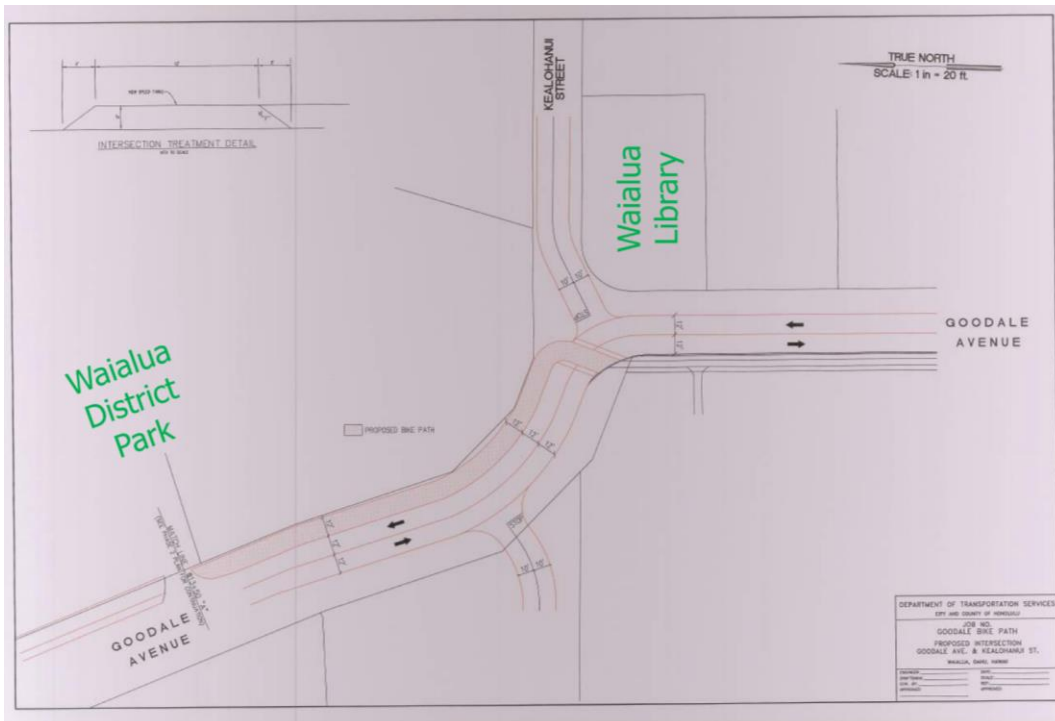


BIKE PATH

Below is a proposed new bike/walk path for Goodale Avenue in Waialua District Park. The Department of Transportation Services have spent a year drafting plans for the new bike path, to also include one stop sign and speed bump. The Goodale bike path is anticipated to be completed by the end of summer 2018. (Shaun Ueda, Traffic Engineer)

Goodale Avenue Bike Path



BIKE PATH

Hopping on a bicycle is common here in Hawai'i. It's a great place to ride: beautiful weather and scenery make it easy to experience Hawai'i and easily access beaches and stores. I've always been a huge supporter of any activity that promotes the health of the community, but honestly, even I get scared to ride my bike on high traffic roads.

In Waialua, it is no secret that there need to be more bike lanes to connect heavily traveled areas. Community members have been working hard with my office for the past few years to secure funding for bike path projects. In 2013, I secured \$500,000 for the bike path project in Waialua; unfortunately, the funds were not used by the Department of Transportation before lapsing. While a disappointing setback, we have continued to work with advocates to find other avenues of financial support. Due to the efforts of many dedicated residents, we are finally making headway.

Working with the City & County of Honolulu's Department of Transportation Services (DTS) and using local city funds for Waialua, we have a plan for a bike path on Goodale Avenue in Waialua District Park! In case the city funding falls through, I have included \$500,000 for this project in our 2018 Capital Improvement Project request to keep this project moving forward. We anticipate completion of the design for Goodale bike path by the end of summer 2018 with construction beginning early 2019. The plans are in their final stages, and we will have more concrete information on funding in August. I am committed to promoting safe infrastructure for our keiki and community. If you would like to be kept informed on Town Hall meetings prior to the start of bike path construction, please contact my office.

WOMEN'S LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS

Encompassing women legislators' viewpoints from both the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Women's Legislative Caucus (WLC) of the State of Hawai'i continues to advocate for bills on behalf of the women of the state of Hawai'i. The caucus has focused on such as human trafficking, health, domestic abuse, and education.



Members of the 2018 Women's Legislative Caucus

To follow this year's bills as they go through the legislative process for consideration, follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/hawaiiwomen/>. Your WLC conveners are working hard to keep the public updated in a timely manner regarding hearings. Your testimony is important! Please lend your voice in support of the bills you want to see become law and keep up with their progress online!

COMMUNITY EVENTS



On January 31, 2018, we had a great turnout and questions at our joint **Town Hall Meeting in Waialua** highlighting legislation and how to get involved in the process!



WAIALUA CARNIVAL

Support Waialua High and Intermediate School by bringing your 'ohana and friends for rides & games, live entertainment, musical guests, and delicious food!

Friday, March 2nd
6-10 pm

Saturday, March 3rd
12-10 pm

Sunday, March 4th

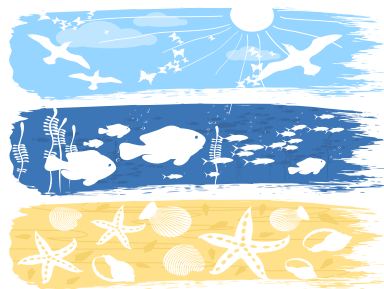


A public meeting was held on February 21, 2018 at Waialua Elementary to discuss surface water quality issues and priority projects identified in the **Draft Kaiaka Bay Watershed-Based Plan**.

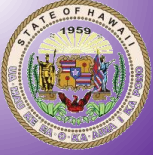
The Draft Public Kaiaka Bay Watershed-Based Plan is available for download at <http://health.hawaii.gov/cwb/clean-water-branch-home-page/polluted-runoff-control-program/watershed-plans/>

Read about the plan in the link above and email your comments to katie@townscapeinc.com or mail them in by **March 10, 2018** to:

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Opioid abuse is a serious that is plaguing millions of Americans nationwide. This issue threatens our community and loved ones, and we must act swiftly and precisely to curb this problem and ensure the safety of the youth of Hawai'i for future generations. I was invited to speak at a **Parent Workshop at Waialua High and Intermediate School** earlier this month to discuss this issue and my bill (House Bill 2631) on an opiate prescription accountability system. Visit RepMatsumoto.com to learn how to submit testimony for this bill when it comes up for a committee hearing!



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North Shore Neighborhood Board Meeting



Aloha Neighbors and Friends,

Our new website, RepMatsumoto.com, is up and running! And as promised, we want to highlight all the new features of the site geared to better serve our community.

First and foremost, one of the most exciting features is the option to Report an Issue (pictured at right). Here you can click on the icon which best associates with your observed need. If you want to report a pothole, make a food safety complaint, report graffiti, make a sidewalk service request, and more! The website will prompt you to supply relevant information for follow-up by the appropriate government department. My office will be directly tracking these items, too, so that we can stay abreast of needs in our community.

The website also provides links to a variety of ways in which you can Get Involved. Your Representatives and Senators need to know your thoughts on proposed legislation, which you can provide by submitting testimony. If you want to know more about our legislative process and how you can participate, the Public Access Room can help. And, did you know our office is looking for interns? Find out more on the website!

Additionally, we want to keep in touch with you beyond Neighborhood Board Meetings. Sign up for our e-newsletter to stay apprised of the latest from the Capitol.

This month, I was fortunate to host Waialua Elementary School’s (WES) 4th graders at the Capitol, as well as invited to the Waialua Elementary Writing Fair! The students at the Capitol tour asked great questions and learned about our local legislative process. My office manager, Mark, visited the students at the Writing Fair, and they gave excellent speeches on issues that mattered the most to them as well as discussed solutions to those concerns!

We want to give a shout-out to Waialua High and Intermediate School’s very own Glenn Lee, STEM teacher and Robotics Program leader, who was named one of the top 10 teachers by the Varkey Foundation for their Global Teacher Prize! Glenn, I am thrilled to have you sharing your knowledge and excitement for STEM curriculum with Waialua students. Way to go!

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns about any happenings in our community.

Mahalo,

Lauren Cheape Matsumoto



Report an issue on RepMatsumoto.com!



Waialua Elementary 6th Graders



Mahalo to the 5th graders at Waialua Elementary for your hard work in researching issues and sharing your speeches

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