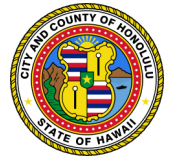




'Ewa Monthly Report for August 2019 CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

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



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Message from Councilmember Ron Menor

First and foremost, I want to commend the members of Ewa Neighborhood Board No. 23 who have served their community for the past two years. Thank you for giving so freely of your time and energies in an effort to better our community.

Congratulations are also in order for the newly-elected board which will serve through June of 2021. Congratulations to the following board members: **David Aki; Mikaela Callahan; John Clark III; Kathleen Foote; Penelope Parnes; Sam Puletasi; Amanda Rathbun; Lynn Robinson-Onderko; John Rogers; Charles Severance; and Mitchell Tynanes.** Thank you for choosing to give back to the Ewa community!

I also wanted to remind you that payments for the first installment of real property taxes are due **Tuesday, August 20.** Payments can be made online at hnlpay.com, by phone at (877) 309-9117, or in person at Honolulu Hale.

In closing, I hope that you and your families are having a relaxing and enjoyable summer. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your City Councilmember. For more details about my activities as your councilmember, log on to: 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!



Congratulations to DreamHouse Ewa Beach, a public charter school for grades 6-12, designed by educators, parents, and community members, with a commitment to preparing students for college and their future careers. The school recently opened and blessed its new location at Laulani Village on July 20. Councilmember Menor is pictured above with DreamHouse founder Alex Teece.

WEED & SEED HAWAII APPRECIATION LUNCHEON



Pictured above are Roy's Ko Olina's Executive Chef Darryl Shinogi (right) and Sous Chef Beni Bangloy (left) with their students that participated and completed Weed & Seed Hawaii's 16th Annual Culinary Arts Summer Program held at James Campbell High School. The class prepared delicious local dishes for the luncheon that showcased what they learned during the six week program. Councilmember Menor prepared Certificates of Merit for the following students who successfully completed the program: Aidan Alexander, Salim Alexander, Isaiah Bertulfo, Allyana Del Rosario, Leanne Rose Dulatre, Kira Durrett Alencastre, Marielle Ermitanio, Lawrence "CJ" Fagin II, Jordan Higa, Gericho Love, Liesa Marie Labarientos, Brianse Laronal, Brandon Nguyen-Phuoc, Jameson Omandan, Chase Paguio-Sejalbo, Jacob Puente, Gizzel Mae Ann Rabago, Ashley Ramil, Jordan Salazar, Remy Santiago-Suka, Kea Francheska Santos, Jeremiah Semilla, Noelle Sespene, Ashley-Joy Sing, Lexis Sing, and Kailani Balbas.

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY CONCERNS

H-1 Shoulder Work

The final phase of the H-1 Shoulder Work and PCCP Pavement Rehabilitation is under way. This phase of the project includes the installation of concrete panels in three areas including at the Pearl City Viaduct in both directions as well as at the Aiea/Stadium off-ramp in the East bound direction.

For up to date traffic and closure information, please visit h1waimalu.com.

City Bus Student Pilot Project

Councilmember Menor has been working closely with James Campbell High School and Kapolei High School administrators as well as the Department of Transportation Services to establish a pilot project that will enable qualified students to ride City buses at no charge to internships and other academic opportunities. Councilmember Menor has drafted a bill to authorize this pilot project and is working with the school administrators to make any necessary adjustments before the bill is submitted. Councilmember Menor will continue to provide updates on the bill and the proposed pilot project as needed.

One'ula Baseball Park Repairs

At the January meeting of Ewa Neighborhood Board No. 23, representatives from the Ewa Beach Little League raised concerns regarding a recent influx of new players to the league and the resulting shortage of suitable fields on which the league could hold practices and games. The league also reported that the baseball field at One'ula Beach Park was in disrepair. The

irrigation system was broken, the backstop had holes, and there was no established pitching mound, base paths, or home plate area.

Councilmember Menor submitted a Request for Investigation and Service Report (RISR) requesting that the City repair the field for the league. He is pleased to report that the City Department of Parks and Recreation intends to replace the irrigation system and refurbish the field to a playable condition. These much-needed repairs are anticipated to begin this fall. Councilmember Menor will continue to monitor the progress of this project and will provide any necessary updates as needed.

Ewa Mahiko Park Gym Repairs

In April of this year, Councilmember Menor attended an event at the Ewa Mahiko District Park Gym. Staff members at the gym reported to Councilmember Menor several issues that needed immediate attention. These include: a leaking HVAC system; a leaking roof, malfunctioning lights; and clogged ventilation slats along the gym floor.

Councilmember Menor submitted a RISR requesting the City Parks Department to address these issues as soon as possible. City Parks Director Michele Nekota reported to Councilmember Menor that the lights in the gym roof have been replaced and work orders had been submitted to address the remaining issues. Councilmember Menor will continue to monitor these repairs and push for their timely completion.

ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE

Councilmember Menor and the Committee on Zoning, Planning and Housing is considering Bill 25 (2019). The measure updates the City's building energy conservation code. The bill would require the installation of infrastructure for electric vehicle charging stations in new commercial and multi-unit residential construction. Additionally, the bill would mandate the installation of solar water heaters for new construction work in residential single-family buildings.

The focus of modernizing the building energy conservation code is to reduce fossil fuel emissions and promote the use of renewable energy.

The committee is balancing the interests of addressing climate change and the potential impacts on the costs of new housing, commercial construction, and loss in the number of gas industry jobs.

The bill was postponed at the last Zoning, Planning and Housing Committee on July 25, 2019 to allow additional time for Councilmembers and stakeholders to review proposed amendments. Moreover, the measure has a number of hearings before it can be passed by the City Council.

Upcoming Meetings

Committee Meetings

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

Tuesday - August 20, 2019

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

Wednesday - August 21, 2019

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

Thursday - August 22, 2019

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

Council Meeting

Wednesday - September 4, 2019

Honolulu Hale, 530 South King Street
Third Floor Council Chambers

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

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