

COUNCILMEMBERS TYLER DOS SANTOS-TAM

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Here's the newsletter. For the Councilmember's answers to questions from last NB meeting, please see below. See you tomorrow.

Best,

Jack

Robert Armstrong: Any clarification on Kamaile Mini Park and the bids the city solicited?
As it's actively in the solicitation phase, this is a question for the administration.

Ross Isokane: What about STR bans? What is TDST doing to enforce this? What about the related Judge Watson ruling with respect to the ban?

CM Dos Santos-Tam has been very active in ensuring that DPP is strictly enforcing the STR law. As you may have seen in the news, because of TDST's advocacy, DPP finally initiated foreclosure proceedings on a illegal STR that had accrued nearly \$1M in fines. TDST's staff member Jack Truesdale has also been investigating the effectiveness of DPP's lien process. Following Judge Watson's decision in an STR-related case two years ago, the legislature gave the Counties the authority to "phase out" vacation rentals as a "residential use" in residential districts around the island. It will be up to the City Council to initiate any legislation in response to this new authority to phase out STRs, but TDST is supportive of phasing them out given our housing shortage.

Ernest Cravalho: What is TDST doing about Airbnbs in the building on Fort St?

TDST has been working with the Mayor's office in getting the administration to enforce not only the illegal Airbnb uses, but others, and has been communicating with HPD and HECO about the issues there.