

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY CONCERNS

City Budget

The City Council has sent a balanced budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 to Mayor Kirk Caldwell for his signature. This was a successful year in the City budget process and Councilmember Menor was able to secure funds that could benefit the Ewa community in a variety of ways.

Councilmember Menor was able to include funding in the budget for the following improvements: the annual costs of four portable toilets to be placed at One'ula Beach Park; repairs to the Ewa Mahiko District Park gym facility; bleachers and a storage container for the Ewa Mahiko District Park baseball fields; monies to restore the Ewa Plantation Manager's Mansion; and the installation of speed tables on Kuhina Street.

Mayor Caldwell has until June 24 to return the City Budget to the Council.

Illegal Vacation Rentals

Bill 85 (2018), CD2 and Bill 89 (2018), CD2, which were co-authored by Councilmember Menor were passed out by the Zoning Committee on June 7. The bills are positioned for passage at a special meeting of the City Council on Monday, June 17.

There are more than 10,000 vacation rentals on Oahu, thousands of which are operating illegally. Illegal rental units are a major issue that requires action by the City as their proliferation reduces the inventory of rental units available to local families and can negatively affect the character of neighborhoods.

HALE KEWALO

On May 13, Councilmember Menor attended the Grand Opening and Blessing of Hale Kewalo, a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit project that is located at 450 Piikoi Street. The 11-story building consists of 128 affordable rental units broken up into 27 one-bedroom, 72 two-bedroom, and 29 three-bedroom units that will be available to families earning between 30 and 60 percent of the area median income. Monthly rent for a one-bedroom unit will range from \$656 to \$1,093. Two-bedroom units will cost between \$787 to \$1,575 and three-bedroom apartments will cost \$1,819. Rent for these

units also includes solar hot water heating, sewer, and trash collection. Small pets are allowed at Hale Kewalo.

Hale Kewalo was developed and built by Stanford Carr Development and will be operated by Hawaii Affordable Properties. Both companies are locally owned and are committed to providing local residents with affordable rental options. If you are interested in applying for a unit, please visit www.halekewalo.com or call Hawaii Affordable Properties at 589-1845 ext. 14 to obtain an application.



Pictured above is the newly completed Hale Kewalo apartment building which is located at 450 Piikoi Street. Hawaii Affordable Properties is now accepting applications for new tenants.

Upcoming Meetings

Committee Meetings

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

Tuesday - June 18, 2019

- Parks, Community Services, & Intergovernmental Affairs: 9 am
- Business, Econ. Dev., & Tourism: 10:30 am
- Executive Matters & Legal Affairs: 1 pm

Wednesday - June 19, 2019

- Budget: 9 am
- Public Infrastructure, Technology, and Sustainability: 1 pm

Thursday - June 20, 2019

- Zoning & Housing: Cancelled
- Transportation: 1pm
- Public Safety & Welfare: 2:30 pm

Special Council Meeting

Monday, June 17, 2019 @ 10 am

Honolulu Hale, 530 South King Street
Third Floor Council Chambers

Council Meeting

Wednesday, July 3, 2019

Honolulu Hale, 530 South King Street
Third Floor Council Chambers

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

Useful Contact Info

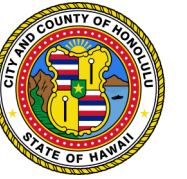
- For concerns regarding refuse collection and bulky items:
 - ⇒ Wahiawa baseyard (Kunia Camp, Mililani, Waipio Acres): 768-3200
- Where to dispose of household trash and residential waste material: 226-2996 (Ewa Convenience Center)
- To report an abandoned vehicle: 733-2530
- To report a pothole: 768-7777 (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: 768-8118
- For concerns regarding park maintenance: 675-6030
- For concerns regarding bus and handi-van 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)
- 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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Message from Councilmember Ron Menor

Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

The end of the school year marks a time to recognize the various accomplishments of the many outstanding students in our community. Every May, I visit schools in Ewa and Ewa Beach to present honorary certificates to these exemplary students. It is a hectic time in my office but it is one of the most gratifying parts of my job. Congratulations to each of the students who were selected for recognition.

Congratulations also to the **James Campbell High School Class of 2019!** Nearly 700 students received their diplomas this year. These students represent the best and brightest of our keiki and are now off to begin the next chapter of their lives. Best wishes to the Class of 2019 for continued success in whatever you choose to pursue.

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your City Councilmember. To stay up to date about my ongoing activities as your City councilmember, please log on to Facebook and follow my page which can be found at: 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!



Councilmembers Menor and Kymberly Marcos Pine co-sponsored an honorary certificate recognizing the James Campbell High School varsity softball team for winning the Oahu Interscholastic Association (OIA) Division I Softball Championship. This marks the team's second consecutive and seventh overall OIA title. The certificate was presented to the team and their coaches at the City Council's June 5 meeting at Honolulu Hale.

EWA MAKAI MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING CONCERT



The Ewa Makai Middle School Band Program held its annual Spring Concert on campus on May 16. At the end of the concert, Councilmember Menor presented honorary certificates to two outstanding music educators who retired at the end of the year. **(Left photo)** Councilmember Menor is pictured with Band Director **John Iyoki**. Mr. Iyoki started and built the Ewa Makai Middle School Band Program from the ground up. He is retiring after more than 30 years as a teacher for the Department of Education. **(Right Photo)** Pictured with Councilmember Menor is **Kent Miyashiro**, the Polynesian music instructor at Ewa Makai Middle School. These two men have had a profound impact on Ewa Makai Middle School and leave an outstanding legacy that will be carried on by their students and the Band Program.

OUT 'N ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY



Councilmember Menor presented an honorary certificate to Leona Jona who established and managed Ethnic Education Hawaii for 25 years. The honorary certificate was accepted on Ms. Jona's behalf by Larry Ordonez who currently serves as the organization's president.



Keone'ula Elementary School held its 6th Grade Graduation on May 30. Councilmember Menor sponsored honorary certificates recognizing 12 outstanding students for their accomplishments this year.



Congratulations to the 443 Kapolei High School seniors who received their diplomas! This year's commencement exercises were held on campus on May 24.



Councilmember Menor and Assistant Superintendent Heidi Armstrong posed for a quick photo at the Kapolei High School graduation.



Ewa Makai Middle School held its 8th Grade Awards Ceremony on May 17. Councilmember Menor presented honorary certificates to 14 outstanding students who were nominated by their teachers for recognition.



Iroquois Point students are pictured above performing as part of the school's Ohana Day which was held on campus on May 17.

OUT 'N ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY



Councilmember Menor and Governor David Ige are pictured above in one of the apartments at Hale Kewalo, an affordable rental apartment building located in Kaka'ako. The grand opening and blessing were held on May 13.



Councilmember Menor attended the Hawaii Council of Associations of Apartment Owners 2019 Annual Legislative Update on May 30. He is pictured with the organization's president, Jane Sugimura.



Councilmember Menor attended the Mayor's Memorial Day Ceremony at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. This year marked the 70th time that the ceremony has been held. Pictured above are the color guard from each branch of the United States Armed Forces.



Councilmember Menor participated in the Hawaii State Association of Counties Annual Conference on Maui. The conference affords government officials and civic leaders from different counties the opportunity to exchange ideas and dialogue on issues of mutual concern.



Councilmember Menor presented an honorary certificate to District 50 Lions Governor Bob Lee at the organization's 83rd District Convention on May 3. Councilmember Menor is a longtime Lions Club member and former president.



This year's convention was held in the Hibiscus Ballroom at the Ala Moana Hotel. Councilmember Menor is pictured above with former International Director Maurice Kahawai'i.