

# HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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## **EXEMPTION NOTICE**

To:1.Agency-Maintained Public Files for Chapter 343 HRS Exemption<br/>Determinations

- 2. Office of Planning and Sustainable Development
- From: Craig K. Nakamoto, Executive Director
- Subject: Exemption Notice for Alterations of Existing Crosswalk Facilities on Queen Street, Kakaako

### AGENCY OR APPLICANT ACTION

Check applicable box

- ☑ This exempted action is an <u>agency</u> action as defined by Section 343-5(b), Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), and Section 11-200.1-8, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR),
- □ This exempted action is an <u>applicant</u> action as defined by Section 343-5(e), HRS, and Section 11-200.1-9, HAR

#### **EXEMPTION TYPE:**

- ☑ The Exemption Notice for the action described below is based on the general types enumerated in Section 11-200.1-15(c), Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR), Exemption Type <u>3-D</u>.
- □ As applicable, the exemption for the action described below is also supported by the Exemption List for the [name of agency], reviewed and concurred to by the Environmental Council on [date of concurrence].
  - Exemption List Class \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Item Number \_\_\_\_\_
  - Applicable language from the exemption list:

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#### DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

Proposing Agency or Applicant: <u>Hawai'i Community Development Authority</u> Project Name & Address/Location: <u>Alterations to Existing Crosswalk Facilities at</u> <u>Kolowalu Park, Queen Street and Waimanu Street Intersection, Kakaako, Oahu</u> Anticipated Start Date: <u>7/31/2023</u> Anticipated End Date: <u>12/31/2023</u> Island and District: <u>O`ahu</u><u>Honolulu</u> Tax Map Key(s) and other geolocation means: <u>2-3-004:080</u> All Necessary Permits and Approvals: <u>Authority</u><u>Community Development Authority</u><u>Zoning Approval</u>

- Hawai'i Community Development Authority Zoning Approval
- <u>City and County of Honolulu Building Permit Pending</u>

#### NARRATIVE

Describe the action and why it qualifies for the exemption: <u>The Hawai'i Community</u> <u>Development Authority will make alterations to the existing crosswalk facilities at the</u> <u>intersection of Queen Street and Waimanu Street, in Kakaako. The alterations will include;</u> <u>flashing crosswalk indicators, actuator buttons, crosswalk warning signage, traffic stripping,</u> <u>concrete traffic island, minor modifications to existing curb cuts, and traffic calming devices.</u> <u>The alterations will include connecting existing electrical utility services to the warning signage</u> <u>and actuators. All alterations will be made in the existing roadway and public right-of-way.</u> <u>The alterations will have minimal impacts on the environment and is therefore a general action</u> <u>that is eligible for exemption from the preparation of an environmental assessment.</u>

#### **RECEIVING ENVIRONMENT**

Describe the site, including any impacts on the receiving environment: <u>The project site is</u> located on Queen Street at the intersections of Queen Street and Waimanu Street, identified by <u>TMK 2-3-004</u>: 080. All alterations will be made in the existing roadway and public right-ofway. Exemption Notice April 19, 2023 Page 3

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

I have considered the potential effects of the proposed project and all related activities against the criteria checked below:

|   | Not Applicable |
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| ☑ Land Use and Zoning Conformance               |                |
| Traffic (Vehicles, Bicycles, Pedestrian)        |                |
| Infrastructure (Roads, Buildings, Utilities)    |                |
| Air Quality Pollutant Emissions                 |                |
| ☑ Noise Emissions                               |                |
| □ Solid, Hazardous, and Liquid Waste Management | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Social  | $\boxtimes$    |
|   | $\boxtimes$    |
| Health and Safety                               |                |
| □ Recreation                                    | $\boxtimes$    |
| Public Beach Access                             | $\boxtimes$    |
| Cultural Resources and Practices                | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Visual/Aesthetic                              | $\boxtimes$    |
| Environmental Justice                           | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Rare, Threatened, and/or Endangered Species   | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Surface and Ground Water Resources            | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Wetlands                                      | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Floodplains                                   | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Riparian/Coastal Resources                    | $\boxtimes$    |
| □ Other   | $\boxtimes$    |

Comments/summary of impact analysis: <u>The alterations to the existing crosswalk facilities are in</u> response to address health and safety concerns associated with vehicular traffic and pedestrian visibility at this location. The alterations will improve the visibility and safety of pedestrians in the project area.

#### MITIGATION

Describe all mitigation measures and best management practices planned to address impacts during the project activities and after project completion: <u>Although negligible, any construction-related impacts will be minimized by adherence to regulatory requirements</u>. The contractor shall be responsible for complying with all applicable State of Hawai'i, DOH regulations relating to dust, noise, air quality, public safety and pollution control.

#### CONSULTATION

The following parties have been consulted about this declaration exemption (Name, affiliation, consultation date): <u>Tom Eisen, State of Hawai'i, Office of Planning and Sustainable</u> <u>Development, 4/13/2023</u> Exemption Notice April 19, 2023 Page 4

#### EXEMPT DECLARATION

The direct, cumulative, and potential impacts of the action described above have been considered pursuant to Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes and Chapter 11-200.1, Hawai'i Administrative Rules. I declare that the action described above will have minimal or no significant impact on the environment and is therefore exempt from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment.

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Signature of Director or Delegate

Apr 19, 2023 Date

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