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**AUGUST 2017 UPDATE**

## Pali Highway Improvements

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### HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

#### Wednesday, Aug 9

Full Council 9 am

#### Tuesday, Aug 22

Public Safety 9 am

Parks 10<sup>30</sup> am

Executive Matters 1pm

#### Wednesday, Aug 23

Budget 9am

Public Works 1pm

#### Thursday, Aug 24

Zoning and Housing 9 am

BEDT 1 pm

Trans & Planning 2<sup>30</sup> pm

The City and County of Honolulu (City) and the Hawaii State Department of Transportation (HDOT) are working in collaboration on several improvement projects along Pali Highway beginning in the second half of 2017 and the first half of 2018.

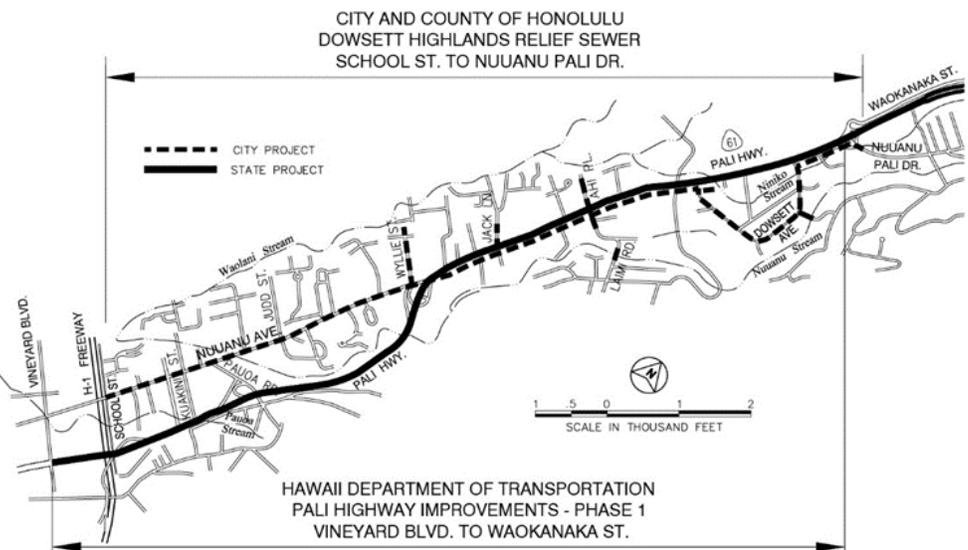
The first project, scheduled for the 3rd quarter of 2017, is HDOT's Pali Highway – Street Lighting from Vineyard Boulevard to Kamehameha Highway and Resurfacing from Waokanaka Street to Kamehameha Highway. This project involves replacement of the lighting system from Vineyard Boulevard to Kamehameha Highway and resurfacing from Waokanaka Street to Kamehameha Highway.

The City, as part of its efforts to upgrade the sewer system, will be working on a significant upgrade in Nuuanu Valley. Under the Consent Decree agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the City created the Dowsett

Highlands Relief Sewer project. This project will install a new sewer main along Dowsett Avenue, Pali Highway, and Nuuanu Avenue to relieve two under-capacity sewer mains: the Waolani Stream sewer main and the Nuuanu Stream sewer main.

After the sewer main project has been completed, HDOT is planning another resurfacing project from Vineyard Boulevard to Waokanaka Street. When the Pali Highway Resurfacing – Vineyard Boulevard to Waokanaka Street project is completed, motorists will be able to use an improved corridor that will be safer with a smooth riding surface.

Temporary inconveniences and disruptions to current daily usage should be expected due to the diversity and magnitude of the proposed improvements. The City and State are working together to provide helpful, coordinated updates on the projects. For more information please visit: <http://palisewer.org/>



## National Association of Counties Conference and Exposition

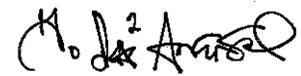
I was honored to attend the 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Association of Counties (NACo) Conference and Exposition held in Franklin County, Ohio last month. As a sitting member of the NACo Board of Directors, it was my responsibility to vote on NACo's policies related to federal legislation and regulation; elections of the NACo governing officers; guide the direction of the association and to network with colleagues to learn about issues impacting counties across the country.

This annual conference is unique in that it draws such a wide cross section of elected officials and County staff from across the Country. Attendees ranged from rural and urban counties, large and small budgets, all seeking education, networking and topic specific sessions aimed to help improve residents' lives and the efficiency of our County govern-

ments. Hawaii local lawmakers were given the opportunity to meet with County lawmakers as well as federal and county officials to share ideas and information. The 2017 Annual Conference ended with the election of a new leadership team and a stronger commitment to this year's theme: Counties Unite America.

NACo is a national organization representing 3,069 county governments across the United States. Founded in 1935, NACo brings county officials together to advocate with a collective voice on national policy, exchange ideas and build new leadership skills, pursue transformational county solutions, enrich the public's understanding of county government, and exercise exemplary leadership in public service. For more information please go to: <http://www.naco.org/>

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Hawaii NACo Board of Directors members: Dru Kanuha and Arryl Kaneshiro with NACo past President Riki Hokama and Councilmember Ikaika Anderson.



Hawaii NACo Board of Directors members: Arryl Kaneshiro; new NACo President Roy Charles Brooks & Councilmembers Dru Kanuha and Ikaika Anderson.

## Kaneohe Road Updates

Kamehameha Highway from Haiku Road to Heeia Harbor is scheduled to be resurfaced as part of the project Rehabilitation of Streets, Unit 73B. The project is in design and is expected to advertise for bids in the fourth quarter of 2017. The start of construction will be pending the execution of the contract documents and the contractor obtaining the required permits.

In the interim, the Department of Facility Maintenance will be evaluating this section of Kamehameha Highway for first-aid resurfacing. Also, pothole request can be called in on the City's pothole hotline at 768-7777.

## Bills Become Law

Three bills recently passed out of the Honolulu City Council were signed into law by Mayor Kirk Caldwell. These measures seek to improve the environment, public safety and clarify waterway maintenance:

- [Bill 6 \(2017\), CD2, FD2](#), is a new ordinance that makes it illegal to look at a cellphone or other electronic device while crossing a street or highway on O'ahu, with a fine of not less than \$15, but not more than \$35 for the first offense. The fine rises to a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$99 for a third offense within one year after the first infraction. This ordinance takes effect on October 25, 2017, 90 days after Mayor Caldwell's signature. The Honolulu Police Department will use this time to educate pedestrians about the danger of crossing a street while looking at a cellphone or other electronic device, such as a video game or tablet.
- [Bill 43 \(2017\), CD1](#), is a new ordinance clarifying that private property owners are responsible for the maintenance of all waterways including channels, streambeds, streambanks and drainageways, and these waterways must not create unsanitary condi-

tions or become a public nuisance. The bill also clarifies that the Department of Facility Maintenance has the authority to enforce the maintenance of waterways on private property. This ordinance took effect with the Mayor's signature.

- [Bill 59 \(2016\), FD1, CD3](#), also known as the plastic bag bill bans stores from providing any plastic bags starting in 2020. Starting July 1, 2018, non-exempt businesses are required to charge customers a minimum of 15 cents per bag for groceries or other merchandise. That bag needs to be reusable, compostable, or a paper bag that contains 40-percent post-consumer content. But after Jan. 1, 2020, even those thicker plastic bags will no longer be considered reusable. Compostable plastic bags will also be banned. Those who are not abiding by the law could face a penalty fee of up to \$1,000. Previously on Oahu, grocery stores and retailers are not allowed to hand out single-use plastic bags at the checkout, which is how the market for thicker, reusable plastic bags emerged. There are still exceptions as the ban would not apply to bags used to carry produce or meat, prepared foods or bakery goods, newspapers, dry cleaning, and bags for pet waste.



## Sound the Alarm, Save a Life

The American Red Cross is looking for volunteers to help with the Sound the Alarm nationwide campaign to help save lives from home fires by installing 100,000 alarms nationwide, including 1,000 alarms in Hawaii. Since 2014, the Red Cross Home Fire Campaign has saved at least 215 lives and their 1 millionth alarm will be installed during this Sound the Alarm — Save a Life event. Every day, 7 Americans perish in home fires, and the Red Cross offers help and hope in the aftermath. Smoke alarms cut the rate of death in half and the Red Cross seeks to install free smoke alarms in the homes of vulnerable populations like the elderly and disabled, and educate them on how to prevent and escape from home fires. If you would like to help with this campaign, volunteers are needed in the following positions:

**Documenter:** completes documentation forms, keeps track of supplies, including smoke alarms installed.

**Safety Educator:** reviews fire safety checklist & prevention tips & helps residents complete fire escape plans.

**Installer:** installs smoke alarms with resident's permission, within manufacturer's and program guidelines.

**Assistant:** assists Installer with tools, supplies, and safety.

Any further questions or to register as a Red Cross volunteer please call Volunteer Services at 808-739-8123 or go to: <http://www.redcross.org/local/hawaii/volunteer>.

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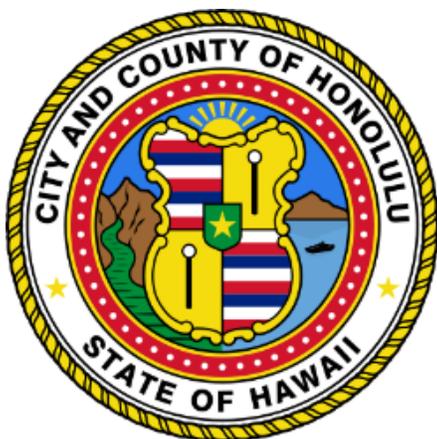
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## Waimānalo District Park Gym Renovation

A long awaited and extensive, multi-million dollar repair project to address the structural deficiencies at the Waimānalo District Park's gym has finally begun. The \$3.12 million project will address corrosion-related deterioration within the structural steel and concrete framed gymnasium that forced its closure in June 2016. The renovations will also mitigate further corrosion and replace the eave roof screens and their attachments.

Last year the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) informed us that the primary reasons for the closure of the gym were safety concerns in regard to the heavy corrosion of the



bolts and washers securing the overhead metal screens that were in danger of imminent failure. DPR was forced to close the gym due to this falling hazard and the danger posed to gym users. Bids for this reconstruction project went out in January 2017 and was finally awarded to Abhe & Svoboda, Inc. of Kapolei, after the original contractor with the lowest bid, MEI Corporation withdrew their bid in February.

Construction is scheduled to be completed in summer of 2018.

### Waimānalo Pop-Up Legal Clinic

A big mahalo to Volunteer Legal Services Hawaii and the Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation for providing a Pop-Up Legal Clinic at Waimanalo Elementary School Cafeteria last month. Pop-Up Legal Clinics are free to low and moderate income Hawaii residents and are designed to bring Volunteer Legal Services Hawaii's Neighborhood Legal Clinics directly into communities to ease access to civil legal services.

A total of 24 participants were scheduled at specific times to meet with 7 volunteer attorneys in the following areas of law: family law, estate plan

-ning, bankruptcy, landlord/tenant, small claims, collections, veteran benefits and native Hawaiian rights. In addition, 6 walk-in participants were also welcomed and paired with volunteers based on availability. Court forms were also readily available for those needing immediate assistance completing such documents.

