REQUEST TO SPEAK / REGISTER – JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Karin Tucker Hoffman DATE: 6-14-21

ADDRESS: 8457 Baypine #101 PHONE: 904 731 1506

CITY: Jacksonville COUNTY: Duval STATE: FL ZIP: 32256

REPRESENTING: Associated Builders & Contractors

SIGNATURE: [signature] ☐ I DO NOT WISH TO SPEAK

CHOOSE ONE

Ⓗ PUBLIC HEARING: Bill Number _____

☐ I Support ☐ I Oppose

Ⓟ PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Bill Number _____

☐ I Support ☐ I Oppose

Ⓒ COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Subject Permitting

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NAME: MARY TAPPOUNI DATE: 6/14/2021

ADDRESS: 4218 HIGHWAY AVE. PHONE: 904.388.1350 x 214

CITY: JAX COUNTY: DUVAL STATE: FL ZIP: 32254

REPRESENTING: BREAKING GROUND CONTRACTING

SIGNATURE: Mary H. Tappouni ☐ I DO NOT WISH TO SPEAK

CHOOSE ONE

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NAME: HILTON T. MEADOWS DATE: 6-14-21

ADDRESS: 700 CISERY AVE PHONE: 904-534-0090

CITY: JAX COUNTY: DUVAL STATE: FL ZIP: 32211

REPRESENTING: SELF

SIGNATURE: [illegible] ☐ I DO NOT WISH TO SPEAK

CHOOSE ONE

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☐ I Support ☐ I Oppose

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6-14-2021

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TO: SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE REGARDING COJ BUILDING DEPARTMENT
HONORABLE RANDY WHITE, CHAIRMAN
HONORABLE GARRETT DENNIS, MEMBER
HONORABLE MIKE BOYLAN, MEMBER

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2. AS MOST OF US HERE TODAY KNOW, THERE ARE NUMEROUS PROVISIONS OF THE FLORIDA CONSITUTION AND STATUTES APPLICABLE TO THIS SITUATION. UNFORTUNATELY, THOSE PROVISIONS THAT MAY BE IMPLIED TO HAVE THE MOST REGULATORY AUTHORITY IN FAVOR OF BUREAUCRATIC CONFLAGRATION ARE EMPLOYED BY THE ENTIRE COJ STRUCTURE IN WHICH THE BUILDING AND RELATED DEPARTMENTS OPERATE. INSOFAR AS THE SPECIFIC DEPARTMENT OPERATES, IT SEEMS TO EXAGGERATE ITS EXTENSIVE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION XII OF CHAPTER 468, F.S.. WHILE IT APPEARS THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OF THE COJ GOVERNMENT AS ENTAILED IN S 468.633, F.S. IS ENTIRELY IGNORED AS THOUGH THERE IS FEAR ON THE PART OF LEGAL COUNCIL AND THE COJ ADMINISTRATION TO ENFORCE IT AND TO FIRMLY ADMINISTER THE OPERATIONS UNDER CLOSE COUNCIL OVERSIGHT.

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ATTACHED: COPIES OF SELECT PROVISIONS OF 468.

THANKS.

Hilton T. Meadows
6-14-21

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Title XXXII REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS	Chapter 468 MISCELLANEOUS PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS **Entire Chapter**	**SECTION 602** **Exemptions.**

468.602 Exemptions.—This part does not apply to:

(1) Persons who possess a valid certificate, issued pursuant to s. 633.216, for conducting firesafety inspections, when conducting firesafety inspections.

(2) Persons currently licensed or certified to practice as an architect pursuant to chapter 481, an engineer pursuant to chapter 471, or a contractor pursuant to chapter 489, when performing any services authorized by such license or certificate.

(3) Persons acting as special inspectors for code enforcement jurisdictions while conducting special inspections not required as minimum inspections by the Florida Building Code.

History.—s. 24, ch. 93-166; s. 49, ch. 94-119; s. 7, ch. 98-287; s. 117, ch. 2000-141; s. 35, ch. 2001-186; s. 4, ch. 2001-372; s. 141, ch. 2013-183.

The Florida Senate

2020 Florida Statutes

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(2) Persons currently licensed or certified to practice as an architect pursuant to chapter 481, an engineer pursuant to chapter 471, or a contractor pursuant to chapter 489, when performing any service authorized by such license or certificate.

(3) Persons acting as special inspectors for state government jurisdictions while conducting special inspections not required as minimum inspections by the Florida Building Code.

History.—s. 24, ch. 99-166; s. 49, ch. 94-119; s. 1, ch. 96-406; s. 110, ch. 2000-158; s. 39, ch. 2001-189; s. 4, ch. 2001-272; s. 141, ch. 2013-183.

The Florida Senate

2020 Florida Statutes

Title XXXII REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS	Chapter 468 MISCELLANEOUS PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS Entire Chapter	**SECTION 603** **Definitions.**

468.603 Definitions.— As used in this part:

(1) "Board" means the Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board.

(2) "Building code administrator" or "building official" means any of those employees of municipal or county governments, or any person contracted, with building construction regulation responsibilities who are charged with the responsibility for direct regulatory administration or supervision of plan review, enforcement, or inspection of building construction, erection, repair, addition, remodeling, demolition, or alteration projects that require permitting indicating compliance with building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, gas, fire prevention, energy, accessibility, and other construction codes as required by state law or municipal or county ordinance. This term is synonymous with "building official" as used in the Florida Building Code. One person employed or contracted by each municipal or county government as a building code administrator or building official and who is so certified under this part may be authorized to perform any plan review or inspection for which certification is required by this part, including performing any plan review or inspection as a currently designated standard certified building official under an interagency service agreement with a jurisdiction having a population of 50,000 or less.

(3) "Building code enforcement official" or "enforcement official" means a licensed building code administrator, building code inspector, or plans examiner.

(4) "Building code inspector" means any of those employees of local governments or state agencies, or any person contracted, with building construction regulation responsibilities who themselves conduct inspections of building construction, erection, repair, addition, or alteration projects that require permitting indicating compliance with building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, gas, fire prevention, energy, accessibility, and other construction codes as required by state law or municipal or county ordinance.

(5) "Categories of building code inspectors" include the following:

(a) "Building inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine that buildings and structures are constructed in accordance with the provisions of the governing building codes and state accessibility laws.

(b) "Coastal construction inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine that buildings and structures are constructed to resist near-hurricane and hurricane velocity winds in accordance with the provisions of the governing building code.

(c) "Commercial electrical inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine the electrical safety of commercial buildings and structures by inspecting for compliance with the provisions of the National Electrical Code.

(d) "Electrical inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine the electrical safety of commercial and residential buildings and accessory structures by inspecting for compliance with the provisions of the National Electrical Code.

(e) "Mechanical inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine that the mechanical installations and systems for buildings and structures are in compliance with the provisions of the governing mechanical code.

(f) "Residential inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine that one-family, two-family, or three-family residences not exceeding two habitable stories above no more than one uninhabitable story and accessory use structures in connection therewith are constructed in accordance with the provisions of the governing building, plumbing, mechanical, accessibility, and electrical codes.

(g) "Plumbing inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine that the plumbing installations and systems for buildings and structures are in compliance with the provisions of the governing plumbing code.

(h) "Residential electrical inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine the electrical safety of one and two family dwellings and accessory structures by inspecting for compliance with the applicable provisions of the governing electrical code.

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(h) "Residential electrical inspector" means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine the electrical safety of one and two family dwellings and accessory structures by inspecting for compliance with the applicable provisions of the governing electrical code.

(6) "Certificate" means a certificate of qualification issued by the department as provided in this part.

(7) "Department" means the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

(8) "Plans examiner" means a person who is qualified to determine that plans submitted for purposes of obtaining building and other permits comply with the applicable building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, gas, fire prevention, energy, accessibility, and other applicable construction codes. The term includes a residential plans examiner who is qualified to determine that plans submitted for purposes of obtaining building and other permits comply with the applicable residential building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, gas, energy, accessibility, and other applicable construction codes. Categories of plans examiners include:

(a) Building plans examiner.

(b) Plumbing plans examiner.

(c) Mechanical plans examiner.

(d) Electrical plans examiner.

History.—s. 24, ch. 93-166; s. 50, ch. 94-119; s. 149, ch. 94-218; s. 1, ch. 98-419; s. 12, ch. 2000-372; s. 4, ch. 2017-149; s. 19, ch. 2020-160.

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History.—s. 21, ch. 74-130; s. 30, ch. 94-119; s. 149, ch. 96-406; s. 12, ch. 2000-372; s. 6, ch. 2012-174; s. 19, ch. 2020-160.

The Florida Senate

2020 Florida Statutes

Title XXXII REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS	Chapter 468 MISCELLANEOUS PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS Entire Chapter	**SECTION 604** **Responsibilities of building code administrators, plans examiners, and inspectors.**

468.604 Responsibilities of building code administrators, plans examiners, and inspectors.—

(1) It is the responsibility of the building code administrator or building official to administrate, supervise, direct, enforce, or perform the permitting and inspection of construction, alteration, repair, remodeling, or demolition of structures and the installation of building systems within the boundaries of their governmental jurisdiction, when permitting is required, to ensure compliance with the Florida Building Code and any applicable local technical amendment to the Florida Building Code. The building code administrator or building official shall faithfully perform these responsibilities without interference from any person. These responsibilities include:

(a) The review of construction plans to ensure compliance with all applicable sections of the code. The construction plans must be reviewed before the issuance of any building, system installation, or other construction permit. The review of construction plans must be done by the building code administrator or building official or by a person having the appropriate plans examiner license issued under this chapter.

(b) The inspection of each phase of construction where a building or other construction permit has been issued. The building code administrator or building official, or a person having the appropriate building code inspector license issued under this chapter, shall inspect the construction or installation to ensure that the work is performed in accordance with applicable sections of the code.

(2) It is the responsibility of the building code inspector to conduct inspections of construction, alteration, repair, remodeling, or demolition of structures and the installation of building systems, when permitting is required, to ensure compliance with the Florida Building Code and any applicable local technical amendment to the Florida Building Code. Each building code inspector must be licensed in the appropriate category as defined in s. 468.603. The building code inspector's responsibilities must be performed under the direction of the building code administrator or building official without interference from any unlicensed person.

(3) It is the responsibility of the plans examiner to conduct review of construction plans submitted in the permit application to assure compliance with the Florida Building Code and any applicable local technical amendment to the Florida Building Code. The review of construction plans must be done by the building code administrator or building official or by a person licensed in the appropriate plans examiner category as defined in s. 468.603. The plans examiner's responsibilities must be performed under the supervision and authority of the building code administrator or building official without interference from any unlicensed person.

(4) The Legislature finds that the electronic filing of construction plans will increase governmental efficiency, reduce costs, and increase timeliness of processing permits. If the building code administrator or building official provides for electronic filing, then construction plans, drawings, specifications, reports, final documents, or documents prepared or issued by a licensee may be dated and electronically signed and sealed by the licensee in accordance with ss. 668.001-668.006, and may be transmitted electronically to the building code administrator or building official for approval.

History.—s. 2, ch. 98-419; s. 32, ch. 2000-141; s. 13, ch. 2000-372; s. 34, ch. 2001-186; s. 3, ch. 2001-372; s. 4, ch. 2012-13; s. 1, ch. 2012-58.

Title XXII	Chapter 553	Section 450
REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS	MISCELLANEOUS PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS	Responsibilities of building code administrators, plans examiners, and inspectors.

553.450 Responsibilities of building code administrators, plans examiners, and inspectors.—

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(b) The inspection of each phase of construction for which a building or other construction permit has been issued. The building code administrator or building official, or a person having the appropriate building code inspector license issued under this chapter, shall inspect the construction or installation to ensure that the work is performed in accordance with applicable sections of the code.

(2) It is the responsibility of the building code inspector to conduct inspections of construction, alteration, repair, remodeling, or demolition of structures and the installation of building systems, where permitting is required, to ensure compliance with the Florida Building Code and any applicable local technical amendment to the Florida Building Code. Each building code inspector must be licensed in the appropriate category as defined in s. 553.83. The building code inspector's responsibilities must be performed under the direction of the building code administrator or building official without interference from any unauthorized person.

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History.—s. 2, ch. 96-413; s. 20, ch. 2000-141; s. 13, ch. 2000-152; s. 21, ch. 2001-372; s. 1, ch. 2012-174; s. 1, ch. 2012-72.

The Florida Senate

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Title XXXII REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS	Chapter 468 MISCELLANEOUS PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS Entire Chapter	SECTION 633 **Authority of local government.**

468.633 Authority of local government.—

(1) Nothing in this part may be construed to restrict the authority of local governments to require as a condition of employment that building code administrators, plans examiners, and building code inspectors possess qualifications beyond the requirements for certification contained in this part.

(2) The discipline of any person pursuant to s. 468.621 shall, as a matter of law, constitute just or substantial cause for discharge from employment.

(3) The certification or discipline of a local government's employees pursuant to this part shall not be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity by the local government.

History.—s. 24, ch. 93-166; s. 22, ch. 2000-372.

489.539 Authority of local government.—

(1) Nothing in this part may be construed to control the authority of local governments to require as a condition of employment that building code administrators, plans examiners, and building inspectors possess qualifications beyond the requirements for certification contained in this part.

(2) The disciplined of any person pursuant to s. [illegible] shall be a matter of law, constitute just or substantial cause for discharge from employment.

(3) The certification or disciplining of a local government employee pursuant to this part shall not be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity by the local government.

History.—s. 24, ch. 89-160; s. 23, ch. 2000-321.