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1898–1930
HONOLULU'S REAL ESTATE AND BUILDING ACTIVITIES
WHAT THE NEW FEDERAL BUILDING WILL LOOK LIKE

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HONOLULU HALE 1928

TERRITORIAL BUILDING 1926
CIVIC CENTER PLAN BY TERRITORIAL PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT 1937

- New Federal Building annex
- New Territorial Building annex
- New Armed services buildings
- Re-align Piers 2 through 7
CIVIC CENTER PLAN
DESIGN CONTEST
1938

Contest winner William D. Merrill

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1940 – New Civic Center plan by Director of Territorial Planning Board

- Addition to Judiciary building rather than construct new building
- Iolani Palace becomes museum
- Buildings grouped according to government functions

Other Civic Center proposals

- Locating on slopes of Punchbowl Crater
- Extending to Waikiki with airport constructed off Ala Moana Park
1940s

City supported compact civic center around present business center

Territory maintained idea of spread-out civic center

Suggestions were made that

• 'Iolani Palace be moved to another section of the city to become a museum

• Throne room be removed and enshrined in a new building, and 'Iolani Palace be demolished
Robert Richards Midkiff

Co-Chair, Architects Advisory Committee for the State Capitol (1960)

Downtown Improvement Association (1962)

HVB (1964)
1964
John Carl Warnecke & Associates hired to complete Civic Center Master Plan

Civic Center Policy Committee formed
  - City-County Planning Director
  - State Planning Coordinator
  - Federal General Services Administration representative
  - State Comptroller is Chairman

Citizen‘s Advisory Committee formed
  - Traffic, transportation, and parking
  - Historic and cultural aspects
  - Architectural guides and site controls
  - Ways and means
1965 - Honolulu Civic Center Master Plan Special Report completed

- Goals & objectives
- Mauka-Makai Orientation concept
- Great Park concept
- Stages of Growth
- Major Proposals
  - Traffic Plan
  - Buildings & Open Space
  - Utilities Plan
  - Preservation of Buildings & Sites
  - Needed Legislative Action
Goals & objectives
• Encompass major government structures
• Be located next to central business district
• Include historic buildings as core
• Preserve integrity of 'Iolani Palace
• Relate to surrounding environment
• Major freeways shall not pass through
• New & attractive modes of transportation
• Cultural & recreational facilities
• Establish historic center as monument
• 'Iolani palace and barracks as museum
• Establish museum for Hawaiian culture
1968 - CIVIC CENTER MASTER PLAN

The report

• defined a definitive development plan
• boundaries of civic center
• height limits
• open spaces
• architectural standards
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Design objectives

• Great Park
• Preservation
• Access
THE HAWAII CIVIC CENTER Walking Tours (1960s–1970s)

Palm Beach Daily News
THE SHINY SHEET®

Chicago Tribune

Edmonton Journal

THE SUN
San Bernardino County’s Newspaper
WWW.SBSUN.COM
Ed Greevy,

*Huli! Kōkua Hawaiʻi/Save Our Surf Protest at State Capitol*,

31 March 1971
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Heritage House Proposal 1973

Hermann Steinmann, Honolulu Malting and Brewing Company, 1899
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Preservation 1990s
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Cultural Tourism, 2000s
Heritage Tourism
2000s

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HERITAGE AREA
Officials are seeking federal designation as a national heritage area for a swath of land from Kalihi to Kaka‘ako. Businesses and organizations within the district would be eligible for millions of dollars in federal and private grants.