

**STATE OF HAWAII  
HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
AT-LARGE MEETING  
(Kakaako, Kalaeloa, and Heeia Business)**

**Wednesday, May 6, 2020**

**MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The Hawaii Community Development Authority (“Authority” or “Board”), a body corporate and a public instrumentality of the State of Hawaii met virtually (utilizing the state-supported Microsoft Teams Meeting platform) for a regular meeting on May 6, 2020.

Board Chairperson, John Whalen, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Those present and excused were as follows:

**Members Present:** John Whalen, Chairperson  
Phillip Hasha, Vice Chairperson  
Wei Fang, Secretary  
Chason Ishii  
David Rodriguez  
Robert Yu  
Kevin Sakoda  
Jason Okuhama  
Shirley Swinney  
Mitchell Tynanes  
Jo-Ann Leong  
Amy Luersen  
Kathy Sokugawa (DPP, non-voting)

**Members Absent:** Donna Camvel  
Maeda Timson  
Jobie Masagatani (DHHL, non-voting)

**Legal Counsel:** Bryan Yee, Supervising Deputy Attorney General  
Lori Sunakoda, Deputy Attorney General  
Kelly Suzuka, Deputy Attorney General

A quorum was present.

### **Acknowledgement that the Meeting is Being Convened Virtually**

Chair Whalen reiterated the wording contained in the Meeting Agenda regarding the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the state's efforts to slow the community spread of the virus and Governor David Y. Ige's issuance of Supplementary Emergency Proclamations on March 21 and April 25, 2020 (collectively referred to as "Emergency Proclamation"), which suspended Chapter 92 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes to the extent necessary to enable public boards and commissions to conduct business without holding meetings open to the public.

With regard to the foregoing, Chair Whalen reiterated wording contained in the Meeting Agenda noting that HCDA welcomes public comment and public participation via submission of written testimony (consistent with the social distancing guidelines and Emergency Proclamation directives in effect).

### **Public Testimony**

Chair Whalen stated that no public testimony had been received relating to the item on the Meeting Agenda.

## **II. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

### **A. Report of the Task Force (Permitted Interaction Group) established pursuant to HRS § 92 - 2.5 for the Purpose of Identifying Candidates for the Position of the Hawaii Community Development Authority Executive Director**

Chair Whalen stated that the Board will convene in an executive meeting pursuant to HRS § 92-5 (a)(4) to consult with the Board's attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities relating to the above item Update on the Selection of the New Executive Director for the Hawaii Community Development Authority.

Chair Whalen noted that no questions, comments or other public testimony was received.

Chair Whalen called for a motion to enter into an executive meeting.  
Board Member Luersen moved, seconded by Board Member Swinney:

To convene in executive session pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4) to consult with the Board's attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities relating to the Task Force's Report concerning the Task Force's search for candidates for the Authority's Executive Director position.

Chair Whalen conducted a voice vote on the Motion.  
The Motion was unanimously carried.

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Pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Authority convened in Executive Session at 10:12 a.m.

The Authority met in Executive Session until 11:55 a.m.

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Chair Whalen reconvened the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

### **III. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further comment or questions relating to the sole item on the Meeting Agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Approved by the Authority at its  
regular monthly Board Meeting  
held on June 6, 2020

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John Whalen, Chairperson

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Date