

TOM BERG'S UNEDITED RESPONSES TO:

HONOLULU ADVERTISER QUESTIONNAIRE

(Responses were limited to 200 & 400 character spaces per question respectively)

Current Employment: Unemployed; was ordered to surrender my office keys to Rep. Rida Cabanilla's Office on July 21, 2008 when Rep. Cabanilla discovered my name on a website supporting a mayoral candidate she opposes.

Employment History Last 10 Years: Feb. 1997-Jan. 2000 Sunrise A.O.A.O. Resident Manager; Jan. 2000-May 2005 Senator Espero's Office Manager; May 2005 to June 21, 2008 Rep. Cabanilla's Office Manager.

What Civic & Cmty Positions: Ewa Neighborhood Board Member since 2003, Legislative Chair; Ewa Director, Oahu Resource & Conservation District Council since 2001; Kalaeloa Advisory Team 2008; Co-founder, Ewa Pedestrian Coalition.

Other: Past Vice President Ewa by Gentry Community Association; Olelo television series producer FOR EWA TODAY; Hawaiian Railway Society Pearlridge Train Engineer 6 years; Past Ewa Beach Lions Club member.

Why Are You Running: For decades, the legislature has had the ability to air condition our schools, increase roadway lane capacity, permit the private sector to carry out what government cannot, and assist the consumer by not taxing food & clothing. While working at the Capitol for nine consecutive legislative sessions, it saddened me that more attention was given to the criminal than the victim. Time for a change.

Less Revenue Coming In What Would You Do: Stop spending millions on advertising trying to coerce tourists to come to Hawaii. Those with spending power already know we are a vacation destination. Hawaii sells itself. Use that money instead to build more roads and maybe more tourists would return knowing their hard earned vacation would not be spent in traffic and advertise for us for free. Word of mouth sells better than a slick ad.

What Will You Do To Lessen Our Dependence on Oil: The answer is in wave oscillation that uses our ocean currents to provide all the power we need and leaves no visual blight to contend with. Australia is here already in our waters testing out this method. The answer is in wave oscillation that uses our ocean currents to provide all the power we need and leaves no visual blight to contend with. Hawaii is already experimenting with three floating wave energy converters. The World Energy Council estimated ocean waves, currents, tides, swells and thermal gradients could supply the world's current energy needs more than 5000 times over.

Improve Education: Offer those classrooms in need of air conditioning and dust mitigation resolve and watch both teacher and student performance rise. To finance this feat, merely allow communities to raise money for their school's needs by legalizing the game of BINGO. Many would come out for the cause with their show of support to play a harmless game of BINGO to raise money. Offer those classrooms in need of air conditioning and dust mitigation resolve and watch both teacher and student performance rise. To finance this feat, merely allow communities to raise money for their school's needs by legalizing the game of BINGO. Many would come out for the cause with their show of support to play a harmless game of BINGO to raise money. This act builds community cohesion.

What To Do To Help Private and Public Hospitals: Let the private sector have more control of its own policies. Remove the unnecessary restrictions placed on adult care home facilities from expanding so that they have the capacity to take care of our elders in a less costly manner. This in turn frees up hospital beds

taken up by elders waiting for placement in adult care homes for other patients that can be serviced by the hospitals effectively.

What One Issue Tackle: Traffic. I cannot think of another major metropolitan city other than Honolulu that has only one way in and one way out. Either government stops permitting the expansion of residential development that's exasperating the situation or deploy the latest technology to build reversible expressways to keep the ratio of lane miles at par with population growth. My solution, build the roads first.

What One Issue Introduce: They say building out Kapolei could reverse the traffic flow by 10%, a rail operation by 2%, when what we need is to simply get the 20% that are driving uninsured off the roads. Numerous other states have taken advantage of new technology that shares auto insurance data with the Dept. of Motor Vehicle Registration that in turn has police cars equipped to scan license plates with this data. Easy.