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REGULAR MONTHLY POLICE COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Friday, August 28, 2026

9:00 a.m. or shortly after

4444 Rice Street, Moikeha Meeting Room 2A/2B, Līhu'e, Hawai'i 96766

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OFFICE OF
THE COUNTY CLERK
COUNTY OF KAUAI

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL TO ASCERTAIN QUORUM

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The next monthly meeting is scheduled for **Friday, September 25, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.** in the Moikeha Meeting Room 2A/2B, with an Executive Session to follow. This schedule is subject to change.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

Individuals may testify on any agenda item now or wait until the item comes up.

KAUAI POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH FOR AUGUST 2026:

- Officer Jason Scalzo

UPDATE BY REPRESENTATIVES OF GALLUP ON THE PROGRESS MADE IN THE DEPARTMENT

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

- July 24, 2026, Open Session Meeting

CHIEF OF POLICE MONTHLY REPORTS FOR JULY 2026 AND RECENT SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS AND INVESTIGATIONS TO DATE:

- **Office of the Chief** – Notable Highlights, Special Projects, Community Engagement, Significant Meetings, Public Information Officer.
- **Support Services Bureau, Criminal Investigations Division, and Field Operations Division** – Budget Summary Estimate, Personnel Status, Recruitment Status, DARE Classes, KPAL Programs, Training Provided by Outside Agency: Off-Island, Training Provided by Kaua'i Police Department, Training Provided by Outside Agency: On-Island, Firearms Registered, Handgun Applications, Long Gun Applications, Licenses to Carry Applications, Crime Scene and Laboratory Section - Biometric Identification Facial and Ten Print, Crime Scene and Laboratory Section - Call Out Lab Request, YTD Death

Statistics, Person Crimes Section Statistics, Person Crimes Section Enforcement, Property Crimes Section Statistics, Property Crimes Section Enforcement, Property Crimes Section Types, and Vice Section Statistics.

- **Preliminary Point & Time Data** – Crime Summary and Activity Summary
- **Agency Statistics** – Calls for Service/Incident Summary, Citation Summary, Arrest Summary, Legal Services, Warrant Type – All Divisions, and Warrant Tracking – All Divisions.

BUSINESS:

OS KPC 2026-6:

Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on recommendations to revise the Kauai Police Commission Rules on Administrative Practice and Procedure, including consideration of draft rule language, as follows:

- Table of Contents and renumbering
- Rule 1-1: Definitions
- Rule 2: General Powers and Organization of the Police Commission
- Rule 3: Control, Management and Direction of the Department
- Rule 4: Selection Process for the Chief of Police
- Rule 5: Rules of Practice, Hearings
- Rule 6: Public Information and Inspection
- Rule 7: Adoption, Amendment or Repeal of Rules
- Rule 8: Declaratory Ruling by the Commission
- Rule 9: Cost of Rules
- NEW Rule 10: Public Charges Against the Conduct of the Department or any of its Members, Except the Chief of Police
- NEW Rule 11: Public Charges, Discipline, and Removal of the Chief of Police

OS KPC 2026-8:

Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on recommendations regarding revisions to the Chief of Police's performance evaluation process, including the Chief of Police Self-Evaluation Form, the Police Commissioner's Performance Evaluation Outline, and the Chief of Police Performance Evaluation Form.

OS KPC 2026-9:

Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on recommendations to revise the Kauai Police Commission's formal complaint form.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Under the Hawai'i Revised Statutes §§ 92-4, 92-5 (a) (2) and (4), the purpose of this executive session is for the Commission to review and discuss charges brought against an officer of the Kauai Police Department, with consideration of matters affecting privacy, provided that if the individual concerned requests an open meeting, an open meeting shall be held; and to consult with its attorney on issues related to the Commission's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities as they may relate to these matters:

ES KPC 2026-1:

Regular Monthly updates by Chief of Police Rudy Tai or his designated representative related to the Office of Professional Standards, Monthly Report on the status and/or disposition of formal notarized citizen complaints that were filed with the Kauai Police Commission and referred to the Office of the Chief for disposition and/or report back to the Police Commission. **(Nothing to Report)**

ES KPC 2026-2:

Regular Monthly updates by Chief of Police Rudy Tai or his designated representative of any significant adverse incidents/events involving personnel in the Kauai Police Department that could potentially impact the County, the Police Commission, and the Kauai Police Department. **(Nothing to Report)**

ES KPC 2026-18:

New Formal Notarized Complaint KPC 2026-03, received on July 17, 2026, by the Board Office and Commission. Date of Occurrence: the week of January 1, 2026, and the week of February 5, 2026. The complainant alleges the Department lacked timeliness in investigating or refused to investigate alleged criminal activities.

ES KPC 2026-19:

Under Hawai'i Revised Statutes §§ 92-4, 92-5(a)(2), (a)(4), and 92-9(b), the purpose of this is for the Commission to approve or amend the Executive Session minutes of July 24, 2026 meeting. Publishing the executive meeting minutes would undermine the lawful purpose of these meetings, including the reasons outlined in HRS §§ 92-5(a)(2) and (a)(4).

ES KPC 2026-20:

Under Hawaii Revised Statutes §92-4 (a), (b), §92-5 (a) (4), the purpose of this Executive Session is for the Commission to consult with the board's attorney on questions, and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities as it may relate to agenda item OS KPC 2026-6. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on recommendations to revise the Kauai Police Commission Rules on Administrative Practice and Procedure, including consideration of draft rule language, as follows:

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ES KPC 2026-21:

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ES KPC 2026-22:

Under Hawaii Revised Statutes §92-4 (a), (b), §92-5 (a) (4), the purpose of this Executive Session is for the Commission to consult with the board's attorney on questions, and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities as it may relate to agenda item OS KPC 2026-9. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on recommendations to revise the Kauai Police Commission's formal complaint form.

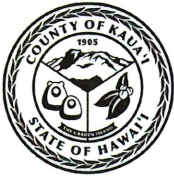
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Executive Session Report by Deputy County Attorney Kimberly Torigoe pursuant to HRS § 92-4(b).

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Under HRS § 92-7(a), the Commission may, when necessary, hold an executive session on any agenda item without prior written public notice if the item was not anticipated in advance. Any executive session shall be conducted in accordance with HRS § 92-4 and will be limited to the items specified in HRS § 92-5(a).

ADJOURNMENT

cc: Deputy County Attorney Kimberly Torigoe
Chief of Police Rudy Tai
Deputy Chief of Police Mark Ozaki



POLICE COMMISSION

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Meetings of the Police Commission will be conducted as follows until further notice:

- Meetings will be publicly noticed pursuant to HRS Chapter 92.
- Minutes of the meeting will be completed pursuant to HRS Chapter 92 and posted to the Commission's website upon completion and approval.

Public Comments and Testimony:

- **Written testimony** will be accepted for any agenda item herein.
 - Written testimony indicating your 1) name or pseudonym, and if applicable, your position/title and organization you are representing, 2) the agenda item that you are providing comment on, and 3) contact information (telephone number and email address), may be submitted to mromo@kauai.gov or mailed to the Police Commission, c/o Office of Boards and Commission, 4444 Rice Street, Suite 300, Lihue, Hawaii 96766.
 - Written testimony received by the Police Commission at least 24 hours before the meeting will be distributed to all Police Commissioners before the meeting.
- **Oral testimony** will be taken during the public testimony portion of the meeting in person at the public meeting.
 - It is recommended that anyone interested in providing oral testimony register at least 24 hours before the meeting by emailing mromo@kauai.gov or calling (808) 241-4920. Any request to register shall include 1) your name or pseudonym, and, if applicable, your position/title and the organization you are representing, 2) the agenda item you are providing comment on, and 3) your contact information (telephone number and email address).
 - Per the Police Commission and Chair's practice, there is a three-minute time limit per testifier per agenda item.
 - Individuals who have not registered to provide testimony will be given an opportunity to speak on an agenda item following speakers who have registered.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

IF YOU NEED AN AUXILIARY AID/SERVICE, OTHER ACCOMMODATION DUE TO DISABILITY, OR AN INTERPRETER FOR NON-ENGLISH-SPEAKING PERSONS
CONTACT THE OFFICE OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AT (808) 241-4917 OR
ADAVIS@KAUAI.GOV AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. REQUESTS MADE AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE WILL
ALLOW ADEQUATE TIME TO FULFILL YOUR REQUEST. UPON REQUEST, THIS NOTICE IS
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