

# **Real Estate Branch**

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, upcoming educational courses, what to look for when buying a condominium, and a reminder about owner's rights to documents.

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

# June 2021 Hawaii Condominium Bulletin

The latest Hawaii Condominium Bulletin has been published. The bulletin covers topics such as condominium unit renovations, the new Hawaii Condo Living Guide YouTube series, and using your condominium unit as a short-term vacation rental. A link to the latest Condominium Bulletin in PDF can be reached <u>here</u>.

## Community Associations Institute Hawaii Chapter (CAI) - Virtual Educational Event

CAI Hawaii is an organization that serves the educational, business, and networking needs of associations ranging from condominiums and cooperatives to planned community associations. The Condominium Education Trust Fund (CETF) partially subsidizes a select number of CAI Hawaii condominium educational events procured by the Commission for members of registered condominium associations. These educational events are open to anyone who wishes to attend, including directors, owners, property managers, attorneys, and the general public. Please contact CAI Hawaii for attendance fees.

CAI Hawaii has an upcoming virtual GoToMeeting educational event entitled **"Legislative Update"** on **Thursday, July 15, 2021,** and **"Condo Wars"** on **Thursday September 16, 2021** (partially subsidized), both from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM. Visit CAI Hawaii's website and contact them for registration <u>here</u>. Please be aware that CAI Hawaii may change the contents of their educational events and host new events.

## Hawaii Council of Community Associations (HCCA) – Virtual Educational Event

HCCA is a nonprofit that since October 1975 has provided educational and legislative efforts on behalf of condominiums, cooperative housing, and planned community associations. The Commission does not endorse the views or activities of HCCA and has not procured any contracts with HCCA. The

Commission is merely informing interested parties of their events. Please see their website at <a href="http://hawaiicouncil.org/">http://hawaiicouncil.org/</a> for more information.

HCCA has an upcoming virtual GoTo Webinar educational event, "**Building Structure Safety**" on **Thursday, August 26, 2021,** from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. Visit HCCA's seminar website <u>here</u>. Please be aware that HCCA may change the contents of their educational events and host new events.

#### Are You Looking to Buy a Condominium?

.....or know someone who is? The Commission has released educational material for new buyers to help them understand condominium ownership, a buyer's checklist, realities of condominium living, and more. <u>Click here for more information.</u>

#### **New Video Education Series**

The Hawaii Real Estate Commission is proud to present the new video education series "Hawaii Condo Living Guide." This professionally produced series covers a wide variety of condominium topics. New episodes are being periodically released. Please check out the series <u>here</u>.

#### **Legislative Update**

The Governor signed four condominium related bills into Acts on June 28, 2021. These Acts change certain requirements for the <u>development of agricultural condominiums</u> with more than five units, allow for <u>virtual association meetings</u> during certain emergencies, change <u>the publication notice</u> for sale or disposal of abandoned property, and <u>disallow existing agricultural restrictions on agricultural land</u> for subsequent deed, sale, or conveyance. Stay tuned for the Commission's upcoming Legislative Update brochure.

If you found any of this information helpful, please spread the word and invite other interested parties to subscribe to the email list <u>here</u>. Also, please visit our website at <u>http://www.hawaii.gov/hirec</u> 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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