



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CONSTRUCTION CODES COORDINATING BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, April 21, 2016
1100 4th Street, S.W. – 4th Floor- Conference Room E4302
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Members Present	Board Members Not Present	Board Staff Present	Other Persons Present
Jill Stern (Chair)	Kellie Farster	LaShawn Dickey (DCRA)	Phetmano Phannavong (DOEE)
Dave Epley			Max Tondro (DCRA)
Tony Falwell			Peggi Phelps, AOBA (by conference call)
Gary Englebert			Kate Johnson (DOEE)
Ethan Landis (by phone)			Annie McCarthy (DCRA)
Marc Fetterman			Eric Jones, ABC Metro (by conference call)
Jatinder Khokhar			
Bill Updike			
Robert Looper III			
Jason Wright			
Armando Lourenco			

1. Preliminary Matters

(i) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jill Stern, Chair, at 10:25 a.m. with a roll call of members and other persons present.

(ii) Adoption of Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda was unanimously approved by the Board upon motion made by Bill Updike and duly seconded by Jatinder Khokhar.

(iii) Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes

The meeting minutes for Thursday, March 17, 2016 were unanimously approved upon motion made by Bill Updike and seconded by Jason Wright.

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2. Consideration of Previously Introduced Code Change Proposals

Building Code	Sections	Introduced	Procedural History	CCCB Action 4.21.16
BC-CCCB-1-7-2014	105.2 and 202	1.21.16	Referred to Building TAG 1.21.16. Approved 2.17.16 by the A&E TAG with revisions. Approved 3.17.16 with revisions. Armando Lourenco (M) Tony Falwell (S): 6 in favor; 1 opposed (Fetterman); 2 abstentions (Bill Updike; Kelly Farster)	Re-approved 9 (pro):1 (con) with minor editorial changes per OAG legal sufficiency review. Jatinder Khokhar (M), Bill Updike (S).
BC-CCCB-1-6-2014	106.6.2 and 705.8.7.6	9.17.15	Referred to IP TAG 10.15.15; referred to OGC at 12.03.15 meeting for legal review and recommendations; deferred 1.7.16 and 2.18.16 CCCB Meetings. Referred to Administrative & Enforcement TAG 3.17.16 for consideration in 2015 code cycle	Deferred
BC-CCCB-1-1-2015	101.4.9.4.2.4	1.21.16	Referred to Green TAG 1.21.16	Deferred
BC-CCCB-1-2-2015	109.3.1.7.1	1.21.16	Referred to Residential and Building TAGs 1.21.16	Deferred
Property Maintenance Code				
PMC-CCCB-3-1-2015	311	1.21.16	Referred to Mechanical TAG 1.21.16	Deferred
PMC-6-1-2014	602.2	1.21.16	Referred to Property Maintenance TAG 1.21.16	Deferred
Mechanical Code				
MC-CCCB-10-1-2015	1003	3.17.16	Referred to Mechanical TAG 3.17.16	Deferred

3. Introduction of New Code Change Proposals

No new code change proposals were introduced.

4. TAG and Related Matters

i. TAG Chair Reports

Each Board member in attendance at the meeting provided a report on the TAG(s) that he or she is chairing. All of the TAG Chairs reported that their TAGs had started meeting, or had scheduled an initial meeting, with the



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exception of Gary Englebert who indicated that the Building TAG will schedule a first meeting soon and plans to meet twice weekly to meet the proposed work schedule. Robert Looper III indicated that he is still forming the Swimming Pool TAG but expects that only 2 or 3 meetings will be required. All of the TAG Chairs expected to complete work by the end of June 2016, except for Armando Lourenco who expected that consideration of 3 codes by the Mechanical TAG could be more time-consuming. Jill Stern urged the TAG Chairs to submit code change proposals as completed and not wait to submit all proposals when work is completed, in order to move the code change proposals expeditiously through the pipeline. Based on the TAG Chair reports, she anticipated that the Fire TAG should be among the first to complete its work.

ii. Swimming Pool TAG Membership

Carvin DiGiovanni and Jatinder Khokhar were unanimously approved as voting members of the Swimming Pool TAG, upon motions made by Robert Looper III and duly seconded.

iii. Floodplain Special Committee

Jill Stern introduced Phetmano Phannavong, from DOEE, to discuss the proposed formation of a CCCB Special Committee to consider whether the CCCB should adopt Appendix G, Flood-Resistant Construction, of the 2015 Building Code, and, if so, what sections of DOEE's Flood Plain Regulations, set forth in 20 DCMR, Chapter 31, would need to be revised in order to harmonize the Construction Codes and the Flood Plain Regulations. Gary Englebert told the Board that, based on FEMA's recent community visit in DC, he understood that FEMA would be recommending adoption of Appendix G in the new code cycle. He indicated that the 2015 ICC Codes incorporate FEMA input, intended to ensure a closer intersection of the Construction Codes and FEMA requirements. After a brief discussion, the Board consensus was that a Special Committee would be an appropriate vehicle to allow for broader consideration of flood hazard issues and provisions, and to get input from other agencies including DOEE, HSEMA and FEMA. The Board unanimously approved formation of a Special Committee for this purpose, upon motion made by Jatinder Khokhar and seconded by Armando Lourenco. Jill Stern asked Phetmano to develop a list of proposed Committee members for review and approval at the May CCCB meeting.

5. Presentation on Climate Adaptation Plan Research

Katherine Johnson of DOEE provided a briefing for CCCB members on climate change issues considered by DOEE's Climate Ready DC Group, and draft actions recommended by the group to manage and mitigate climate change risks in the District of Columbia, including urban heat and flooding. In response to questions from the Board, Ms. Johnson indicated that the group planned to develop and submit specific code change proposals to the CCCB in order to address some of the issues they had identified.

6. Administrative Matters

Jill Stern acknowledged continuing delays in posting of TAG meetings on the DCRA website calendar, and told the Board that she expected the situation to improve since a member of DCRA's communications team had been assigned to assist the CCCB with updates to the CCCB website pages including the calendar.



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To assist the Board in tracking 2015 code change proposals, she indicated that the code change spreadsheet had been re-organized and updated, and would be posted on google docs. She advised that LaShawn Dickey would be updating the spreadsheet every other Monday on an ongoing basis.

Jill Stern will confirm that all 2015 ICC model codes are available in Drop Box for use by CCCB members in drafting code change proposals.

Jill Stern and Max Tondro agreed to discuss and confirm the legal review process for CCCB work.

7. Status Updates on Regulatory and Legislative Proceedings

Updates were circulated to the Board. Annie McCarthy, of DCRA's Legislative Affairs Office, advised the Board that DCRA is developing a more comprehensive legislative proposal in response to the Bill recently introduced by Council Members Orange and Grosso, titled "Homeowners Protection from Construction Damage Amendment Act of 2016" (B21-0689). DCRA will circulate its version shortly, and Ms. McCarthy suggested that anyone with concerns about the proposed Bill should contact her to discuss their concerns.

8. Comments by Members of the Public

There were no comments by members of the public.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon by unanimous assent. The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2016.