HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY
NOTICE OF MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
1002 North School Street, Building A Boardroom
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
Thursday, August 5, 2021
9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE CALL OR OTHER ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF COMMUNICATION ONLY INCLUDING BOARD MEMBERS, STAFF, DEPUTY ATTORNEYS GENERAL, AND THE PUBLIC.

The Governor's Twenty-First Supplementary Proclamation dated June 7, 2021, suspended Chapter 92, HRS, Part I. Meetings, to the extent necessary to enable Boards to conduct meetings without any board members or members of the public physically present in the same location. In consideration of the current COVID-19 situation, the HPHA’s offices are closed to the public. Individuals should submit written testimony no later than 12:00 noon on Monday, August 2, 2021 which will be distributed to Board members. You may submit written testimony via email to jennifer.k.menor@hawaii.gov or by U.S. mail to PO Box 17907, Honolulu, HI 96817.

The public may participate in the Board meeting as it happens via Zoom app at: https://zoom.us/j/81451188838?pwd=a0k5Y2xjbHhHaFJ5TzJPdmVFbjF1Zz09. When prompted, enter the Meeting ID: 814 5118 8838 and the Password: z0jCx7.

Alternatively, the public may also participate via telephone by calling: 1-669-900-6833. When prompted, callers should enter the Meeting ID: 814 5118 8838 and the Password: 875452. We request that meeting participants change the display on their device to show their first and last name to expedite rollcall. Please keep in mind that many devices will display your cellphone number if not changed.

The Board will consider public testimony on any item relevant to this agenda. Pursuant to section 92-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and section 17-2000-18, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Board may limit public testimony to three minutes per agenda item.

I. CALL TO ORDER/ESTABLISHING QUORUM

II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Public testimony on any item relevant to this agenda shall be taken at this time. Pursuant to section 92-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and section 17-2000-18, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Board may limit public testimony to three minutes per agenda item.
III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Annual Meeting Minutes, July 22, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes, July 22, 2021

IV. DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION MAKING

A. To Approve the Hawaii Public Housing Authority’s Amended Annual Public Housing Agency Plan for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 to Approve a Policy to Allow for the Use of Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) and any Additional Offering or Allocation of Special Purpose Vouchers, Pursue a Moving-to-Work (MTW) Agency Designation, Explore Free or Low Cost Broadband Internet Opportunities for Public Housing Properties, and to Authorize the Executive Director to Make Non-Substantive Changes to the Draft Plan and to Take Required Actions to Submit the Approved Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Copies of the plan can be viewed by the public on the HPHA’s website at http://www.hpha.hawaii.gov/housingplans/index.htm, all AMP offices listed below, through the Resident Advisory Board, and the Section 8 office:

Hawaii Public Housing Authority  
1002 North School Street, Bldg. E  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

HPHA Section 8 Office  
1002 North School Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Puuwai Momi  
99-132 Kohomua Street  
Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Kalihi Valley Homes  
2250 Kalena Drive  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

Mayor Wright Homes  
521 N. Kukui Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Kalakaua Homes  
1545 Kalakaua Ave.  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Kalanihuia  
1220 Aala Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Lanakila Homes  
600 Wailoa Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Kapaa  
4726 Malu Road  
Kapaa, Hawaii 96746

Kahekili Terrace  
2015 Holowai Place  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Kuhio Homes  
1410 Ahonui Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

Ka Hale Kahaluu  
78-6725 Makolea Street  
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740
Copies of the plan can also be requested from the HPHA by calling (808) 832-4696 or emailing a request to hpha@hawaii.gov.

The Board agenda for this meeting is available for inspection on the HPHA’s website: http://www.hpha.hawaii.gov/boardinfo/packets.htm.

If any person requires special needs (i.e., large print, taped materials, sign language interpreter, etc.) please call Ms. Jennifer Menor at (808) 832-4694 by close of business three days prior to the meeting date. If a request is received after August 2, 2021, the HPHA will try to obtain the auxiliary aid/service or accommodation, but we cannot guarantee that the request will be fulfilled.
The Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority held a Special Board Meeting at 1002 North School Street, on Thursday, August 5, 2021. Pursuant to the Governor’s Twenty-First Supplementary Proclamation dated June 7, 2021, suspending Chapter 92, HRS, Part I Meetings, to the extent necessary to enable Boards to conduct meetings without any board members or members of the public physically present in the same location, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority conducted the Board meeting by use of teleconference call or other alternative means of communication only without a physical quorum present in the boardroom at 1002 N. School Street, Honolulu, HI 96817.

At approximately 9:02 a.m., Chairperson Hall called the meeting to order, held a roll call and declared a quorum present. Those present were as follows:

**PRESENT:**
(Via Zoom) Director Robert Hall, Chairperson
Director Roy Katsuda, Secretary
Designee Joseph Campos II
Director George De Mello
Director Susan Kunz
Director Kymberly Sparlin

Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Sugita
Deputy Attorney General Klemen Urbanc

**EXCUSED:**
Director Pono Shim, Vice-Chairperson
Director Betty Lou Larson
Director Leilani Pulmano
Director Todd Taniguchi

**STAFF PRESENT:**
(Via Zoom) Hakim Ouansafi, Executive Director
Barbara Arashiro, Executive Assistant
Rick Sogawa, Contracts and Procurement Officer
Sarah Beamer, Acting Section 8 Subsidy Programs Branch Chief
Benjamin Park, Chief Planner
Gary Nakatsu, Acting Property Management Coordinator
Jennifer Menor, Secretary to the Board

**OTHERS PRESENT (via Zoom/teleconference):**
None
Public Testimony

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Chairperson Hall stated that the Board would accept public testimony on any item relevant to the agenda. Pursuant to section 92-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and section 17-2000-18, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Board may limit public testimony to three minutes per agenda item.

There was no public testimony given or submitted.

Approval of Minutes

Director De Mello moved,

To Approve the Annual Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2021

The minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

Director Katsuda moved,

To Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2021

The minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

Discussion and Decision Making

Director Katsuda moved,

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Executive Director Ouansafi thanked the Board for their attendance and indicated that the request for this Special meeting was due to strict deadlines.

Executive Director Ouansafi reported that on June 9, 2021, the HPHA Board of Directors voted to accept the Amended PHA Annual Plan for FY 2021 – 2022 as published, subject to comments at the public hearing.

Public notice of hearings on the Amended PHA Annual Plan was published in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, The Garden Island (Kauai), The Maui News, West Hawaii Today (Kailua-Kona), and the Hawaii Tribune Herald (Hilo) on June 11, 2021. Public hearings were held in each county, and online, on July 26, 2021.

Discussions with the Resident Advisory Board (RAB) on the Amended PHA Annual Plan were held on July 8, 2021 and July 28, 2021.

HPHA staff reviewed and considered all testimony received prior to and at the public hearings, along with recommendations of the RAB. A summary of the testimony received at the hearings and a summary of the RAB’s final recommendations and HPHA’s responses were prepared, which were provided in the Board packet.

No changes were made to the Amended PHA Annual Plan for FY 2021-2022. Since no changes were made to the Amended PHA Annual Plan for FY 2021-2022, no additional public hearings are required.

Discussion will continue with the RAB on the details and implementation of the changes included in the Amended PHA Annual Plan for FY 2021-2022 once it is approved by the Board and HUD.

Chairperson Hall acknowledged the efforts of the HPHA and requested that Executive Director Ouansafi continue to keep the Board informed on the progress.

The motion was unanimously approved.

(End of Section)
Director Katsuda moved,

To Adjourn the Meeting

The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION:

Minutes Prepared by:

Jennifer K. Menor
Secretary to the Board

Approved by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority Board of Directors at their Special Meeting on September 2, 2021 [✓] As Presented [ ] As Amended

Roy Katsuda
Sep 2, 2021
Director Roy Katsuda
Board Secretary