



## Revitalizing Community Infrastructure

In order to ensure a thriving future for our keiki, we must revitalize our community's infrastructure to better support residents and local businesses. Rail and the proposed transit-oriented development (TOD) in Honolulu provides a great opportunity for us to address long standing neighborhood issues. Investing in our communities will help improve the quality of life for all who call O'ahu home,

In order to do this, Jacob believes that government needs to:

### Fix Our Roads

For too long, our City and State government have argued over whose responsibility it is to maintain and fix our roads. Private roadways and "roads in limbo" have been a major issue in our community for decades. As a result, many residents are forced to drive on roads that have caused much undue hardships (flooding, car damage, etc) to them. Swift action and innovative solutions are needed to address this long-standing issue.

- **Work With The State Legislature To Resolve The Issue of Private Roads/Roads In Limbo:** The state and city have had jurisdictional issues regarding the maintenance of private roads for many years. In 2017, Act 208 was passed by the Legislature which requires each county with a population of over five hundred thousand or greater to take ownership and jurisdiction over all disputed road if not resolved by 2022. Either way, the City will be forced to take ownership and jurisdiction of these roadways, but funding and the inability to bring many of these roads up to standard will remain as major issues.

If elected to the City Council, Jacob will work with the State Legislature **to allocate funding for repair and maintenance** of private roads in the district. He will also **advocate for legislation** that will exempt counties from having to modify a road to meet current construction standards (only if the road was built according to the

standards in place at the time of construction) and/or completion must be modified to a reasonable safety standard .

- **Create Partnerships With The Private Sector And Other Landowners To Help Maintain Roadways In The District:** Rail and other development in TOD areas will attract new projects and businesses to our community. This presents a unique opportunity for the city to solicit support from land owners and encourage them to be a “good neighbor” by helping to fix and/or maintain roadways and other critical infrastructure in the district.

If elected to the City Council, Jacob will **explore options to incentivize private sector support and contributions from landowners** by providing potential property tax relief and other government subsidies.

## Clean Up The Trash

Illegal dumping is rampant in our communities and there seems to be no real solution for the issue. Roadways in our district are continually plagued with trash and abandoned vehicles. Residents are also very unhappy with the City’s new bulky item pick up system. We deserve better and the City needs to take serious action to clean up the blight in our community.

- **Increase Coordination Between The City, Law Enforcement and The Community:** No one entity will be able to solve our trash issues alone. Coordination between the city, law enforcement and the community will help to decrease duplication of services while maximizing efforts to stop illegal dumping in our neighborhoods.

If elected to the City Council, Jacob will **convene a task force comprised of government, community and private sector entities** to coordinate joint efforts to monitor dumping hotspots and catch bad actors. He will also work with community partners and local businesses to **increase clean-up efforts** in the district.

- **Fix The Bulky Item Pickup System:** The City’s bulky item pick up system has been a top complaint for many residents in the district. In areas like Kalihi and Āliamanu, illegal dumping has increased since

the implementation of this new system. Homeowners, whose properties often fall victim to illegal dumping are faced with potential penalties under the new system. Senior citizens and individuals who lack the ability to take their bulky item to refuse centers are also severely disadvantaged under this system.

If elected to the City Council, Jacob will work with the Mayor and his administration to address community concerns regarding the bulky item system and collaborate on potential modifications that can be made. He will also consult with community members, many of whom felt that there was not enough public input and education regarding the implementation of the pickup system.