Reviewed and Approved by Executive Director:

October 5, 2022

## FOR ACTION

#### I. REQUEST

Consider Authorizing the Executive Director to Expend General Obligation Bond Funds Appropriated to the HCDA pursuant to Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022 in an Amount Not to Exceed \$2,000,000.00 for Plans and Design for Central Kakaako Street Improvements on Ilaniwai Street between Cooke Street and Ward Avenue. The primary scope of the project is to plan and design improvements including roadway repairs and patching, sidewalk construction, drainage and waterline upgrades, and electricity and telecom upgrades consistent with the City and County of Honolulu Complete Streets Ordinance pursuant to Article 33, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu.

#### II. BACKGROUND

Many of our current streets were built decades ago for vehicle traffic, but lack safe and pleasant sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, bicycle lanes, or accessible bus stops. The State of Hawaii and the City and County of Honolulu are collaborating to improve streets in Central Kakaako. The improvements will bring the roadways up to current City and State standards, and create a safer pedestrian environment.

The Honolulu Complete Streets Ordinance was passed by City Council and signed into law in 2012. It established the complete streets policy for the City and County of Honolulu. The ordinance reads: "...the city hereby expresses its commitment to encourage the development of transportation facilities or projects that are planned, designed, operated, and maintained to provide safe mobility for all users. Every transportation facility or project, whether new construction, reconstruction, or maintenance, provides the opportunity to implement complete streets policy and principles. This policy provides that a context sensitive solution process and multimodal approach be considered in all planning documents and for the development of all city transportation facilities and projects."

Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022 appropriated \$2,000,000 in general obligation bond funds for Plans and Design for Central Kakaako Street Improvements.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The Hawaii Community Development Authority ("HCDA") has identified Ilaniwai Street between Cooke Street and Ward Avenue as an area of opportunity to be redeveloped as a Complete Street, collaborating with the City and County of Honolulu, and dedicating the street and infrastructure improvements to the City and County of Honolulu.

The Executive Director seeks approval to expend the funds appropriated by the legislature to plan and design improvements on Ilaniwai Streeet. Funding for construction will be requested in future legislative sessions based on the design.

### **IV. RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board Authorize the Executive Director to Expend General Obligation Bond Funds Appropriated to the HCDA pursuant to Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022 in an Amount Not to Exceed \$2,000,000.00 for Plans and Design for Central Kakaako Street Improvements on Ilaniwai Street between Cooke Street and Ward Avenue.

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# Ilaniwai Street



**Existing View** 



# Mauka Area Plan-Street Profile