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The **purpose of the Government** is to facilitate, direct, stimulate, and achieve a great “Honolulu Livability” Index or quality of life. Duke4Mayor.com plans to provide accountability and performance measures to improve this direction. In fact, the main thrust of Duke’s Program for Honolulu’s future centers on a Sustainable, Self-Sufficient, Circular, Organic, nonpolluting, Community of growing our own food and creating our own energy. Accountability is promoting and monitoring a pure environment that means no pesticides, herbicides (weeds), insecticides (insects), fungicides (fungi), nematocides (nematodes), rodenticides (vertebrate poisons), chemicals, and other pollutants on our Land, in the Air or into the Ocean. Promoting Community cooperation to grow individually, within a community coordinated by District Community Centers, in the Country at Gentlemen Farms, and small group farms like greenverdefarms.com, all create a fabulous quality of life with organic food, and a cleaner environment to include Schools, Parks, and roads. Achieving a pure Honolulu through cooperation in creating a clean environment is the absolute measure to ascertain accountability for Honolulu’s amazing quality of life.

2. Honolulu’s “**New Economy**”, is this Sustainable, Self-Sufficient, Circular, Organic, non polluting Community of growing our own food and creating our own energy. Encouraging rural farms to include a partnership with existing “gentlemen Farms” (farms that are taxed as agriculture but not producing), and greenverdefarms.com projects (allowing small communities of new farmers wanting to live in the country in their own adobe while working together to make food and some income), the center for this new diverse economy. The energy with Solar should also be increased by making our own panels for community use and export along with allowing solar farms to exist on a small scale with sales to community energy

banks. The Tech Industry and the Design industry will be developed connecting the University, Government, and Private Industry with all students and individuals interested, to educate, cooperate, and create a New Hawaii Internet System with increased security and privacy, software, games, media, product design, all unique to our Islands, and promoted for export. Maintaining Research, Intellectual Property, Commercial Business, and Entrepreneurship sections of the Economy which should grow with this Tech Revolution. The Industrial sector should also be encouraged to find products and services from our waste for local sales and for export. While Tourism and Military can decline with the World Health and Economic Crises unfolding, including constraints on Federal Budgets today and into the future. This direction protects the carrying capacity of our natural resources by purifying the Land and Sea, strengthening our infrastructure, and stabilizing our incomes to support our quality of life.

3. **Rail** should be downsized to create an inner-city system using local talent and labor. This project can be low tech and less expensive for now. HART should exist from Downtown to University Avenue along King or Beretania Streets (using the actual main street will reduce eminent domain conflicts with private property owners (and possibly extended from Kalihi to Kahala or/and further when affordable), and with a SkyTrain connection to Ala Moana and into Waikiki. Plan using 95% local talent for management and engineering. Control and ownership should be solely within Hawaii. Land and airspace above local stops can be leased out to business for additional income to existing funds and can be a source of lease revenue for years to come. These air rights above HART stops can be partially charged upfront to add to monies already accumulated from the tax so far.

Rail is important to connect the economy, create a more efficient transportation system, lower energy use and costs to the Community, and lower pollution and noise concerns for a modern city. High prices to visitors, with discounts for yearly and monthly use. The tracks should be minimal in width while close to the pavement of the road on each side of the track. The color of the rail

should blend with the road. The stations could be designed locally with a different motif at each stop, and with a tropical design using nature or gardens to accent the design to look natural to the observer. Trees and gardens along the route to create this tropical vision can be used to make this transit system beautiful to our Community.

4&5. Noise pollution as Individual freedom versus the benefit of a peaceful environment to the larger Community. Modern cities need to address these issues making our quality of life more enjoyable and healthier for the majority. Noise from motorcycles, trucks, and autos, and especially the buses should be controlled with licensing and eliminated by enforcement as much as possible. Our chip economy can monitor noise infractions and fine via the internet or the mail. Household private property items as weed wakers, air blowers, and electrical equipment can also be monitored by sensitive chips at neighborhood locations.

6. Homelessness. There is a need to keep the City orderly and clean. The parks are not camping grounds, nor are the streets places to sleep safely and securely. The greenverdefarms.com project is a good method to find a rural home for people to work together and produce food and income. These projects can be facilitated with incentives to the landowners, gentlemen farms, and other landowners as a way to make their land produce food, create food for the landowner, create the community plan for self-sufficiency, and better utilize our land. Requiring gentlemen forms to do agriculture with the benefit to the landowner of not paying wages to the workers should be acceptable with many landowners not using the land for agriculture. Much of the cost can come from the allowance of land use, and the people who start to build their housing for rural living in harmony with the land. Monetary help can come from landowners improving their own land, and budgets available from Government, Religious, Social entities, etc., and possibly issuing a bond fund.

7. Planting trees is critical for climate warming issues, environmental rejuvenation of compost soil and water storage, and is part of the greenverdefarms.com project to mosaic trees and plants into an ecological and food-producing system for

sustainability and self-sufficiency. Many trees should be fruit or food-producing, along with local carbon balancing trees. Keeping existing trees as much as possible, while implanting food production trees can help our sustainability program. The Office of Climate Change, Sustainability, and Resiliency will be tasked to organize and manage a county-wide community body in which each Legislative House District on Oahu has a community center to address pollution, agriculture, individual self-sufficiency with food and energy creation, and education of the community on these important issues of Climate Change, and Sustainability. This local District Community Center program can manage tree planting and maintenance along with design and tree type use into the community and rural environment. Development projects should have a mandate to make our community development as natural, beautiful, and as food and tree productive as possible.

8. Besides using the Community District Centers coordinated by the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability, and Resiliency to monitor and develop more **trees**, food-producing trees, and community food-producing systems, we can address private land ownership for the Community Benefits Program. This is a new program to encourage support, consultation, and help to plant and maintain trees on private lands. The UH could develop an organic seed program and a nursery program in Waimanalo to supply organic trees to the Community, while the City will offer a tree trimming program to limit costs to property owners while keeping trees properly trimmed for home safety, food production, and beauty to the City.

9. Duke4Mayor.com supports **traffic speed** reductions, bulb cuts, on-demand crosswalk signals, etc to make Honolulu pedestrian and bike-friendly for the young and older. Chip technology can sensor people coming to the crosswalk light to cross, even observing ongoing traffic at high speeds or close proximity requiring some delay in green crossing for safety and quality of life.

10. Duke4Mayor.com can name the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability, and Resiliency as the **Tree Czar** since the Office exists and is funded while having the responsibility to develop and

control trees for Oahu while creating a sustainable food system for self-sufficiency.

11. Duke4Mayor.com supports the People covering the cost to improve our **green infrastructure**, purchase open spaces, and better our parks. Timing is important as the current financial crises should postpone this till the City is profitable and Taxpayers are more secure in their resources, If we use the existing available land to create more greenery this will go a long way to making our City more livable with a great quality of life.

12. Duke4Mayor.com supports making our **taxation more transparent** using sales taxes rather than GET. Meanwhile, let's eliminate GET taxes for essential foods and essential medicines. Much of the food purchase is for unhealthy foods, and much of medicine is for nonessential use. So let's keep taxes on sugar, sugary drinks, unhealthy foods like chips, chemical or processed foods, etc. This tax on unhealthy purchases can create a barrier to imported junk foods, creating an opportunity to develop our District Community -value-added product project for local income and community health.

13. Duke4Mayor.com plans to move the **Neighborhood Board** system to the Community District Center to help manage, coordinate, offer labor support, and be more of a full-time commitment to community issues, instead of a once a month endeavor.

14. Maintenance of city parks, sidewalks, bike paths, and beaches can be mobilized through our Community Centers utilizing a plan for motivating citizens to partake in our Community affairs. Taxation reductions for participants, with some charge too non-serving individuals who are too busy making money, can be motivational.

15. Timely, open, transparent, and on-going **communication with the public** regarding issues relevant to their community should be done through the zoom community over the internet with all documents summarizing Community issues available for review to all. Our Community Centers can do a daily broadcast summarizing

and discussing relevant issues to their specific community and to the Island as a whole.

16. Honolulu can implement the best and **brightest ideas** for governance and livability from other cities around the world again with the use of the internet. Broadcasting conventions, seminars, talks, organization agendas can be monitored by University Departments and Private Organizations like Grassroots Hawaii. This evaluation and sharing with the Public can be seamless, with communication both ways with citizens participating with research on issues important to Honolulu today,

17. Duke4Mayor.com opposes all **commercial advertising** & sign clutter on all public property, parks, and equipment (including TheBus). Increasing the limitation of advertising by business can improve the quality of life. My plan to create an internet service for Hawaii without much of the adds and addressing privacy issues could make our life here more enjoyable.

18. Duke4Mayor.com supports **regulation of unrelated commercial advertising** which is too prevalent and annoying in our environment. Business can address marketing communication to the Public in softer and nonintrusive ways with opt-in programs via phone and internet devices, and not intrusive marketing often to people not interested.

19. Duke4Mayor.com will place controls on the sign clutter and visual blight caused by unregulated food trucks operating on commercial property in many parts of the island. This is apparently an unlawful practice and again we want to make our city as peaceful and uncluttered as possible for the benefit of Honolulu's quality of life.

20. Reducing light pollution can be done by keeping many of our **street lights off at night** while engaging with chip technology turning on the light when someone or a vehicle approaches. Overhead utility lines can be removed slowly and placed next to the curb of our streets, covered with some protective cover, and adjacent to cyber optic cables for internet reception while removing EMF Electromagnetic Radiation pollution, thus improving safety and health for all.

21. Tourism will return, but probably not to the extent that it is today. To prevent **overtaxing of our infrastructure** (traffic, parking at scenic

spots, beaches, etc.), and destruction to our natural resources with fewer visitors but with higher daily per capita spending can be achieved with a daily tourist tax collected at hotels and all other abodes for the tourist. Higher costs for tourism should reduce demand. Pre-use permits can reduce use on a daily basis to a set number established by the City and the Community.

22. **Short term vacation rentals** should be determined by a decentralized process where the neighborhoods vote in some way if they want this or not. The Community Centers can manage this process that can be changed by future vote. Property owners have rights to use their property, and communities have rights to preserve the quality of their neighborhood. So let's democratize this process under some standards determined by the City.

23. **Climate Change** is the biggest challenge for the World today. Our World is interconnected more so than ever. Honolulu is not addressing Climate Change appropriately. Our Office for Sustainability should move forward with the plan detailed to work with District Community Centers to implement an Organic self-sufficient food growing system for food sovereignty and preparation for an export industry, Difficult but necessary, promoting an organic Vegan diet will address one main concern of Climate Change- meat production fed by soy farming in the Amazon and elsewhere and then transported around the World to Hawaii polluting our planet and using resources better addressed with local self-sufficient organic farming and diet. This priority along with creating self-sufficiency with each person creating their own energy with solar receptors and batteries. Food and energy self-sufficiency for Oahu is my highest priority for my term in office.

24. **Ala Wai Watershed.** As Mayor, I would hold the project for further Engineering and other Consultation inputs. The concern centers with engineering solutions of water detention by ACE that is determined by standards used on the Mainland where Watersheds are huge with limited water outlets from the flooding water. The Ala Wai project is much smaller and has a short and quick exit to the Ocean not needing holding basins in the Valleys. Possibly higher walls along the Ala Wai to stop flooding into Waikiki and local neighborhoods are appropriate. Hawaiian input using ancient and natural water protection, control, and use methods should be introduced into any project, possibly with agricultural and cultural applications and design for practicality and social balance.

25. Laws need to address this allowing of permits to build such **large houses** possibly causing harm to the neighborhood's quality of life, aesthetics, the density of population, cars, noise, and pollution. A use tax can be created to address large houses out of proportion to the neighborhood. And a higher use tax for occupants above the normal average for homeownership in the neighborhood.

26. The conflict between new development for affordable housing, appropriate living space for residents, and other needs of a growing city in a corridor and valley atmosphere with existing ownership is difficult. Let's keep much of the **view corridors** and seeing view planes as possible. And also let's decentralized the zoning and land-use laws to allow variances where needed and wanted to allow people to build and live in Hawaii according to their means.

27. Yes, we need to address **land-use rezoning** as a means to allow all people to live on the land as much as possible. The rules and constraints rich neighborhood places on its landowners should differ from a zone where different incomes necessitate a higher density, lower building code standards, and different laws to allow people to live according to their means. Some examples include permitting short term vacation rentals, or short term housing for people in need, or small living abodes, or camping grounds, or a Houseboat at the docks, or greenverdefarms.ciom farming communities, or partnership with large home and landowners to work together to create organic agriculture for housing and food self-sufficiency. With diversity should also come a plan from the Sustainability office and the UH to introduce a mosaic of green into our community and around the Island. This green concept includes more parks, green corridors, green belts along the highway, cooperation with farms and country landowners to hide their buildings creating a more green environment, all interconnected with our movement to self-sufficient food production with more fruit trees, avocados, etc, and with a beauty motif to intermix plants and trees to create improved soil and plant symbiosis. Let's enhance this quality of life for Hawaii and protect our green space in all lands designated as "Preservation," "Conservation" or "Prime Agricultural."

28. The **image of Hawaii** as a paradise of clean energy, organic farming, sustainable and self-sufficient living in a circular economy is perfect for our citizens. Cleaning up our pollution, limiting or eliminating our waste, protecting our land, air, and water is important. Using Solar for sustainable energy is easy. Creating a sustainable harmonious community is our goal.

From questions submitted by Outdoor Circle