



RESOLUTION

ADOPTING THE OAHU RESILIENCE STRATEGY AS A GUIDING POLICY DOCUMENT FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, in 2016 the City and County of Honolulu ("City") was selected from among 1,200 international city applications to be awarded financial and technical assistance through the 100 Resilient Cities Initiative Grant, pioneered by the Rockefeller Foundation; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Honolulu voters approved a charter amendment establishing the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency within the City to plan, develop, and implement effective policies, plans, and actions to mitigate potential climate change-related impacts to the City and create sustainable and resilient communities; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency in 2017 and 2018 led the development of a comprehensive Oahu Resilience Strategy, which focused on providing policy solutions that will allow the community to survive, adapt, and thrive in the 21st century, regardless of any shocks or stresses that it may experience; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency personally engaged over 3,000 citizens throughout Oahu, met with over 200 organizations, led multiple working groups with up to 100 non-profit, business, and academic leaders over a three-month period, and developed a Resilience Strategy Steering Committee of 23 community leaders to guide a two-year process to identify key issues, opportunities and goals to improve and strengthen island resilience and craft resilience actions; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency was awarded the 2018 American Planning Association Hawaii Chapter award for Public Outreach and Engagement for its work in involving the general community in the development of the Oahu Resilience Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the Oahu Resilience Strategy is composed of 44 actions and 12 goals across the following four multifaceted and interrelated pillars: *Remaining Rooted – Ensuring an Affordable Future for Our Island*; *Bouncing Forward – Fostering Resilience in the Face of Natural Disasters*; *Climate Security – Tackling Climate Change by Reducing Emissions and Adapting to Impacts*; and *Community Cohesion – Leveraging the Strength and Leadership of Local Communities*; and



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WHEREAS, the non-profit, business, and City, State, and federal government leaders who comprise the Resilience Strategy Steering Committee formally endorsed the Oahu Resilience Strategy and have identified their organizations as partners to help implement its proposed actions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has taken a leadership role in addressing resilience by adopting and enacting key resolutions and ordinances that are already implementing the Oahu Resilience Strategy, such as:

- Resolution 18-221, CD1, FD1 (supporting the 2018 Global Climate Action Summit policies), which relates to several actions in the *Climate Security* pillar of the Resilience Strategy;
- Resolution 18-55 (urging the City administration to increase the City's urban tree canopy to at least 35 percent by 2035), which supports Resilience Strategy Action 33;
- Ordinance 19-18 (relating to the regulation of short-term rentals), implementing Resilience Strategy Action 2;
- Ordinance 19-8 (relating to a temporary program to accelerate the construction of affordable rental housing), furthering Resilience Strategy Action 3; and
- Ordinance 19-20 (relating to the adoption of the State Electrical Code), furthering Resilience Strategy Action 11;

among other actions, and has charted a resilience agenda through policies, programs, and projects within the City budget; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it adopts the Oahu Resilience Strategy, as updated in 2019, as a guiding policy document for the City and County of Honolulu; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City departments are requested to coordinate with the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency to incorporate resilience actions into existing planning efforts, including the General Plan and the Development/Sustainable Communities Plans, special area planning, and the Multi-Hazard Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan, using information set forth in the Oahu Resilience Strategy; and



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No. 19-233

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Chief Resiliency Officer and Executive Director of the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

SEP 18 2019

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

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C E R T I F I C A T E

RESOLUTION 19-233

Introduced: 09/18/19 By: IKAIKA ANDERSON

Committee: EXECUTIVE MATTERS
AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Title: RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE OAHU RESILIENCE STRATEGY AS A GUIDING POLICY DOCUMENT FOR THE CITY AND
COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

09/24/19	EXECUTIVE MATTERS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS	CR-288 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION. 8 AYES: ANDERSON, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MENOR, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS. 1 EXCUSED: MANAHAN.
10/09/19	COUNCIL	CR-288 AND RESOLUTION 19-233 WERE ADOPTED. 9 AYES: ANDERSON, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MENOR, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS.

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.



GLEN TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK



IKAIKA ANDERSON, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER