

# City News



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## Roads

Repaved 305 lane miles and filled 36,811 potholes. Completed repaving Waialae Avenue and fully connected Kapolei Parkway. Started construction of Meheula Parkway and Beretania Street. Teamed with U.H. engineers and the Hawaii Asphalt Paving Industry on a 2-year pilot project using a federal grant to test a variety of treatments to extend the life of city roads.

## Infrastructure

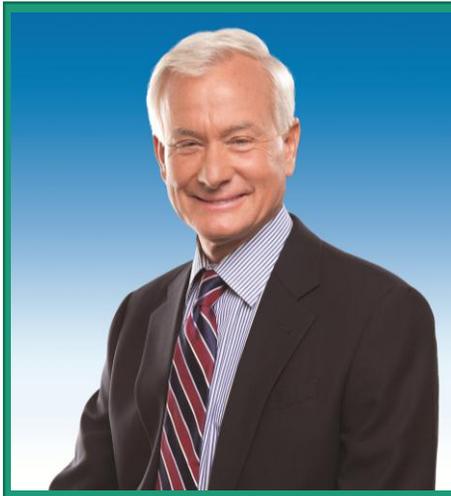
Broke ground on the Ala Moana Force Main System as part of a 25-year Global Consent Decree with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

## Rail/TOD

The first mile-and-a-quarter of elevated rail guideway has been completed in East Kapolei in addition to 136 columns constructed, 42 guideway spans erected, and 1,797 guideway segments cast.

## Parks

Reopened Banzai Rock Skate Park, Maunalua Bay comfort station, and improved Mother Waldron Park; reopened the Waikiki Shell parking lot two months ahead of schedule; dedicated Ocean Pointe Park in Ewa and Ala Wai Dog Park



## Homelessness

Housing First contract awarded to the Institute for Human Services to place 115 chronically homeless individuals and families into permanent, supportive housing.

## Bike Friendly City

Opened the King Street protected bike lane, a two-year pilot project that created O'ahu's first protected bike lane as part of a future grid for bicycle infrastructure. Included Bike lanes or sharrows on both sides of Waialae Avenue, from Saint Louis Drive to 17th Avenue, opened the Ala Wai Canal Bicycle and Walking Path,

## Housing

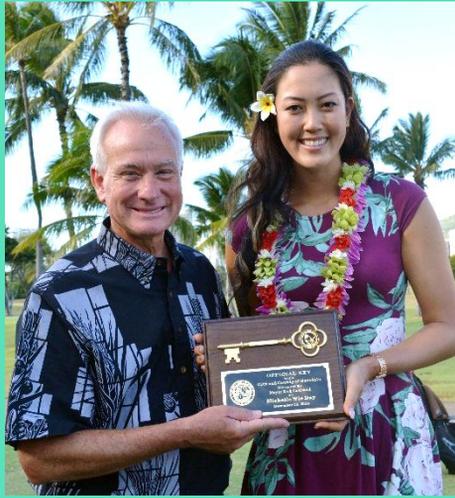
Introduced comprehensive Islandwide Housing Strategy. Signed a development agreement for Live Work Play 'Aiea, a \$766 million, 14-acre project that will include up to 1,500 residential units along the rail route.

## TheBus

Restored CountryExpress! Route E, connecting Ewa to Waikiki, a route that is relied upon by many hotel workers that was cut by the previous administration in 2012.

## Mayor Caldwell proclaims Michelle Wie Day and gives her key to the city

Mayor Kirk Caldwell and 2014 U.S. Women's Open champion Michelle Wie were joined by junior golfers and community members at the Ala Wai Golf Course where Mayor Caldwell presented Wie with the official key to the city and proclaimed December 12, 2014 to be "Michelle Wie Day."



"Michelle Wie is a role model, a source of inspiration for O'ahu's junior golfers, and a tremendous source of pride to the people of the City and County of Honolulu," said Mayor Caldwell. "Michelle's victories this year, first at home at the LPGA Lotte Championship at Ko Olina, then taking the 2014 U.S. Women's Open at Pinehurst No. 2, were wins for us all. We've been tracking Michelle's career from the days she was a young golf prodigy playing on this very course at Ala Wai at the age of ten and we couldn't be more proud of her accomplishments."



### 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Honolulu City Lights honors late "Parade Man" Nelson Fujio

Emme Tomimbang returned to serve as Emcee and Hello Kitty led the Electric Light Parade at the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Honolulu City Lights at Honolulu Hale. Mayor Caldwell was assisted by students from Queen Ka'ahumanu Elementary School for the ceremonial lighting of the city's majestic 50-foot Norfolk Pine tree to kick off the opening night celebration.

Tom Moffatt Productions put on a holiday concert that featured headliner Willie K as well as the Sounds of Aloha Barbershop Chorus, the keiki from Joan S. Lindsey's Hula Studio and Ka Pa Nani O Lilinoe, Maunaloa, and singer Ciana Pelekai from America's Got Talent.

The 2014 Honolulu City Lights Electric Light Parade was dedicated to the late "Parade Man" Nelson Fujio, who coordinated the parade since 1991.

### King Street Protected Bike Lane opens in Bicycle Friendly Honolulu

Mayor Caldwell was joined by Senator Brian Schatz, Councilmember Brandon Elefante, city officials, representatives from the Hawaii Bicycling League, and members of the public for the opening of the King Street Protected Bike Lane. The inaugural ride led by Mayor Caldwell on December 6 included nearly 400 cyclists.

O'ahu's first protected bike lane runs on the mauka side of King Street from Alapai to Isenberg Street. The two-year pilot project provides a central artery for cyclists in urban Honolulu, paving the way for additional cycle tracks as part of Mayor Caldwell's push to increase O'ahu's bicycling infrastructure in anticipation of next year's launch of Bikeshare Hawai'i.

At the event, Mayor Caldwell announced that the League of American Bicyclists has designated the City and County of Honolulu as a Bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community in recognition of our city's dedication to and progress towards expanding bicycling infrastructure.

For more information on the city's Bicycle Program, including the King Street Cycle Track, please visit: [www.honolulu.gov/bicycle](http://www.honolulu.gov/bicycle).



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