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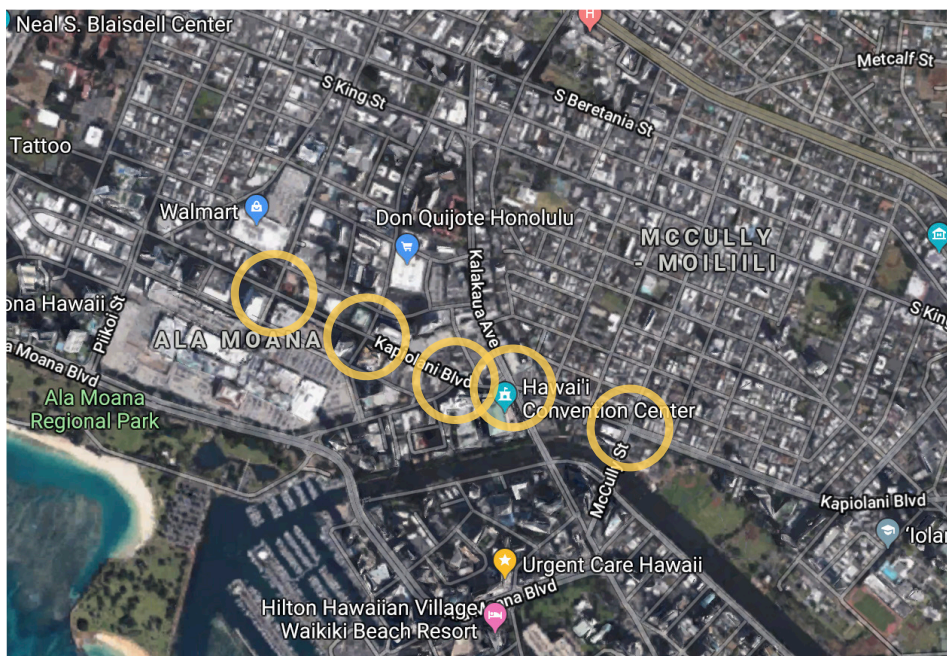


Kapi'olani Boulevard PM Contraflow Reinstated to Improve Travel Time

Beginning on **Monday, April 22**, the city's Department of Transportation Services will reinstate PM Contraflow coning, along with several traffic modifications, on Kapi'olani Boulevard. This will help facilitate eastbound traffic flow along the Kapi'olani Boulevard transportation corridor.

Based on the findings of the Kapi'olani Boulevard contraflow pilot project that began in July of last year, **the original contraflow will be restored** with the following modifications:

- Left turns from the **westbound** direction on Kapi'olani Boulevard into Waikīkī at **McCully Street** will be allowed.
- Left turns from **Kalākaua Avenue, mauka**-bound, onto Kapi'olani Boulevard will be allowed.
- Left turns from the **westbound** direction on Kapi'olani Boulevard onto **Atkinson Drive** will again be restricted.
- **Eastbound** left turns from Kapi'olani Boulevard at **Ke'eaumoku, Kaheka, and McCully Streets** will be allowed.



Source: Google Maps

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IN THE COMMUNITY



NAIOP BREAKFAST

March 28, 2019 ◀ Senator Chang presented on his ALOHA Homes proposal at the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties (NAIOP) breakfast.



GOLDEN CABINET AND STONE

March 31, 2019 ◀ Senator Chang and colleagues celebrated the 12-year anniversary of Golden Cabinet and Stone. Senator Chang is proud of this local business and its success in Hawai'i.



DR. ALLEN AWAYA

April 18, 2019 ▲ Our legislative aide, Dr. Allen Awaya, delivered the Senate moment of contemplation. Dr. Awaya reflected on his 13 years of service at the State Capitol as he prepares for retirement.



HAWAI'I PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD

April 22, 2019 ◀ Senator Chang and the Senate Committee on Housing voted to advise and consent on seven nominees for the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority Board.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Honolulu Police Department Services are Now Available on the Honolulu 311 App

We are excited to announce that the Honolulu 311 mobile application is now being used by Honolulu Police Department to report non-emergency issues, such as: Homeless Concerns, Parking Issues, Abandoned Property, and more. In addition, to make the app more user friendly, we now support submitting Service Requests without requiring a photo or video (although it really helps us when you do!). Also, you can now choose to submit reports anonymously. However, this may decrease our ability to contact you if our staff has follow up questions. Please note, if you're already logged into the app, you'll have to first sign out before you can begin using the app anonymously.

The app is available on iTunes and Google Play.

Department of Health to Develop Guidelines for Food Donation

On April 24, 2019, the Legislature adopted **Senate Concurrent Resolution 38**, introduced by Senator Chang. SCR 38 urges restaurants to donate any leftover food to homeless shelters at the end of their business day and urges the Department of Health to develop and disseminate food donation guidelines.

Many restaurants are unwilling to donate leftover food at the end of the business day to homeless shelters out of fear of being held liable for any health problems that result from their donations. While food donation is protected from liability under the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act of 1996, restaurants are still reluctant to donate. Often, food is thrown out, which negatively impacts the environment.

The Legislature recognizes the increased need for restaurants to work with various homeless shelters, and **passed SCR 38** to encourage this partnership to happen.



Source: Hawai'i Food Basket

WHAT'S NEW?

Real ID Deadline is October 1, 2020

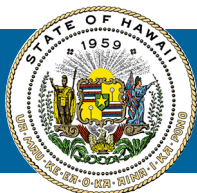
Honolulu's Department of Customer Services is reminding O'ahu residents that if they choose to use their driver licenses or state IDs for **air travel**, the federal government requires the credential to bear the gold star marking by October 1, 2020. Please note this deadline is approximately 18 months from now.

So far, more than 190,000 O'ahu residents have gotten the Real ID-compliant driver license or state ID since they became available in January 2018. However, nearly 10,000 people are expected to obtain these documents every month in 2020, when their licenses or IDs become due for renewal.

"We want to help residents become aware of this upcoming Real ID date, know how it may affect them, and make decisions early on whether or not they want the gold star marking to meet federal compliance," said Customer Services Director Sheri Kajiwaru.

The Real ID Act, which Congress created 14 years ago as a more rigorous security measure following the 2001 terrorist attacks, requires residents to prove their identity through the gold-star marked cards by October 1, 2020 if they want to use that particular credential to board domestic flights and enter federal facilities.

To renew driver licenses or state IDs with the gold star, residents can book an appointment at honolulu.gov/csd. The appointment system offers in-person bookings up to three months in advance and online ordering of duplicates. It can take six weeks for a permanent card to arrive in the mail, so residents are asked to remain patient during this waiting period.



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