

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR HAGÅTÑA, GUAM U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2012-09

RELATIVE TO CREATING THE GOVERNOR'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING COORDINATING COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the comprehensive development and enhancement of Affordable Housing programs are critical to improving the quality of life of our people; and

WHEREAS, this Administration holds Affordable Housing to be both a social and an economic initiative of the highest priority and has directed that all government agencies assist in the success of this initiative, which requires the collaboration of government, the private sector, non-profit organizations, and the education community; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of an Affordable Housing Coordinating Council will provide an entity to actively identify the needs of the community, develop various programs to meet those needs, and accomplish objectives forged in collaboration with the Administration, the Legislature, and relevant Affordable Housing stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, it is vital to the development and enhancement of Affordable Housing programs to promote collaboration and synergy between the public and private sectors and the University of Guam's Center for Island Sustainability, an important resource for the research and development of economic policy;

NOW THEREFORE, I, EDWARD J.B. CALVO, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and the laws of Guam, do order as follows:

Creation of the Governor's Affordable Housing Coordinating Council. The Governor's Affordable Housing Coordinating Council (AHCC) is hereby created with the following mission, purposes, designated activities, and organizational and operational parameters:

- Mission Statement. The AHCC will work collaboratively with related agencies, the Legislature, stakeholders, and other entities to develop and enhance Affordable Housing programs designed to meet the affordable housing needs of the community and aid in improving the quality of life for the citizens of Guam.
- 2. **Duties.** The AHCC will undertake the following duties:
 - I. Identify and assess Guam's needs for the various types of Affordable Housing Programs in a comprehensive manner; collaborate with the University of Guam to conduct research into all available housing programs and other related resources;



- II. determine which are the optimal avenues that may be pursued and utilized to best address Guam's specific housing needs.
- III. Create new programs or develop existing programs to provide solutions to those in need of housing that include but are not limited to home ownership, leases, rentals, finance, and government assistance.
- IV. Create and/or advance incentive programs related to investments in, and construction of, affordable housing developments.
- V. Formulate policy recommendations based on the findings of the AHCC and programs that have been developed, and present those recommendations to the Executive and Legislative branches of government.
- VI. Identify any impediments in bureaucratic processes, and any obstacles or threats in the economic environment, which would seek to hinder the overall success of the Affordable Housing Initiative, and craft strategies to mitigate such impediments, obstacles or threats.
- VII. Identify resources within the government that can be best utilized to provide affordable housing solutions, including but not limited to land, funding, personnel, facilities, equipment, and supplies; and forward recommendations to the Governor on the utilization of those resources to aid in the Affordable Housing initiative.
- VIII. Assist the Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority with the development and implementation of an Affordable Housing Strategic Plan for Guam as well as any and all necessary or recommended updates to the Strategic Plan.
- 3. Organization and Operation. The Governor shall select any and all members of the Affordable Housing Coordinating Council, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor until relieved by the Governor at the Governor's discretion. AHCC members are selected for their vital role in public and private affordable housing activities and programs. The membership of the AHCC will consist of one individual from the following:
 - a. I Liheslaturan Guåhan's Chairperson for the Committee on Housing
 - b. The Executive Director of the Guam Housing & Urban Renewal Authority
 - c. The President of the Guam Housing Corporation
 - d. The Administrator of the Guam Economic Development Authority
 - e. The Director of the Department of Land Management
 - f. The Director of the Chamorro Land Trust Commission



- g. The Director of the Guam Ancestral Lands Commission
- h. One member of the Governor's Council of Economic Advisors
- i. The General Manager of the Guam Power Authority
- j. The General Manager of the Guam Waterworks Authority
- k. One to two representatives from the Center for Island Sustainability, to be designated by the President of the University of Guam
- l. One representative from the Guam Chamber of Commerce
- m. One representative from the Guam Contractors Association
- n. One representative from the Guam Association of Realtors
- o. One representative from the Banking and Finance Industry

The President of Guam Housing Corporation will serve as Executive Officer to the Affordable Housing Coordinating Council as the Administration's representative on the Council and as the AHCC's liaison to the Governor.

The AHCC will meet regularly (recommended twice per month) to perform the duties enumerated above.

This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order 2011-12 Dated the 1st day of July, 2011.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 9 day of July, 2012.

EDWARD J. B. CALVO

I Maga'lahen Guåhan Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

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Lieutenant Governor of Guam