



'Ewa Monthly Report for October 2018 CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

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



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Message from Councilmember Ron Menor

Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

On September 29, I was pleased to be able to volunteer at the **Celebrate Safe Communities** event which was held at Pearlridge Center. This annual event, which is sponsored by the **U.S. Department of Justice**, the **Honolulu Police Department**, and **Weed & Seed Hawaii**, featured live entertainment, a medication take back program, and numerous educational booths for community members to enjoy. HPD also recognized community citizen patrol groups, including Ewa volunteers. As I have in the past, I distributed plate lunches to volunteers in each of the booths at the event. It is always a pleasure to see so many of my constituents supporting this community event.

In closing, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your City Councilmember. For more details about my activities as your councilmember, please log on and follow: facebook.com/CouncilmemberRonMenor. If you are ever in need of assistance, you may contact me at any time at 768-5009 or via email at: rmenor@honolulu.gov.

Mahalo!

CELEBRATE SAFE COMMUNITIES 2018



Councilmember Menor and Councilmember Brandon Elefante are pictured above with Honolulu Police Chief Susan Ballard at the Celebrate Safe Communities event at Pearlridge Center.

CELEBRATE SAFE COMMUNITIES 2018



(Left photo) The 2018 Celebrate Safe Communities event was held at Pearlridge Uptown on September 29. Attendees were able to talk to representatives from various organizations including the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) and the Honolulu Fire Department.

(Right photo) Pictured above, a member of HPD's Specialized Services Division explains some of the specialized equipment that officers use.

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY CONCERNS

The following is an update on several of the many community issues that Councilmember Menor has been addressing:

'Ewa Parks Update

On September 1, the City will begin securing park facilities in several Oahu districts as an extension of a successful pilot project that proved successful in preventing vandalism in City parks. Comfort stations, park facilities, and parking lots will be closed at 'Ewa Mahiko District Park and 'Ewa Beach Community Park. Closures will run from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m.

Driver Licensing Renewals

At the City Council's September 12 meeting, the Council adopted Resolution 18-150 which urges the City Department of Customer Services to fill departmental vacancies, provide more driver licensing appointments, and offer State identification services at additional locations. The resolution was adopted in response to an increased demand for driver licensing and State identification services that has increased lines and wait times at all Driver Licensing Centers.

The Council also adopted Resolution 18-174 which requests that the City

administration consider pre-screening applicants, extended weekday hours at Satellite City Halls, permanent weekend hours, dedicated appointments for kupuna and other amenities for kupuna drivers.

Commercial Driver's License (CDL)

Councilmember Menor was recently contacted by Representative Bob McDermott who notified him that the City is in dire need of more CDL road test examiners. The current shortage of examiners has led to a backlog of applicants who are awaiting an opportunity to complete the testing required to obtain their CDL license. Councilmember Menor has submitted a Request for Investigation and Service Report (RISR) asking the City to investigate and address this matter.

Bill 61 (2018)

Bill 61 (2018) was heard at the City Council's October 3 meeting and will receive an additional hearing in the Transportation Committee. This bill, if approved, will require public notice, input, and engagement whenever the City administration proposes the removal of a marked crosswalk. These requirements will also apply when a crosswalk is anticipated to be removed as part of a street or highway repaving project.

Upcoming Meetings

Committee Meetings

Council committee meetings will be held at Honolulu Hale, Room 205, as follows:

Tuesday - October 16, 2018

- Parks, Cmty & Customer Svcs: 9 am
- Planning: 10:30 am
- Executive Matters & Legal Affairs: 1 pm

Wednesday - October 17, 2018

- Budget: 9 am
- Public Works, Infrastructure, & Sustainability: 1 pm

Thursday - October 18, 2018

- Zoning & Housing: 9 am
- Transportation: 1 pm
- Public Health, Safety, Welfare: 2:30 pm

Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Honolulu Hale, 530 South King Street
Third Floor Council Chambers

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

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS



Councilmember Menor joined Governor David Ige, center, Mayor Kirk Caldwell, fifth from left, and other stakeholders at the groundbreaking and blessing ceremony for Keahumoa Place, a new affordable rental community that is being built in east Kapolei. The project will provide 320 affordable rental units. Most of these units will be offered to residents whose incomes are at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and for whom affordable housing is an urgent need.



Councilmember Menor is pictured above with Representative Sharon Har, Governor David Ige, and Hawaii Housing Finance & Development Corporation Executive Director Craig Hirai at the September 20 groundbreaking of Kulana Hale, an affordable housing project for seniors in Kapolei that will feature 154 units available to seniors earning 30% to 60% of AMI.

Useful City Contact Information

- For concerns regarding refuse collection and bulky items:
 - ⇒ Wahiawa baseyard (Kunia Camp, Mililani, Waipio Acres) 768-3200
- 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 or uplifted: 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) or the Hawaiian Humane Society (946-2187)
- Crowing roosters: 799-7791
- 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