

**BUILDING CODE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2008 MEETING**

Members in Attendance: Gary Chock, Timothy Hiu, Douglas Haigh, Ralph Nagamine, Russ Saito, Jerry Haruno, Socrates Bratakos, William Brizee, Brian Kajikawa Excused: Keith Rudolph Staff present: Patricia Ohara, Department of the Attorney General, Kerry Yoneshige, Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS).

1. Timothy Hiu called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.
2. An election was held to determine who would become chair and vice chair of the council. Two slates for chair and vice chair had been nominated at the August 7, 2008 meeting, option A was Timothy Hiu, chair and Russ Saito, vice chair and option B was Russ Saito, chair and Timothy Hiu, vice chair. William Brizee made a motion to close the nominations and Socrates Bratakos seconded the motion. The Council voted, one vote for option A, and six votes for option B.
3. After the vote, Russ Saito assumed the role of chair of the council
4. The minutes of the August 12, 2008 meeting were reviewed and approved subject to the following changes.
 - a. Item 5, first remove the “a” after the word “provided” and remove the word “the” after “summarized in the first sentence.
 - b. Item 5, last sentence, replace the word “as” with “asked” after the word “also”.
 - c. Item 6, first sentence, the word on should be one
 - d. Item 6, last sentence, after the word “Chair” place a period and eliminate the word “and”.
 - e. Item 9b, last sentence, after the word “reviewed”, remove “the of”.
5. The following members of the public introduced themselves, Kraig Stevenson of the International Code Council (ICC) via telephone, Ernest Lau, DAGS, Eric Nishimoto, DAGS, Ralph Morita, DAGS, Larry Uyehara, DAGS, Ronald Tanaka, DAGS, Mona Higa of the Department of Health Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB), Howard Wiig, DBEDT, Dawn Johnson, State Civil Defense, Balentino Ceria, Local Union 675, R. Castanares, Local Union 675, Allen K. Hoe, Local Union 675, Vernon Taba, Local Union 675, Dennis Chen, Judiciary, Gregg Serikaku, PAMCA, Berverly Ishii-Nakayama, ACECH, Ian Robertson, UH SEA OH, and Ann Ogata-Deal, DBEDT.
6. After the introductions, Timothy Hiu explained to the members of the plumbers union that the subcommittee of county building officials have not yet reviewed the comments on the Uniform Plumbing Code.

7. Ernest Lau, DAGS-PWD requested that the "Public Works Division" name be removed off of the "Draft Statewide Amendments to the International Building Code" document since they did not author it.

8. Timothy Hiu noted that the subcommittee of county building officials were approximately 90% complete with the review of the amendments to the 2006 International Building Code (IBC). The chair then deferred item 5 on the agenda, "Recommendation of the Subcommittee of County Building Officials on the adoption of the amendments for the 2006 IBC" to the next Council meeting.
9. The chair noted that item 6 on the agenda, discussion and formation of a selection committee to select a consultant to provide executive director and executive assistant services be deferred pending approvals for funding and hiring of consultant services. Doug Haigh expressed concern for continued travel reimbursement.
10. Question was raised on who would prepare the proposed amendments in ramseyer format. The chair noted that he thought it would be ICC and Kraig Stevenson confirmed that it would be ICC.
11. The review of Senate Bill 2458 was assigned to the subcommittee of county building officials. Kraig Stevenson will forward sample support letters for the subcommittee to review. The assignment was made to the subcommittee as the counties maybe able to obtain federal grants to implement new building codes. The subcommittee will report at the next meeting.
12. The next meeting of the subcommittee of county building officials will be on September 23, 2008 and the next Council meeting on October 7, 2008.
13. The chair asked the Deputy Attorney General to provide an opinion on what constitutes a material change relative to draft administrative rules. The opinion was requested to provide Council members with a framework on the mechanics of adoption of administrative rules.
14. The Council requested that Kerry Yoneshige forward to Kraig Stevenson the draft State Fire Code in ramseyer format to provide and example to ICC on what is required.
15. The next meeting date will be October 7, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. in the Comptroller's Conference Room.
16. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.