

THRESHOLD BUILDING RENOVATION WORKGROUP

REPORT TO THE FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION

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FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION

OVERVIEW

The Board of Professional Engineers requested Commission input regarding threshold building requirements for renovations. In response, at the October 2011 meeting Chairman Rodriguez appointed a workgroup to address the issue. Following are the Workgroup appointments:

WORKGROUP MEMBERSHIP	
MEMBER	REPRESENTATION
David Charland, PE	FBPE (Structural Board Member)
Jaime Gascon, PE	Commission Structural TAC
Do Kim, PE	Commission Structural TAC
Dan Lavrich, PE	Commission Structural TAC
Nick Nicholson, PE	Commission Structural TAC
Craig Parrino, PE	Commission Structural TAC
Jim Schock, PE	Commission Structural TAC Chair

WORKGROUP SCOPE

The scope of the Threshold Building Renovations Workgroup is as follows:

- To review the need for special inspections of the alterations and renovations of threshold buildings.
- To determine the statutory authority for requiring special inspections of alterations and renovations of threshold buildings.
- To recommend to the Structural TAC and Florida Building Commission actions appropriate to implementation of the Workgroup's conclusions.
- To coordinate with representatives of industry and the Florida Board of Professional Engineers.

The Workgroup will deliver their consensus recommendations to the Florida Building Commission's Structural TAC. The Structural TAC will deliver final recommendations to the Florida Building Commission for the Commission's consideration.

Issues:

Authorized representative qualifications;
Scope of issues bound by Chapter 553 Florida Statutes relevant authorities; and
At what point are special inspections required for alterations of existing buildings.

REPORT OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2011 MEETING

OPENING AND MEETING ATTENDANCE

Jeff Blair, Commission Facilitator, welcomed participants and opened the meeting at 1:15 PM.

The following Committee members were present:

Jaime Gascon, Do Kim, Nick Nicholson, Craig Parrino, and Jim Schock.

Members Absent

David Charland, and Dan Lavrich.

Commissioners Present

Dick Browdy (Chair), Ed Carson, and Nick Nicholson.

DCA Staff Present

Leslie Anderson-Adams, Rick Dixon, Jim Hammers, Ila Jones, and Mo Madani.

Meeting Facilitation

The meeting was facilitated by Jeff Blair from the FCRC Consensus Center at Florida State University. Information at: <http://consensus.fsu.edu/>



PROJECT WEBPAGE

Information on the project, including agenda packets, meeting reports, and related documents may be found in downloadable formats at the project webpage below:

<http://consensus.fsu.edu/FBC/TBRW.html>

AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL

The Committee voted unanimously, 4 - 0 in favor, to approve the agenda as presented including the following objectives:

- To Approve Regular Procedural Topics (Agenda and Procedural Guidelines)
- To Hear an Overview of Workgroup Charge and Scope
- To Identify Issues and Options Regarding Threshold Building Renovation
- To Discuss and Evaluate Level of Acceptability of Proposed Options
- To Consider Public Comment
- To Identify Needed Next Steps: Information, Assignments, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES/SCOPING DISCUSSION

The Workgroup discussed issues regarding special inspections of the alterations and renovations of threshold buildings and decided that absent a representative from the Florida Board of Professional Engineers no recommendations should be developed. Following questions and answers, public comment, and discussion the Workgroup took the following action:

Workgroup Action:

Motion—The Threshold Building Renovation Workgroup voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to recommend the Florida Building Commission send a letter to the Florida Board of Professional Engineers (FBPE) requesting written clarification by providing a more narrowly defined scope of the specific issues they would like the Commission to address regarding special inspections of the alterations and renovations of threshold buildings, and to provide the FBPE with a copy of the Commission's predecessor body, the Florida Board of Building Codes and Standards', previous rule regarding requirements for special inspections of threshold buildings, and requirements for inspectors authorized representatives.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public were invited to provide the Committee with comments.

There were no general public comments provided. Members of the public were provided opportunities spoke on each of the substantive discussion issues before the Committee.

NEXT STEPS

The Workgroup will meet once they receive clarification from the Florida Board of Professional Engineers and a commitment to attend the next meeting.

ADJOURN

The Committee voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to adjourn at 2:30 PM.