Hawaii State Representative

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NEWSLETTER



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Aloha neighbors,

It's been a jam packed beginning of fall. I continue to meet with stakeholders and leaders regarding emergency preparedness, aging condominiums, and our disaster response/recovery infrastructure. In this newsletter I've included some important community updates. The 2027 Legislative Session is just around the corner and I am eager to collaborate on legislation and policy that can improve our quality of life- please reach out to me with your ideas.

REP TAM & COMMUNITY

Historic Food & Product Innovation Memorandum of Agreement



Above: Rep Tam, Senator DeCoite, stakeholders and industry leaders at FPIN Memorandum of Agreement ceremonial signing at the 2026 Hawaii Tourism Conference. Below: Vice Speaker Ichiyama and Rep Tam attending an information brief regarding Motor Carrier Laws including towing reform.



The State of Hawai'i Food & Product Innovation Network (FPIN) is a new economic development initiative designed to increase food security, to support farmers and entrepreneurs to develop value-added products, then ultimately gain access to markets outside of the state for sustained economic impact. FPIN is a value chain framework that strengthens the pathway from learning to commercialization by aligning training programs, small-scale pilot production, and export readiness support. Key stakeholders include educators, workforce development leaders, industry partners, government agencies, and Hawai'i farmers and product manufacturers, all working to build an integrated ecosystem that expands local production capacity and increases access to regional and global markets.

City to Demolish 436 Ena Rd

The City and County of Honolulu is moving forward with plans to redevelop the former apartment building at **436 Ena Road** into a new opportunity for affordable housing in Waikiki. Demolition work is expected to begin on Friday, October 30, 2026, with initial activities focused on site mobilization beginning beforehand. The contractor has prepared a work schedule that will be shared with neighboring properties. Questions? Contact:
Department of Housing and Land Management
Phone: (808) 768-4277
Email: dhlm@honolulu.gov

Statewide Crime Update

The Hawai'i Department of the Attorney General published comprehensive statewide crime statistics for 2025 and the next update to the Hawai'i Crime Dashboard (https://crimestats.hawaii.gov). The statistics were derived from police data reported under National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) specifications, through the state's participation in the FBI's nationwide Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. The Department of the Attorney General directs statewide participation in the UCR Program. The online Hawai'i Crime Dashboard succeeds the prior "Crime in Hawai'i" hard copy publications; several new displays and features were added in the latest update.

The Hawai'i Crime Dashboard provides a wide array of other crime measurements across a total of 54 display pages and allows users to query the data by county/agency, reporting year(s), broad offense categories and specific offense types. Dashboard methodology and user guides as well as copies of the FBI's NIBRS user manual and technical specifications are also provided.

WAIKIKI ROAD CLOSURES

October 11, 2026 Sunday

6:00 AM Lanes Close - 10:00 AM Lanes Reopen

MORE THAN PINK BY SUSAN G. KOMEN HAWAII The event is expected to have 3,000+ runners/walkers. It will start at Honolulu Marathon Finish Line near Bandstand, to Monsarrat Ave., to Paki Ave., to Kalakaua Ave., end at Honolulu Marathon Finish Line near Bandstand. For more info, visit their website: www.komenhawaii.org

October 17, 2026 Saturday

2:00 PM Road Closes - 6:00 PM Road Reopens

HONOLULU PRIDE PARADE The parade is a First Amendment event and is expected to have 5,000 marchers, 15 floats, 35 vehicles, & 5 bands. It will start at Atkinson/Ala Moana Blvd., to Ala Moana Blvd., to Kalakaua Ave., to Monsarrat Ave., to end at Queen Kapiolani Park.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (PUC) TO HOST STATEWIDE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS ON HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC'S RESPONSE TO RECENT STORMS

The Hawai'i PUC will conduct public informational meetings across the state beginning Oct. 5 to discuss Hawaiian Electric's recent storm-related service outages and impacts.

Each meeting will include statements from Hawaiian Electric and the Consumer Advocate, along with opportunities for residents to share concerns and feedback on electric service reliability. Public input gathered at these meetings will help inform the commission's ongoing review and future planning of Hawai'i's energy system.

Residents are encouraged to submit written comments in addition to attending the meetings. Comments should reference Docket No. 2021-0024 and include "Outage 2026" in the subject line. Written comments may be submitted online, by email, or by mail.

Online: https://hpuc.my.site.com/cdms/s/consumers/public-comments
Email: puc@hawaii.gov
Mail: Hawai'i Public Utilities Commission
465 S. King Street, #103
Honolulu, HI 96813

A meeting schedule is provided below:

Date and Time	Community	Location
October 5, 6:00 p.m.	O'ahu / East Honolulu and Windward O'ahu	Kailua High School Cafeteria 451 Ulumanu Dr., Kailua
October 8, 6:30 p.m.	O'ahu / West O'ahu	Kapolei High School Cafeteria 91-5007 Kapolei Pkwy., Kapolei

CONDO CORNER

Condominium Insurance Basics

The Hawaii condominium law states that, unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, a condominium association must purchase and maintain property insurance, commercial general liability insurance, a fidelity bond and directors and officer's liability coverage.

Unit owners may also be required to obtain insurance. If a unit owner fails to do so, the association can purchase this insurance and charge the cost back to the owner.

You may find more information on condominium insurance at https://cca.hawaii.gov/reb/files/2020/04/Condo-Insurance-Basics-Final.pdf

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