

**BUILDING CODE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF November 9, 2010 MEETING**

Members in Attendance: William Brizee, Douglas Haigh, Timothy Hiu, Ralph Nagamine, Jai Ho Cheng, Russ Saito, Russell Takata, Jennifer Shishido. Staff present: Kerry Yoneshige, and Darrel Tano, Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS).

1. Russ Saito called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
2. The minutes of the September 14, 2010 meeting were reviewed and approved.
3. The following members of the public were in attendance; Howard Wiig, Department of Business Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT); Mark Unemori, DBEDT, Ann Ogata-Deal, DBEDT, Hap Person, HLP, Michael Krijnen, Third Party Review, Cory Schmidt, Bureau Beritas, Tony Wilkins, Tim Waite, HAS, Harold McDermott, Local 675; Questor Lau, All Kinds Drafting Svcs, Aaron Dillawayr, Breezway; Mona Higa, DCAB; and Kraig Stevenson, International Code Council
4. Report from investigative committees (IC)
 - a. Structural Provisions for 2009 International Building and Residential Codes; No report
 - b. 2009 International Building Code, Residential Code, and Existing Building Code: Meetings will start to discuss the amendments to the 2009 International Existing Building Code
 - b. Elevators; Chair of the investigative committee distributed a written outlined current administrative rules regarding elevator operation during a fire
 - c. A/C Ventilation; Administrative rules on air quality being revised and will be sent to the AG for review
 - d. 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code; No report
 - e. 2009 Energy Efficiency Standards; Chair reported that the proposed amendments to the 2009 IECC including provisions from the 2012 IECC are aimed at achieving a 30% savings in energy savings. There was also discussion on the new International Green Conservation Code (IGCC) and the Chair of the Council formed a new investigative committee to review and report on the

appropriateness of adopting the IGCC. The new investigative committee's members were Howard Wiig and Kraig Stevenson.

- f. State Fire Code; State Fire Council is reviewing the last version of the code, the NFPA 2009.
- g. Training on State building codes; Ann Ogata-Deal reported that through a grant, training was held on the International Existing Building Code and was attended by approximately, 70 public sector employees and 107 private company employees.
- h. Window exemption template; Howard Wiig will provide the template and instructions to the counties so that it can be placed on their websites.
- i. Fire sprinkler; Tim Hiu reported that two meetings have been held and is being well attended. He also noted that a significant amount of information on fire sprinklers were being disseminated.
- j. 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 and DBEDT consultants engaged for public relations work may be utilized to publicize the new codes.

5. Adoption of administrative rules

- a. State Residential Code; Kerry Yoneshige noted that the Governor gave preliminary approval of the proposed rules to proceed to public hearing. The Council voted unanimously to proceed with the public hearing.

6. Subcommittee of County Building Officials report

- a. Howard Wiig noted that DBEDT had received a proposal from ICC to draft the proposed amendments to the 2009 IBC and IECC in ramseyer format. There were changes to the proposal that DBEDT made and was under consideration by ICC. Decision to fund this project by DBEDT is pending.
- b. Subcommittee member Ralph Nagamine said Maui County, Development Services Administration submitted a request for a proposed amendment to the 2009 IBC to allow lighting in the hale. Tim Hiu made a motion to reject the request, Doug Haigh seconded the motion and the Council voted unanimously to approve the motion.

7. Howard Wiig discussed the electric vehicle charging station requirements in public parking lots that was passed as State law. After discussion, the Chair of the Council created an investigative committee with Howard Wiig as Chair for electric car charging stations with the purpose of providing education on the devices and training for the electrical inspectors.
8. Starlight Reserve, 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. He noted that this subject was to be discussed for inclusion in the IECC but was dropped due to a lack of interest. As a result, Hawaii would need to create its own code in this area.
9. Home for Life Task Force; Bill Brizee noted that this task force will be meeting with the Mayor of the County of Honolulu to brief him on the challenges the task force faces.
10. Versions of the model building codes currently adopted and being considered
 - a. Maui county adopted; 2006 IECC, 2008 NEC, 2006 UPC, in draft; 2006 IBC (current 1997 UBC)
 - b. Hawaii County adopted; 1991 UBC, 2002 NEC, 1996 UPC, 2006 IECC, in draft; 2006 IBC, 2008 NEC, 2006 UPC
 - c. Kauai county adopted; 2003 IBC, 2003 IRC, 2008 NEC, 2009 IECC, under consideration pending Council action; 2009 IBC and IRC
 - d. Honolulu county adopted; 2003 IBC, 2003 IRC, 2008 NEC, 1997 UPC, 2006 IECC, in draft; 2006 IBC, 2006 IRC, 2006 UPC, and updating housing code to reference IRC
11. Next meeting agenda items:
 - a. Election of Chair and vice Chair
12. The next meeting date will be December 14 at 9:00 a.m. in the Comptroller's Conference Room.
13. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.