BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, SURVEYORS AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

Professional and Vocational Licensing Division Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

<u>Date</u>: Thursday, April 11, 2013

<u>Time</u>: 8:30 a.m.

<u>Place</u>: King Kalakaua Conference Room

King Kalakaua Building

335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Norman Hong, Chair, Architect Member

Ross Okuda, Vice Chair, Mechanical Engineer Member

Raymond Skelton, Secretary, Public Member

Demetrio Constantino, Public Member Dan Hirota, Land Surveyor Member

Joel Kurokawa, Landscape Architect Member Howard Lau, Structural Engineer Member

Jay Manzano, Public Member

Shelli McCelvey, Landscape Architect Member

Paul Murray, Land Surveyor Member Clayton Pang, Electrical Engineer Member

Roberto Yumol, Architect Member Rodney Tam, Deputy Attorney General James Kobashigawa, Executive Officer Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer Terry Akasaka-Toyama, Secretary

Guest: Amy Blagriff, Executive Vice President, AIA Honolulu

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Hong called the meeting to order

at 8:30 a.m.

Chair Hong had all the Board members introduce themselves as well

as Deputy Attorney General Tam and Board staff.

Purpose: Chair Hong stated that the purpose of this public hearing was to hear

any testimony on the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects,

Surveyors and Landscape Architects' ("Board") proposed rule

amendments to Chapter 16-115, Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR").

Page 2 Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects Minutes of Public Hearing April 11, 2013 Notice of Chair Hong read the Public Hearing notice which was published in Public Hearing: the Honolulu Star Advertiser on Oahu, the Maui News on Maui, West Hawaii Today in Kona, Hawaii Tribune-Herald in Hilo, and the Garden Island Newspaper on Kauai, on March 10, 2013. The Board received written testimony in favor of the proposed Testimony: amendments from Louis K. Fung, AIA, President of AIA Honolulu and from Daniel Chun, FAIA, President of AIA Hawaii State Council. Chair Hong asked Ms. Blagriff if she would be presenting oral testimony on the proposed draft rule amendments to Chapter 16-115, HAR. Ms. Blagriff expressed her thanks to the Board for their hard work in getting the proposed rule amendments to this point. With these amendments it will be good for business, community, and motivate architect graduates to continue on to licensure. On a separate note, Mr. Yumol reported that of the 54 states/ jurisdictions, 48 have already approved early entry to take the A.R.E. exam. Procedure After Chair Hong announced that discussion of and final decision on the proposed amendments to the rules will be made by the Board at its Hearing: regularly scheduled meeting to be convened after the conclusion of this public hearing. Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the public hearing was adjourned at 8:40 a.m. Taken and recorded by: /s/ Terry Akasaka-Toyama Terry Akasaka-Toyama Secretary Reviewed and approved by: /s/ James Kobashigawa James Kobashigawa **Executive Officer**

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[X] Minutes approved as is.[] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of ______