



Chelsea Group Hosts BOMA Lunch and Learn

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Honolulu, HI On April 27, 2017, Chelsea Group hosted BOMA Hawaii's monthly Lunch and Learn event. BOMA is the acronym for Building Owners and Managers Association Hawaii. Participants learned the current best practices for planning and completing major capital projects based on a case study of Waterfront Plaza presented by Chelsea Group. Nominated for 2017 Energy Project of the Year at the Association of Energy Engineers, the Waterfront project achieved a net 20% reduction in the electrical utility usage for the owners, the Shidler Group.

"This lunch and learn session shows to me that the community is truly eager to learn, and also is starting to see how talented our company is, and how our team can help their buildings achieve their goals on energy reduction and improved operations," said Chelsea Group Building Scientist Dricka Thobois. While attendees enjoyed a catered lunch Chelsea Group Senior Building Scientist Zack Main presented an in-depth analysis of the firm's recent multi-year effort to rebuild the infrastructure of Waterfront Plaza, incorporating state-of-the-art designs for energy efficiency and sustainability.

The local building science firm recently completed a Central Plant retrofit on the property, including adding a brand new chiller plant—anchored by two eight-hundred ton chillers—replacing three cooling towers, as well as incorporating the latest mag-lev technology for maximum efficiency.

Main's presentation included sharing the project's case study, which covered how the project progressed, from start to finish, and the results of efficiency achieved by data analysis of new equipment installed more than \$273,000 savings per year.

As a Platinum sponsor of BOMA Hawaii, Chelsea Group has the privilege of hosting one Lunch and Learn event each year, which BOMA Hawaii makes possible via cost coverage. The luncheon—free to current BOMA Hawaii members, and open to the public for a small fee—was held at Ali'i Place and brought together Hawaii property managers, general managers, and asset managers from different property management companies, as well as other local companies who offer their services in keeping these properties running smoothly.

According to Chelsea Group Building Scientist Dricka Thobois, who organized the event, the presentation was both informative and a great success. "The BOMA Lunch



Zack Main presenting to BOMA members

and Learn went very well. We had a full room, and the attendees were very interested in the presentation," she shared. Thobois is a former member of the Board of Directors of BOMA Hawaii and organized the 2017 BOMA Sustainability Day event.

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