



Minutes Plumbing & Mechanical Code Advisory Board Work Session Tuesday, September 20, 2005

Minutes of the Plumbing & Mechanical Code Advisory Board Work Session held on September 20, 2005, 3:00 p.m., in the Development Services Conference Room, Tempe, Arizona.

Members Present: Ray Bass III, Chairman; Stephen Parady, Vice Chairman; Mario Torregrossa

Members Absent: Kelly Bryant, Kent Mortensen

City Staff Present: Michael Williams, Board Secretary/Deputy Development Services Manager; Roger Vermillion, Building Inspection Superintendent; Sue Buck, Administrative Assistant

City Staff Absent: None

Guests Present: None

Ray Bass called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

Agenda Item I – Approval of Minutes of September 6, 2005

Motion to Approve: Steve Parady

Second: Mario Torregrossa

Decision: Approved Unanimously

Agenda Item II – Continued Review of Proposed Amendments and Board Recommendations for Plumbing, Mechanical & Fuel Gas Codes

Review of Proposed Amendments to 2003 IFGC and 2003 IMC, updated by MJW per previous recommendations from Board.

Motion to Accept Revised Amendments: Steve Parady

Second: Mario Torregrossa

Decision: Approved Unanimously

Review commenced on the Proposed Amendments to the 2003 International Plumbing Code (IPC). Items discussed included:

- Section 202 – “Approved” – amendment as presented is redundant and not required – to be removed
- Section 504.7.1 – definition of “indirect waste pipe”
- Section 607.2 – “shall” to be changed to “may” and leave in reference to IECC
- Table 608.1 – all references to fire protection systems/fire flow removed
- Double-check-valve-type backflow preventers – discussion of verbiage change from “dual” to “double”
- Section 1106.1 – change hourly rainfall rate to 3” and change exception to add overflow drains connected to main drain....when designed for 6” per hour rainfall
- Section 1108 – change amendments to add deletion of this section
- Remove “his” from all designated alternates

Review of Proposed Amendments to the 2003 IPC was completed.

Motion to accept amendments as discussed: Steve Parady

Second: Mario Torregrossa

Decision: Approved Unanimously

Agenda Item III – Other Board Business

The Arizona Open Meeting Law was briefly discussed. Anytime that action or discussion is required by the Board, it must be at an open meeting that allows anyone who so desires to attend and listen to the proceedings.

Roger Vermillion will verify if PE pipe is considered welded pipe by IAPMO and provide that information to the Board.

The definition of “peak optical density” as related to plenums will be provided to the Board.

There may be further discussion necessary regarding duct terminations.

Mike Williams noted that the Proposed Amendments as discussed will lift restrictions on plastic pipe in fire rated construction.

Mike will update the Proposed Amendments to the 2003 IPC to reflect changes recommended by the Board.

The Proposed Amendments to the 2003 IMC, IFGC, and IPC as approved by the Board will be posted on the Building Safety website for public review and comment. The Proposed Amendments to the 2003 IBC, IRC and IEBC as approved by the Building

Code Advisory Board are already posted on the website. There will also be public hearings scheduled for review and comment of the Proposed Amendments, followed by the final recommendation from the advisory boards to the City Council. The anticipated time line is to have the hearings, final review and recommendation to City Council by the end of the year.

The next meeting is to be scheduled at a later date.

Motion to Adjourn by: Stephen Parady
Second by: Mario Torregrossa

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Prepared by Sue Buck

Michael J. Williams, CBO
Board Secretary