

Real Estate Branch

Aloha Condominium Owners and Other Interested Individuals,

The Commission continues to greatly appreciate your desire to educate and inform yourselves regarding condominium matters. In this email, the Commission will highlight the latest Condominium Bulletin, upcoming educational events and Commission non-binding interpretations and memorandums.

If you missed an email, all of the prior topics covered in prior informational emails are available here.

March 2016 Hawaii Condominium Bulletin

The March Hawaii Condominium Bulletin has recently been published, focusing on reserve studies, budgeting and the retirement of a long serving staff member. Guest authors include Robert Nordlund and Gene Peles. A link to the March 2016 Condominium Bulletin in PDF can be reached here.

Community Association Institute - Educational Event

The Community Associations Institute (CAI) Hawaii is an organization that serves the educational, business and networking needs of associations ranging from condominiums, cooperatives and planned associations. The Condominium Education Trust Fund (CETF) subsidizes a select number of CAI condominium educational events procured by the Commission.

The CAI Hawaii has an April event titled "Avoiding Recalls" on April 14th from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM at the Japanese Cultural Center. Visit the CAI's website and contact them about how you can register here.

Hawaii Council of Community Associations (HCCA) - Educational Event

The HCCA is a nonprofit that provides educational and legislative efforts on behalf of condominiums, cooperative housing and planned community associations since October 1975. The Commission does not endorse the views or activities of the HCCA, nor has it procured any contracts with the HCCA and is merely informing interested parties of their events. Please see their website at www.HawaiiCouncil.com for more information.

The HCCA has an upcoming educational event, "New Law Update" on May 26th from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Hale Koa Hotel. Visit the HCCA's seminar website here.

Condominium Development – Commission Non-Binding Interpretations and Memorandums

If you're a developer or a developer's agent preparing a new condominium registration or considering changes to your existing condominium project, please review the non-binding interpretations and memorandums from the Commission regarding various aspects of condominium development. Previously, developers and their agents have encountered obstacles to development in their projects by having aspects or changes that the Commission has previously provided guidance on, thus creating delays and added costs. You can read these interpretations and memorandums here.

The Commission strongly encourages developers and their respective agents to first contact staff before committing to permits, contracts and other changes to ensure that there will not be conflicts with previous Commission rulings.

If you found any of this information helpful, please spread the word and invite other interested parties to subscribe to the emailing list http://www.hawaii.gov/hirec for assistance in answering any questions concerning the Hawaii Real Estate Branch and all licensing issues.

If there are any further questions, please contact our office at (808) 586-2643, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Hawaiian Standard Time.

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