

Bill 64 (2018)
Early Testimony

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Sent: Monday, October 15, 2018 1:36 PM
Subject: Zoning and Housing Speaker Registration/Testimony

Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 10-18-2018
Council/PH Zoning
Committee
Agenda Item Bill 64
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I am for doing something about the terrible permit process. However, this bill does not help with this issue. It is vague and poorly written. In addition, single family residences are the worst code violators and need more scurnity not less. What happens if the permit is not processed in 60 days? What happens when there are code violations and the permit is recinded? Professionals with 2 rejected plans in a 12 month period should not be in practice.

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Council/PH Committee Zoning
Agenda Item Bill 64
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization Welch and Weeks LLC
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No
Written Testimony The current permitting process is a disaster and needs fixing immediately. If Bill 64 helps with streamlining the process then please pass.
Thank you
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Honorable Kimberly Pine, Chair
Committee on Zoning and Housing
Honolulu City Council, Committee Room
Honolulu Hale
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-3077

Dear Chair Pine, Vice Chair Ozawa and members of the Committee,

Subject: Testimony on Bill No. 64, RELATING TO BUILDING PERMITS

My name is Gladys Quinto-Marrone, CEO of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA Hawaii is in strong support of Bill No. 64 which proposes to allow for an expedited process for building permits for one- and two-family dwellings. The bill provides for a 60 day processing time for the issuance of building permits for one and two family dwellings under certain conditions.

As we have stated in many of our prior testimonies, the Building Permit process should focus on compliance with the Building Code as the codes are there to protect public health and safety. Moreover, even if the City issues a building permit for work not compliant with the codes, the City is not liable. The responsibility or liability rests with the owner/designer/contractor. The issuance of a building permit should be "ministerial". The Department should develop standards, guidelines, and/or a check list of all of the items that must be included on the plans when being submitted for a building permit. If all items are contained in the submission, and the applicant pays the building permit fee, the permit should be issued immediately, over the counter. We have provided language to clarify the minimum information required to process a residential building permit.

The delays in the issuance of residential building permits has caused severe economic impacts on not only our members but also to families seeking to improve their homes, usually to provide multi-generational housing for their families. The permitting process needs to be fixed immediately to prevent further hardship on our members and their clients.

The City should focus on the inspection process during and after construction to insure compliance with the Building Codes. If not in compliance, then the City should require the owner to take steps to cure the violation, and if not cured, the City should revoke the permit and have all improvements removed from the property.

We are in strong support of Bill No. 64, and appreciate the opportunity to provide our comments on this bill.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee	Zoning
Agenda Item	Bill 64
Your position on the matter	Oppose
Representing	Self
Organization	
Do you wish to speak at the hearing?	No
Written Testimony	I oppose Bill 64 as written and suggest added language to encourage responsible and respectful building.
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Zoning
Agenda Item Bill 64
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony The fact that we don't have enough housing isn't going to be fixed by building more houses! If the DPP can't get to their caseload, the C&C should hire more workers and do a study on the DPP workings.

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Council/PH Committee Zoning
Agenda Item Bill64
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No
Written Testimony Creates room for potential monster homes to abuse a law like tis
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Meeting Date 10-17-2018
 Council/PH Committee ~~Budget~~
 Agenda Item Monster Homes Reso 18-212 Bill 64
 Your position on the matter Oppose
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written
Testimony

I have seen several monster homes in my area (Kaimuki) and it has caused a bad increase in traffic on narrow streets where there's little to no room to pull over. On my street specifically I believe no ingress/outgress inspection was ever done. The monster homes under construction will add 12 to 16 more cars and this is a dead end street, one way in and out. In addition, these homes are cheaply made and don't fit the quaintness of the area therefore causing little Kaimuki to look more like the Los Angeles track house areas. Terrible. Shame on them and on the city officials for sacrificing beauty for revenue.

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Council/PH Zoning
Committee
Agenda Item Bill 64
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No
Written Testimony I oppose this bill - do not want to inadvertently expedite approval of even more monster houses. They are doing a great job of destroying the neighborhoods in which they're located.
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Your position on the matter Oppose
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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes

Written
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This bill would allow these same crooked actors to streamline through our process again. It is clear that we do not have trained staff to handle the permitting process either at the Frank Fasi Building nor in Kapolei. Trainees are writing permits for God's Sake.
Do not be fooled by the supposed
Contractors who would support this stupid idea. They are skills for foreign development, foreign cash, un vetted and illegal, and for Chinese interests that would take advantage of a dismally staffed DPP. With no real training, no real accountability no real enforcement nor intention to protect our island, this bill would be like smashing the damn and letting the flood waters of greed inundate our islands.

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Council/PH
Committee Zoning
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Your position on
the matter Oppose
Representing Self
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Do you wish to
speak at the
hearing? No

Written
Testimony

Dear Zoning Committee: I Oppose this as written. It appears that this will have an anticipated positive effect for OTHERS who want the DPP line to move FAST, expediting the permit process for other special interests. This desperately needs more skilled editing to carefully construct language that insists on more responsible building specs. Do it right.

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Council/PH Committee Zoning
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Council/PH Committee Zoning
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Organization
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Agenda Item	Bill 64
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Representing Organization	Self
Do you wish to speak at the hearing?	No
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Council/PH Committee Zoning
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Your position on the matter Oppose
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Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No
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Your position on the matter Oppose
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Your position on the matter Oppose
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Council/PH Committee Zoning
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Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No
Written Testimony permits should be expedited within 30 days if FAR less than .5 if work doesn't meet code at final inspection, no variances will be granted. must be corrected to meet code.
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Council/PH Committee Zoning
Agenda Item Bill 64
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony I support the effort to expedite the permitting process for 1 and 2 family dwellings proposed in Bill 64 and hope that it can be expanded to all permits in the future. Bill 64 Sec. 3 Ch. 18, Art. 5 (a)(2) which describes a qualified design professional as having "...application rejected by the building official more than twice within the previous 12 months." is problematic and should be considered for an amendment to more accurately define a qualified professional. What is the definition of "rejected" and what type of permit is included? Is there groundwork to develop the One Time Review Process? Suggest to include language in the Bill to define the creation of one time development process and better metric for qualified design professional.

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Meeting Date 10-18-2018
Council/PH Committee Zoning
Agenda Item 64
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony We don't need to expedite the process of home building and risk more development of monster homes at this time.
There are enough homes in Hawaii, however many of them are vacation homes and therefore are empty or vacation rentals. Raise the property tax for second homes!

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October 17, 2018

Honorable Kimberly Pine, Chair
Committee on Zoning and Housing
Honolulu City Council
Committee Room
City Hall
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Chair Pine, Vice Chair Ozawa and members of the committee:

Re: Testimony in Support of Bill No. 64, Relating to Building Permits

My name is Anthony Borge and I am a board member on the Small Business Regulatory Review Board. Today however, I am submitting testimony as a small business. RMA Sales is a locally owned, small business manufacturing and distributing louver jalousie windows, storm/security doors, screens and ancillary products here in Hawaii since 1961.

The current building permit process is flawed and fails to deliver on the intent of the Building Code in a reasonable, timely manner. My direct involvement in the building industry over the last 12 years has seen the permitting process increase in the length of time a building permit takes from submittal to approval. The intent of the Building Codes are to protect and ensure public health and safety which we all agree on. It is the permitting process that needs to be fixed.

Delays in the building permit process does not only have a direct negative economic effect on the building contractor and the owner. It also reverberates downline, having a negative economic effect on architects, engineers, professionals, specialty contractors, material suppliers, manufacturers, restaurants, retailers, other ancillary businesses, communities and finally the people.

The fix to the problem is Bill No. 64 which we strongly support and ask for your support on as well.

Respectfully submitted,

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JAHNKE CONSTRUCTION



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Honorable Kimberly Pine, Chair
Committee on Zoning and Housing
Honolulu City Council, Committee Room
Honolulu Hale
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813--3077

Dear Chair Pine, Vice Chair Ozawa and members of the Committee,
Subject: Testimony on Bill No. 64, RELATING TO BUILDING PERMITS

My name is Bret Jahnke, owner of Jahnke Construction, located in Kailua, Hawaii 96734. I am a licensed and insured contractor in the State of Hawaii since 2003 and a builder since I was at least 16 years old. I am writing to strongly support Bill No. 64 which proposes to allow for an expedited process for building permits for one- and two-family dwellings. The bill provides for a 60-day processing time for the issuance of building permits for one and two-family dwellings under certain conditions.

I have met with Councilmember Ikaika Anderson on numerous occasions and spoken with his office regarding my concerns as a business owner regarding the permitting process. As of right now I am waiting on a permit that has taken over a year already and has yet to be issued. This has not only affected me but my three employees not to mention the homeowners and their families. When a client approaches me and requests a proposal I can usually hold that agreement for a few months. With the permitting delays we have seen the bid process having to start all over again being that material and labor prices can change within a years' time. The possibility of securing work is almost impossible with the current system that is in place. This delay could, in effect, cause me to have to lay off my guys whom I depend on immensely. I could even potentially go out of business. This problem affects a considerable amount of people financially. The project before this one took almost a year and a half.

I know that DPP employees are an integral part of our industry and they provide a great service, but the current process is causing unnecessary delays and I suspect the morale in that department is low. Implementing Bill 64 will take the pressure off the employees there thus creating a more positive consumer friendly environment with permits being issued a faster rate. This would also allow the city to glean the revenue that it depends on from those permits, not to mention how it would stimulate our economy. Leadership will then be able to focus on the building process more effectively on the back end instead of seemingly never allowing a project to even start.

Being that the City has no real liability in the process of building and is there for public safety I would suggest that the council implement this bill as quickly as possible. As a licensed and insured professional builder here in this state, I, along with the other licensees bear the brunt of any liability issues related to any permit. Therefore, it makes sense for the city to streamline the process.

I am in strong support of Bill No. 64 and appreciate the opportunity to provide my comments on this bill.

Sincerely,

Bret A. Jahnke

Owner of Jahnke Construction



Chamber of Commerce HAWAII

The Voice of Business

**Testimony to the Committee on Zoning & Housing
Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.
Committee Meeting Room, Honolulu Hale**

RE: Bill No. 64, RELATING TO BUILDING PERMITS

Chair Pine, Vice Chair Ozawa, and Members of the Committee:

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii ("The Chamber") **supports** of Bill No. 64 which proposes to allow for an expedited process for building permits for one- and two-family dwellings. The bill provides for a 60 day processing time for the issuance of building permits for one and two family dwellings under certain conditions.

The Chamber is Hawaii's leading statewide business advocacy organization, representing about 2,000+ businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of members and the entire business community to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

We believe that the Building Permit process should focus on compliance with the Building Code as the codes are there to protect public health and safety. Moreover, even if the City issues a building permit for work not compliant with the codes, the City is not liable. The responsibility or liability rests with the owner/designer/contractor. The issuance of a building permit should be "ministerial." The Department should develop standards, guidelines, and/or a check list of all of the items that must be included on the plans when being submitted for a building permit. If all items are contained in the submission, and the applicant pays the building permit fee, the permit should be issued immediately, over the counter.

The delays in the issuance of residential building permits has caused severe economic impacts on not only the construction industry but also to families seeking to improve their homes, usually to provide multi-generational housing for their families. The permitting process needs to be fixed immediately to prevent further hardship on the homebuilder construction industry and their clients.

The City should focus on the inspection process during and after construction to insure compliance with the Building Codes. If not in compliance, then the City should require the owner to take steps to cure the violation, and if not cured, the City should revoke the permit and have all improvements removed from the property.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Bill 64.