



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, MAY 22, 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 9:08 a.m. Councilmembers Cordero (voting member), Dos Santos-Tam (voting member), Kia'aina (voting member) and Weyer (voting member) were present at the meeting.

[9:08 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FOR ACTION

[9:11 a.m.]

1. RESOLUTION 24-124 – COMMITTEE REPORT 177

2777 KALĀKAUA AVENUE – WAIKĪKĪ (2023/SMA-23 AND 2023/SV-1). Granting a Special Management Area (“SMA”) Major Permit and Shoreline Setback Variance (“SSV”) to the University of Hawai‘i (“Applicant”) to allow the installation of two on-site injection wells and associated appurtenances, installing equipment for disposal of Waikīkī Aquarium exhibit wastewater, constructing a filter housing building, and upgrading the existing piping, on approximately 2.35 acres of land zoned P-2 General Preservation District and Diamond Head Special District, Core Area, located at 2777 Kalākaua Avenue, and identified as Tax Map Key 3-1-031:006.

[9:13 a.m.]

The Committee Chair called upon Brandon Shima, the Applicant, to provide a brief presentation of the Project to the Committee. (M-233)

[9:19 a.m.]

The following individual testified:

Angela Young (Support)

[9:24 a.m.]

Resolution 24-124 amended to CD1 (OCS2024-0508/5/15/2024 2:53 PM) and reported out for adoption.

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

Related communication:

D-297 Department of Planning and Permitting

At this Juncture, Committee Chair Say announced he would take up Agenda Item No. 2, Resolution 24-141 and Item No. 3, Bill 6 (2024), together.

[9:25 a.m.]

2. RESOLUTION 24-141 – COMMITTEE REPORT 178

LAND USE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT. Proposing an amendment to Chapter 21, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 (The Land Use Ordinance), relating to administrative enforcement.

3. BILL 6 (2024) – COMMITTEE REPORT 176

RELATING TO PERMITS. Improving public notification regarding the authorization, or lack thereof, for work performed on a property in the City and County of Honolulu and to amend provisions related to the administration and enforcement of certain codes in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021.

[9:31 a.m.]

Councilmembers Cordero and Weyer exited the Council Chamber.

[9:33 a.m.]

Councilmember Cordero entered the Council Chamber.

[9:39 a.m.]

The following individual testified:

Angela Young, CARES (General comment Resolution 24-141)

[9:42 a.m.]

Resolution 24-141 reported out for adoption.

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

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[9:45 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[9:46 a.m.]

Bill 6 (2024) amended to CD1 (OCS2024-0561/5/28/2024 7:53 AM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

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

Related communications:

CC-157 City Clerk
M-225 Testimony on Bill 6 (2024)

[9:47 a.m.]

4. BILL 52 (2023), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 173

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.

[9:49 a.m.]

Councilmember Tupola entered the Council Chamber.

[9:52 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:53 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina exited the Council Chamber.

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[9:54 a.m.]

Bill 52 (2023), CD1 reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, SAY, WEYER – 4.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: KIA'ĀINA – 1.

Related communication:

M-229 Testimony on Bill 52 (2023)

[9:54 a.m.]

5. BILL 53 (2023), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 174

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.

[9:54 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina entered the Council Chamber.

[10:22 a.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Michael Heh, O'ahu Short-Term Rental Alliance (M-228) (Support)
2. Angela Young, CARES (M-228) (General comment)

[10:26 a.m.]

Bill 53 (2023), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2024-0536/5/16/2024 1:39 PM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, WEYER – 5.

NOES: None.

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Related communication:

M-228 Testimony on Bill 53 (2023)

[10:26 a.m.]

6. BILL 10 (2024)

RELATING TO BUILDING PERMITS. Removing the affidavit requirement of stating no outstanding fines or liens for building permit applications, and require an additional plan review fee when resubmitting applications that fail to include necessary information required for review and approval not previously provided as part of a complete application submission.

[10:31 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:32 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer exited the Council Chamber.

[10:34 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[10:36 a.m.]

Action on Bill 10 (2024) postponed to a date and time to be determined by the Committee Chair.

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

Related communication:

M-240 Testimony on Bill 10 (2024)

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At this Juncture, Committee Chair Say announced he would take up Agenda Item No. 7, Bill 3 (2024), CD1, and Item No. 8, Bill 31 (2024), together.

[10:36 a.m.]

7. BILL 3 (2024), CD1

RELATING TO INCENTIVES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING. Addressing affordable rental housing in the City and County of Honolulu.

8. BILL 31 (2024)

RELATING TO PRE-CONSTRUCTION FINANCING FOR AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING. Addressing affordable rental housing in the City and County of Honolulu.

[10:37 a.m.]

Councilmember Tupola exited the Council Chamber.

[10:54 a.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Angela Young [General comment Bill 3 (2024) and Bill 31 (2024)]
2. Geena Thielen (M-237; M-238) [Support Bill 3 (2024) and Bill 31 (2024)]
3. Roseann Freitas, BIA Hawaii (M-237; M-238) [Support Bill 3 (2024) and Bill 31 (2024)]
4. Christopher Delaunay, Pacific Resource Partnership [Support Bill 3 (2024) and Bill 31 (2024)]
5. Pane Meatoga, III, Operating Engineers Local 3 [Support Bill 3 (2024)]
6. Nathaniel Kinney, Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters [Support Bill 3 (2024) and Bill 31 (2024)]
7. Emmanuel Zibakalam, Laborers' International Union Local 368 [Support Bill 3 (2024)]

[10:55 a.m.]

Councilmembers Cordero and Kia'āina exited the Council Chamber.

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[10:56 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina entered the Council Chamber.

[10:59 a.m.]

Councilmember Cordero entered the Council Chamber.

[11:37 a.m.]

Action on Bill 3 (2024), CD1 postponed to a date and time to be determined by the Committee Chair.

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

[11:38 a.m.]

Action on Bill 31 (2024) postponed to the next Committee on Zoning meeting on June 26, 2024.

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

Related communications:

MM-87 Office of Housing
MM-88 Office of Housing
M-237 Testimony on Bill 3 (2024)
M-238 Testimony on Bill 31 (2024)

[11:39 a.m.]

9. BILL 65 (2023), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 175

RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE STATE BUILDING CODE. Adopting the Hawaii State Building Code, including Appendices U, W, and X; the State Residential Code; the State Existing Building Code, subject to local amendments herein, and updating Article 13 (“Hawaii Residential Safe Room”) and Article 14 (“State- and City-Owned High Occupancy Buildings – Design Criteria for Enhanced Hurricane Protection Areas”).

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[11:39 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'aina exited the Council Chamber.

[11:41 a.m.]

Councilmember Kia'aina entered the Council Chamber.

[11:42 a.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Gary Chock (M-239) (Support)
2. Ian Robertson (M-239) (Support)
3. Geena Thielen, BIA Hawaii (M-239) (Oppose)
4. David Arakawa, Land Use Research Foundation (Oppose)
5. Angela Young (General comment)

[11:42 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam exited the Council Chamber.

[11:44 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

[12:00 p.m.]

Bill 65 (2023), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2024-0192/5/29/2024 8:16 AM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

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

Related communications:

CC-83 Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam
CC-155 Councilmember Say
M-239 Testimony on Bill 65 (2023)

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.