## BUILDING CODE COUNCIL MINUTES OF September 14, 2010 MEETING

Members in Attendance: William Brizee, Gary Chock, Douglas Haigh, Timothy Hiu, Ralph Nagamine, Jai Ho Cheng, Russ Saito. Staff present: Kerry Yoneshige, and Darrel Tano, Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS), Patricia Ohara, Department of the Attorney General.

- 1. Russ Saito called the meeting to order at 9:07a.m.
- The minutes of the July 13, 2010 meeting were reviewed and approved subject to the additions of the following sentence to item 7. "It was suggested that a code amendment could be developed to permit the use of pre engineered seismic retrofits".
- The following members of the public were in attendance; Howard Wiig, Department of Business Economic Development; Harold McDermott, Local 675; Tim Waite, Simpson Strong Tie Co., Queston Lau, All Kinds Drafting Svcs, Tony Hair, Breezway; Mona Higa, DCAB; and Kraig Stevenson, International Code Council (via teleconference)
- 4. Report from investigative committees (IC)
  - a. Structural Provisions for 2009 International Building and Residential Codes; Distributed proposed amendments to the 2009 IBC for pre engineered seismic retrofits for single family residences.
  - b. 2009 International Building Code, Residential Code, and Existing Building Code: No report awaiting on Council decision on the proposed amendments to the 2009 IRC
  - c. Elevators; No report
  - d. A/C Ventilation; No report
  - e. 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code; No report
  - f. 2009 Energy Efficiency Standards; Chair reported that the proposed amendments to the 2009 IECC including provisions from the 2012 IECC in the area of windows and roofs are being reviewed
  - g. State Fire Code; State Fire Council is reviewing the last version of the code

- h. Training on State building codes; Training on the IECC and other codes being conducted on Oahu and neighbor islands through October.
- i. Window exemption template; Howard Wiig reported that there is only one outstanding question which should be resolved shortly to finalize the template.
- j. Fire sprinkler; Socrates Bratakos requested that the investigative committee's name be changed to "Investigative Committee for Fire Sprinkler Implementation in New 1 and 2 family dwellings" which was approved. The investigative committee members will be formally requesting a kick off meeting with all stake holders. A memo from either the State Fire Council or the Building Code Council will be sent to the stake holders inviting them to the kick off meeting. Socates Bratakos also provided the Council with fire sprinkler requirements currently in effect for new residential construction.
- k. Communication and training; Howard Wiig reported that committee members agreed that communication of new building codes adopted should be done through communication via the various professional organizations Council members are in. Also, DBEDT consultants engaged for public relations work may be utilized to publicize the new codes.
- 5. Adoption of administrative rules
  - a. State Residential Code; The draft amendments are awaiting preliminary approval at the Governor's office to go to public hearing. Kerry Yoneshige also noted that the proposed rules were approved by the Small Business Regulatory Review Board to proceed to public hearing.
- 6. The proposed amendments to the 2009 IBC were reviewed and a motion was made by Doug Haigh for the acceptance of the proposed amendments by the Council and the submission of them to the Subcommittee of County Building Officials for review and recommendation. William Brizee seconded the motion and the Council voted unanimously for the adoption.
- 7. Doug Haigh made a motion seconded by Tim Hiu to accept the proposed amendments to the 2009 IRC and transmit them to the Subcommittee of County Officials for review and recommendation. The Council unanimously approved the motion.

- 8. The Subcommittee had no recommendation on the proposed amendments to the 2009 IBC and action was deferred on the adoption of the proposed amendments.
- 9. Howard Wiig discussed the Starlight Reserve which involves the creation of designated areas for star gazing. It also involves the minimizing of light pollution through lighting fixtures and has a direct impact on the IECC.
- 10. Next meeting agenda items:
  - a. Inclusion of a recurring agenda item for updates from the "Home for Life Taskforce"
  - b. Each county report where they are implementing new codes
  - c. Starlight reserve
  - d. Update on electric car deployment
- 11. Announcement; AIA meeting will be November 9 and Council, Investigative Committee on the 2009 Energy Efficiency Standards, and Subcommittee of County Building Officials meetings should be held there.
- 12. The next meeting date will be October 12, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Comptroller's Conference Room.
- 13. The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.