



Waikēle, Village Park, Royal Kunia, Mililani Town, West Loch, Iroquois Point, and portions of Ewa Villages and Ewa Beach



A message from your friendly Councilmember

Augie Tulba

Aloha! My staff and I are hard at work at Honolulu Hale representing the interests of Ewa and other District 9 communities.

As we continue to enjoy the summer, I want to remind our community that it's hurricane season and I encourage residents to be prepared. The Hawaii Emergency Management Agency recommends the following six actions to stay prepared and safe:

1. Know your hazards where you live, work, and play
2. Sign up for county alerts
3. Develop a plan for you and your family
4. Prepare an emergency kit
5. Consider flood and/or hurricane insurance
6. Take steps to strengthen your home against severe weather.

For more information on hurricane preparedness, please visit the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency website at www.dod.hawaii.gov/hiema

The City Council continues to meet year round, and you can stay engaged and participate in the process by visiting the City Council's interactive website at www.honolulu.gov/citycouncil. You can find links to submit testimony, the council calendar, and committee information.

Finally, I'm excited to announce that my district office is officially open! My community liaison, Aaron Ho, and I will be at the Ewa Villages Golf Course every Monday from 9:00am - 11:30am to meet with constituents in our district. Please make an appointment at this location by calling (808) 768-5009 or emailing me at atulba@honolulu.gov.

ARE YOU 2 WEEKS READY?

BUILD KITS

Have Go Bags ready for work, each family member, pets, & a vehicle safety kit too.

PLAN TO BE ON YOUR OWN FOR AT LEAST 2 WEEKS

Water (1 gal. per person/day)	Flashlight	Pet Supplies
Food (Non-perishable)	Can Opener	Fire Extinguisher
First Aid Kit	Tools	Glasses/Eye Care
Medical Equipment	Warm Clothes	Cash
Medications	Sturdy Shoes	Identification
NOAA Alert Radio	Personal Hygiene Items	Important Documents
Extra Batteries	Toilet Paper	Comfort/Entertainment

District 9 is diverse in many ways, and my team and I are hopeful that we can bring people together to do what's best for our community.

I look forward to working with you to improve our district. Together, I know we can make this community an even more special place to live. Mahalo!

Mahalo,

Augie Tulba

Your Honolulu City Councilmember

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Councilmember Tulba is Chair of the Committee for Parks and Community Services, Vice Chair of the Committee on Public Safety, and a voting member on the Committees on Housing and Economy; Executive Matters and Legal Affairs; and Transportation, Sustainability and Health. Here are some issues that he and his staff are tackling on the legislative side:

Resolution 21-133

Introduced by Councilmember Augie Tulba

This resolution requests the Department of Parks and Recreation to publish a maintenance schedule for City-owned parks and facilities and publish the schedule on the department's website. The resolution pushes for greater transparency in the cleaning of our parks, as well as allowing our community volunteers an increased ability to assist our parks staff with park maintenance. This resolution has received support from both the council and the department.

Resolution 21-134

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Passed the City Council on 7/7/2021.

The State Legislature passed House Concurrent Resolution 97 SD1 introduced by our area's State Representative Bob McDermott. In cooperation with Rep. McDermott's resolution, Councilmember Tulba introduced Resolution 21-134 urging the City Administration to establish a task force on North Road management. As a community, we hope to resolve the many issues on North Road, including illegal dumping, homeless encampments, and litter, so we can finally take additional steps towards a cleaner, safer district.

Bill 26 CD-1 (2021)

Exempts centenarian residents from certain fees including bus fare and admissions to the Honolulu Zoo and the Foster Botanical Garden.

Bill 27 (2021)

If adopted, all future special management area use permit applicants would be required to present their proposed project to the applicable neighborhood board or appropriate community association prior to submitting an application to the Department of Planning and Permitting.

Resolution 21-23

Adopts the 2017 edition of the Oahu General Plan of the City and County of Honolulu, which would supersede all previous editions and changes. New amendments have been proposed to take into account the needs highlighted by the pandemic as well as climate change.

Resolution 21-131, FDI

Requests that the Department of Parks and Recreation amend its rules and regulations for participating vendors of the People's Open Market Program to require that a percentage of the products offered for sale be made in Hawaii.

ISSUES ARISING IN DISTRICT 9

Aaron Ho
District 9 Community Liaison



Aaron Ho, our office's Community Liaison, is touring District 9 with Councilmember Tulba to learn about community concerns related to city operations, property and crime. Here are some of the issues in District 9 that he is working on:

Brushfires Near West Loch Fairways

Many residents on Aipoola Place, Aipoola Street, and surrounding areas have contacted our office about brushfires along the Pearl Harbor bike path that have come extremely close to houses by the West Loch Fairways subdivision. On July 31, a resident informed our office that one of the brushfires had burned within 50 yards of his house on Aipoola Place. Our staff contacted the City Administration about residents' concerns and we are awaiting a response.

Low-hanging Tree Limbs on Maunakapu Street

There are multiple trees with low-hanging branches along Maunakapu Street in the new Ewa subdivision adjacent to the KROC Center. A constituent reported that several of the branches could damage vehicles driving by and asked that the City trim the trees along the street. Our office forwarded the request to the City Administration for action.

Moped Drivers on Ewa Beach Road in Ewa Beach

Our office received concerns about moped drivers speeding and driving recklessly on Ewa Beach Road in Ewa Beach. A constituent reported the concerns to the Honolulu Police Department, but police are unable to penalize these drivers unless they are caught in the act. The resident suggested that the City install a surveillance camera on Ewa Beach Road to increase policing in the area. Our office contacted the City Administration and we are awaiting a response.

Relocating Remains from the Ewa Plantation Community Cemetery

Family members with loved ones buried at the Ewa Plantation Community Cemetery off of Fort Weaver Road in Ewa Beach contacted our office about exhuming and transferring remains so they can be buried in a family plot. The family members asked for procedural questions because the Ewa Plantation Community Cemetery has neither dedicated facilities nor a staff for maintenance and upkeep. Our office reached out to the City Department of Land Management for guidance. Per their response, if a family member wishes to transfer family remains from one cemetery to another, they must first obtain a disinterment permit from the State Department of Health. The family must work with the mortuary to receive the remains because the permit application is filed by the mortuary. In this case, once the permit is granted by the State Department of Health, the City will facilitate the disinterment and the release to the new mortuary.

Dry Conditions at Asing Community Park

Asing Community Park users in Ewa Beach have informed our office of the poor field conditions and lack of upkeep at the park. The insufficient maintenance has raised concerns about dusty conditions on windy days due to the dry, dead grass and compacted dirt on the field. With the return of youth team sports, park users are concerned that the inconsistent field conditions will cause kids to get injured on the field. Our office reached out to the City Administration and we are awaiting a response.

Questions about the West Loch Modular Project

Constituents have raised questions about the West Loch Modular project currently in progress near the West Loch Elderly Village. Specifically, area residents would like more information about who will be living there since little notice or information about the project has been given to the community. Our office contacted the City Department of Land Management (DLM), and we were informed that DLM is partnering with the City Department of Community Services (DCS) on the project. These agencies will release details soon, and our office will pass on these updates to the community.

If you know of any issue in your community that is related to the city, feel free to call 3-1-1 or email atulba@honolulu.gov

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Kaukau 4 Keiki Will Help Ensure Hawaii Children Don't go Hungry

To help combat hunger in Hawaii, our District 9 staff participated in the Kaukau 4 Keiki food delivery program on June 22 and July 27. Hawaii Food Bank reports that one in four children in Hawaii is living in a household that is experiencing food shortages. Through the program, children 18 years and under received one-week meal kits with breakfasts and lunches. Families can be notified about food distribution available for their keiki by logging onto kaukau4keiki.org

Holiday Marketing Prep Aug 17 from 10am to 2pm

While the holidays are months away, businesses know that now is the time to gear up for this crucial sales and marketing season. This in-person event in Kapolei is a deep dive into three vital areas:

- Use the Small Business Administration's Ascent learning platform for Journey 2: Strategic Marketing. Explore specific planning techniques to create a plan for your business.
- Apply learnings from the Ascent Journey for real life takeaways for marketing for the holidays.
- Learn about the upcoming online sales course this September from the Patsy T. Mink Center for Business & Leadership.

Mahalo to the Small Business Administration-Hawaii District Office and the Patsy Mink Center for organizing the event.

Onemalu Transitional Shelter Giving Homeless Families a Hand Up

One mother living at the Onemalu Transitional Shelter told Councilmember Augie Tulba that the West Oahu-based temporary shelter is a godsend for her and her children. She shared that many homeless families do not want to go to shelters because of restrictions on drug usage. However, she was able to get clean for her children and they are thriving there.

The transitional shelter accepts families with children, couples without children, and single adults who are homeless or at risk of being homeless. The staff teaches residents how to become self-sufficient. There are bathroom facilities, laundry, meals, and a case management program. There also is outreach to the children by Department of Education staff to ensure the children get an education. The shelter accepts donations of school and art supplies, shoes for keiki, bedding, cooking utensils, and other household items.

Helping Hawaii's Businesses Thrive <https://www.oneoahu.org/business-educators>

The Office of Economic Revitalization at the City and County of Honolulu and its partners have a number of resources, classes, and webinars as well as experts and mentors on hand to help Hawaii's businesses thrive. The Business and Constituent Educator team works one-on-one with local businesses to connect them with government and private sector resources and help companies build a path of success. Contact the team at 768-CITY (2489) or backonthewave@honolulu.gov to schedule a conversation. Log on to [the website](#) and sign up for the weekly newsletter.

RECOGNIZING OUR SHINING STARS



Melveen Leed Honored for her Contribution to Hawaii



Councilmember Tulba presented Melveen Ku`uleipuanani Leed with an honorary certificate from the Honolulu City Council. The singer, songwriter, recording artist, comedienne, and musician who plays guitar, piano, and ukulele is one of Hawaii's cherished performers. Affectionately nicknamed "The Hawaiian Country Girl," "Da Tita," and the "Queen of Waikiki", Melveen Leed has produced more than a dozen popular albums. Her most well-known songs include "E Ku`u Morning Dew/Alone Once More," "Kanaka Waiwai," and "Paniolo Country."

She received The Hawai'i Academy of Recording Arts' Lifetime Achievement Award in 2005, the Moe Keale "Aloha Is" Award in 2015, and was presented with numerous Nā Hōkū Hanohano Awards. Melveen Leed was a member of The Local Divas, a popular all-female Hawaiian group, which also included Carole Kai, Loyal Garner, and Nohelani Cypriano. She also is an actress, who has been featured in major roles on "Hawaii Five-O," "Dolly," and "Local Divas: Behind the Voices."

Melveen Leed has entertained around the country from Waikiki to New York City. She sang in a dance band on the S.S. Lurline; performed at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tennessee in 1977 and was the first native Hawaiian singer to do so; performed in New York City's Carnegie Hall in 2014; and performed weekly at the International Marketplace from 2011 to 2014.

Honolulu City Councilmember Augie Tulba and the other eight members of the Honolulu City Council took great pride in honoring Melveen Leed and extended a heartfelt aloha to Melveen Leed for making Hawaii a better place in which to live.



Divine Guardians Motorcycle Club Hawaii Honored for Community Service

The Honolulu City Council honored the Divine Guardians Motorcycle Club Hawaii on Sunday, August 1, at Honolulu Hale. Divine Guardians Motorcycle Club Hawaii was founded in February 2013 by experienced motorcycle riders. Members are united by their passion for riding motorcycles and making a difference in the community.

On average, members spend 100 hours annually volunteering for various non-profit groups and charity events. The group helps raise money for the Susan G. Komen Foundation, for Institute for Human Services, and for Veterans groups, and they assisted the Hawaiian Humane Society with Pet Adoption drives. They have collected school supplies annually for children attending Makaha Elementary School and held drives for the less fortunate, collecting clothing, canned goods, and toys. The Divine Guardians Motorcycle Club Hawaii has helped the B.R.A.V.E. Foundation promote its anti-bullying campaign, and assisted Aloha Harvest and the Honolulu City Council District 9 office with food distribution for needy families in Waipahu. Divine Guardians Motorcycle Club Hawaii members are driven by a single goal: to do their part in making the world a better place for all. Congratulations to them!



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Members of the public are invited to view a live broadcast of committee meetings. Honolulu City Council Committee meetings are held the first week of the month, and the full Council meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

- **City Council Calendar**
- **Neighborhood Board Meeting Dates**
- **Olelo on Demand**
- **Olelo TV Channel 54**

Wednesday – August 11
• City Council Meeting – 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday – August 24
• Transportation, Sustainability, & Health – 9:00a.m.
• Housing and the Economy – 10:30 a.m.
• Executive Matters and Legal Affairs – 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday – August 25
• Budget – 9:00 a.m.
• Public Infrastructure and Technology – 1:00 p.m.
• Public Safety – 2:30 p.m.

Thursday – August 26
• Zoning and Planning – 9:00 a.m.
• Parks and Community Services – 2:30 p.m.