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**NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD UPDATE**

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Summer is here and I want to start by congratulating all of the graduates and their families. I know this is an exciting time and wish all of you the best of luck on your future endeavors.

At City Council, the City's Fiscal Year 2008 Budget and Real Property Tax Rate passed on June 6, 2007. Originally, the Mayor proposed a \$2.24 billion dollar budget, with a Residential Real Property Tax of rate of \$3.59 and a Non-residential rate of \$12.50. The Council worked hard to lower both the Residential and Non-residential rates to \$3.29 and \$12.40 respectively. In addition to a lower rate, the Council has reauthorized a \$200 Homeowner Real Property Tax Credit. In this upcoming fiscal year, the City has several new projects and additional financial mandates. These projects include shipping waste, Mass Transit, recycling, and required items like Sewer improvements, and financing the Land Preservation and Affordable Housing Fund.

Earlier last month (May 9), the Dept. of Environmental Services held a public education session at the Ewa Beach Library. Attendees received detailed information about the City's on-going negotiation with the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The City is petitioning Honouliuli Waste Water Treatment Plant's (HWWTP) denied request for variance on the Clean Water Act 301(h). For more information on HWWTP visit [www.ENVhonolulu.org](http://www.ENVhonolulu.org) For specific information on the EPA's review of the Clean Water Act 301(h) variance, visit <http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/npdes/pubnotices.html> The EPA has extended the public comment period on this issue to August 27, 2007.

The City's Department of Transportation Services has temporarily relocated the Kapolei Bus Transit Station to a newly completed section of Haumea Street, which now connects Manawai and Uluohia Streets. The department is working to provide covered bus shelters as soon as possible and apologizes for the inconvenience to bus riders who currently have no covered waiting area.

On May 23, representatives from the US Army, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the University of Hawaii met with the Waianae community to discuss oceanic surveys of Ordnance Reef and clean-up issues. To read results from the report, visit <http://ordnancereefsurvey.noaa.gov> An important reminder: please follow the "3Rs" if you discover something that is or resembles potential ordnance – RECOGNIZE, RETREAT, & REPORT. Notify the Police (911) if on land and the US Coast Guard, if at sea (VHF Channel 16 / 156.8000 MHZ). To report general information about munitions, contact the US Army, Pacific Public Affairs Office (808) 438-2662.

As always, you can email me at [tapo@honolulu.gov](mailto:tapo@honolulu.gov). During the year I regularly send out electronic newsletter updates, so please visit my website at [www.toddapo.org](http://www.toddapo.org) and join our mailing list. If you have any other questions, please feel free to call me at 547-7001.

Aloha,

TODD APO, COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT I

**JUNE 2007**

**COUNCIL CALENDAR**

**Wednesday, June 6**  
9 am  
**FULL COUNCIL**

*Committee Week*  
*June 19-21*

**Tuesday, June 19**  
9 am  
*Zoning*  
  
1 pm  
*Planning & Sustainability*

**Wednesday, June 20**  
9 am  
*Budget*  
  
1 pm  
*Executive Matters*  
  
3 pm  
*Affordable Housing & Economic Development*

**Thursday, June 21**  
9:30 am  
*Transportation & Public Works*  
  
1 pm  
*Intergovernmental Affairs*  
  
2:30 pm  
*Public Health, Safety & Welfare*