# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

# **NOVEMBER 22, 2022**

CITY FINANCIAL TOWER 201 MERCHANT STREET, SUITE 1200 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

Trustees present: Dr. Genevieve Ley, Chair\*

(by teleconference) Mr. Vincent Barfield, Vice Chair\*

Mr. Bennett Yap\*

Trustee absent: Mr. Craig Hirai

Staff present: Mr. Thomas Williams, Executive Director\*

(City Financial Tower Ms. Kanoe Margol, Deputy Executive Director\* by teleconference) Mr. Howard Hodel, Deputy Chief Investment Officer\*

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Ms. Dale Kehau Kanae, Recording Secretary

Ms. Lori Kim, Secretary Ms. Andrea Gasper, Secretary

Attorney present: Ms. Lori Tanigawa, Deputy Attorney General\* (by teleconference)

### QUORUM/CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present (Chair Ley, Vice Chair Barfield, and Trustee Yap), Chair Ley called the Human Resources Committee (HR Committee or Committee) of the Board of Trustees (Board) of the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Hawaii (ERS) to order at 1:06 p.m. and identified the Trustees present and had them confirm that they are the only ones present at their remote location and that no one else was able to listen in on their teleconference while attending the meeting.

On a motion made by Vice Chair Barfield, seconded by Trustee Yap, and unanimously carried, the Committee voted to hold a meeting allowing Trustees and members of the public to participate by interactive conference technology, pursuant to HRS § 92-3.7, with at least one meeting location open to the public that has audiovisual connection.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Ley called for public comment. There were no members of the public present in person or by teleconference, therefore no public comment. There was also no written public testimony received for this Committee meeting.

REVIEW THE ACTIVITIES AND TIMELINE OF THE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE Chair Ley presented for review and discussion, by the Committee, the updated Activities and Timeline for the Human Resources Committee for the remainder of 2022. Chair Ley requested that the December 14, 2022, meeting

be cancelled, there were no objections from the Committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
– SEPTEMBER 26, 2022

On a motion made by Vice Chair Barfield, seconded by Trustee Yap, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the Minutes of the September 26, 2022, meeting as presented.

TO DISCUSS THE COMPENSATION PLAN

Chair Ley requested this agenda item be moved to Executive Session.

<sup>\*</sup>Attended Executive Session

(Chair Ley identified attendees of the Executive Session, Committee members Chair Ley, Vice Chair Barfield, Trustee Yap; ERS staff ED Thomas Williams, Deputy Executive Director Kanoe Margol, Acting Chief Investment Officer Howard Hodel; and Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Lori Tanigawa. All attendees affirmed that no other persons were in their rooms or able to listen in on their audio or audiovisual connection while they were on the teleconference.

Chair Ley provided the reason to enter into Executive Session:

Executive Session, pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(2) and (4) and (8), to discuss the Compensation Study of Chapter 76, HRS exempt staff for the Employees' Retirement System, and to evaluated such staff, as may be necessary, where matters affecting privacy will be involved, and to consult with the Board's attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the Committee's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities, and to make a decision on the approval of executive session minutes which are confidential under state law.

Before exiting the meeting, Board Secretary Dale Kehau Kanae confirmed that no unauthorized persons were in the conference room or able to listen in by audio or audiovisual connection while on the teleconference. DAG Tanigawa was the notetaker of the remainder of the meeting. Attendees are noted with an asterisk on these minutes and listed on the Executive Session Minutes.)

On a motion made by Trustee Yap, seconded by Vice Chair Barfield, and unanimously carried, the Committee entered into Executive Session at 1:11 p.m.

Pursuant to HRS§ 92-5(a)(2) and (4), to discuss the Compensation Study of

(Public participation concluded by ending the teleconference link.)

TO DISCUSS THE **COMPENSATION PLAN** 

**ENTER EXECUTIVE** 

**SESSION** 

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

Chapter 76, HRS exempt staff for the Employees' Retirement System, and to evaluate such staff, as may be necessary, where matters affecting privacy will be involved, and to consult with the Board's attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the Committee's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities, appropriate action.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, PURSUANT TO HRS§ 92-5(a)(2) AND (4), TO DISCUSS THE COMPENSATION STUDY OF CHAPTER 76, HRS EXEMPT STAFF FOR THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND TO EVALUATE SUCH STAFF. AS MAY BE NECESSARY, WHERE MATTERS AFFECTING PRIVACY WILL BE INVOLVED, AND TO CONSULT WITH THE BOARD'S ATTORNEYS ON QUESTIONS AND ISSUES PERTAINING TO THE COMMITTEE'S POWERS, DUTIES, PRIVILEGES, IMMUNITIES, AND LIABILITIES; APPROPRIATE ACTION

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 26, 2022

APPROVAL OF CONFIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 26, 2022

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion made by Trustee Yap, seconded by Vice Chair Barfield, and unanimously carried, the Committee exited Executive Session at 2:06 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Trustee Yap, seconded by Vice Chair Barfield, and unanimously carried, Chair Ley adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

## REDACTED SIGNATURE

Thomas Williams
Executive Director

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