



Representative Bertrand Kobayashi Community Update



DIAMOND HEAD, KAHALA,
KAIMUKI, KAPAHULU

May 2022

District 19 Capital Improvement Projects (Fiscal Biennium 2022-2023)

Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind	\$150,000
Construction to replace the playground equipment and rubberized surfacing; ground and site improvements.	
Kaimuki High School	\$7,000,000
Plans, design, construction and equipment for a girls athletic locker room. May include refurbishment, repair, renovation, or new construction, ground and site improvements.	
Kaimuki High School	\$1,200,000
Plans, design, construction, and equipment for softball field improvements, project may include refurbishment, repair, renovation, or new construction, ground and site improvements.	
Kalani High School	\$3,400,000
Construction to install a rubberized track and artificial turf on the athletic field; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.	
Liholiho Elementary School	\$430,000
Construction for drainage improvements; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.	
Waikiki Aquarium Discharge System	\$1,500,000
Plans, design, construction and equipment for various repairs and improvements to the Waikiki Aquarium; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.	
Kaimuki Middle School	\$200,000
Design and construction for a walking path from the cafeteria to the physical education building; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.	

Veto of Bail reform bill, HB 1567

Veto of the bail reform bill, HB 1567, **the most controversial bill this session**, was requested by the bill's main author, Rep. Scot Matayoshi, in a stunning and unexpected turn-around.

The bill had 203 testimonies in support and just 15 in opposition. None of the county police departments testified, even though Rep. Matayoshi personally called the Honolulu police department prior to session.

The bill had a very broad exception to the no-bail rule in the bill, which allowed judges wide discretion to impose bail. Judges could use bail if the defendant was **"a risk of danger to any other person or to the community, or a risk of recidivism."**

The Governor now has the ultimate decision to sign or veto this bill. Meanwhile, proponents will be working on revisiting this matter next year.

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Diamond Head Coordinated Homeless Cleanup Report

The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Scott Morishige, provided an update of the recent homeless cleanup of Diamond Head from May 9th through May 13th. During the cleanup, the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) removed 85 tons of trash off the slopes of Diamond Head and cleared about 50 homeless camps.

DLNR staff and conservation enforcement officers were accompanied by outreach workers from the Institute for Human Services, the Department of Community Services' T.E.A.M. Work Hawaii, and the City's new Crisis Outreach Response and Engagement (CORE) team.