



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

COMMITTEE ON ZONING

Voting Members:

Calvin K.Y. Say, Chair
Tyler Dos Santos-Tam, Vice Chair
Radiant Cordero
Esther Kia'aina
Matt Weyer

WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2024

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
3RD FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on Zoning was called to order by Committee Chair Calvin Say at 9:04 a.m. Councilmembers Cordero (voting member), Kia'aina (voting member) and Tupola (non-voting member) were present at the meeting.

[9:05 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FOR EXTENSION OF TIME ONLY

At this juncture, Committee Chair Say took up Items 1 and 2 together.

[9:08 a.m.]

1. BILL 52 (2023) – COMMITTEE REPORT 11

RELATING TO LARGE DWELLINGS. Providing a more effective deterrent and hefty penalty to developers that violate the monster homes ordinance by supplying incorrect information on plans or convert rooms for multi-family uses during or post construction.

2. BILL 53 (2023) – COMMITTEE REPORT 12

RELATING TO REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BED AND BREAKFAST HOMES AND TRANSIENT VACATION UNITS. Addressing standards and requirements for operating bed and breakfast homes and transient vacation units.

[9:10 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:10 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

[9:12 a.m.]

Bill 52 (2023) granted a 120-day extension of time pursuant to the written request from the Applicant's agent in Communication D-7.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, WEYER – 4.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

[9:12 a.m.]

Bill 53 (2023) granted a 120-day extension of time pursuant to the written request from the Applicant's agent in Communication D-8.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, WEYER – 4.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

Related communications:

D-7 Department of Planning and Permitting
D-8 Department of Planning and Permitting
M-17 Testimony on Bill 53 (2023)

[9:12 a.m.]

3. RESOLUTION 23-285 – COMMITTEE REPORT 13

REAPPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER T. HONG. Confirming the reappointment of Christopher T. Hong to serve on the Building Board of Appeals of the City and County of Honolulu for a term to expire on December 31, 2028.

[9:16 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:16 a.m.]

Resolution 23-285 amended to CD1 (OCS2024-0004/1/4/2024 9:16 AM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, WEYER – 4.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

Related communication:

MM-236 (23) Office of the Mayor

[9:17 a.m.]

4. RESOLUTION 23-286 – COMMITTEE REPORT 14

REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. KANEKAWAIOLA LINDSEY. Confirming the reappointment of Mr. Kanekawaiola Lindsey to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

[9:18 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:19 a.m.]

Resolution 23-286 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, WEYER – 4.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

Related communication:

MM-237 (23) Office of the Mayor

[9:19 a.m.]

5. RESOLUTION 24-9 – COMMITTEE REPORT 15

PAHOA RIDGE AFFORDABLE RENTAL OR AFFORDABLE AND MARKET FOR-SALE HOUSING 201H PROJECT. Authorizing, pursuant to HRS Section 201H-38, exemptions from certain City application fees, infrastructure, or public works fees and charges, and development standards for the development of the Pahoa Ridge, a rental or for-sale high-rise project on an approximately 0.47-acre site located at 2779 Waialae Avenue in Honolulu, and identified as Tax Map Key (1) 2-7-028:025.

[9:22 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

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[9:27 a.m.]

The Committee Chair called upon Moe Mohanna the Applicant, to provide a brief presentation of the Project to the Committee. (M-15)

[9:54 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'aina exited the Council Chamber.

[10:00 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'aina entered the Council Chamber.

[10:07 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer exited the Council Chamber.

[10:32 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[10:40 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer exited the Council Chamber.

[10:44 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[10:47 a.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Sterling Higa, Housing Hawaii's Future (M-2) (Support)
2. Patti Kawano (M-2) (General comment)
3. David Shimokawa (M-2) (General comment)
4. Clara Ontal (M-2) (Oppose)
5. Arwen Revere (M-2) (Support)
6. Aaron Tod (Support)
7. Kennedy-Anne Marks (M-2) (Support)

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8. Joel Saito (Support)
9. Daniel Braun (M-2) (Support)
10. Michael Gabrelcik (M-2) (Support)

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Say called for a recess at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

11. Chris Delaunay, Pacific Resource Partnership (M-2) (Support)
12. Nathaniel Kinney, Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters (M-2) (Support)
13. Chloe Ishii (M-2) (Support)
14. Dave Watase (Oppose)
15. Kelly Nishimura (M-2) (Oppose)
16. Lydia Nakada (M-2) (General comment)
17. Sam Braun (Support)
18. Michelle Matson (M-2) (Oppose)
19. Mike Pacheco, IBEW Local 1186 (Support)

[11:06 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam exited the Council Chamber.

[11:08 a.m.]

Councilmember Okimoto entered the Council Chamber.

[11:15 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

[11:29 a.m.]

Councilmember Tupola exited the Council Chamber.

[11:30 a.m.]

Committee Chair Say exited the Council Chamber.

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[11:33 a.m.]

Councilmember Tupola entered the Council Chamber.

[11:34 a.m.]

Committee Chair Say entered the Council Chamber.

[11:41 a.m.]

Resolution 24-9 amended to CD1 (OCS2024-0037/1/17/2024 3:25 PM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, WEYER – 5.
NOES: None.

Related communications:

D-15	Board of Water Supply
M-635 (23)	State Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
M-2	Testimony on Resolution 24-9

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

[11:42 a.m.]

6. OVERVIEW OF BUILDING CODE AMENDMENTS PROPOSED IN BILL 65 (2023) BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING.

[11:42 a.m.]

The Committee Chair called upon Deputy Director Jiro Sumada of the Department of Planning and Permitting, to provide a brief presentation of updating O'ahu's Building Code to the committee. (D-24)

[11:42 a.m.]

Councilmembers Cordero, Kia'āina, and Tupola exited the Council Chamber.

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[11:44 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters exited the Council Chamber.

[11:46 a.m.]

Councilmember Tupola entered the Council Chamber.

[11:48 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina entered the Council Chamber.

[12:00 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.