



Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals Draft MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
September 25, 2012**

The Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals convened in a regular meeting on September 25, 2012 at One Texas Center, 505 Barton Springs Road, 5th Floor, Room 500, Austin, Texas.

Board Chair Frank Haught called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Frank Haught, Alan Schumann, Michael Thorn-Leeson, Jake Sullivan, Scott Stookey, and Michael Cannatti.

Staff in Attendance: Dan McNabb, Jose Roig, Leon Barba, Tony Hernandez, Joe Parker, Ron Menard, and Julie Kirby.

Board Members Not in Attendance: Board Member Steven King was absent.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the meeting held on September 11, 2012 was approved on Board Member Thorn-Leeson's motion and second by Board Member Cannatti for a vote of 6-0. Board Member King was absent.

3. DISCUSSION:

a. Board composition and membership qualifications.

Board Member Schumann proposed a draft resolution that would amend the City Code to require specific technical expertise and qualifications for board members of the Building & Fire Code Board of Appeals.

Action: Board Member Stookey made a motion to approve the resolution including the Boards final changes and to forward the Recommendation to the City Council for action. Board Member Schumann second the motion for a vote of 5-1. Board Member Cannatti dissented.

b. 2012 IRC Code Adoption draft ordinance (Residential).

The Board discussed the revised draft of the 2012 IRC local amendment ordinance which included the flood resistant sections and made additional changes. The Board and staff agreed to rewrite and clarify sections R314 and R315 regarding carbon monoxide alarms and smoke alarms. The section on Visitability (Section R320) is not included in the draft ordinance and still under review by staff and stakeholders.

c. Overview of the 2012 IBC significant changes.

Staff discussed the most significant code changes affecting commercial construction.

d. Continued Discussion of 2012 IBC Code Adoption draft ordinance (Commercial).

The Board discussed the revised draft of the 2012 IBC local amendment ordinance which included the flood plain sections. Staff is still waiting on the AFD Fire Code changes.

e. Discuss Expired Permit SOP

Board Member Cannatti discussed the Standard Operating Procedure for Expired Permits drafted by City staff and wanted to ensure it follows Councils intent and the City Code.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Next meeting (Appeal, Election of Officers, and Annual Board Schedule).
- 2012 IECC Code Adoption draft ordinance (Energy Conservation).
- 2012 IFC Code Adoption draft ordinance (Fire).

- 5. ADJOURN** – Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Alan Schumann and was seconded by Michael Thorn-Leeson. Frank Haught adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m.