



**ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
OF THE
HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY**

HYBRID MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2026, AT 9:30 AM

Hawaii Convention Center
Parking Level | Executive Boardroom A
1801 Kalakaua Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Meeting will be live-streamed via Zoom

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call** to Announce Name of Participating Board Members and Identify Anyone Present with a Board Member if the Location is Nonpublic
- 3. Opening Protocol**
- 4. Approval of the Minutes** from the Advisory Board Meeting on August 27, 2026
- 5. Report of Permitted Interactions** at Informational Meetings or Presentations Not Organized by the Board Under HRS section 92-2.5(e)
- 6. Report of the CEO** **9:45 a.m.**
 - a. Update on the HCC Rooftop Construction**
- 7. Presentation on the Status of the Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA) and Hawai'i Convention Center (HCC) Fiscal Year 2027 Budgets** **10:15 a.m.**
- 8. Report by the Administrative Standing Committee of its Meeting** **10:30 a.m.**
Held on October 7, 2026
 - a. Update on the HTA President & CEO Search and Discussion of the President & CEO Evaluation and Timeline**
- 9. Update on the Kaua'i Tourism Recovery Plan** **10:50 a.m.**
- 10. Presentation and Discussion of Current Market Insights and Conditions** **11:10 a.m.**
- 11. Presentation on the *Spinner Dolphin Study* by Lars Bejder PhD, Director of the Marine Mammal Research Program at the Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology, University of Hawai'i at Manoa** **11:30 a.m.**
- 12. Adjournment** **12:00 p.m.**

Pursuant to Section 531.5, of the Budgetary Control Accounting Manual, State of Hawai'i, lunch is served as an integral part of the meeting, while the meeting continues in session, and not during a break.

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