

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE

Voting Members:

Brandon J. C. Elefante, Chair; Kymberly Marcos Pine, Vice Chair;
Ikaika Anderson, Ron Menor, Trevor Ozawa

Committee Meeting Held
September 20, 2016

Honorable Ernest Y. Martin
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Public Health, Safety and Welfare, which considered Resolution 16-235 entitled:

“RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT TO THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU FROM THE WAIKIKI BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ASSOCIATION (WBIDA) FOR THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ADDRESS VARIOUS ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALKS IN SPECIFIC AREAS IN WAIKIKI,”

transmitted by Departmental Communication No. 598, dated August 25, 2016 from the Honolulu Police Department and introduced on August 26, 2016, reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to accept a gift to the City and County of Honolulu from the WBIDA to allow for enhanced police patrols by the Honolulu Police Department to address various illegal activities on the public sidewalks in specific areas in Waikiki, valued at \$85,000.

Major Clyde Ho of the Honolulu Police Department testified in support of this Resolution. Major Ho testified that this funding assists the Department in handling community complaints and other police enforcement activities in Waikiki. Major Ho indicated that the monies will generally be used for over-time expenses for additional officers and the general categories of enforcement include pedaling, prostitution, hand-billing, and other community requests.

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One member of the public offered comments on the Resolution and another member of the public provided comments in opposition to the Resolution with concerns about targeting specific groups for enforcement.

Section 13-113 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973, as amended, provides as follows:

The council, on behalf of the city, may accept gifts or donations of money, securities or other personal property or of real estate or any interest in real estate.

To implement this Charter provision, the Council adopted Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1, which establishes guidelines for the solicitation and receipt of gifts on behalf of the City.

Your Committee finds that the acceptance of this gift conforms with the applicable provisions of Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1, and that this gift will benefit the people of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee on Public Health, Safety and Welfare is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 16-235, and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Elefante, Anderson, Ozawa, Pine – 4; Noes: None; Excused: Menor – 1.)

Respectfully submitted,



Committee Chair

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