



**Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals
APPROVED Minutes**

**Board Meeting
October 2, 2019**

The Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals met in a Special Called Meeting on October 2, 2019 at the One Texas Center, 13th floor Director Conference Room 1300

Chairman, Alan Schumann called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Ben Abzug, Aubrey Brasfield, Alicia Jones, Pieter Sybesma, Alan Schumann, James Wilsford, Bobby Johns and Timothy Arndt

Board Members Not in Attendance: Ashley Juraska and Marco Fiorilo

Staff in Attendance: Rick Arzola (DSD), Marlin Hartmann (DSD), Tom Vocke (AFD), Kevin Shunk (PAZ), Dana Lappin (PAZ), Mike Personett (PAZ), Karl McArthur (PAZ), Matt Hollon (PAZ), Mark Baker (AFD), Justin Jones (AFD), Richard Davis (AFD) and Joe Limon (AFD)

1. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:** Stuart Hersh- Spoke briefly and in support of the public hearings of the floodplain Code Amendments and the Wildland Urban Interface
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The August 28, 2019 minutes were approved as written by Board member Arndt and made a motion to approve the minutes with modifications that board member Tim Arndt was not in the room and did not vote during the appeal hearing at 1701 Toomey Road. Chairman Schumann second that motion. Motion pass for an 8-0 vote.
3. **PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
 - A. **Public Hearing- Floodplain Code Amendments:** Kevin Shunk, Division Manager of Watershed Protection Department presented the Atlas 14 code amendments to the board. After his presentation, Chairman Schumann asked members in attendance that were in favor of the code amendments, Stuart Hersh who registered under Citizen Communication offered his support of the code amendment changes and recommended that all permits fees be waived for those who were impacted by the flood in the floodplain but did ask to waive inspection fees. Chairman Schumann then closed the public hearing and the board made a motion to support staff recommendation with an amendment and requested council to consider waiving permit fees for flood damaged properties in the floodplain but not inspection fees. Board member Wilsford made a motion to recommend the ordinance and board member Arndt seconded that motion. Motion pass 8-0
 - B. **Public Hearing- Wildland Urban Interface-** Mark Baker, coordinator of Wildland-Urban Interface gave a brief presentation with some new changes and updates from the last presentation back on February 27, 2019. After completion of the presentation, much discussion took place on how the WUI Code would take effect, the main areas on where it effects and the issues that still remain, Chairman Schumann asked the room on who was in favor of the code and Stuart Hersh, who signed up under citizen communication praised the effort of work the fire department has put into the WUI and supports the code change. Board Schumann then closed the public hearing and addressed the board with questions. After discussions and unresolved questions about fences and ignition resistant construction material, board wanted the language to “cleaned up” and re-present another draft on Oct 23 regular board meeting. No action was taken.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- A.** Legal Department- Discussion and Interpretations
- B.** Wildland Urban Interface-Public Hearing
- C.** 2020 Board Schedule

5. ADJOURN – Board member Schumann made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:32 p.m.
Board member Brasfield seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.