky items:
 - ⇒ Wahiawa baseyard (Kunia Camp, Mililani, Waipio Acres): 768-3200
- Where to dispose of household trash and residential waste material: 226-2996 (Ewa Convenience Center)
- To report an abandoned vehicle: 733-2530
- To report a pothole: 768-7777 (City street) or 536-7852 (State road) or email: www1.honolulu.gov/dfm/road/pothole.htm
- To file a complaint with the City's complaint office: 768-4381 or email: complaints@honolulu.gov
- To report sidewalks that are cracked, uplifted or obstructed: 768-8159
- For concerns regarding park maintenance: 675-6030
- For concerns regarding bus and handivan operations: 768-8300
- For concerns regarding motor vehicle registration and drivers' licensing: 532-4324 or 532-4325
- Barking dogs: HPD (911)
- For complaints regarding public trees: 971-7151
- For complaints regarding satellite city halls: 532-7747
- For permits at City campgrounds: 768-3440
- For updates/ traffic advisories on Honolulu's rail transit project: 566-2299



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CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

Ewa, Ewa Beach, Mililani, Waikale, Waipahu, Village Park, and Royal Kunia

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Message from Councilmember Ron Menor

Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

I hope that you and your families had an enjoyable and relaxing Independence Day holiday. In the time since my last report, I have had the privilege of recognizing a number of outstanding teams and individuals from our community. These honorees exemplify the accomplishments that are possible with passion and hard work.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Kevin Rathbun on his recent appointment to the Neighborhood Commission. The City Council confirmed Mr. Rathbun's appointment at its July 6th Council meeting. Mr. Rathbun is the former Chair of Ewa Neighborhood Board No. 23 and I am confident that he will serve his community well in this new role.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you. If you need assistance, please contact me at 768-5009 or via email at: rmenor@honolulu.gov. Also, log on to: www.facebook.com/CouncilmemberRonMenor for more details about my activities as your councilmember.

CONGRATULATIONS STATE CHAMPIONS!



The City Council presented an honorary certificate to the James Campbell High School (JCHS) Varsity Softball Team for winning the 2016 DataHouse/HHSAA Division I Softball State Championship. The honorary certificate was presented at the City Council's monthly meeting which was held at the University of Hawaii - West Oahu campus on July 6th. Pictured here are (L to R) Councilmember Elefante, Councilmember Kobayashi, Cydney Curran, Kiani Telles, Cieana Curran, Danielle Cervantes, Councilmember Pine, Alesia Ranches, Councilmember Menor, Nikki Corla, Head Coach Michael Hermosura, Athletic Director Sam Delos Reyes, Councilmember Fukunaga, Councilmember Ozawa, and Councilmember Manahan.

JCHS BOYS WRESTLING



Councilmember Menor and Kymberly Marcos Pine co-sponsored an honorary certificate recognizing the JCHS Boys Varsity Wrestling Team for winning the 2016 OIA Team Championship. The City Council presented the honorary certificate at its monthly meeting on July 6th. This was the team's fourth consecutive OIA Championship and its fifth since 2010.

The Sabers finished the OIA Championship Tournament with nine total placers including four individual champions. Head Coach **Lucas Misaki**, 113 pound OIA Champion **Triston Santos**, and 220 pound OIA Champion **James Sullivan** attended the ceremony to accept the honorary certificate on behalf of the team.

JCHS BOYS TRACK



Councilmembers Menor and Pine also honored the JCHS Boys Varsity Track Team for winning the 2016 OIA Boys Varsity Track Championships for the third consecutive year.

The team had an impressive showing at the 2016 OIA Varsity Track Championships, bolstered by strong performances from seniors **Jonah Jessop** and **Corey Smith**. Jessop placed first in both the 100 and 300 meter hurdles while Smith won the 100 meter dash and the 200 meter dash. Jessop and Smith also teamed up with **Nicholas Bachiller** and **Kevin Johnson** to win the 4x100 meter relay. Head Coach **Wyatt Tau** and **Darin Rolark** were on hand to accept the honorary certificate for the team.

OUT 'N ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY



Councilmembers Menor, Elefante, and Pine are pictured here with Spencer and Aubrey Bento at a June 14th committee meeting. The Ewa by Gentry residents are volunteering as City Council interns at Honolulu Hale.



(L to R) U.S. Army Major General Edward Dorman III, Pat Menor, Councilmember Menor, and Rear Admiral John V. Fuller at an Independence Day Luncheon hosted by Rear Admiral Fuller at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on July 4th.



(L to R) Jodi Akau, Ruth Kepo'o, Sweetheart Galdeira, Councilmember Menor, Audrey Yara, and Leann Kaawa at the Hoakalei Ho'ike. The funds raised by the food truck and craft event benefitted the Ewa Weed & Seed program.



Councilmember Menor and Honolulu Police Department Weed & Seed Officer Roland Pagan addressed the crowd at the Hoakalei Ho'ike.



Councilmember Menor attended the Ewa Villages Owners Association's annual meeting at Ewa Elementary School's cafeteria. At the meeting, Councilmember Menor delivered short remarks and addressed a number of community issues that were raised by residents at the meeting.



Councilmember Menor and his wife Pat, along with Senator Clarence Nishihara and his wife Lynn, attended the 50th wedding anniversary of Ilalo and Brigida Parayno on June 3rd at the Hale Koa Hotel. Mr. Parayno served as an educator and administrator at James Campbell High School for many years.

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Councilmembers Menor and Pine co-sponsored an honorary certificate recognizing Ewa Elementary School's Team Poseidon for winning first place at the SeaPerch Challenge Regional Championships. The SeaPerch Challenge is an underwater robotics competition that requires students to build an underwater, remotely operated vehicle that must complete simple tasks. The honorary certificate was presented at the City Council's June 1st meeting at Honolulu Hale.



Councilmember Menor organized a meeting for Varona Village residents to meet with Keith Ishida from the City Department of Community Services to voice concerns regarding the planned rehabilitation of Varona Village. The meeting was held at the D.E. Thompson Village community meeting room on June 7th.



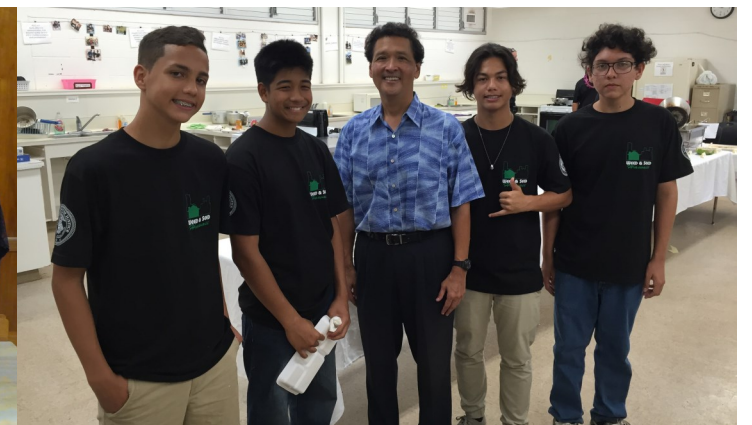
Councilmember Menor attended the 2nd Annual Biotechnology Science Scholars Symposium on July 8th at Waipahu High School. James Campbell High School students Ronnie Insong (left) and Amanda Ilang-Ilang (right) presented their extremely impressive research at the symposium. Also pictured is their science teacher, Marites Galamgam (2nd from right).



Councilmember Menor was privileged to attend the Hawaii National Guard Youth CHALLENGE Academy graduation ceremony for Class 15-2 (44) on June 15th at the Pearl City Cultural Center. West Oahu students were part of the graduating class. Pictured from (L to R) are Councilmember Elefante, Circuit Court Judge Steven S. Alm, Youth CHALLENGE Academy Director Juan D. Williams and Councilmember Menor.



The City Council presented an honorary certificate to Ewa Beach resident Yudai Leonzon for winning the solo instrumentalist and overall categories of the middle school division of the 2016 Brown Bags to Stardom competition. The presentation was held in the City Council Chambers on July 14th. Pictured from (L to R) are Councilmember Manahan, Council Chair Martin, Nagako Leonzon, Koshiro Leonzon (holding certificate), Kimo Leonzon, Yudai Leonzon, Councilmember Menor, and Yudai's violin teacher, Mariko Yuen.



Councilmember Menor attended the 13th Annual Culinary Arts Summer Program Appreciation Luncheon at James Campbell High School on July 14th. Councilmember Menor presented Certificates of Merit to students who completed the program. Event attendees were treated to a lunch buffet that was prepared by the culinary students and Roy's Ko Olina Executive Chef Darryl Shinogi. This summer culinary program is administered by Ewa Weed & Seed. Pictured from (L to R) are Kasey Shodehl, Kody Young, Councilmember Menor, Lance Roehl, and Robert Diaz.