# HAWAII GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

State of Hawai'i March 22, 2019 –3:00 p.m.

250 S. Hotel Street, Conference Room 436 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

### <u>ATTENDANCE</u>

Members Present:

Mike McCartney, Jeff Mikulina, Carilyn Shon, and Roderick

Becker.

Members Absent:

None.

Staff Present:

Gwen Yamamoto Lau, Ryan Hamadon, and Aleena

Montano.

Others Present:

Gregg Kinkley (Deputy Attorney General).

Members of the Public:

None.

## I. ROLL CALL

Chair McCartney called the meeting of the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority (HGIA) to order at 3:04 p.m.

Chair McCartney

Present

Vice Chair Mikulina

Present

Secretary Shon

Present

Member Becker

Absent (Arrived at 3:06 p.m.)

## **MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED**

- 1. Agenda for March 22, 2019 Meeting.
- 2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 28, 2019.
- 3. HGIA's Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2020.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Chair McCartney announced that the first item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes of the January 28, 2019 regular meeting. Vice Chair Mikulina moved, and Secretary Shon seconded the motion to approve the January 28, 2019 minutes. There was no discussion from the members.

Chair McCartney asked if there were comments from any members of the public. Seeing none, he called for a vote.

Ayes: McCartney, Mikulina, and Shon.

Nays: None.

The motion carried unanimously, 3 to 0.

## III. <u>DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION MAKING</u>

Member Becker joined the meeting at this time.

Chair McCartney announced that he will be changing the order of the agenda to move the Discussion and/or Decision Making of HGIA's FY 2020 Annual Plan to Item III.

1. Gwen Yamamoto Lau, Executive Director, was called to present the action item.

Yamamoto Lau thanked the board for their feedback during our last board meeting, which has been incorporated into HGIA's 2020 Annual Plan and provided an update highlighting the following:

- \$5.3 million available to lend to state agencies for energy efficiency retrofits;
- \$36.5 million currently available to lend to everyone else; and
- Approximately \$18.8 million of projects in our pipeline currently under review.

For FY 2020, HGIA's main areas of focus will be:

- Obtaining approval from the PUC to finance energy storage for residential and commercial installations;
- Exploring the option of partnering with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) to finance Native Hawaiian communities leveraging our on-bill repayment program;
- Focusing on financing multi-family projects to impact more households;
- Consider financing grid stabilization technology as well as community solar; and
- Seeking additional loan capital.

Chair McCartney inquired about the process of the Annual Plan. Yamamoto Lau explained that the Annual Plan is driven by the PUC Order, which recaps the previous Fiscal Year, HGIA's budget, and the focus of the next Fiscal Year.

Chair McCartney asked if there were any further questions. Seeing none, he asked for public comments. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve HGIA's FY 2020 Annual Plan.

Vice Chair Mikulina moved and Secretary Shon seconded the motion to approve HGIA's FY 2020 Annual Plan. Chair McCartney then called for the vote.

Ayes: McCartney, Mikulina, Shon and Becker.

Nays: None.

The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

# IV. PROGRAM UPDATES

Chair McCartney stated that the next items on the agenda are Program Updates and called on Ryan Hamadon, Senior Program Officer, to provide Residential Loan updates.

1. Hamadon provided an update stating that since the last board meeting on January 28, 2019, we received 23 applications of which 19 were for the on-bill repayment (OBR) program and 4 were for direct financing; the surge in applications was due to Hawaii Energy's email marketing, which included GEM\$ financing.

As of March 22, 2019, two loans are past due. One loan is over 61 days delinquent with a balance of \$32,260.89. The other loan is over 31 days delinquent with a balance of \$29,918.01. Collection efforts for both loans continue.

Vice Chair Mikulina excused himself at this time to attend another meeting.

2. Yamamoto Lau provided an update on the Commercial Portfolio and the status of the DOE loan. Since the last board meeting on January 28, 2019, we approved 2 commercial loans aggregating \$10.0 million to facilitate nearly \$20.0 million in consumer PV + Storage installations.

Additionally, we will be providing decisions for 3 requests in the upcoming week aggregating \$1.1 million for solar installations for 2 nonprofit organizations (one of which is located on Molokai) and 1 small business.

The commercial portfolio does not have any delinquent loans as all loans are being paid as agreed.

To date, HGIA has funded approximately 29% of the Department of Education's ("DOE") loan, aggregating \$13.3 million.

3. Yamamoto Lau provided the following updates on the GEM\$ On-Bill Program:

Our Technical "Go Live" was implemented on March 19, 2019, and the on-bill mechanism was migrated from the test environment to HECO's live environment without any disruptions.

If there are no migration complications, the Operational "Go Live" will be implemented on April 8, 2019, when HGIA can officially begin placing loan repayments on the ratepayers' utility bills. A News Release and a Press Conference hosted by Governor Ige (on or around April 8<sup>th</sup>) is currently being planned to announce the on-bill program.

- 4. Yamamoto Lau provided the Legislative Update, covering three HGIA-related bills:
  - **HB 2**, **HD 1**, **SD 1**: The version of this bill includes all of HGIA's base and add-on budget requests.
  - HB 855, HD 1: This bill amends and expands the purpose of the Building Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund, and transfers the administration of the Clean Energy Revolving Loan Fund to HGIA. The bill passed EET on March 11, 2019 and was referred to WAM. A letter will be sent to Chair Dela Cruz requesting that this bill is heard by his committee.
  - SCR 156: Senator Inouye introduced this bill, requesting the state auditor to conduct a performance and financing audit of HGIA and the GEMS Program. A joint GVO-EET hearing is scheduled for March 25, 2019.

Chair McCartney asked if there were any comments or questions on the Legislative update. Seeing none, he asked for public comments. Hearing none, he concluded the Program Updates.

## V. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Chair McCartney asked if there were any other matters that should be discussed. Seeing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Secretary Shon moved and Member Becker seconded the motion. Chair McCartney then called for the vote.

Ayes: McCartney, Shon, and Becker.

Nays: None.

The motion carried unanimously, 3 to 0.

Chair McCartney adjourned the meeting at 3:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Carilyn Shon Secretary