

FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION

ATTACHMENT TO THE SEPTEMBER 22 - 25, 2002 MINUTES

FACILITATOR'S REPORT OF THE SEPTEMBER 22 - 25, 2002 COMMISSION MEETING

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I. OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION'S KEY DECISIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2002

COMMISSION PLENARY SESSION

Agenda Review and Approval

The Commission voted unanimously, 17 - 0 in favor, to approve the agenda as presented.

Review and Approval of August 14, 2002 Meeting Minutes

Commission voted unanimously, 17 - 0 in favor, to approve the minutes as presented for the August 14, 2002 Commission meeting.

Review and Approval of Commission's Updated Workplan and Meeting Schedule

The Commission voted unanimously, 20 - 0 in favor, to approve the Commission's updated workplan and meeting schedule as presented. (Attachment 2)

Commission Meeting Schedule Dates for 2003

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| Jan 13-14 | July 14-16 |
| Feb 24-25 | Aug 25-26 |
| April 7-8 | Oct 13-14 |
| May 12-14 | Nov 17-18 |

Chair's Discussion Issues and Recommendations

Chairman Rodriguez appointed Doug Murdock and Christ Sanidas to the joint FBC/BOAF committee to develop recommendations for voluntary standards for building department accreditation.

Commission Actions:

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 - 0 in favor, to utilize colored replacement pages for printing the 2003 amendments to the Florida building Code.

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 - 0 in favor, to direct DCA staff to select and hire contractors for the following RFPs:

- ❖ RFP for Voluntary Accreditation Standards for Bldg. Dept project (workplan FF) and assignment of project oversight to the Code Adm TAC.
- ❖ RFP for assistance with development of Building Code Commentary (workplan EE), revised from staff to contractor) and assignment of project oversight to all TACs.
- ❖ RFP for code comparison analysis for 2004 code amendment cycle.

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to recommend to the 2003 Florida Legislature that the reporting date for the Commission’s review of the implementation of alternative plans review and inspection system be delayed to the 2004 session.

Discussion and Public Comment on Amendment to Rule 9B-74, Prototype Buildings
Chairman Rodriguez invited members of the public to address the Commission on this topic. There were no members of the public who wished to address the Commission.

Discussion and Public Comment on Amendment to Rule 9B-3, Private Inspections Forms

Chairman Rodriguez invited members of the public to address the Commission on this topic. There were no members of the public who wished to address the Commission.

Commission Code Amendment Process

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to suspend the rules under Robert’s Rules of Procedures, and to utilize a standing motion to approve for a consent agenda and a standing motion to approve for a discussion agenda. Both standing motions will be developed by staff and include a finding of facts related to fiscal impact and rationale for the amendment. The Commission approved the following process for review and decision on amendments to the Florida Building Code for use at the October 2002 Commission meeting.

A tracking chart will be used that includes modification number, brief description of modification, summary/analysis of any public comment, TAC action, TAC/Staff comments, and FBC action.

Consent Agenda

Modifications that received a 75% approval by TAC will be on a consent agenda.

Commission will solicit public comment on consent agenda modifications.

Any Commission member may pull off any modification for consideration on the discussion agenda.

Commission will move to approve the consent agenda after opportunity to remove modifications for individual consideration.

Discussion Agenda

All proposed modifications submitted for review that are not part of the consent agenda will be on the discussion agenda.

Each proposed modification will be considered individually.

Public comment will be solicited.

Following public comment, the Commission will consider motions to approve and will require a 75% favorable vote for approval as a modification to the Florida Building Code. Once a motion is made the floor is closed to public comment except for specific requests as allowed by the Commission Chair for purposes of clarification.

Special Notes to TAC/POC Chairs

All requests for Legislative action should be finalized and submitted for Commission action at the October 2002 Commission meeting.

Workstyle Preference Exercise

Jeff Blair, Commission facilitator, led the Commission through a workstyle preference exercise. The results of the exercise are included in the chart below.

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| Detail Oriented | Big Picture Oriented |
| Craig, Steve B., Suzanne | John, Dan, Herminio, Dale, Steve C., paul, Do, Ed, Mike, Doug, Peggy, Raul, Nick |
| Dick, George, Karl, Christ, Hamid – In the middle | |
| People Focus | Task Focus |
| Steve B., Craig, Raul, Peggy, Christ, Hamid, Karl, Paul, Dan, Dick, John, Nick | Suzanne, George, Heminio, Steve C., Do, Ed, Mike, Doug, Dale |
| Facts and Information | Intuition, Gut Feelings |
| Craig, Raul, | Steve B., Peggy, Christ, Hamid, Karl, Paul, Dan, Dick, John, Nick, Suzanne, George, Heminio, Steve C., Do, Ed, Mike, Doug, Dale |
| Spontaneous, Flexible | Structured, Organized |
| Nick, Raul, Steve C., Suzanne, Dan, Doug | Herminio, Peggy, John |
| Steve, Paul, Do, Ed, Karl, Dale, Dick, Christ, Hamid, Craig, George – In the middle | |
| Outgoing, Talkative | Reserved, Reflective |
| Steve C., Nick, Dan, Paul, Suzanne, Raul, Christ, Dick, Steve B. | Dale, Peggy, Doug, Herminio, Karl, Do, Hamid, George |
| Ed, Mike, Craig, John – In the middle | |
| Tactical, Short Term | Strategic, Long Range |
| Ed | Raul, John, Karl, Raul, Steve C., Steve B., Dale, Peggy, Doug, Herminio, Karl, Do, Hamid, George, Nick |
| Dan, Mike, Suzanne, Dick, Christ – In the middle | |
| Rule with Head | Rule with Heart |
| Dan, Suzanne, Dick, Ed, Craig, Christ, Steve B., Paul | Doug, Mike |
| Nick, Hamid, Karl, Dale, Raul, john, Do, George, Herminio – In the middle | |
| Afternoon Person | Morning Person |
| Do | Karl, Dan, George, Raul, Paul, Hamid, Dale, Ed, Herminio, Mike, Craig, Dick, Suzanne, Doug |
| Steve C., Steve B., Peggy, Nick, Christ, John – In the middle | |
| Sprit of the Law | Letter of the Law |

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| Doug, Karl, Hamid, Dan, Nick, Doug, George, Mike, Peggy, Raul, Dale, John, Christ, Dick, Steve C. | Suzanne, Craig, Herminio, Steve B. |
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Ed, Paul, Do – In the middle

| Team Player | Individual Achiever |
|---|----------------------------|
| Karl, Dick, Hamid, George, Doug, John, Nick, Dale, Raul, Paul, Peggy, Mike, Craig, Ed, Steve C. | Dan, Suzanne, Do |

Steve B., Herminio – In the middle

| Focus on Results | Focus on Process |
|--|-------------------------|
| Steve C., Nick, George, Doug, Dale, Paul, George, Herminio, Peggy, Do, Christ, Ed, Dan, Mike | Raul, Suzanne, Karl |

Hamid, Dick, John, Craig – In the middle

| Doer | Planner |
|--|----------------|
| Doug, Steve B., Raul, Peggy, Christ, Nick, Ed, Mike, Dan, Dick, George, Herminio | Craig, John |

Dale, Suzanne, Hamid, Karl, Paul, Steve C. – In the middle

| Confront Issues Directly | Handle Issues Indirectly |
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| Doug, Dale, Nick, Steve B., Do, John, Paul, Mike, Dan, Craig, Dick | Karl, Herminio, Peggy, Ed, Suzanne |

Steve C., George – In the middle

Consideration of Accessibility Waiver Applications

The Commission reviewed and decided on the Waiver applications submitted for their consideration.

PETITIONS FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENTS

Following are the actions taken by the Commission on petitions for declaratory statements.

SECOND HEARINGS

Fire:

DCA02-DEC-190 by Allied Universal Corporation A-1

Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to approve their previous action on the petition.

Plumbing:

DCA02-DEC-205 by Harrell Plumbing Inc. A-2

Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to approve their previous action on the petition.

DCA02-DEC-215 by T-Drill Industries Inc.

A-3

Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to approve their previous action on the petition.

DCA02-DEC-131 by Pinellas County, Florida A-4

Motion – The Commission voted 19 – 1 in favor, to approve their previous action on the petition with the proviso that legal will bring back draft language for Commission review at the October 2002 meeting.

WITHDRAWN

The following petitions were withdrawn by the petitioners before the Commission meeting:

DCA02-DEC-188 by Mid-Florida Air Conditioning Inc.

DCA02-DEC-191 by Custom Drafting, Inc.

DCA02-DEC-203 by Philip J. Childs, PE, PA

DCA02-DEC-204 by Mouriz/Salazar & Associates, Inc.

DCAA02-DEC-207 by Hartford South, LLC

FIRST HEARINGS

Structural

DCA02-DEC-206 by Charles M. Purvis, A1A, Architect B-1

The petition was deferred as inappropriate for Commission action.

DCA02-DEC-208 by City of New Port Richey, Florida B-2

Deferred as a result of not being project specific.

DCA02-DEC-213 by Sunguard Shade Structures, Inc. B-3

Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to approve the TAC/staff recommendation on the petition as amended.

Approved Amendment

The answer to question number 2 is yes, in that local building officials may approve by utilizing the alternative methods and material provisions of the code providing the alternative meets the performance goals of the Building Code.

DCAA02-DEC-226 by Robert B. Worman B-4

Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to approve the TAC/staff recommendation on the petition. The 1/2" drywall currently in place meets the requirements of the SBC, and that no additional barrier is required.

DCA02-DEC-233 by Go Bolt, Inc. B-5

Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to answer the question consistently with the answer to **DEC02-DEC-075**.

DCA02-DEC-235 by Wilson Window Glass & Mirror B-6

Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to approve the TAC/staff recommendation on the petition.

DCA02-DEC-236 by AAA Roofing Corp.

B-7

Deferred as a result of not being project specific.

DCA02-DEC-240 by Royal Concept 2000 **B-8**
Motion – The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 – 0 in favor, to consolidate action on the petition and refer to DCA legal staff Rick Lotspeich to act as a hearing officer on the case.

DCA02-DEC-241 by Charlotte County, Florida **B-9**
Deferred as a result of not being project specific.

DCA02-DEC-242 by Baker County, Florida **B-10**
Petition withdrawn by petitioner.

Mechanical
DCA02-DEC-244 by Renna Enterprises, Inc. **B-11**
Deferred as a result of not being project specific.

DCA02-DEC-239 by DASMA **B-12**
Petition withdrawn by petitioner.

Commission (Pool):
DCA02-DEC-212 by Klein & Fortune PA **B-13**
Deferred as a result of not being project specific.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Code Administration TAC Committee Report and Recommendations
Commissioner Thorne presented the committee’s report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee’s report by a vote of 20 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Energy TAC Committee Report and Recommendations
Commissioner Bassett presented the committee’s report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee’s report by a vote of 17 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Structural TAC Committee Report and Recommendations
Commissioner Parrino presented the committee’s report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee’s report by a vote of 17 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Electrical TAC Committee Report and Recommendations

Commissioner McCombs presented the committee's report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee's report by a vote of 17 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Mechanical TAC Committee Report and Recommendations

Commissioner D'Andrea presented the committee's report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee's report by a vote of 17 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Plumbing TAC Committee Report and Recommendations

Commissioner Shaw presented the committee's report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee's report by a vote of 17 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Accessibility TAC Workshop Report

Neil Mellick, TAC vice-chair, presented a report of the TAC workshop. (See Commission Minutes for workshop report)

Product Approval/Prototype Buildings/Manufactured Buildings Program Oversight Committee

Commissioner Carson presented the committee's report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee's report by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Commission Actions:

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to hold a workshop and re-open Rule 9B-72 to make corrections in the Product Approval Program at the October 2002 Commission meeting.

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to have DCA staff begin writing a contract with ARA, Inc. for the administration of the Prototype Buildings Program. If for any reason a contract cannot be completed, then staff is to proceed contracting with CSA Group, and if that contract cannot be completed, then staff is to proceed contracting with Pieco, Inc.

Action on Applications for Approval for Product Approval Entities

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to approve American Test Lab as a validation entity.

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to approve Architectural Testing, Inc. a testing laboratory.

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to approve PRI Asphalt Technologies, Inc. as a testing laboratory.

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to approve R & D Services, Inc. as a testing laboratory.

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to approve Intertek Testing Services - ETL as a certification agency.

Education Program Oversight Committee and Education TAC Committee Report and Recommendations

Commissioner Browdy presented the committee's report and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission unanimously accepted the Committee's report by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor. (See Commission Minutes for Committee report)

Commission Actions:

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 19 - 0 in favor, to approve the following advanced courses as modified by TAC and legal staff.
Energy, Code Administration, Roofing, Termites, and Pools and Spas.

Discussion and Decision on Draft Transition Plan for First Base Code Update

Jeff Blair, Commission facilitator, led the Commission in a facilitated discussion to reach consensus on a draft of a Commission position on the transition issue. The draft will be distributed for public comment. The Commission was asked to break the discussion into two distinct discussions and decisions. First, Commission policy on base code updates to the 2003 editions of the IMC, IPC, and IFGC. Second, Commission policy on alignment with the IBC and IRC cycle of base code updates.

FBC Policy on IMC, IPC, and IFGC Base Code Updates

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 - 0 in favor, to review the changes/amendments between the 2000 and 2003 versions of the IMC, IPC, and IFGC for consideration of amendments for inclusion in the Florida Building Code.

Commission Comments

- ❖ We should review the changes between editions for possible inclusion in the FBC.
- ❖ We should take them as a single amendment.
- ❖ Review updates to determine possible inclusion in the FBC.
- ❖ I have concern over any changes to the new FBC, too soon for changes.
- ❖ We need to stay in sync with the model code process in order to avoid heavy lobbying efforts by industry such as exists in the model code process.
- ❖ The entire I- Codes will have to be reviewed and not as a single amendment.

FBC Policy on IBC and IRC Base Code Alignment and Updates

Motion— The Commission voted unanimously, by a vote of 20 - 0 in favor, to review the chapters of the IBC and IRC for issues/topics appropriate for Florida for consideration of amendments for inclusion in the Florida Building Code.

Commission Comments

Issue Identified for Consideration

- ❖ Need a process to determine the best results for the State.
- ❖ Need to retain the HVHZ provisions.
- ❖ Need a side-by-side study of the differences between the FBC and IBC/IRC.
- ❖ Timing is important to get aligned with the IBC/IRC code cycles.
- ❖ How different is the IBC from the FBC? We need to know this.

- ❖ Need to coordinate with the Fire Code.
- ❖ The Fire Code is an integral part of the entire process.
- ❖ Concern over the cost impact of changing to IBC to contractors, owners, and DCA.
- ❖ This will be like starting all over again.

- ❖ It is important that the commission not lose control over the Florida Building Code if we go to IBC/IRC.
- ❖ What criteria will testing agencies use?
- ❖ Will the IRC be a separate code book?
- ❖ This will take a great deal of effort in order to review and decide on changes/amendments.
- ❖ HVHZ requirements need to be retained and considered in the review process.
- ❖ Need a process to determine the best interests of the State.

Discussion Comments

- ❖ We need to review the differences between the FBC and IBC/IRC and decide whether or not to integrate specific changes.
- ❖ Future amendments can be done more efficiently as a single amendment.

Public Comment

Chairman Rodriguez invited members of the public to address the Commission.

Commission Member Questions/Comments

- ❖ Need to make sure what base code is being used for licensure testing. Need to send a letter to DBPR to make sure they are using correct code.
- ❖ Need Commission package cover letter prior to cut-off dated for making hotel reservations.

Committee Assignments

The following committee's indicated a need to meet at the August 2002 Commission meeting:

- ❖ Education Program Oversight (POC) Committee (if needed)
- ❖ Product Approval/Prototype Buildings/Manufactured Buildings POC
- ❖ Accessibility TAC
- ❖ Code Administration TAC and Rehab subcommittees
- ❖ Education (if needed)
- ❖ Electrical (4 hours prior to rehab code committee)
- ❖ Energy (4 - 6 hours)
- ❖ Fire
- ❖ Mechanical
- ❖ Plumbing TAC
- ❖ Structural TAC
- ❖ Accessibility Advisory Council and Waiver applications

Staff Assignments

- ❖ Distribute 2004 code amendment cycle/deadlines to all TAC members well in advance of process beginning.
- ❖ Add standing agenda item after Public Comment titled: Commission Member Questions and Comments.

- ❖ Alphabetize committee reports in agenda.

ATTACHMENT 1

FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION MEETING EVALUATION RESULTS AUGUST 2002

HOW WELL DID THE COMMISSION ACHIEVE THE MEETING OBJECTIVES?

September 25, 2002
Orlando, Florida

MEETING EVALUATION RESULTS

19 Responses

HOW WELL DID THE COMMISSION ACHIEVE THE MEETING OBJECTIVES?

| | <i>Circle One</i> | | | | | AVG |
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| | +++ | | | --- | | |
| • Chair's Discussion Issues/Recommendations | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.84 |
| | 16 | 3 | | | | |
| • Rule Development Discussion s | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.84 |
| | 16 | 3 | | | | |
| • Workstyle Preference Exercise | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.89 |
| | 17 | 2 | | | | |
| • Accessibility Waiver Applications | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.63 |
| | 13 | 5 | 1 | | | |
| • Legal Staff's Discussion Issues and Recommendations | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.68 |
| | 13 | 6 | | | | |
| • Requests for Declaratory Statements | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.47 |
| | 12 | 5 | 1 | 1 | | |
| • TAC Reports/Rec's – Accessibility, Code Administration, Plumbing, Energy, Electrical, and Structural | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.63 |
| | 14 | 4 | 1 | | | |
| • POC Reports/Rec's – Education, Product Approval, Prototype Buildings, and Manufactured Buildings | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.78 |
| | 14 | 4 | | | | |
| • Discussion on Code Transition for First Base Code Updates | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.42 |
| | 13 | 4 | 1 | | | |
| • Commission/BOAF Code Interpretation Process | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.80 |
| | 12 | 3 | 1 | | | |

- Public Comment

5 4 3 2 1 4.67
14 4 2

- Assignments and Issues for Next Meeting 5 4 3 2 1 4.83
15 3

RATE THE FOLLOWING ASPECTS OF THE MEETING?

| | +++ | --- | AVG |
|---|----------------------|------------|------------|
| • Clarity of the meeting purpose and plan | 5 4 3 2 1 15 4 | | 4.79 |
| • Background information was helpful | 5 4 3 2 1 11 7 | | 4.61 |
| • Agenda packet was helpful | 5 4 3 2 1 13 6 | | 4.68 |
| • Balance of structure and flexibility | 5 4 3 2 1 14 5 | | 4.74 |
| • Group involvement and productivity | 5 4 3 2 1 13 5 | | 4.72 |
| • Facilitation | 5 4 3 2 1 14 4 1 | | 4.68 |
| • Facility | 5 4 3 2 1 8 7 2 1 | | 4.22 |

COMMENTS:

- Good facilitation kept the meeting on track and on time.
- Wish that more info on FOAM December statement (Lorain’s comments) would have been made available prior to vote
- Need a more structured way of presenting Dec. statements.
- Acoustics!!!-Sound system not very good
- Sound was inferior

WHAT DID YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT THE MEETING?

- Group development
- Addition of speakers in the middle area.
- Good participation from members

HOW COULD THE MEETING HAVE BEEN IMPROVED?

- Sound equipment?
- The speakers positioned central to the commissioners helped a tremendous amount in hearing better as opposed to the prior location. In front of the public mic. table.
- Minimize Sun. meetings
- Come up with a way to vote on certain items as a group rather than individually.

- Must improve the sound system

ATTACHMENT 2

UPDATED COMMISSION WORKPLAN

(Adopted unanimously as amended September 24, 2002)

Tasks Ranked at 2/02 Commission Meeting:

- AA (AA) 2002 Glitch Amendments and Update to New Editions of Model Building Code
Score: 140
- BB (EE) Develop Policy for Transition to International Building and Residential Codes
Score: 129
- CC (DD) Collaborative Initiatives on Technical Support of the Code
Score: 118
- DD (II) Joint Project with SFM to Develop Fire Prevention Code for Historic Buildings
Score: 110
- EE (CC) Develop Commentaries for the Code and Each Subcode
Score: 96
- FF (FF) Voluntary Standards for Building Departments [HB 4181/s.553.76(5), F.S.]
Score: 78
- GG (HH) Create a Rating System for Structural Integrity Under Storm Conditions
Score: 77
- HH (BB) Appeals Procedures [98-287, LOF/ss.553.73 & .77 & 2000-141, LOF/s.120.80,FS]
Score: 71
- II (GG) ISO Ratings Program for Building Departments [98-287, LOF/s.553.77(1)n.]
Score: 45

Additional Tasks from Programs Implementation and 2001 Report to Legislature and Assignments by 2002 Legislature:

1. Revise Rules of Procedure to list needs specific to Florida which justify Code amendment
2. Revise Building Code Training Program rule for “advanced courses” and course approval criteria.
3. Develop building code provisions to be added to the Florida Building Code to facilitate the rehabilitation and use of existing structures. [Section 2, CS/HB 1307]
4. Establish procedures for advisory opinions and adopt by rule. [s.553.77(7), F.S.; CS/HB 1307]
5. Develop forms for use with private inspections:
 - a. Notification of selection of private inspections submitted with permit application. [s.553.791(4), F.S.; CS/HB 1307]
 - b. Affidavit to be submitted by private plans reviewer indicating the individual reviewed the plans and the plans comply with the Code. [s.553.791(5), F.S.; CS/HB 1307]

Note: there are two additional forms identified by law which are left to the building official’s discretion. It is proposed that BOAF develop models for these forms.

6. Review the implementation of s.553.891, F.S., Alternative Plans Review and Inspections, and report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2004. [s.553.891(19), F.S.; CS/HB 1307]

WORKPLAN BY TASK

AA 2002 Glitch Amendments and Update to New Editions of Model Building Code

Schedule for 2003 Glitch Amendments:

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Amendment submittal cutoff | 6/14/02 |
| Post on website | 6/26/02 |
| TAC's consider | 8/12/02 |
| Post TAC recommendations on website | 8/26/02 |
| Commission considers | 10/28/02 |
| Rule hearing | 12/10/02 |
| Effective date of amendments | 3/10/03 |

Schedule for 2004 Base Codes Update:

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|--|------------|
| Amendment submittal cutoff (independent submittals) | 2/28/03 |
| Post on website (independent/base code updates/local amends) | 3/21/03 |
| TAC's consider | 5/12-14/03 |
| Post TAC recommendations on website | 5/23/03 |
| Commission considers | 7/14-16/03 |
| Rule hearing | 8/25-26/03 |
| Effective date of first update | 3/01/04 |

BB Develop Policy for Transition to International Building and Residential Codes and update to 2003 editions of the IPC, IMC, and IFGC.

Schedule:

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| Public workshops | May-Jul 2002 |
| Proposed transition plan completed | Sep 2002 |
| Public hearing on proposed plan | Oct 2002 |
| Final Decision on proposed plan | Dec 2002 |
| Submit changes to 2004 base codes update (see AA) | Feb 2003 |
| Effective date | Mar 2004 |

CC Collaborative Initiatives on Technical Support of the Code

Initiatives:

1. Industry outreach via initiatives of industry associations
Contract with BASF Apr 2002 1st contract
Sep 2002 2nd contract
2. Establish informal code interpretation joint venture with BOAF
See additional project 4.
3. Develop forms for use with privatized plans review and inspections
See additional project 5.
4. Voluntary Standards for Building Departments [HB 4181/s.553.76(5), F.S.]
See FF

DD Joint Project with SFM to Develop Fire Prevention Code for Historic Buildings

Schedule:

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| Organizational and planning meeting of joint FBC Fire TAC and SFM Fire Code Advisory Council | Mar 2002 |
| Building Code standards complete | Oct 2002 |
| Submitted for 2003 code amendment cycle | Feb 2003 |
| Standards adopted and effective | Mar 2004 |

EE Develop Commentaries for the Code and Each Subcode

Plan:

Phase I Investigate and determine formatting

Phase II Develop commentaries

Schedule:

Phase I

Aug-Sep 2002

Phase II (recommend defer to DCA)

Authorize issuing a RFP

Sep 2002

Select a contractor

Oct 2002

Develop draft commentaries

Dec 2002-Apr 2003

TACs Review and refine commentaries

Jun-Jul 2003

Commission approves

Aug 2003

FF Voluntary Standards for Building Departments [HB 4181/s.553.76(5), F.S.]

Plan:

Establish a joint development project with the state building officials association, (BOAF), with BOAF as lead.

Schedule:

Initiate project at BOAF board meeting

Aug 2002

Select contractor

Oct 2002

(recommend defer to FBC/BOAF committee and DCA)

Draft standards for public review completed

Jul 2002

Public comment and finalize draft

Aug-Dec 2003

Standards finalized

Jan 2004

GG Create a Rating System for Structural Integrity Under Storm Conditions

Plan:

Assess feasibility and industry/consumer interest in a rating system

Contract for development of draft system then carry through consensus development workshops.

Schedule:

Assess feasibility

Aug-Sep 2002

Assessment indicates a contractor is available and interested and an initial project cost would be \$200K to \$300K. Follow-on projects may be necessary. The FHBA believes there is no need for another program to provide incentives for better construction. The insurance regulatory programs require the insurance carriers to provide homeowner policy credits for enhanced wind protection specific to individual houses based on a system developed and approved by the Department of Insurance. The insurance industry also has a **Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule** run by the **Insurance Services Organization** which rates communities and qualifies homeowners for credits.

Recommendation is to **delete task** from workplan as costly and there is no unmet need at this time.

HH Appeals Procedures [98-287, LOF/ss.553.73 & .77 & 2000-141, LOF/s.120.80,FS]
Schedule:
Assign to Code Admn TAC for review Sep 2002
Develop any necessary Code amendments and/or changes to law Sep-Dec 2002
Submit for 2003 Code amendment cycle Feb 2003
Effective date Mar 2004

II ISO Ratings Program for Building Departments

Plan:

Assist local governments with obtaining best ratings by establishing policies to transition to the International codes as quickly as possible and to keep the base codes updated with few amendments in the minimum time possible.

Note: The ISO Building Code Effectiveness Grading System program (BCEGS) is a private sector grading program used by insurance companies to judge building code effectiveness in communities and establish property insurance rates accordingly. The program is nationwide and staff advise the best approach to assisting Florida communities obtain the best ratings are to update and maintain the FBC in a responsible manner and to pursue efforts to assist building departments improve their physical and personnel resources.

Additional task #1 Revise Rules of Procedure to list needs specific to Florida which justify Code amendment (from 2001 Report to Legislature)

Plan:

The Commission evaluated what needs specific to the state would justify amendments of the Code and recommended to the 2002 Legislature the determination of a list would require “extraordinary foresight” so the process for determination should be flexible to allow updating of any guidance initially adopted. During the 2002 legislative session the industries and local governments addressed the limitation of local amendments through adoption of additional process requirements and the Legislature avoided adoption of a list of specific needs in statute or authorizing the Commission to adopt such a list by rule.

Recommendation:

Eliminate task from workplan.

Additional task #2 Revise Building Code Training Program rule for “advanced courses” and course approval criteria.

Schedule:

Workshops on draft rule amendment Jul-Aug 2002
Recommendation to Commission Aug 2002
Discussions with DBPR on program transfer Sep-Nov 2002
Finalize recommendations to Legislature Dec 2002

Additional task #3 Develop building code provisions to be added to the Florida Building Code to facilitate the rehabilitation and use of existing structures.

Schedule:

Residential and Commercial building rehab committees established Mar 2002
Draft code amendments completed Oct 2002
Draft revisions to law completed Oct 2002
Report to the Legislature completed Dec 2002
Submitted for 2003 code amendment cycle Feb 2003
Standards adopted and effective Mar 2004

Additional task #4 Establish procedures for advisory opinions and adopt by rule.

Schedule:

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| Consider partnership with BOAF | May 2002 |
| BOAF/Staff develop proposed procedures | May-Jun 2002 |
| Approve procedures | July 2002 |
| Procedure goes into effect (law allows effective before rule) | Aug 2002 |
| RFP issued and contractor hired | Aug-Sep 2002 |
| Rule development workshop | Dec 2002 |
| Rule hearing | Jan 2003 |
| Rule effective | Feb 2003 |

Additional task #5 Develop forms for use with private inspections:

- a. Notification of selection of private inspections submitted with permit application s.553.891(4), F.S.

- b. Affidavit to be submitted by private plans reviewer indicating the individual reviewed the plans and the plans comply with the Code s.553.891(5), F.S.

Note: there are two additional forms identified by law which are left to the building official's discretion. It is proposed that BOAF develop models for these forms.

Schedule:

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| Consider partnership with BOAF | Jul 2002 |
| BOAF/Commission Staff develop draft forms | Jul-Aug 2002 |
| Rule development workshop on draft forms | Sep 2002 |
| Rule hearing | Dec 2002 |
| Rule effective | Jan 2003 |

Additional task #6 Review the implementation of s.553.891, F.S., Alternative Plans Review and Inspections, and report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2004.

Schedule:

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| Consider timing of study and determine whether to recommend additional time and/or authorize RFP | Sep 2002 |
| Review and approve RFP to hire contractor | Jan 2003 |
| Select contractor and initiate study | Mar 2003 |
| Complete study and begin Commission review | Oct 2003 |
| Complete report to the Legislature | Dec 2003 |

Additional task #7 Establish standards and criteria for foundation permits and other "specialty permits". (CS/CS/SB 336 & 180, 2001)

Schedule:

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| Assign to Code Administration TAC | Sep. 2002 |
| Recommendations for criteria | Jan. 2003 |
| Submit for 2004 FBC edition amendment | Feb. 28, 2003 |