February 27, 2019

The Honorable Ann H. Kobayashi
Interim Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Interim Chair Kobayashi and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to Chapter 21, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990, as Amended (The Land Use Ordinance), Relating to Affordable Rental Housing

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on February 20, 2019, on the above subject matter. Written concerns and/or comments and public testimonies were received. The public hearing was closed on February 20, 2019.

The Commission approved two motions. First, on the City Council-initiated Resolution 18-78, CD1, the Commission voted unanimously, 7:0, to recommend approval.

Second, the Planning Commission voted unanimously, 7:0, to recommend approval of the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) proposed Omnibus Bill.

The Commission also approved transmittal to the City Council of the proposed amendments as set forth in the written testimony by Marshall Hung and Melvin Kaneshige (the "M&M Bill"), for favorable consideration by the City Council. While those proposed amendments would be not a formal transmittal of a recommendation from the Planning Commission, it was determined that the amendments incorporated affordable rental housing concepts that were seen in a positive light by the Planning Commission.
Attached are the reports from the Acting Director of the DPP, copy of Resolution 18-78, CD1, DPP's draft Omnibus Bill, the written testimonies of Mssrs. Hung and Kaneshige and the M&M Bill, and the other concerns and/or comments received by the Planning Commission.

Sincerely,

Arthur D. Challacombe, Chair
Planning Commission

Enclosures

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