

'Ewa Monthly Report for February 2020 CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9



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Message from Councilmember Ron Menor

I'd like to update you on recent Honolulu City Council legislation that may be of interest to you. At the January 29, 2020 Council meeting, the Council adopted the resolution I introduced, Resolution 19-35, imposing a two term limit for the Prosecuting Attorney. The hope is to rebuild public trust following the corruption scandals. The Zoning, Planning and Housing Committee which I chair also approved a CD1 for Resolution 20-21 relating to granting a special management area (SMA) use permit for improvements at Ala Moana Regional Park and Magic Island. At the request of community members, the CD1 removes approval for the construction of the dog park, construction of the playground and reconfiguration of the parking on the mauka portion of Ala Moana Park Drive from the SMA Use Permit.

Moreoever, I continue to work with school principals in Ewa Beach and Kapolei in regards to Bill 56 (2019), relating to bus passes. I introduced this bill to provide subsidized bus passes for students enrolled at participating high schools to attend off-campus or after-school internships. One such program is the James Campbell High School Work-Based Learning Experience Internship. The program is approximately 12 weeks long and would require students to fulfill 120 hours between their internship site and school/teacher mentor meetings. These programs will help students gain valuable work skills, as well as give students the opportunity to explore various careers that may interest them. We are finalizing this bill to be heard by the Budget Committee this month.

Congratulations to James Campbell High School wrestlers Alizeih Villalpando, He Ino Terukina, Kianna Chargualaf and Anissa Wright. These student athletes captured individual girls OIA Championships in their respective weight divisions. Best of luck to the James Campbell High School Wrestling Team, as they prepare for the State Tournament which takes place on February 21-22, 2020, at the Blaisdell Center Arena.

In closing, 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!

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Councilmember Menor is pictured above with Ewa Neighborhood Board member John Rogers and his wife, Eileen, at Hawaii Bicycling League's (HBL) Annual Dinner and Fundraiser. John Rogers was honored at the event as an HBL Board Member.



Councilmember Menor was a guest on "Island Focus," where he discussed the REAL ID deadline and steps to renew or obtain a duplicate license or State ID with the star in the gold circle. He is pictured with Island Focus host Lyla Berg at the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum. Beginning October 1, 2020, licenses and State IDs without the gold star will not be accepted by Federal agencies. Island Focus can be viewed on Olelo Channel 53, every first and third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays at 4:30 p.m. Episodes can also be viewed online at: https://olelo.org/olelonet/ or on the Olelo Community Media YouTube channel.

COMMUNITY UPDATE

Fort Weaver Road Abandoned Vehicles

An Ewa constituent reported a concern of abandoned vehicles and illegal activity occurring at the corner of Kilaha Street and Fort Weaver Road, Councilmember Menor submitted a request for investigation and service report to the City administration on these issues. A Honolulu Police Department (HPD) officer made checks of the area and reported that officers cited five vehicles for various violations and informed the individuals who were in and around the vehicles of the situation. Furthermore, the constituent reported a similar concern on Fort Weaver Road, east of the above mentioned corner. In this case, an HPD officer went to investigate the area and issued 11 citations for various violations and assisted in the removal of an encampment.

Councilmember Menor will continue to monitor these issues and take necessary follow up actions.

LED Street Lights

Councilmember Menor has been receiving reports of the new LED street light bulbs not functioning properly. Councilmember Menor followed up on this issue with the City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) and received the following response: "We have experienced some quality control issues with the manufacturer of the decorative street lights in West Loch. Our contractor and the manufacturer have been working to resolve these issues". If a street light is out in your neighborhood, please do not hesitate to contact Councilmember Menor's office so that he can report the problem directly to DDC.



(Left Photo) Councilmember Menor attended the 51st Annual Senior Valentine Dance on February 11, 2020, at the Blaisdell Exhibition Hall. He is pictured above with Jeannie Yamanuha of the Ewa Hui Aloha senior citizens club. (Right photo) Councilmember Menor is pictured above with Ewa Elementary School Principal Stanley Tamashiro at their 76th Annual Lincoln Day program.



(Left Photo) Councilmember Menor is pictured above with 2020 President Jack Legal at Hawaii REALTOR's installation of its Board of Directors. The following are the officers and members who were installed: President Jack Legal, President-elect Derek Lau, First Vice President Kelly Liberatore, Secretary Rachel Ball Phillips, Treasurer Julie Meier, Immediate Past President John Harris, Chief Executive Officer Nancy Donahue-Jones, board members Julian Coiner, Larkin Correia, Gina Duncan, Kevin Inn, Josh Jerman, Kalama Kim, Kristin Moreland, Lance Owens, Hannah Sirois and Dennis Yates. (Right Photo) Councilmember Menor attended the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Ewa Beach Troop 319's Jacob Mackay. Councilmember Menor presented an honorary certificate to Jacob for his outstanding accomplishment.



The Honolulu City Council presented an Honorary Certificate to Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) District Manager Glenn Kajiwara on the occasion of his retirement. Glenn served the people of the City and County of Honolulu with DPR for over 37 years. As district manager, he oversaw City parks within District 3, which includes the parks in Ewa and Ewa Beach

Upcoming Meetings

Committee Meetings

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

Tuesday - February 25, 2020

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

Wednesday - February 26, 2020

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

Thursday - February 27, 2020

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

Council Meeting

Wednesday—February 19, 2020

Honolulu Hale, 530 S. King Street

- 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 532-25
- 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