Aloha Condominium Owners and Other Interested Individuals,

The Real Estate 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, the postponement of education seminars, guidance on COVID-19 for residents, landlords, and renters, electronic submission of developer’s public reports, and a reminder about the census.

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

March 2020 Hawaii Condominium Bulletin

The March Hawaii Condominium Bulletin has recently been posted. The March bulletin discusses an introduction to condominium governance, board member fiduciary duties, and contesting association-imposed fines. A link to the March 2020 Condominium Bulletin in PDF can be reached here.

Educational Seminars - Postponed

Due to health concerns regarding the COVID-19 virus, Condorama VII, scheduled for Saturday, April 11, has been postponed until further notice. However, videos of prior Condorama seminars can be found on the Commission’s YouTube channel.

CAI Hawaii’s previously scheduled “Condo Wars: Mediation, Arbitration, & Litigation” on Thursday, April 16, has also been postponed until further notice due to health concerns regarding the COVID-19 virus.

COVID-19 Information for Residents, Landlords, and Renters

Condominiums are one of the largest sources of rental housing in the state. The governor has released several emergency proclamations which impact the landlord-tenant code. The Office of Consumer Protection has produced an FAQ to help guide landlords and tenants through the changes. Please review the FAQ here.

Condominium residents are often looking for guidance during these times on how to manage the sanitation of their buildings. Please review the joint DCCA and Office of Emergency Management’s flyer on COVID-19 sanitation.
ThinkTech Hawaii has released a YouTube show about condominium management, association meetings, elections and other issues in the context of COVID-19. See their YouTube video here.

Condominium Developers – Electronic Submission

The Hawaii Real Estate Commission will temporarily accept electronic submission of registrations for a developer’s public report for chapters 514A and 514B, HRS, projects during the office shutdown. Please review the developer’s memo detailing the specific requirements for electronic submission here.

Your ‘ohana counts - Reply to the 2020 Census

In this time of crisis, we need to count everyone living in Hawai‘i for the 2020 Census. Funding for our state and local communities depends on the Census count. Data from the Census is used to determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding are allocated to support education, health, infrastructure, housing and more. Shape Hawai‘i’s future and respond to the 2020 Census online at http://www.my2020census.gov, call 1-844-330-2020, or return your census form by mail.

If you found any of this information helpful, please spread the word and invite other interested parties to subscribe to the email list here. Also, please visit our website at 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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