

# OCTOBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

DISTRICT 5: KAIMUKI, PALOLO VALLEY, ST. LOUIS HEIGHTS, MANOA, MOILIILI, MCCULLY, AND PORTIONS OF ALA MOANA, KAKAAKO, AND MAKIKI



Calvin K.Y. Say

## Aloha!

As we enter the holiday season, I'm also looking ahead to the upcoming budget session. While the Mayor's budget doesn't get introduced until early March, these months ahead are when the planning takes place. The Oahu Real Property Councilmember | District 5 Tax Advisory Commission had released its final

report in July and I have been working with the city's Department of Budget and Fiscal Services to review those recommendations. In the next few months, I will begin hearing bills related to real property tax that have been previously introduced, as well as introducing legislation based off the recommendations of the commission. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

In other community news, we have had another month of celebrating our neighbors and friends. Included in the celebrations, we had the honor of having our 2022 Little League Baseball® World Series Champions join us on a parade through downtown Honolulu and ending at Honolulu Hale. It was fantastic to see Honolulu come out to support these hometown champions - from keiki to kupuna, the celebration really showed the aloha we have for each other.

# Colon XY Say

### **Voter Information**

If you are eligible, make your voice heard and cast your ballot by mail, drop-off, or in person. For District 5 residents, these are your closest locations for the general election on Tuesday, November 8:

#### **Ballot Drop Boxes:3**

- Kānewai Community Park
- Honolulu Hale

#### **Voter Service Center:**

Honolulu Hale

Voters should get their ballots in the mail by October 21.

https://www.honolulu.gov/elections

## **Red-Light Safety Cameras**

The State Department of Transportation Red-Light Safety Cameras (RLSCs) will be installed at Vineyard Boulevard & Pālama Street and Vineyard Boulevard & Liliha Street over the next month. To learn more, visit:

https://hidot.hawaii.gov/highways /red-light-safety-program/

Some of the proposed RLSCs in or near Council District 5:

- King Street & Ward Avenue
- Kapi'olani Blvd. & Kamakee St.
- Beretania Street & Pi'ikoi Street
- McCully Street & Algaroba St.

- Budget (CHAIR)
- Housing and the Economy (VICE CHAIR)
- Zoning and Planning
- Executive Matters and Legal Affairs
- Public Safety
- Kapi'olani Park Trust

#### city legislative highlights:

- Bill 10: The purpose of this ordinance is to address the regulation of uses throughout the Land Use Ordinance. The bill was amended to a committee draft and postponed to be heard back in committee at a later time. An extension of time was reported out for adoption - this allows 120 additional days for
- Bill 45 (2021): The purpose of this ordinance is to provide incentives to businesses in transit-oriented development plan areas with the intention of creating new jobs and generating economic benefits for the city. The bill was amended to a committee draft (CD) and deferred to be heard again in committee. There were many changes in the CD1 and the deferral was to allow councilmembers and the public to thoroughly review the new language.
- Bill 52: This bill is intended to prevent bullying of youths in City programs and on City property, to prevent retaliation against reporters of bullying, and to ensure that the City provides a safe space for
- Real Property Tax: Over the next few months, I will begin hearing bills related to real property tax in my Budget Committee. Please keep an eye out for posted agendas. If there is any specific RPT topic you have questions about, please contact my office.

#### upcoming meetings:

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#### CITY COUNCIL

- October 5 @ 10:00 am (@ Kapolei Hale)
- November 10 (Thursday) @ 10:00 am

#### **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

- October 19 @ 9:00 am
- November 16 @ 9:00 am

#### NEIGHBORHOOD BOARDS

- 1st Wednesday @ 7 pm | NB #7 Mānoa
- 1st Thursday @ 6:30 pm | NB #8 McCully/Mo'ili'ili
- 2nd Wednesday @ 7 pm | NB #6 Pālolo
- 2nd Thursday @ 6 pm | NB #5 Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Heights
- 3rd Wednesday @ 6:30 pm | NB #4 Kaimukī
- 3rd Thursday @ 6 pm | NB #10 Makiki/ Lower Punchbowl/Tantalus
- 4th Tuesday @ 6:00 pm | NB #11 Ala Moana/Kaka'ako









### **Did You Know?**

This month, we venture a tad outside the geographic boundaries of Council District 5. The September parade for the 2022 Little League World Series champions began at 'A'ala Park. The word "'a'ala" literally translated means "fragrant." The street and park were said to have been named because the area used to be home to laundry facilities which gave off a sweet aroma.



Vineyard Boulevard in the Liliha area was actually named for a vineyard.



Spaniard Don Francisco de Paula Marin which was there in the early 1800s



#### Adirondack Benches Made with Aloha

CM Say join this 4-man team that built five Adirondack style benches for a North Shore women's shelter in partnership with the Waikiki Rotary Club.

Front left to right: CM, Dean Keil, Bob Jewell, Mark Campbell Behind the bench: Harvey Chun.



#### 100th Wai'oli Hau'oli La Hanau!

CM Say joined emcee Tisha LaFeldt (right of CM) to honor Ross and Stephanie Anderson (left of CM),

owners of Wai'oli Kitchen & Bake Shop for their centennial. Known as the Wai'oli Tea Room until the 1970s, staff taught cooking, cleaning, food service and hospitality to orphans at the Salvation Army Girls Home. The current Kitchen and Bake Shop serves breakfast and lunch, and sells an assortment of pastries, made by proud, hard-working individuals recently released from incarceration, and graduates of programs for the treatment of substance abuse disorders. The history and mission of Wai'oli befit its name which means "joyful water."



# Big League Parade for Little Leaguers

The City Council, Mayor Blangiardi, and numerous City departments and their staff organized a big league congratulatory parade from 'A'ala Park to Honolulu Hale on September 8 to recognize the success of the 2022 Little League World Series players, coaches, and families. To the left is the team joined by Councilmembers Tulba, Fukunaga, and Say.

Ho'omaika'i 'ana!