BUILDING CODE COUNCIL MINUTES OF JUNE 10,2008 MEETING

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

- 1. Timothy Hiu called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.
- 2. Five members from the public introduced themselves, Kraig Stevenson of the International Code Council (ICC), Ken Thompson of the Honolulu Fire Department, Curtis Motoyama of the Department of Health Disability and Communication Access Board, Patricia Johnson of the Department of Human Services and Eric Nishimoto of DAGS.
- 3. Minutes of the May 14, 2008 meeting were reviewed and approved subject to revisions noted. Request was made that finalized minutes be circulated to the Council members which Kerry acknowledged will be done.
- 4. Kraig Stevenson of the ICC offered staff support for administrative rule making/drafting to the Council. Russ will talk with Kraig outside of the Council meeting to ensure that there are no policies, rules, etc. that prohibit the assistance being offered.
- 5. Russ will also follow up with the Department of the Attorney General to determine if the formal administrative rule making process needs to followed since the administrative rules are mandated by legislation (i.e. model building codes such as the Uniform Plumbing Code).

6. Investigative committees

- a. Hiring of Executive Director and Executive Assistant: Kerry reported that the request for proposal process with commence with the confirmation of the contract specifications and selection criteria with the investigative committee. Comments were made that the licensing requirements be removed and they will be of the proposal document. Kerry commented that the solicitation should be posted on the web within the month.
- b. Structural Standards and Provisions; Gary Chock, investigative committee chair distributed wind analysis maps for all islands in the state. One of the maps distributed was to be used to determine the effects of wind speed for selection of properly rated building materials.

- c. International Building Code, residential code, and existing building code; No report.
- d. State Fire Code; No report.
- e. Plumbing Code; Tim presented memo from the investigative committee to adopt the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPO) in its entirety. Kraig Stevenson raised the issue of whether the State Fire Council and other state agencies had the opportunity to review and comment on the UPC since there were several areas of potential conflict with administrative rules issued by other state agencies. After discussion, the Council decided to send letters from the Chair to the following State agencies requesting an impact analysis if the UPC was adopted. Kraig was also requested to email Kerry the list of possible areas of conflict between the code and administrative rules. The Council also requested that the Deputy Attorney General be queried on how conflicts in administrative rules are mitigated or corrected. The co chairs of the investigative committee will also be copied on the letters sent to the various agencies. The agencies to be contacted are as follows.
 - 1. DAGS
 - 2. DLNR
 - 3. DOH
 - 4. DOE
 - 5. HPHA
 - 6. HCDA
 - 7. HHA
 - 8. DOT
 - 9. State Fire Council
 - 10. University of Hawaii
- f. Energy Conservation Code: The investigative committee chair reported that this committee was to meet following the Council meeting today.
- g. Electrical Code; No report.
- 7. For the subcommittee meeting of county building officials on July 1, 2008, the following items were requested to be place on the agenda. The subcommittee meeting was also moved to 9:00 a.m.
 - a. Deputy AG opinion on the DCAB amendments relative to conflicts with Department of the Justice ADA requirements
 - b. Window protection code provisions; request opinion from the State Civil Defense.
 - c. Economic impacts on residential construction as a result of these requirements

- 8. The next meeting date will be July 8 at 9:00 a.m. in the Comptroller's Conference Room.
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.