SITE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION MASTER APPLICATION FORM
SEWER CONNECTION APPLICATION – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Purpose:** Submittal of a Sewer Connection Application form is an official request to the Department of Planning and Permitting, Wastewater Branch, for connection to the City and County wastewater system. An approved Sewer Connection Application form is a written confirmation of sewer capacity reservation valid for two (2) years from approval date.

Approval is based on available capacity of affected wastewater infrastructure and regulatory permit limitations. Affected infrastructures may include sewer lines, wastewater pump stations, force mains, wastewater treatment plants, and wastewater outfalls. Permits are regulated by the State Department of Health and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Approval of a Building Permit may require an approved Sewer Connection Application form.

Construction plans may be required in some projects and must be submitted to the Department of Planning and Permitting, Wastewater Branch, for review and approval within two (2) years after the approval date of the Sewer Connection Application form.

**Who Submits:** Anyone. Owners, architects, engineers, planners, developers, buyers, etc.

**When is a Form Required?**
A Sewer Connection Application form is required for projects that will increase sewage flow to the municipal sewer system.

Submit a Sewer Connection Application form for:

1. A new sewer connection from an unsewered lot.
3. A new second unit or multi-family dwelling.
4. A new development to a mixed use lot.
5. A new commercial building or addition.
6. Alternations to existing spaces in a commercial building such as offices, fast foods, restaurants, or retail stores, etc.

A Sewer Connection Application is not required for building one single family dwelling on a vacant lot in a sewered area.

Sewer Connection Application forms are not required for projects connected to privately owned sewer systems. Projects served by cesspools and/or septic tanks that are not connected to the municipal sewer system require approval by the State Department of Health. Projects served by private treatment plants such as Hawaii American Water Company may require their approval.

**Questions:** Call the Wastewater Branch at 768-8210.