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February 21, 2007

Mr. Jack Tatum 15-2693 North Oio Street Pahoa, Hawaii 96778

Dear Mr. Tatum:

Ohana Dwelling Unit Permit Application (ohd-07-000092)

Applicant(s):

**Jack Tatum** 

Land Owner(s): Jack Tatum Proposal: Construct A

Construct An Attached Ohana Dwelling Unit

Tax Map Key: (3) 1-5-085:050

This acknowledges receipt of the filing fee for the subject application. Receipt Number 5666 is enclosed.

The subject Application for an Ohana Dwelling Unit Permit was reviewed by the required agencies and their respective comments are as follows:

1. The Department of Public Works (DPW): (memorandum dated January 11, 2007):

"We have reviewed the subject application and have the following comment to offer.

 Driveway access from the County-maintained Oio Street to the proposed ohana dwelling unit shall comply with Chapter 22, County Streets, of the Hawaii County Code (HCC). The proposed gravel driveway approach as shown on the site plan does not comply with HCC, Chapter 22. Paved driveway approach shall be provided as required by HCC, Section 22-4.8 and in conformance with DPW Standard Detail R-37.

Questions may be referred to Cres Rambayon at 961-8327."

2. The Department of Water Supply (DWS) (memorandum dated January 23, 2007):

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"Please be informed that the water system in the area is privately owned and operated. The applicant should contact Miller and Lieb, owner of the private water system, to determine their water requirements. Therefore, the Department has no objections to the proposed application, subject to the applicant accepting and understanding that the Department cannot support the additional dwelling.

Should there be any questions, please call Mr. Finn McCall of our Water Resources and Planning Branch at 961-8070, extension 255."

3. The State of Hawaii Department of Health (DOH-HILO) (memorandum dated January 9, 2007):

"The septic system was designed for three (3) bedrooms. The total number of bedrooms for the primary residence and ohana cannot exceed three (3) bedrooms.

We recommend that you review all of the Standard Comments on our website: <a href="https://www.state.hi.us/health/environmental/env-plqanning/landuse/landuse.html">www.state.hi.us/health/environmental/env-plqanning/landuse/landuse.html</a>. Any comments specifically applicable to this project should be adhered to."

4. The Hawaii County Fire Department (HFD) (memorandum dated January 17, 2007):

"We have no comments to offer at this time in reference to the above-mentioned Ohana dwelling permit application."

We note the following documents that accompanied your application. The original and notarized affidavits of **Jack Tatum**, dated December 4, 2006, included with the Ohana Dwelling application state:

"I, Jack Tatum, applicant of the Ohana Dwelling Permit state that I am the title holder of the affected property located at 15-2693 Oio Street, Pahoa, Hawaii 96778.";

and

"I, Jack Tatum, applicant for the Ohana Dwelling Permit, state that there are no restrictions, covenant or other land use restrictions applicable to the lot by way of a deed or lease or other provision do not prohibit the construction or placement of an ohana dwelling unit or a second dwelling unit located at 15-2693 Oio Street, Pahoa, Hawaii 96778."

In view of the above, by this letter, you are hereby **granted** permission to construct an attached single-family Ohana Dwelling Unit subject to the following conditions:

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- 1. The proposed Ohana Dwelling Unit shall comply with Ordinance No. 96-47 and Rule 12, the County of Hawaii Planning Department's Rules of Practice and Procedure relating to Ohana Dwelling Units.
- 2. <u>Non-transferability</u>: The permit for the Ohana Dwelling Unit shall be personal to the applicant until construction of the Ohana Dwelling Unit has been completed. The permit shall not be transferable or assignable to any other person prior to its completion to the satisfaction of the Chief Engineer, Department of Public Works.
- 3. <u>Prohibition of Advertising, Sales, Transfers</u>: No person shall advertise or represent to the public that a permit to construct an Ohana Dwelling Unit is transferable with the sale of the property on which the permit has been granted.
- 4. <u>Building Permit</u>: The applicant is required to secure a building permit from the Department of Public Works, Building Division, for the construction of the Ohana Dwelling Unit on or before February 20, 2008.

Please bring or attach a copy of this Permit to assist the reviewing agencies in understanding and expediting the review and processing of the building construction plans and building permit application for the additional building improvements necessary to establish the Ohana Dwelling Unit on the subject parcel.

- a) A one time 30-day time extension to obtain the building permit may be granted by the Planning Director. A written request for a time extension shall be filed with the Planning Director not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration date of the Ohana Dwelling Unit permit. The Planning Director shall render a decision on the request for a time extension prior to the expiration date of the permit.
- b) The applicant shall not be able to obtain further extensions beyond the initial 30-day time extension. Further, such failure to conform to the time requirement shall not be cause to petition the Planning Director, Board of Appeals or any other governmental body for relief from the time requirement.
- 5. Requirements for Height, Site Area (Lot size), Yard (Setback) and Off-Street Parking (Parking spaces):
  - a) <u>Height limit</u>: The height limit for the proposed attached Ohana Dwelling Unit shall be thirty-five (35'-0") feet.
  - b) Zoning and Minimum Building Site Area (Lot Size): The subject TMK parcel containing 12,040 sq.ft. is zoned Agricultural (A-1a) by the County and is situated within the State Land Use Urban district.

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c) <u>Minimum Yards (Setbacks) and Open Space</u>: The proposed dwelling unit is required to comply with the yards and open space requirements of the Hawaii County Zoning Code.

The respective minimum open space, front, rear, and side yard requirements for the proposed attached Ohana Dwelling Unit to be located on the subject TMK property shall be as follows:

- Front yard minimum twenty (20) feet required;
- Rear yard minimum twenty (20) feet required;
- Side yards minimum ten (10) feet required;
- Open space from other main structure(s) not applicable, attached dwelling unit.
- d) Off-Street Parking: The Ohana Dwelling Unit shall be provided with a minimum of two (2) off-street parking spaces that comply with the requirements of Section 25-4-53 of the Zoning Code. All existing and additional parking spaces shall be arranged so as to be individually accessible.
- 6. This Ohana Dwelling permit is subject to all other applicable rules, regulations and requirements of the Planning Department, Department of Public Works, Fire Department and State Department of Health and other reviewing agencies/divisions listed on the Building Permit Application.
- 7. This Department's research indicates that the area in which the subject parcel is located, Waiakahiula, Puna, receives 120 to 160 inches of rainfall annually, which, according to the Zoning Code and the Planning Department's Rules of Practice and Procedure is sufficient for an ohana dwelling to be served by a water catchment system should additional water not be available from the private water provider.

In reference to the DWS comment, should additional water not be available from the private water provider and considering that there is sufficient annual rainfall to satisfy the minimum Planning Department requirements, may we suggest the following:

a. Any dwelling not serviced by a County water system should be provided with and maintain a private potable rain catchment system which includes a minimum 6,000 gallons for domestic consumption or potable uses. This catchment system should adhere to the Department of Public Works, Building Division's "Guidelines for Owners of Rain Catchment Water Systems" as well as the State Department of Health requirements related to water testing and water purifying devices.

b. Any dwelling on a water catchment system should be provided with and maintain an additional 3,000 gallon water storage capacity for fire fighting and emergency purposes. The emergency water supply system, including the necessary compatible connector system and location of the water storage facility on the property, should meet with the approval of the Hawaii County Fire Department.

Ohana Dwelling Units are prohibited on a building site that is the subject of an approved variance from the Subdivision Code (Chapter 23), the Zoning Code Chapter 25), and property where a second dwelling unit is specifically prohibited by a change of zone ordinance.

- a) No variance from the requirements of Chapter 23 and Chapter 25, Hawaii County Code, as amended, shall be granted to permit the construction or placement of an Ohana Dwelling Unit.
- b) An Ohana Dwelling Unit shall not be permitted on a lot which has been the subject of a previously granted variance from any provision of Chapter 23 and Chapter 25, Hawaii County Code, as amended.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Jonathan Holmes of this office.

Sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER J. YUEN

Planning Director

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