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## RESOLUTION

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URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO ADOPT SEWER CAPACITY RESERVATION POLICIES PRIORITIZING AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, ROH Section 14-1.6(b) requires that before any connection or reconnection is made to a public sewer, a permit to connect must be obtained from the Department of Environmental Services; and

WHEREAS, an approved sewer connection application confirms the reservation of sewer capacity for a proposed project for two years from approval date; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the City Administration have stated that it is the City's policy that sewer connection applications are accepted and processed on a first-come, first-served basis; and

WHEREAS, sewer capacity limitations have impeded the development of construction projects on Oahu, and progress to increase the City's sewer capacity has been slow; and

WHEREAS, the City has an obligation to plan and guide the development of Oahu in accordance with its long-range plans; and

WHEREAS, the City's General Plan, Area of Concern IV ("Housing"), sets forth objectives and policies promoting and encouraging the construction of affordable housing for the people of Oahu; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the timely construction of affordable housing on Oahu, policies and guidelines are needed to provide a process by which sewer capacity can be managed and affordable housing projects are not delayed due to sewer capacity issues; and

WHEREAS, municipal sewer capacity should be monitored and regulated by the City to assure that a minimum percentage of sewer service capacity is reserved for projects deemed to be in the best interests of the public, including affordable housing projects; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the City administration is urged to adopt sewer capacity reservation policies prioritizing affordable housing projects; and



**CITY COUNCIL**  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 17-245

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, the Director of Environmental Services, and the Director of Planning and Permitting.

INTRODUCED BY:

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