

**KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCIL
MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2026**

8:30 A.M. OR SOON THEREAFTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HISTORIC COUNTY BUILDING
4396 RICE STREET, SUITE 201, LIHU'E, KAUA'I, HAWAI'I 96766

MEETING INFORMATION:

- **Oral Testimony:** Accepted in-person at the Council Chambers.
- **Written Testimony:** May be submitted for any meeting via: email to counciltestimony@kauai.gov; fax to (808) 241-6349; mail to the Office of the County Clerk, Council Services Division at 4396 Rice Street, Suite 209, Līhu'e, Hawai'i, 96766; or hand-delivery at Suite 209 during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays).
- **Courtesy Livestream, Video, and Minutes:** Meeting livestream (recorded video to follow) is available at www.kauai.gov/Government/Council/Webcast-Meetings. If the courtesy livestream is unavailable for any reason, the meeting will proceed. Meeting minutes will be completed pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 92 and electronically posted at www.kauai.gov/Government/Council following Council approval.
- **Courtesy Remote Oral Testimony:** This is not a remote meeting pursuant to HRS Section 92-3.7. The option of remote oral testimony is offered as a courtesy only. To register, testifiers shall sign up via emailing remote.signup@kauai.gov, indicating the agenda item(s) they would like to provide testimony on. Emails are due no later than 12:00 Noon the business day prior to the meeting. Those who timely register will receive remote testimony access and instructions via reply email. Those wishing to view the meeting but not provide testimony will be directed to the courtesy livestream (via the website link above). If the courtesy remote testimony access is unavailable for any reason, the meeting will proceed.
- **Additional Note for Both Methods of Oral Testimony:** Generally, each agenda item is addressed (and oral testimony received) in the order listed in the agenda; however, agenda items may occur out of order without notice and oral testimony is not accepted for completed agenda items. Those seeking the guaranteed ability to testify should report: (1) in-person, and (2) by the meeting start time.
- **For Further Assistance:** If you need an auxiliary aid/service, other accommodation due to a disability, or an interpreter for non-English speaking persons, please contact the Office of the County Clerk, Council Services Division at (808) 241-4188 or cokcouncil@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 available in alternate formats such as large print, braille, or electronic copy.

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

B. ROLL CALL.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

D. MINUTES of the following meetings of the Council:

1. June 3, 2026 Council Meeting
2. June 3, 2026 Public Hearing re: Resolution No. 2026-16
3. June 17, 2026 Council Meeting

E. INTERVIEW:

1. SALARY COMMISSION:

- [Duane Kalani Kaipō Keale](#) – Partial term ending 12/31/2026

F. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. [C 2026-156](#) Communication (05/21/2026) from the Mayor, transmitting for Council consideration and confirmation, the appointment of Patrick M. Higa to the Police Commission – Term ending 12/31/2028. (***See Resolution No. 2026-19***)
2. [C 2026-157](#) Communication (06/16/2026) from Councilmember Cowden, transmitting for Council consideration, a Resolution Recognizing Emergency Services Dispatchers As First Responders In Acknowledgement Of Their Essential Role In Emergency Response, Public Safety, And Community Well-Being Throughout The State Of Hawai'i. (***See Resolution No. 2026-20***)
3. [C 2026-158](#) Communication (06/17/2026) from Councilmember Holland, transmitting for Council consideration, a Resolution Urging The State Board Of Land And Natural Resources To Direct The Department Of Land And Natural Resources, Division Of Aquatic Resources, To Adopt Rules, Or Alternatively Urging The Hawai'i State Legislature To Enact Legislation, Prohibiting The Harvest Of Aquatic Life From State Marine Waters For Commercial Aquarium Purposes. (***See Resolution No. 2026-21***)
4. [C 2026-159](#) Communication (06/25/2026) from the County Engineer, transmitting for Council consideration, a Resolution Establishing Or Revising Speed Limits For Pu'u Road, Maka Road, Polaris Road, And Hokua Road, Kōloa District, County Of Kaua'i. (***See Resolution No. 2026-22***)

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. [C 2026-160](#) Communication (06/05/2026) from Councilmember Holland, requesting the presence of Bret Mossman, Hawai'i Island Avian Technician, Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife, to provide a briefing relating to the Decline and Protection Plan for the Manu of Kaua'i.
2. [C 2026-161](#) Communication (06/08/2026) from the County Engineer, requesting Council approval of the indemnification provision contained in the Application & Permit For The Occupancy & Use Of State Highway Right-of-Way and Permit Restrictions and Certification, Permit No. 957, allowing the Department of Public Works to occupy and use the State highway right-of-way to perform work from June 4, 2026 to June 4, 2027.
3. [C 2026-162](#) Communication (06/09/2026) from the County Engineer, requesting Council approval to receive and expend State funds in the amount of \$431,821.00, from the State of Hawai'i, Department of Health (DOH), and to indemnify the State DOH for the Fiscal Year 2027 grant cycle, for the HI-5 Deposit Beverage Container program to be used to fund two (2) HI-5 Recycling Specialist positions, support mobile redemption center operations in Kekaha and Kōloa, and support the lease of the redemption center in Kekaha.
4. [C 2026-163](#) Communication (06/10/2026) from the Emergency Management Administrator, requesting Council approval of the indemnification provision and the unspecified future obligation terms in the National Fire Protection Service Agreement to service the County of Kaua'i Radio Sites Fire Suppression Systems.
5. [C 2026-164](#) Communication (06/10/2026) from Ka'āina S. Hull, Clerk of the Planning Commission, transmitting for Council consideration, A Bill For An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15, 12, And 8, Kaua'i County Code 1987, As Amended, Relating To A Wildfire And The Wildland Urban Interface (WUI). (*Copies of the Draft Ordinance for Zoning Amendment (ZA-2026-6); Planning Commission's Agenda dated May 12, 2026 and June 9, 2026; Director's Report dated May 6, 2026 and June 3, 2026; and Agency Comments, on file in the Office of the County Clerk.*) (**See Proposed Draft Bill (No. 2998)**)

6. [C 2026-165](#) Communication (06/17/2026) from the Director of Human Resources, requesting Council approval of the indemnification provisions contained in the Gravic, Inc. Remark brand software End User License Agreement (EULA), to allow the Department of Human Resources staff to score written examinations that are conducted for various positions in the County of Kaua'i.

7. [C 2026-166](#) Communication (06/18/2026) from Darren D. Rose, Assistant Chief of Police, Police Operations Bureau, transmitting for Council consideration, A Bill For An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Kaua'i County Code 1987, As Amended, Relating To Establishing The Special-Duty Police Officer Program Fee Account. (*See Proposed Draft Bill (No. 2999)*)

8. [C 2026-167](#) Communication (06/22/2026) from Darren D. Rose, Assistant Chief of Police, Police Operations Bureau, requesting Council approval to accept funding from the State of Hawai'i 9-1-1 Board, in the amount of \$1,375,420.00, for annual recurring and non-recurring expenditures to operate 9-1-1 services as part of the Kaua'i Police Department's (KPD's) Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) and the Alternate Dispatch Center (ADC).

9. [C 2026-168](#) Communication (06/22/2026) from Nahelani Parsons, Hawai'i State Association of Counties (HSAC) Executive Director, transmitting for the Kaua'i County Council's consideration, the 2027 HSAC Legislative Package Timeline for submitting legislative proposals for consideration by HSAC, as active participation helps to ensure that the measures advanced are inclusive, well-vetted, reflective of the diverse needs of the communities, and can collectively advocate for stronger, more impactful legislation.

10. [C 2026-169](#) Communication (06/24/2026) from Mark Ozaki, Deputy Chief of Police, requesting Council approval to accept a donation from the Kaua'i Police Activities League (K-PAL) nonprofit in the amount of \$100,000.00, to support the establishment of a K-PAL bowling alley at the Pi'ikoi Recreational Facility.

11. [C 2026-170](#) Communication (06/24/2026) from Makana A. Rivera, Assistant Chief of Police, requesting Council approval to accept and expend State funds in the amount of up to \$12,000.00, from the State of Hawai'i, Department of Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division, as reimbursement for the enforcement of Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS) Section 712-1258 prohibiting tobacco sales to persons under the age of twenty-one via Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) 2027-PB-002, effective September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027.

12. [C 2026-171](#) Communication (06/26/2026) from the Director of Finance, requesting Council approval of the indemnification provisions contained in the SonicWall General Commercial Agreement, which provides cybersecurity solutions, including network firewalls, secure remote access, and threat protection services that help safeguard the County's information technology infrastructure.

13. [C 2026-172](#) Communication (06/26/2026) from the Director of Finance, requesting Council approval of the indemnification clause contained in the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement No. CTR060028 for the procurement of Altair software licenses from State Procurement Officials (SPO) Price List Contract No. 23-08.

14. [C 2026-173](#) Communication (07/01/2026) from Council Chair Rapozo, requesting the presence of Wayne Katayama, Kaua'i Coffee Company, and Trinette Kauai, Brue Baukol Capital Partners, to provide a briefing relating to the Kaua'i Coffee Company.

H. CLAIMS:

1. [C 2026-174](#) Communication (06/05/2026) from the County Clerk, transmitting a claim filed against the County of Kaua'i by Derek Aguilera, for loss of rental income, pursuant to Section 23.06, Charter of the County of Kaua'i.

2. [C 2026-175](#) Communication (06/09/2026) from the County Clerk, transmitting a claim filed against the County of Kaua'i by Kathryn Zeidner, for damage to personal property, pursuant to Section 23.06, Charter of the County of Kaua'i.

3. [C 2026-176](#) Communication (06/24/2026) from the County Clerk, transmitting a claim filed against the County of Kaua'i by Russell Stokes, for property damage, pursuant to Section 23.06, Charter of the County of Kaua'i,
4. [C 2026-177](#) Communication (06/26/2026) from the County Clerk, transmitting a claim filed against the County of Kaua'i by Devin Yamada, for personal injury, medical bills, and loss of income, pursuant to Section 23.06, Charter of the County of Kaua'i.

I. COMMITTEE REPORT:

1. PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE:

- a. **CR-PSHS 2026-02:** on PSHS 2026-02 Communication (05/29/2026) from Committee Chair Cowden, requesting the presence of the Emergency Management Administrator, to provide a briefing regarding public messaging for disasters such as floods, fires, tsunamis, tropical storms, and hurricanes, as well as an update on emergency refuge areas. **[Received for the Record.]**

J. RESOLUTIONS:

1. [Resolution No. 2026-19](#) – RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO THE POLICE COMMISSION (*Patrick M. Higa*)
2. [Resolution No. 2026-20](#) – RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING EMERGENCY SERVICES DISPATCHERS AS FIRST RESPONDERS IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THEIR ESSENTIAL ROLE IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND COMMUNITY WELL-BEING THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF HAWAII
3. [Resolution No. 2026-21](#) – RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF AQUATIC RESOURCES, TO ADOPT RULES, OR ALTERNATIVELY URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION, PROHIBITING THE HARVEST OF AQUATIC LIFE FROM STATE MARINE WATERS FOR COMMERCIAL AQUARIUM PURPOSES

4. [Resolution No. 2026-22](#) – RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OR REVISING SPEED LIMITS FOR PU‘U ROAD, MAKA ROAD, POLARIS ROAD, AND HOKUA ROAD, KŌLOA DISTRICT, COUNTY OF KAUAI

K. BILLS FOR FIRST READING:

1. [Proposed Draft Bill \(No. 2998\)](#) – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 15, 12, AND 8, KAUAI COUNTY CODE 1987, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO WILDFIRE AND WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE (WUI) (*County of Kauai, Applicant*) (ZA-2026-6)

2. [Proposed Draft Bill \(No. 2999\)](#) – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6, KAUAI COUNTY CODE 1987, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO ESTABLISHING THE SPECIAL-DUTY POLICE OFFICER PROGRAM FEE ACCOUNT

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Pursuant to Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS) §92-7(a), the Council may, when deemed necessary, hold an Executive Session on any agenda item without written public notice if the Executive Session was not anticipated in advance. Any such Executive Session shall be held pursuant to HRS §92-4 and shall be limited to those items described in HRS §92-5(a). (Confidential reports on file at the Office of the County Attorney and/or the Office of the County Clerk. Discussions held in Executive Session are closed to the public.)*

1. ES-1167 Pursuant to Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS) Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), and Kauai County Charter Section 3.07(E), the Office of the County Attorney requests an Executive Session with the Council, to provide the Council with a briefing and to request settlement authority in the lawsuit entitled Travis Brown, et al. vs. Kauai County, Civil No. 26-00233 MWJS-WRP, U.S. District Court for the District of Hawai‘i. This briefing and consultation involves consideration of the powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and/or liabilities of the Council and the County as they relate to this agenda item.

2. ES-1168 Pursuant to Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS) Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), and Kauai County Charter Section 3.07(E), the Office of the County Attorney requests an Executive Session with the Council, to provide the Council with a briefing and to request settlement authority in the lawsuit entitled The Estate of Paul S. Carvalho vs. Paul H. Luong and County of Kauai, Case No. 5CCV-25-0000045, Fifth Circuit Court, State of Hawai‘i. This briefing and consultation involves consideration of the powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and/or liabilities of the Council and the County as they relate to this agenda item.

M. ADJOURNMENT.