



# FACILITATOR'S SUMMARY REPORT OF THE AUGUST 13, 2024 FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION MEETING DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

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### OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION'S KEY ACTIONS AND DECISIONS TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024

#### I. PLENARY SESSION SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW

The Commission conducted their August 13, 2024 Plenary Session in Daytona Beach, Florida. At the August meeting the Commission considered and decided on Chair's issues and recommendations, product and entity approvals, applications for accreditor and course approvals, applications for waivers from accessibility requirements, petition(s) for declaratory statement(s), a legal report, and recommendations from the Commission's various committees. Specific actions included voting to: 1) Approve the updated Workplan and Schedule for development of the 8th Edition (2023), Florida Building Code; 2) Approve the updated Workplan and Schedule for development of the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code; 3) Select the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code as the model code for conducting the Commission's model code update review process for development of the 9th. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation; 4) Adopt the TAC Preliminary Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process for development of the 9th. Edition (2026), Florida Building; 5) Adopt the TAC Final Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process for development of the 9th. Edition (2026), Florida Building; 6) Adopt the Commission Code Amendments Review and Approval Process for development of the 9th. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code; 7) Proceed with rulemaking for the rulemaking involving the implementation of the Milestone Inspection Program pursuant to Chapter 120 and Section 553.73(8), Florida Statutes, and incorporate the Commission's adopted amendments into the 8th. Edition (2023) Florida Building Code, and to delegate authority to Alan Burke to sign rulemaking documents on behalf of the Commission; 8) Continue with rule development for the rulemaking involving errata and glitches related to the 2024 legislative session in order to allow for the consideration of a potential additional amendment necessary to update the refrigerant standard ASHRAE 15 to the 2022 edition; and 9) Proceed with the rulemaking process for Rule 61G20-2.005, Florida Administrative Code, to update the private provider form, and to delegate authority to Alan Burke to sign rulemaking documents on behalf of the Commission.

(Attachment 1 – Meeting Evaluation Results)

#### II. CHAIR'S WELCOME

Chairman Bourré welcomed the Commission, DBPR staff, and the public to Daytona Beach, Florida and the August 13, 2024 plenary session of the Florida Building Commission.

The Chair took the opportunity on behalf of the Florida Building Commission, to offer the Commission's sympathy and support to all those impacted by Hurricane Debby. Hurricane Debby made landfall as a Category 1 Hurricane (80 mph winds) near Steinhatchee, Florida, in the Big Bend area at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, August 5, 2025. The Florida Building Commission has continuously assessed building systems and component failures identified after major storms since its inception in 1998, and in response has funded research to strengthen the Code's effectiveness against wind and water intrusion based on these assessments. Each year the Commission's Hurricane Research Advisory Committee evaluates research proposals related to enhancing the wind and water intrusion provisions of the Code and provides the Commission with their recommended research project priorities for funding. The Commission remains committed to this effort.

The Chair noted that in addition to considering regular procedural issues, updates, petitions, and reports, the primary task for the August 13, 2024 meeting was to approve the TAC Review and Commission Approval processes for reviewing 2024 Code Amendments, and deciding on errata and glitch amendments for the 8<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2023), Florida Building Code.

The Chair noted, that as always the Commission would provide an opportunity for public comment on each of the Commission's substantive discussion topics. Chairman Bourré expressed that if a member of the public wishes to comment on a specific substantive Commission agenda item, they should wait until the facilitator requests public comment and stacks a list of names at the appropriate times during the meeting. The Chair noted that public input is welcome, but should be offered before the Commission begins discussion and/or there is a motion on the floor.

#### III. COMMISSION ATTENDANCE

The following Commissioners participated in the August 13, 2024 meeting:

Michael Bourré (Chair), James Batts, David Brown, David Compton, Jeff Gross, Rodney Hershberger, David John, Brian Langille, Asael Marrero, Brad Schiffer, Fred Schilling, Jim Schock (Vice Chair), and Tim Tolbert.

(13 of the 15 seated Commissioners attended -87%).

Absent Commissioners:

Grey Marker, and Brian Swope.

#### **DBPR STAFF PARTICIPATING**

Alan Burke, Sabrina Evans, Jim Hammers, Mo Madani, and Justin Vogel.

#### MEETING FACILITATION

Meetings are facilitated, and meeting reports prepared by Jeff Blair from Facilitated Solutions, LLC. Information at: <a href="http://facilitatedsolutions.org">http://facilitatedsolutions.org</a>.



#### PROJECT WEBPAGE

Information on the Florida Building Commission project, including agenda packets, meeting reports, and related documents may be found at the Commission Webpage. Located at the following URL: <a href="http://floridabuilding.org/c/default.aspx">http://floridabuilding.org/c/default.aspx</a>

#### IV. AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Following are the key agenda items approved for consideration:

- To Approve Regular Procedural Topics (Agenda and Minutes).
- To Consider and Decide on Chair's Discussion Issues and Recommendations.
- To Receive an Update and Approve the Updated Florida Building Code, 8<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023), Workplan.
- To Receive an Update and Approve the Updated Florida Building Code, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition (2026), Workplan.
- To Adopt TAC Preliminary Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process.
- To Adopt TAC Final Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process.
- To Adopt Commission Code Amendments Review and Approval Process.
- To Conduct a Rule Workshop on Rule 61G20-1.001, F.A.C. Errata and Glitch Amendments.
- To Conduct a Rule Workshop for Rule 61G20-2.005, F.A.C. Private Provider Form.
- To Consider and Decide on Applications for Product Approval and Entity Approval.
- To Consider and Decide on Applications for Accreditor and Course Approval.
- To Consider and Decide on Applications for Waiver from Accessibility Requirements.
- To Receive a Legal Report Briefing.
- To Consider and Decide on Petition(s) for Declaratory Statement(s).
- To Receive and Decide on Reports and Recommendations from Committees and Workgroup(s).
- To Hear Public Comment.
- To Review Next Steps, Assignments, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (October 15, 2024, Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting).

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the agenda for the August 13, 2024 meeting as amended\*.

#### \* Amendments:

- Applications for Waiver from Accessibility Requirements.
- Product Approval POC and Education POC Committee Reports.

(Attachment 2 – August 13, 2024 Commission Agenda)

### V. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 18, 2024 MEETING MINUTES AND FACILITATOR'S SUMMARY REPORTS

Chairman Bourré inquired whether there were any corrections or additions to the posted June 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes and/or Facilitator's Summary Report that were posted electronically in advance of the meeting. There were none offered, and the Commission took the following action:

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the June 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes and Facilitator's Summary Reports as posted/presented.

Amendments: There were no amendments offered to the Meeting Minutes or Facilitator's Summary Report.

#### VI. CHAIR'S DISCUSSION ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### A) Appreciation for Commissioner Stephen Wilcox

Chairman Bourré reported that Commissioner Wilcox resigned from the Commission due to health issues. On behalf of the Commission the Chair offered Stephen the Commission's wishes for a full recovery. The Chair noted that Stephen served from February, 2023 until his resignation on June 28, 2024. Stephen served as chair of the Electrical TAC, and served on the Product Approval POC. The Chair thanked Stephen for his service to the citizens of Florida.

#### B) TAC Appointment

#### Fire TAC

Chairman Bourré appointed Amanda Hickman to the Fire TAC to replace Shane Gerwig, who rolled-off the TAC. The Chair thanked Shane for his service to the citizens of Florida, and to Amanda for agreeing to serve.

#### C) Future Commission Meeting Dates

The Chair reported that the Commission's next meeting is October 15, 2024, and will be conducted as a web-based and teleconference virtual meeting. Following are the dates for the remaining bimonthly Commission meetings scheduled for 2024:

• December 10 - 11, 2024, Onsite Meeting, Location TBD (Commission review of I-Code changes)

#### D) Updated Commission Milestones

The Chair reminded participants that the Updated Commission Milestones document (updated as of June 18, 2024) is linked to the August 13, 2024 FBC Agenda on the BCIS.

### VII. 8<sup>TH.</sup> EDITION (2023), AND 9<sup>TH.</sup> EDITION (2026), FLORIDA BUILDING CODE WORKPLAN DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

#### A) 8<sup>TH.</sup> EDITION (2023), FLORIDA BUILDING CODE WORKPLAN UPDATE

Mo Madani provided the Commission with an update on the Workplan and Schedule for development of the 2023 Code Update Process – 8<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023), Florida Building Code, and answered member questions.

Following the opportunity provided for questions and answers, public comment, and Commission discussion, the Commission took the following action:

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the updated Workplan and Schedule for development of the  $8^{th}$ . Edition (2023), Florida Building Code.

(Attachment 5 – Approved 2023 Code Update Workplan and Schedule)

#### B) 9TH. EDITION (2026), FLORIDA BUILDING CODE DEVELOPMENT WORKPLAN

Mo Madani provided the Commission with a Draft Workplan for development of the 2026 Code Update Process – 9<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026), Florida Building Code, and answered member questions.

Following the opportunity provided for questions and answers, public comment, and Commission discussion, the Commission took the following action:

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the updated Workplan and Schedule for development of the  $9^{th}$ . Edition (2026), Florida Building Code.

(Attachment 6 – Approved 2026 Code Update Workplan)

### C) SELECTION OF 2024 INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE AS MODEL CODE FOR THE 2026 FBC, ENERGY CONSERVATION

The Chair reported that at the February 13, 2024 meeting the Commission voted to select the 2024 I-Codes once finalized by the ICC, and the 2024 NEC as the model codes for conducting the Commission's model code update review process for development of the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code. At the time the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code was not available. It is now available, and consequently the Commission needs to select the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code as the model code for conducting the Commission's model code update review process for development of the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation.

Following the opportunity provided for questions and answers, public comment, and Commission discussion, the Commission took the following action:

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to select the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code as the model code for conducting the Commission's model code update review process for development of the  $9^{th}$ . Edition (2026), Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation.

### VIII. TAC REVIEW AND COMMISSION APPROVAL PROCESSES FOR REVIEWING 2024 MODEL CODE UPDATES

Jeff Blair reviewed with the Commission the processes for TAC Review and Commission Review and Approval of 2026 Code Amendments for development of the 2026 Code Update – 9<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026), Florida Building Code, and answered member questions.

Following the opportunity provided for questions and answers, public comment, and Commission discussion, the Commission took the following action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to adopt the TAC Preliminary Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process for development of the  $9^{th}$ . Edition (2026), Florida Building Code.

(Attachment 7 – TAC Preliminary Recommendations on 2026 Code Amendments)

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 – 0 in favor, to adopt the TAC Final Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process for development of the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code.

(Attachment 8 – TAC Final Recommendations on 2026 Code Amendments)

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to adopt the Commission Code Amendments Review and Approval Process for development of the  $9^{th}$ . Edition (2026), Florida Building Code

(Attachment 9 – FBC 2026 Code Amendments Review and Approval Process)

### IX. RULE WORKSHOP ON RULE 61G20-1.001 – ERRATA AND GLITCH AMENDMENTS

Chairman Bourré stated that the Commission's TACs met during January 2024 and again during February 2024 to make recommendations to the Commission regarding proposed errata and glitch amendments for the 8<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023), Florida Building Code, and the Commission decided on the amendments during the April 16, 2024 meeting.

Subsequently, the TACs met in June 2024 to provide recommendations to Commission regarding proposed code changes to:

- The 8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) Florida Building Code (FBC) Existing Building as proposed by the Existing Building Inspection Workgroup (EBIWG) pursuant to Section 553.73(8), Florida Statutes for the purpose of establishing minimum requirements for the mandatory milestone inspections within the FBC as directed by SB 154; and
- The 8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) Florida Building Code Building as proposed by DBPR Staff pursuant to Section 553.73(8), Florida Statutes and necessary for consistency with HB 267, HB535, SB 1526 and HB 1021.

The Chair noted that for the August Rule Workshop the Commission would consider and decide on the TAC's recommendations regarding these additional errata and glitch amendments for the 8<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2023), Florida Building Code.

At the Chair's request, Jeff Blair reviewed the procedural sequencing for the Commission's consideration of proposed errata and glitch amendments to the 8<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2023), FBC.

Jeff Blair reviewed the procedural sequencing as follows:

#### **Procedural Sequencing:**

➤ Jeff Blair will review the process for the Commission's review, and the definition of errata and criteria for proposed glitch amendments pursuant to the requirements of Section 553.73 (8)(b) and (a), F.S. respectively.

➤ Justin Vogel, the Commission's legal counsel, will provide any legal clarifications and Mo Madani will provide any technical clarifications requested by the Commission.

#### Errata and Glitch Amendments Consent Agendas (Approval and Denial) Process:

- The TACs recommendations are organized by up to four consent agendas per TAC, as follows:
- ✓ Consent Agenda 1: TAC recommends approval of the errata. The Commission will vote that the errata on the consent agendas meet the definition of errata, and to approve the errata As Submitted or As Modified by the TAC.
- ✓ Consent Agenda 2: TAC recommends denial of the errata. The Commission will vote that the proposed errata on the consent agendas either do or do not meet the definition of errata, and to deny the errata.
- ✓ Consent Agenda 3: TAC recommends amendments approval of the glitch amendments. The Commission will vote that the amendments on the consent agendas are glitch amendments, and to approve the amendments As Submitted or As Modified by the TAC.
- ✓ Consent Agenda 4: TAC recommends denial of the glitch amendments. The Commission will vote that the proposed amendments on the consent agendas either do or do not meet the criteria for glitch amendments, and to deny the amendments.
- ✓ Review definition of Errata and Criteria for Glitch Amendments.
- Facilitator will introduce each consent agenda by TAC in turn.
- Public will be provided an opportunity for comment (3 minutes per person).
- ➤ Commission will vote to approve Consent Agenda of TAC recommendations as presented or as amended if any additional amendments are pulled for individual consideration by technical code area.
- The vote is in favor of TAC recommendations regarding the proposed glitch amendments either to approve or deny.

#### Errata and Glitch Amendments Pulled for Individual Consideration Process:

- ➤ Commission will individually discuss and vote on all amendments pulled for individual consideration.
- Facilitator will introduce each errata and amendment pulled for individual consideration in turn.
- Proponents of proposed errata or amendment will speak first (3 minutes per person).
- > Opponents of proposed errata or amendment will follow proponents (3 minutes per person).
- ➤ No point/counterpoints.
- The Commission will vote either to approve or deny the errata or glitch amendment.
- ➤ Once a motion is on the floor, discussion is limited to Commission members except as allowed by the Chair.
- $\triangleright$  Motions require a  $\ge 75\%$  favorable vote for approval; those with less than a 75% favorable vote, are deemed denied.

Following the opportunity provided for questions and answers, public comment, and Commission discussion, the Commission took the following action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to proceed with rulemaking for the rulemaking involving the implementation of the Milestone Inspection Program pursuant to Chapter 120 and Section 553.73(8), Florida Statutes, and incorporate the Commission's adopted amendments into the 8<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2023) Florida Building Code, and to delegate authority to Alan Burke to sign rulemaking documents on behalf of the Commission.

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to continue with rule development for the rulemaking involving errata and glitches related to the 2024 legislative session in order to allow for the consideration of a potential additional amendment necessary to update the refrigerant standard ASHRAE 15 to the 2022 edition.

#### X. Rule Workshop on Rule 61G20-2.005 – Private Provider Form

Chairman Bourré stated that during the June 18, 2024 meeting Justin reported that HB 267 was signed into law by the Governor, which made changes to the language found in the section of Florida Statutes dealing with private providers, including some minor changes to language that is referenced in Form 61G20-2.005-2002-01, which is the form that is used to give notice to the local building official that a private provider is going to be utilized.

Justin reported that some minor corresponding changes to the form need to be made, and the Commission voted unanimously to initiate rulemaking for Rule 61G20-2.005 – Alternative Plans Review and Inspection Forms Adopted – to implement the required changes.

The Chair explained that for the August Rule Workshop the Commission would consider and decide on the proposed revisions to the Private Provider Form for the 8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023), Florida Building Code pursuant to requirements of 267.

At the Chair's request, Jeff Blair reviewed the procedural sequencing for the Commission's consideration of the proposed revisions to the Private Provider Form.

Jeff Blair reviewed the procedural sequencing as follows:

- ➤ Justin Vogel, the Commission's legal counsel, will review the proposed changes to the Private Provider Form and provide any legal clarifications, and Mo Madani will provide any technical clarifications requested by the Commission.
- ➤ Commission Clarifying Questions.
- Public Comment Opportunity (3 minutes per person).
- ➤ Once a motion is on the floor, discussion is limited to Commission members except as allowed by the Chair.
- Commission Discussion and Action.

Following the opportunity provided for questions and answers, public comment, and Commission discussion, the Commission took the following action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to proceed with the rulemaking process for Rule 61G20-2.005, Florida Administrative Code, to update the private provider form, and to delegate authority to Alan Burke to sign rulemaking documents on behalf of the Commission.

#### XI. APPLICATIONS FOR PRODUCT AND ENTITY APPROVAL

The Product Approval POC meeting was cancelled as a result of Hurricane Debby (August 5, 2024), and as a result the entity and product approval applications were taken up directly by the Commission.

#### Commission Action on the Consent Agenda for Entities Approvals – 2023 Code:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the consent agenda of product approval entities to the 2023 Code (22) as posted.

#### Commission Actions on the Consent Agenda for Product Approval – 2023 Code:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the consent agenda of products (173) recommended for approval to the 2023 Code as posted.

Jeff Blair presented the Product Approval Program Oversight Committee's recommendations for product approvals to the 2023 Code with comments.

#### Commission Actions Regarding Product Approval Applications With Comments – 2023 Code:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13- 0 in favor, to approval the product approval applications to the 2023 Code with comments recommended for approval (1) as reflected in the posted documentation (FL 46851).

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13-0 in favor, to conditionally approve the products recommended for conditional approval (4) to the 2023 Code based on the conditions recommended by DBPR staff and reflected in the posted documentation (FL 16039, FL 46852, FL 46878, and FL 46879).

#### Commission Actions Regarding DBPR Applications:

There was no Commission action required regarding the August 2024 DBPR Applications. The complete results of Commission decisions regarding applications for product and entity approvals are available on the BCIS. (See BCIS Website for Linked Committee Report)

#### XII. APPLICATIONS FOR ACCREDITOR AND COURSE APPROVAL

The Education POC meeting was cancelled as a result of Hurricane Debby (August 5, 2024), and as a result the course approvals were taken up directly by the Commission:

#### Commission Actions:

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve advanced accredited course numbers (4): 1284.0, 1296.0, 1293.0, and 1279.0.

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to conditionally approve administratively approved self-affirmed (one-change) updated course number 836.2 for compliance with Rule 61G20-6.002 subject to the conditions stated.

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 13-0 in favor, to conditionally approve administratively approved self-affirmed (one-change) updated course number 895.2 for compliance with Rule 61G20-6.002 subject to the conditions stated.

#### XIII. APPLICATIONS FOR WAIVERS FROM ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

There were no Waivers for the August meeting resulting from the Accessibility Advisory Council meeting's cancelation due to Hurricane Debby.

#### XIV. LEGAL REPORT

Justin Vogel, Commission Legal Counsel, updated the Commission on outstanding legal matters relevant to the Commission. Justin reported that there were no outstanding legal matters to report for the August meeting.

#### XV. PETITION(S) FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT(S)

Justin Vogel, Commission Legal Counsel, presented each declaratory statement in turn. Following are the actions taken by the Commission regarding the petitions for declaratory statement(s).

#### 1. DS 2024 – 024 by Rolando Soto of Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals

**Motion** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the Mechanical TAC's recommendation to adopt staff's analysis as revised by the Mechanical TAC regarding the question(s) presented in the Petition.

#### 2. DS 2024-029 by Leon T. Wright, Building Official for Dixie County

**Motion** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to approve the Special Occupancy and Structural TACs' recommendations to adopt staff's analysis regarding the question(s) presented in the Petition.

#### XVI. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Bourré requested TAC and POC chairs to confine their reports to a brief summary of any key recommendations, emphasizing any issues requiring an action from the Commission. The Chair requested if the TAC/POC requires Commission action, to frame the needed action in the form of a proposed motion to ensure that the Commission understands exactly what the TACs' and/or POCs' are recommending, and the specific action requested of the Commission. Acceptance of a committee report does not approve any recommendations contained within the report, and all specific recommendations must be considered by separate motions. Committee reports are linked to the Commission's August 13, 2024 Agenda on the BCIS.

#### Code Administration TAC

Commissioner Brown presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 19, 2024, and June 24, 2024).

#### Electrical TAC

Mo Madani presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 24, 2024).

#### > Energy TAC

Mo Madani presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 19, 2024, and June 25, 2024).

#### > Fire TAC

Commissioner Schiffer presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as amended (June 24, 2024).

#### Mechanical TAC

Commissioner John presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 – 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 20, 2024, June 24, 2024, and August 6, 2024).

#### > Plumbing TAC

Commissioner Schilling presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 24, 2024).

#### ➤ Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup

Jeff Blair presented the RCCIWG's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the RCCIWG's report(s) as presented/posted (June 28, 2024).

#### Roofing TAC

Mo Madani presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted for the June 19, 2024 meeting, and as amended for the June 24, 2024 meeting.

#### > Special Occupancy TAC

Mo Madani presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 - 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 24, 2024 and August 6, 2024).

#### > Structural TAC

Commissioner Compton presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 – 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 19, 2024, June 24, 2024, and August 6, 2024).

#### Swimming TAC

Commissioner Batts presented the TAC's report(s) and any recommendations.

#### Commission Action:

**MOTION** – The Commission voted unanimously, 13 – 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report(s) as presented/posted (June 20, 2024, and June 24, 2024).

#### XVII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS AND ISSUES

Chair Bourré invited Commission members to offer any general comments to the Commission, or identify any issues or agenda items for the next Commission meeting.

#### Commissioner Comments:

- Jeff Gross: Requested that staff research additional licensing boards to add to those that provide CEUs for participation in the FBC process.
- Mo Madani, DBPR: Responded that he will speak with Jeff regarding his request.

#### GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public were offered an opportunity to provide comment during each of the Commission's substantive discussion agenda items. In addition, Chair Bourré invited members of the public to address the Commission on any issues under the Commission's purview.

#### Public Comments:

- Rick Logan, AIAFL: Requested that the Workplan for development of the 9<sup>th</sup> Edition (2026), FBC be revised to strike certain language regarding the examples of the type of issues the Commission might consider for rejecting certain model code provisions by consent agenda(s) since they are not in statute.
- Justin Vogel, DBPR: Responded that although the language is not it statute it is the Commission's adopted rules.

#### XVIII. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING OVERVIEW AND ASSIGNMENTS

The October 15, 2024 meeting will focus on the Commission's regular procedural and substantive issues, and any needed rule development initiatives. The October meeting will be conducted as a Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting.

(Attachment 5 – Commission Meeting Schedule)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair thanked Commission members, staff and the public for their participation, and adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2024.

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

#### FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION MEETING EVALUATION RESULTS

#### AUGUST 13, 2024 – DAYTONA BEACH FLORIDA

Average rank using a 0 to 10 scale, where 0 means totally disagree and 10 means totally agree. (13 of the 13 Commissioners in Attendance Completed the Evaluation -100%).

#### 1. OVERALL MEETING ASSESSMENT.

- <u>9.9</u> The background information was very useful.
- 9.9 The agenda packet was very useful.
- 9.9 The objectives for the meeting were stated at the outset.
- 9.9 Overall, the objectives of the meeting were fully achieved.

#### 2. COMMISSIONERS LEVEL OF AGREEMENT THAT THE MEETING OBJECTIVES WERE ACHIEVED.

- 10.0 Chair's Discussion Issues/Recommendations.
- 10.0 8<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023), and 9<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026), FBC Updated Workplans Approval.
- 9.9 TAC Recommendations and Commission Approval Processes for 2026 Code Amendments.
- 9.9 Rule Workshop on Rule 61G20-1.001, F.A.C. Errata and Glitch Amendments.
- 9.9 Rule Workshop on Rule 61G20-2.005, F.A.C. Private Provider Form.
- 10.0 Applications for Products and Product Approval Entities Approvals.
- 10.0 Applications for Accreditor and Course Approvals.
- 10.0 Legal Report.
- 10.0 Petition(s) for Declaratory Statement(s) Decision(s).
- 10.0 TAC, POC, Committee, and Workgroup Reports and Recommendations.

#### 3. HOW WELL THE FACILITATOR HELPED THE COMMISSIONERS ENGAGE IN THE MEETING.

- 10.0 The members followed the direction of the Facilitator.
- 10.0 The Facilitator made sure the concerns of all members were heard.
- 10.0 The Facilitator helped us arrange our time well.
- 10.0 Commission actions were documented accurately in previous meeting's Facilitator's Report.

#### 4. COMMISSIONERS LEVEL OF SATISFACTION WITH THE MEETING.

- 9.9 Overall, I am very satisfied with the meeting.
- 9.9 I was very satisfied with the services provided by the Facilitator.
- 9.9 I am satisfied with the outcome of the meeting.

#### 5. HOW WELL THE NEXT STEPS WERE COMMUNICATED.

- 10.0 I know what the next steps following this meeting will be.
- 10.0 I know who is responsible for the next steps.

#### 6. What Commissioners Liked Best About the Meeting.

- Jeff Blair always does a great job!
- Always prefer in-person meetings.
- Always well done!

#### 7. COMMENTS REGARDING HOW THE MEETING COULD HAVE BEEN IMPROVED.

• More in-person meetings.

#### COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC EVALUATION TOPICS.

• None were offered.

### ATTACHMENT 2 August 13, 2024 Meeting Agenda

### FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION PLENARY SESSION VIRTUAL MEETING

#### **MEETING OBJECTIVES**

- ✓ To Approve Regular Procedural Topics (Agenda and Minutes).
- ✓ To Consider and Decide on Chair's Discussion Issues and Recommendations.
- ✓ To Receive an Update and Approve the Updated Florida Building Code, 8th. Edition (2023), and 9th. Edition (2026), Workplans.
- ✓ To Adopt TAC Preliminary Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process.
- ✓ To Adopt TAC Final Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review Process.
- ✓ To Adopt Commission Code Amendments Review and Approval Process.
- ✓ To Conduct a Rule Workshop on Rule 61G20-1.001, F.A.C. Errata and Glitch Amendments.
- ✓ To Conduct a Rule Workshop on Rule 61G20-2.005, F.A.C. Private Provider Form.
- ✓ To Consider and Decide on Applications for Product Approval and Entity Approval.
- ✓ To Consider and Decide on Applications for Accreditor and Course Approval.
- ✓ To Consider and Decide on Applications for Waiver from Accessibility Requirements.
- ✓ To Receive a Legal Report Briefing.
- ✓ To Consider and Decide on Petition(s) for Declaratory Statement(s).
- ✓ To Receive/Decide on Reports and Recommendations from Committees and Workgroups(s).
- ✓ To Hear Public Comment.
- ✓ To Review Needed Next Steps, Assignments, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (August 13, 2024, Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting).

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEES – ON SITE & VIRTUAL MEETINGS			
June 19, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Existing Building Inspection Workgroup – concurrently with Structural Technical Advisory Committee – concurrently with Roofing Technical Advisory Committee – concurrently with Code Admin Technical Advisory Committee	
June 19, 2024	2:00 p.m.	Energy Technical Advisory Committee	
June 20, 2024	10:00 a.m.	Mechanical Technical Advisory Committee	
June 20, 2024	2:00 p.m.	Swimming Pools Technical Advisory Committee	
June 24, 2024	10:30 a.m.	Code Admin Technical Advisory Committee – concurrently with Structural Technical Advisory Committee – concurrently with Roofing Technical Advisory Committee – concurrently with Plumbing Technical Advisory Committee – concurrently with Special Occupancy Technical Advisory Committee	
June 24, 2024	1:30 p.m.	Swimming Pools Technical Advisory Committee— concurrently with Mechanical Technical Advisory Committee— concurrently with Fire Technical Advisory Committee— concurrently with Electrical Technical Advisory Committee	
June 25, 2024	2:00 p.m.	Energy Technical Advisory Committee	
June 28, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup	

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	August 6, 2024	1:30 p.m.	Structural Technical Advisory Committee – concurrently with Special Occupancy Technical Advisory Committee	

MEETING AGENDA – AUGUST 13, 2024  All Agenda Times—Including Adjournment—Are Approximate and Subject to Change  8:30 a.m. 1) Welcome and Opening, Roll Call  2) Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda  3) Review and Approval of the April 16, 2024 and May 23, 2024 Meeting Minutes and Facilitator's Summary Reports  4) Chair's Discussion Issues  Future Meetings: October 15, 2024, TBD December 10-11, 2024, on-site (Commission review of I-Code changes) Updated Commission Milestones	1
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9th. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code Workplan Status Update and Approva	riew
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Process Adoption.	
TAC Final Recommendations to the Commission Code Amendments Review	
Process Adoption.	
Commission Code Amendments Review and Approval Process Adoption.	
6) Rule Workshop on Rule 61G20-1.001, Florida Administrative Code.	
Errata/Glitch Amendments	
7) Rule Workshop for Rule 61G20-2.005, Florida Administrative Code	
Private Provider Form	
8) Applications for Product (2023) and Entity Approval	
9) Applications for Accreditor and Course Approval	
10) Applications for Waiver from Accessibility Requirements	
11) Legal Report	
12) Declaratory Statements Report	
DS 2024 – 024 by Rolando Soto of Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals	
DS 2024 – 029 by Leon Wright of Dixie County	
13) A. Code Administration Technical Advisory Committee (June 19, 2024, and June 24, 2	)24)
B. Education Program Oversight Committee (August 5, 2024)	
C. Electrical Technical Advisory Committee (June 24, 2024)	
D. Energy Technical Advisory Committee (June 19, 2024, and June 25, 2024)	
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	<ul> <li>J. Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (June 28, 2024)</li> <li>K. Roofing Technical Advisory Committee (June 19, 2024, and June 24, 2024)</li> <li>L. Special Occupancy Technical Advisory Committee (June 24, 2024) and August 6, 2024)</li> <li>M. Structural Technical Advisory Committee (June 19, 2024, and June 24, 2024, and August 6, 2024)</li> <li>N. Swimming Pools Technical Advisory Committee (June 20, 2024, and June 24, 2024)</li> </ul>
14)	Commissioner Comment
15)	Public Comment
16)	Adjourn Commission Plenary Session

### ATTACHMENT 3 KEY TO COMMON ABBREVIATIONS

ABBREVIATION	DEFINITION
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ADA	Americans With Disabilities Act
ADAAG	ADA Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities
BCSA	Florida Building Code System Assessment
BOAF	Building Officials Association of Florida
DACS or FDACS	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
DBPR	Department of Business and Professional Regulations
DCA	Department of Community Affairs (Abolished in 2011)
DEP or FDEP	Florida Department of Environmental Protection
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
DOH or FDOH	Florida Department of Health
DOJ	U.S. Department of Justice
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FACBC	Florida Accessibility Code for Building Construction
FAR	Florida Administrative Register
FBC	Florida Building Code
FBC	Florida Building Commission
FECC	Florida Energy and Conservation Code
FIU	Florida International University
FSEC	Florida Solar Energy Center (University of Central Florida)
FSU	Florida State University
IBC	International Building Code
ICC	International Code Council
POC	Program Oversight Committee (Education and Product Approval)
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
UF	University of Florida

#### **ATTACHMENT 4**

#### FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION HISTORY AND OVERVIEW

#### **HISTORY**

Following Hurricane Andrew in 1992 and Hurricane Opal in 1995, Florida experienced record-breaking insurance losses resulting in a crisis affecting every homeowner in the state. The Governor appointed a Building Code Study Commission, and the Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium designed and facilitated a two-year study and deliberation process with the 28 members representing a range of interests in the public and private sectors, through which the Commission evaluated the building code system.

The study revealed that building code adoption and enforcement was inconsistent throughout the state and even local codes thought to be the strongest proved inadequate when tested by major hurricane events. The consequences were devastation to lives and economies and a statewide property insurance crisis. The Commission recommended reform of the state building construction system which placed emphasis on uniformity and accountability. The Study Commission recommended a Florida Building Code System comprised of *Five Foundations for a Better Built Environment* described as: I. The Code; II. The Commission; III. Local Administration of the Code; IV. Strengthening Compliance and Enforcement; and, V. Product Approval.

The Legislature enacted the consensus recommendations into law in 1998. In late 1998, the FCRC Consensus Center at Florida State University was asked by the Commission's chair to assist the newly created Florida Building Commission in its effort to build consensus for a uniform building code proposal. A comprehensive and transparent consensus building process was put in place that included designing and facilitating meetings of 12 balanced technical advisory groups of 11 members each appointed by the Commission, as well as the Commission's meetings. Facilitated Solutions, LLC continues to work with the Commission by providing facilitation and consensus-building services using the same process and facilitator.

#### **OVERVIEW**

COMMISSION REPRESENTATION. The Florida Building Commission has consisted of as many as 27 members, and since January 1, 2021 is a 19-member building construction industry representative stakeholder group who successfully created, implemented, maintains, and updates the new statewide Florida Building Code. The Commission is comprised of 19 members appointed by the Governor to represent specific stakeholder groups. They are as follows: three municipal, county, or district code officials; an architect; a persons with disabilities representative; a structural engineer; an air conditioning or mechanical contractor, or mechanical engineer; an electrical contractor or electrical engineer; a manufactured buildings industry representative; a building products manufacturing industry representative; an insurance industry representative; a certified general or building contractor; a swimming pool contractor; a plumbing contractor; a roofing or sheet metal contractor; a swimming pool contractor; a building products manufacturing industry representative; a natural gas system distribution representative; and the Governor's Chief Resilience Officer or designee.

**CONSENSUS PROCESS.** The Florida Building Commission (FBC) seeks to develop consensus decisions on its recommendations and policy decisions. General consensus is a participatory process whereby, on matters of substance, the members strive for agreements which all of the members can accept, support, live with or agree not to oppose. In instances where, after vigorously exploring possible ways to enhance the members' support for the final decision on substantive decisions, and the Commission finds that 100 percent acceptance or support is not achievable, final decisions require at least 75 percent favorable vote of all members present and voting. This super majority decision rule underscores the importance of actively developing consensus throughout the process on substantive issues with the participation of all members and which all can live with and support.

The Commission's consensus process is conducted as an open public process with multiple opportunities for the public to provide input to the Commission on substantive issues. At each Commission meeting, the public is invited to speak during the public comment opportunity provided for each substantive issue under consideration, as well as general public comment periods provided at the end of each meeting. In addition, most substantive issues before the Commission go through a technical advisory committee review or workgroup process where consensus recommendations are developed by appointed representative stakeholder interests, providing extensive opportunities for public input. In addition many of the Commission's decisions require rule development to implement, affording additional entry points for public input.

Since its formation in July of 1998, the Commission has demonstrated a commitment to working with affected interests to build consensus on complex issues. The adoption of the first edition of the Florida Building Code (2001 Edition), developed from September 1998 through January of 2001, involved 27 Commission meetings, dozens of facilitated public workshops and hundreds of TAC meetings. The Commission has consistently worked with all affected interests to build the best possible consensus-based decisions for the citizens of Florida. Through its committees and workgroups comprised of experts, the Commission has always developed its decisions based on the results of the best engineering and science available. Since 1999 the Commission has convened 70 special issue stakeholder workgroups to develop broad based consensus recommendations on issues of concern to stakeholders. Although the Code is by law a minimum building code, the Florida Building Code is the strongest consensus and science based building code in the country. The Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety (IBHS) ranked the Florida Building Code as number one in their 2012, 2018, and 2021 assessments of residential building code enforcement systems for life safety and property protection in hurricane prone regions.

In summary, the Florida Building Commission provides a forum for stakeholders representing key interests to participate in a consensus-building process where issues affecting the construction industry are discussed and evaluated on their technical merits and cost-benefits to the citizens of the State of Florida. In addition, as a result of the Commission's proven consensus-building process and success in developing consensus on tough issues, the Florida Legislature frequently assigns policy issues to the Commission for evaluation and implementation.

#### ATTACHMENT 5

## COMMISSION'S UPDATED MEETING SCHEDULE AND 8<sup>TH.</sup> EDITION (2023) CODE UPDATE WORKPLAN UPDATED AUGUST 13, 2024

COMMISSION MEETING DATES FOR 2024		
1) February 13, 2024	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting	
2) April 16, 2024	Onsite – Doubletree by Hilton at the Entrance to Universal Orlando	
3) May 23, 2024	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Special Issue Meeting	
4) June 18, 2024	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting	
5) August 13, 2024	Onsite, Daytona Beach – Commission Considers Glitch Amendments	
6) October 15, 2024	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting	
7) December 10-11, 2024	Onsite Location TBD – Commission Considers I-Code Changes	

#### COMMISSION'S 2023 CODE UPDATE DEVELOPMENT WORKPLAN

8 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) FBC Code Update Development	Tasks
TASKS	SCHEDULE
Selection of the Model Codes	
2020 NEC published and available to the public;	08/25/2019
2021 International Codes published and available to the public;	January 2021
Commission selects 2021 I Codes "model codes" and 2020 NEC to	2/9/2021
conduct its review	Completed
Review of the Model Code Changes	
In coordination with ICC, staff post complete listing of the code changes to	2/25/2021
the I Codes online	Completed
Staff post on Commission website/Building Code Information System	5/17/2021
(BCIS) analysis of the 2021 I-Code change to provide for identification of the	Completed
following:	
Provisions which overlap with the provisions of the FBC	
Provisions which correlate directly with the provisions of the FBC	
Provisions which provide for energy efficiency standards that meet or exceed the national energy standards mandated by Title III of the Energy Conservation and	
Protection Act	
• Provisions which are necessary to maintain eligibility for federal funding and discounts from the National Flood Insurance Program, the Federal Emergency management Agency, or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development	
Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (RCCIWG) reviews the	6/29/2021
2021 changes to the International Residential Code (IRC) and provides comments to the Commission's TACs on impactful code changes.	Completed

RCCIWG meeting – Conference call/Webinar	
45 day public review and comment period ends (By Rule -45 day min before	7/1/2021
TAC review)	Completed
Staff posts on Commission website analysis of the 2021 I-Code changes with	8/2/2021
public comments. (Tracking Charts and code change monographs)	Completed
TACs review the 2021 changes to the I Codes and make recommendations	9/22-30/2021 and
to the Commission regarding those changes as follows:	10/1-7/2021
That the Commission rejects certain model code provisions by consent agenda.	Completed
• (Due to such issues as being unnecessary, negatively impacting the level of public health, safety, or general welfare provided by an existing Florida Building Code provision, diminishing the requirements of provisions related to wind resistance or water intrusion, unnecessarily imposing additional costs, or potentially requiring modification or further investigation before being adopted for use in this state)	
<ul> <li>That the Commission approves certain model code provisions by consent agenda.</li> <li>(When considering whether to recommend inclusion on a consent agenda for approval, the TACs shall consider such criteria as whether the model code provisions are editorial or organizational in nature, correct an error, provide clarification, provide for alternative design methods, improve the effectiveness of the code, are uncontroversial to affected stakeholders, or are required by law.)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>That the Commission approve or reject certain model code provisions after considering them individually.</li> <li>(When recommending individual consideration of model code updates, the TACs shall consider such criteria as whether the update has the potential to impose significant costs, cause confusion or regulatory difficulty, may be unnecessary, is highly controversial to affected stakeholders, or requires further evaluation.)</li> </ul>	
TACs meetings – on site	40/45/0004
Staff post TACs' recommendations online for further public review	10/15/2021
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Deadline for requesting amendments (2021 I-Codes changes) to be pulled of the consent agenda for individual consideration	11/19/2021 Completed
Commission considers TACs' recommendations regarding the latest changes	12/14-15/2021
to the model codes - on site meeting (TBD)	Completed
Staff post Commission's recommendations online	1/3/2022
	Completed
Proposed Modification to the Foundation Code and Commission's Approx	<u> </u>
Period for public to propose modifications to the 7 <sup>th</sup> . Edition (2020) FBC and	1/4/2022 –
the Commission's approved I-Codes changes	2/15/2022
	Completed
Proposed amendments reviewed by staff and posted to the Commission	3/3/2022
website	Completed
1st. 45 day comment period ends (By law -45 day min before TAC review)	4/17/2022
Staff post on Commission website proposed code changes (Tracking Charts	5/2/2022
and Detail Reports)	Completed
	Completed

Staff assign TAC members specific proposed code change for review	
in advance of the TAC meetings in June	
	6/20-24/2022
TACs consider proposed modifications (1 <sup>st.</sup> 45 day comment period) TACs meetings - 4-day on-site meetings	Completed
TACs recommendations posted to the website Starting date for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> 45 day	7/13/2022
comment period	Completed
Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (RCCIWG) reviews the	08/17/22
TACs' recommendations with regard to the proposed modifications to the	Completed
Florida Residential Code (FRC) and provides comments to the	
TACs/Commission on impactful code changes.	0./0 0000</td
2 <sup>nd.</sup> 45 day comment period ends (by law – 45 day min before Commission review)	8/26/2022
Staff post on Commission website proposed code changes with comments	9/21/2022
(Tracking Chats and Details Reports)	Completed
TACs consider public comments on their actions on the proposed mods	10/6-13/2022
TACs meetings – 6-day meetings [5-day on-site and 1 – day via	Completed
conference/webinar]	
Staff post on Commission website TACs consideration of public comments	11/10/2022
Deadline for requesting amendments to be pulled off consent agendas for	11/22/2022
individual consideration	
Commission considers TAC recommendations (2 <sup>nd.</sup> 45 day comment period)	12/13/2022
Commission – 1-day meeting	Completed
8 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) FBC (7 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2020) FBC, Florida Supplement and	12/20/2022
Commission's approved I Codes) posted online	
Provide Supplements to ICC for integration into the 8th. Edition (2023) FBC	Completed
Deadline for submitting comments on the Draft 8 <sup>th</sup> . Edition (2023) update to	January 31, 2023
the FBC (Supplements plus 7th. Edition (2020) FBC)	
TACs review comments to Rule Development Workshop of March 14, 2023	2/21 - 24/2023
and make recommendations to the Commission	Completed
TACs meetings - 3-days of conference call/webinar meetings	•
Rule Development Workshop	March 14, 2023
Commission – 1-day meeting	Completed
Rule Development Workshop	May 10, 2023
To review comment requesting consideration of the latest editions of ICC 500 and	Completed
ICC 600 for inclusion in the 2023 update to the FBC	_
Meetings - Conference call/webinar/concurrently – in the afternoon	
Appropriate TACs (Roofing, Structural and Special Occupancy)	
Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (RCCIWG)	
Florida Building Commission – Conference call/webinar – in the afternoon	3.5 00 0000
Integrated Draft 8 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) FBC – Posted online	May 22, 2023
Rule Development Workshop	June 20, 2023
To review comment requesting withdrawal of Modification # SP10413 to retain the	Completed
existing language of Chapter 4, Section 464.4.2.2 in the 7th. Edition (2020) for inclusion in the 8th. Edition (2023), Florida Building Code.	
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Special Occupancy TAC meeting – June 12, 2023 (Conference call/webinar)	•
<b>Hearing</b> on 8 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) FBC to consider received comments	No Hearing
	Requested

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Final Rule Hearing on 8 <sup>th</sup> . Edition (2023) FBC —Commission approves final	
version of Code 8 <sup>th</sup> . Edition (2023) Florida Fire Prevention Code available in	
final format	D : D :
Rule Submitted to Secretary of State and Supplement/Integrated posted	Being Routed
online – subject to addressing any JAPC concerns	
Final FBC – PDF posted	June 2023
Printed Code available	August 2023
8 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) FBC Effective Date (6 – months after publication)	12/31/2023
Glitch/Errata	
Deadline for submitting glitch amendments and errata regarding the draft 8th.	November 1, 2023
Edition (2023) update to the FBC	Completed
Additional Comments (7)	
Errata/Glitch Received After Deadline:	
• F-FBC- B-Ch. 35 – Errata #4 (Received after deadline 11/28/2023)	
• M-FBC-M - Ch. 7 – Glitch #1 – (Received after deadline 12/13/2023)	
• P-FBC-P- Ch. 7- Glitch #2 – (Submitted after the deadline -12/25/2023	
• SP-FBC - B - Ch. 30 – Glitch #1 (Received after deadline 12/29/2023)	
• S - FBC-R - Ch. 3 – Errata #2 - (Received after deadline 12/5/2023)	
• SW-FBC-B - Ch. 4 – Errata #4 - (Received after deadline 12/4/2023)	
• SW-FBC-B - Ch. 4 – Glitch #9 - (Received after deadline 12/11/2023)	
Annual Technical Amendment – s.553.73(9)(a), Florida Statutes	
Proposed annual technical amendment - S-FBC-B-Ch. 2 – Glitch #1: Change to	
"Wind-Borne Debris" definition	NT 1 44 2022
Proposed glitch amendments and errata reviewed by staff and posted to the	November 14, 2023
Commission website	Completed
1 <sup>st.</sup> 45 day comment period ends (By law -45 day min before TAC review)	December 30, 2023
Additional Comments	Completed
Proposed Annual Technical Amendment	February 13, 2024
	Completed
TACs consider proposed modifications (1st. 45-day comment period)	Jan. 23 -25, 2024
TACs meetings – 3 days of conference call/webinar meetings	E 1 04 00 0004
Additional Comments	February 21-22, 2024
Proposed Annual Technical Amendment	Completed
TACs recommendations posted to the website Starting date for the 2 <sup>nd.</sup> 45-	February 8, 2024
day comment period	Completed
Additional Comments	February 23, 2024
Proposed Annual Technical Amendment	Completed
2 <sup>nd.</sup> 45 - day comment period ends (by law – 45 - day min before Commission review)	March 24, 2024
Additional Comments	April 8, 2024
Proposed Annual Technical Amendment	April 8, 2024
Rule Development Workshop	April 16, 2024
To review and take final action on proposed glitch amendments and errata regarding	
the draft 8th. Edition (2023) update to the FBC.	
To review and take final action on the proposed annual technical amendment.	
Glitch/Errata #2	

Adopt Code Language Based on 2024 Legislative Session		
Adopt Chapter 18 Minimum requirements for the mandatory milestone inspection, of the 2023		
FBC – Existing Building		
Proposed glitch amendments posted to the Commission website	April 18, 2024	
1st 45-day comment period ends (By law -45 day min before TAC review)	June 3, 2024	
TACs/EBIWG consider proposed modifications (1st 45-day comment	June 19-20, 2024	
period)	Completed	
TACs meetings – 3 days of conference call/webinar meetings		
TACs recommendations posted to the website Starting date for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> 45-	June 25, 2024	
day comment period.	Completed	
2 <sup>nd</sup> 45 - day comment period ends (by law – 45 - day min before Commission	August 08, 2024	
review)	Completed	
Rule Development Workshop	August 13, 2024	
To review and take final action on proposed glitch amendments regarding	Completed	
the draft 8 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) update to the FBC.		

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#### COMMISSION'S 2026 CODE UPDATE DEVELOPMENT WORKPLAN

9 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026) FBC Code Update Development Tasks		
Tasks	SCHEDULE	
Selection of the Model Codes		
2023 NEC published and available to the public;	Available	
2024 International Codes published and available to the public.	Available	
Note – 2024 IECC are not available yet – Projected availability April/May		
2024.	02/12/2024	
Commission selects available 2024 I Codes "model codes" (IBC, IMC, IPC, IFGC, IEBC) and 2023 NEC to conduct its review	02/13/2024	
2024 IECC	08/13/2024	
Review of the Model Code Changes	00/13/2024	
Staff post on Commission website/Building Code Information System	5/18/2024	
(BCIS) analysis of the 2024 I-Code changes to provide for identification of	5/18/2024 Completed	
the following:	Compieieu	
Provisions which overlap with the provisions of the FBC		
Provisions which correlate directly with the provisions of the FBC		
Provisions which provide for energy efficiency standards that meet or		
exceed the national energy standards mandated by Title III of the Energy Conservation and Protection Act		
• Provisions which are necessary to maintain eligibility for federal funding and discounts from the National Flood Insurance Program, the Federal Emergency management Agency, or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development		
_	07/27/2024	
Staff post on Commission website (BCIS) analysis of the 2024 IECC.	Completed	
Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (RCCIWG) reviews	06/28/2024	
the 2024 changes to the International Residential Code (IRC) and provides	Completed	
comments to the Commission's TACs on impactful code changes.		
RCCIWG meeting – Conference call/Webinar		
45 day public review and comment period ends (By Rule -45 day min before	07/02/2024	
TAC review)	Completed	
2024 IECC – 45 day public review and comment period ends	09/09/24	
Staff post on Commission website analysis of the 2024 I-Code changes with	08/02/2024	
public comments	Completed	
(Tracking Charts and code change monographs)		

TACs review the 2024 changes to the I Codes and make recommendations to the Commission regarding those changes as follows:	09/12-19/2024
<ul> <li>That the Commission rejects certain model code provisions by consent agenda.</li> <li>(Due to such issues as being unnecessary, negatively impacting the level of public health, safety, or general welfare provided by an existing Florida Building Code provision, diminishing the requirements of provisions related to wind resistance or water intrusion, unnecessarily imposing additional costs, or potentially requiring modification or further investigation before being adopted for use in this state)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>That the Commission approves certain model code provisions by consent agenda.</li> <li>(When considering whether to recommend inclusion on a consent agenda for approval, the TACs shall consider such criteria as whether the model code provisions are editorial or organizational in nature, correct an error, provide clarification, provide for alternative design methods, improve the effectiveness of the code, are uncontroversial to affected stakeholders, or are required by law.)</li> </ul>	
That the Commission approve or reject certain model code provisions after considering them individually.  • (When recommending individual consideration of model code updates, the	
TACs shall consider such criteria as whether the update has the potential to impose significant costs, cause confusion or regulatory difficulty, may be unnecessary, is highly controversial to affected stakeholders, or requires further evaluation.)	
TACs meetings – on site - TBD	
Staff post TACs' recommendations online for further public review	10/15/2024
Deadline for requesting amendments (2024 I-Codes changes) to be pulled of the consent agenda for individual consideration	11/19/2024
Commission considers TACs' recommendations regarding the latest changes to the model codes - on site meeting (TBD)	12/10-11/2024
Staff post Commission's recommendations online	1/3/2025
Proposed Modification to the Foundation Code and Commission's Approx	ved I–Codes Changes
Period for public to propose modifications to the 8 <sup>th</sup> . Edition (2023) FBC and the Commission's approved I-Codes changes	TBD
Proposed amendments reviewed by staff and posted to the Commission website	TBD
1st. 45 day comment period ends (By law -45 day min before TAC review)	TBD
Staff post on Commission website proposed code changes (Tracking Charts and Detail Reports)	TBD
Staff will assign TAC members specific proposed code changes for review in advance of the TAC meetings - TBD	
TACs consider proposed modifications (1st. 45 day comment period)	TBD
TACs meetings - 4-day on-site meetings	TDD
TACs recommendations posted to the website Starting date for the 2 <sup>nd.</sup> 45 day comment period	TBD
Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (RCCIWG) reviews the	TBD
TACs' recommendations with regard to the proposed modifications to the	

Florida Residential Code (FRC) and provides comments to the	
TACs/Commission on impactful code changes.	
RCCIWG meeting – on-site meeting (TBD)	
2 <sup>nd.</sup> 45 day comment period ends (by law – 45 day min before Commission	TBD
review)	
Staff posts on Commission website proposed code changes with comments	TBD
(Tracking Chats and Details Reports)	
TACs consider public comments on their actions on the proposed mods	TBD
TACs meetings – 4-day meetings [2-day on-site and 2-day via	
conference/webinar]	
Staff posts on Commission website TACs consideration of public comments	TBD
	TBD
C	TIDD
Commission considers TAC recommendations (2 <sup>nd.</sup> 45 day comment period)	TBD
Commission – 1-day meeting  9 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026) FBC (8 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) FBC, Florida Supplement and	TBD
Commission's approved I Codes) posted online	IDD
Provide Supplements to ICC for integration into the 9th. Edition (2026) FBC	TBD
TACs review comments to Rule Development Workshop of TBD and make	TBD
recommendations to the Commission	TDD
TACs meetings - 3-days on-site meetings and 3-day of conference	
call/webinar meetings	
Rule Development Workshop	TBD
Commission – 1-day meeting	
Integrated Draft 9th. Edition (2026) FBC – Posted online	TBD
<i>Hearing</i> on 9 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026) FBC to consider received comments	TBD
Final Rule Hearing on 9th. Edition (2026) FBC/Commission approves final	If Requested
version of Code 9th. Edition (2026) Florida Fire Prevention Code available in	
final format	
Rule Submitted to Secretary of State and Supplement/Integrated posted	TBD
online – subject to addressing any JAPC concerns	
Final FBC – PDF posted	TBD
Printed Code available – Subject to negotiation with ICC	TBD
9 <sup>th.</sup> Edition (2023) FBC Effective Date (6 – months after publication)	12/31/2026

Section 553.73(7)(e), F.S. – A rule updating the Florida Building Code in accordance with this subsection shall take effect no sooner than 6 months after publication of the updated code. Any amendment to the Florida Building Code which is adopted upon a finding by the commission that the amendment is necessary to protect the public from immediate threat of harm takes effect immediately.

#### ATTACHMENT 7

#### TAC Preliminary Recommendation on 2026 Code Amendments Process

TACs' Preliminary Recommendations to the Commission
TAC Code Amendment Review and Recommendation Process
2026 Code Update Process – 9<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026), Florida Building Code
(Adopted Unanimously August 13, 2024)

#### **SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- Facilitator will serve as moderator, ask for and call the motions, and assist with Commission's adopted process and participation procedures.
- ➤ One person speaks at a time. State name and representation each time you speak. TAC members state you name when making and seconding motions.
- > Limit your comment and be concise.
- ➤ Do not read lengthy prepared statements. Summarize, and if you have a lengthy prepared statement submit the complete text of your comment in writing for the record.
- Public comments will be limited to a maximum of three minutes (3) per person. However, a TAC member may request clarification of public comments through the TAC chair or Facilitator.
- For in-person meetings, hold the microphone button the entire time while speaking. The light starts green, turns yellow with 30 seconds left, and red when 3 minutes is up.
- ➤ Offer new points and/or state agreement with previous speakers. Please do not repeat what has been stated.
- Facilitator in consultation with the TAC chair may terminate a comment if it is repeating previous comments, and not simply stating agreement or offering new points.
- The TAC wants to hear all viewpoints to ensure all perspectives are considered, not repeats of the same views.
- Proponents and Opponents not wishing to provide comments are encouraged to raise their hands in support of or opposition to Code amendments to provide the TAC with a sense of stakeholder preferences.

#### SECTION 2. TAC CODE AMENDMENT REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION PROCESS

- TAC will vote in favor of the motion that the **standing findings\*** apply to all motions to approve proposed Code amendments (Section 4) prior to considering proposed Code amendments. The TAC will stand on the required findings for all motions to approve. \*This is not a standing motion to approve.
- Facilitator will introduce each proposed Code amendment by FBC Code Chapter and Section in turn, and by TAC based on the tracking chart order.
- Proponent of proposed Code amendment will speak first, followed by other proponents. Identify whether you are speaking for the original and/or an alternate.

- Proponents may request the TAC consider a threshold proposal prior to another proposal on the same matter. It is preferred the request be made to DBPR staff in writing prior to the meeting.
- > Opponents of proposed Code amendment will follow proponents.
- Proponents/opponents will be allowed one (1) collective two-minute counterpoint opportunity to address any new point(s) raised by previous speakers(s), but only if they address new points specific to the comment(s) raised by the speaker(s) and if they provide new points. No repeating of previous comments/points. It will be up to the proponents and the opponents to select one individual to make the counterpoint for their respective perspectives.
- TAC members assigned to review the amendment will provide a brief summary and their recommended action and /or motion, followed by TAC Action.
- ➤ Clarifying questions by TAC members only. TAC members may ask questions of the public through the facilitator.
- > Staff, proponent, or specified commenter will respond to TAC Member's questions.
- ➤ Once a motion and second is on the floor, discussion is limited to TAC members except as allowed by the facilitator in consultation with the TAC chair.
- ➤ Withdrawal of a Code Amendment: A Code amendment proposal may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time prior to the TAC's vote on the proposal.
- All Code amendments must be voted on individually, either to approve or to deny, and will require a motion and a second.
- ➤ Rationale for Denial. TAC members are encouraged, but not required, to provide feedback regarding their reason for not recommending the approval of a Code amendment proposal.
- Motions require a two-thirds (67%) favorable vote for approval; those amendments which receive less than a two-thirds favorable vote will be considered unapproved and will be deemed recommended for denial.
- ➤ In order for a Technical Advisory Committee to make a favorable recommendation to the Commission, the proposal must receive a two-thirds vote of the members present at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting and at least half of the regular members must be present in order to conduct a meeting. [Section 553.73 (3) (b), F.S.]

#### **SECTION 3. TAC MEMBER MODIFICATIONS**

- ➤ TAC Modifications. TAC members should avoid spending time modifying a Code amendment proposal, and instead TAC members should focus on providing a proponent with constructive comments for possible revision of their Code amendment during the 2<sup>nd</sup> 45 day review/comment period. This approach will ensure that consideration of Code amendments is completed within the time allocated for the meeting.
- Any TAC modifications to a proposed Code amendment require: additional public comment, and TAC analysis of findings, rationale, and fiscal impact.
- ➤ *Modifications:* Modifications to proposed Code amendments may be suggested by any person participating in the TAC meeting. The person proposing the modification is deemed to be the proponent of the Code amendment. All modifications must be written, unless determined by the

Chair to be either editorial or minor in nature. The proponent of the modification shall provide an electronic version in an editable format, and 20 hard copies to staff for distribution to the TAC prior to TAC consideration.

- A proposed modification to a Code amendment shall not be considered by the TAC if it:
  - o Is not legible;
  - o Changes the scope of the original proposal; or,
  - o Is not readily understood so that a proper assessment of its impact on the original proposal of the Code can be determined.

### SECTION 4. STANDING FINDINGS APPLIED TO ALL MOTIONS TO APPROVE PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENTS

Facilitator will read the following motion, ask for a motion and second to approve, and the TAC will then vote in favor.

The Technical Advisory Committee moves that for all motions made to approve a proposed Code amendment, the Technical Advisory Committee votes to recommend that the Commission approve the amendment based on the following Findings [Pursuant to the Requirements of Section 553.73 (9)(a) and (9)(b), F.S.]:

- A. The amendment is needed in order to accommodate the specific needs of this state; and
- B. The amendment has a reasonable and substantial connection to the health, safety, and welfare of the general public; and
- C. The amendment strengthens or improves the Florida Building Code, or in the case of innovation or new technology, will provide equivalent or better products or methods or systems of construction; and
- D. The amendment does not discriminate against materials, products, methods, or systems of construction of demonstrated capabilities; and
- E. The amendment does not degrade the effectiveness of the Florida Building Code; and
- F. The amendment has the following fiscal impact relative to the costs and benefits of the proposed amendment:
  - 1. The fiscal impact relative to enforcement imposed upon local government is as indicated by the proponent.
  - 2. The fiscal impact of compliance imposed upon property and building owners is as indicated by the proponent.
  - 3. The fiscal impact relative to compliance imposed upon industry is as indicated by the proponent.
  - 4. The amendment must demonstrate by evidence or data that the state's geographical jurisdiction exhibits a need to strengthen the code beyond the needs or regional variations addressed by the code and why the proposed amendment applies to this state.
  - G. The amendment's benefits noted with regard to fiscal impact and efficacy outweigh the costs imposed.
  - H. The amendment does not diminish requirements related to wind resistance or prevention of water intrusion contained in the Code or its referenced standards and criteria.

#### **ATTACHMENT 8**

#### TAC FINAL RECOMMENDATION ON 2026 CODE AMENDMENTS PROCESS

TACs' Final Recommendations to the Commission
'TAC Review Process for Public Comments on TACs'
Preliminary Code Amendment Recommendations

2026 Code Update Process – 9<sup>th.</sup> Edition (2026), Florida Building Code
(Adopted Unanimously August 13, 2024)

#### **SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- Facilitator will serve as moderator, ask for and call the motions, and assist with Commission's adopted process and participation procedures.
- ➤ One person speaks at a time. State name and representation each time you speak. TAC members state you name when making and seconding motions.
- Limit your comment and be concise.
- ➤ Do not read lengthy prepared statements. Summarize, and if you have a lengthy prepared statement submit the complete text of your comment in writing for the record.
- Public comments will be limited to a maximum of three minutes (3) per person. However, a TAC member may request clarification of public comments through the TAC chair or Facilitator.
- For in-person meetings, hold the microphone button the entire time while speaking. The light starts green, turns yellow with 30 seconds left, and red when 3 minutes is up.
- ➤ Offer new points and/or state agreement with previous speakers. Please do not repeat what has been stated.
- Facilitator in consultation with the TAC chair may terminate a comment if it is repeating previous comments, and not simply stating agreement or offering new points.
- The TAC wants to hear all viewpoints to ensure all perspectives are considered, not repeats of the same views.
- ➤ Proponents and Opponents not wishing to provide comments are encouraged to raise their hands in support of or opposition to Code amendments to provide the TAC with a sense of stakeholder preferences.

### SECTION 2. TAC REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON TAC RECOMMENDATIONS REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION PROCESS

- Facilitator will introduce each comment on TAC's recommendations.
- Proponents of proposed comment will speak first.
- > Opponents of proposed comment will follow proponents.
- Proponents/opponents will be allowed one (1) collective two-minute counterpoint opportunity to address any new point(s) raised by previous speakers(s), but only if they address new points specific to the comment(s) raised by the speaker(s) and if they provide new points. No repeating

- of previous comments/points. It will be up to the proponents and the opponents to select one individual to make the counterpoint for their respective perspectives.
- ➤ Withdrawal of Comment: A comment on a TAC recommendation regarding a proposed Code amendment may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time prior to the TAC's vote on that comment.
- After public input on a comment on a TAC recommendation, the TAC will take action on the comment by voting either to approve the comment and amend their previous recommendation, or to deny the comment and retain their previous recommendation.
- In considering the comment the TAC should consider whether the public comment sufficiently addresses the TAC's concern(s) regarding the proposed Code amendment, or does not address the TAC's concern(s).
- A proposed comment shall not be considered by the TAC if it:
  - o Is not legible;
  - o Changes the scope of the original proposed Code amendment and/or TAC's recommendation regarding the Code amendment; or,
  - o Is not readily understood so that a proper assessment of its impact on the original proposed Code amendment and/or TAC's recommendation can be determined.
- > TACs should not attempt to revise or amend the comments in any way.
- The TAC's final actions on the comments will be submitted to the Commission as the TAC's final recommendations on proposed Code amendments to the Florida Building Code.
- ➤ The recommendations will be provided to the Commission on consent agendas.
- Motions require a two-thirds (67%) favorable vote for approval; those amendments which receive less than a two-thirds favorable vote will be considered unapproved and will be deemed recommended for denial.
- ➤ In order for a Technical Advisory Committee to make a favorable recommendation to the Commission, the proposal must receive a two-thirds vote of the members present at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting and at least half of the regular members must be present in order to conduct a meeting. [Section 553.73 (3) (b), F.S.]

### SECTION 3. CONSENT AGENDAS OF TACS' FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

CONSENT AGENDAS RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL. The TACs' recommendations for denial of specific proposed Code amendments are on "Consent Agendas Recommended for Denial," one per TAC, consisting of multiple tracking charts containing Code amendments reflective of the topical Code areas within the TAC's purview. These recommendations are posted to the BCIS and labeled: Chart #1: "Tracking Charts with TAC Actions—Consent Agendas to Deny." The tracking charts of Code amendments recommended for denial relevant to each TAC will be considered by the Commission as a single consent agenda per TAC.

**CONSENT AGENDAS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.** The TACs' recommendations for approval of specific proposed Code amendments are on "Consent Agendas Recommended for Approval," one per TAC, consisting of multiple tracking charts containing Code amendments reflective of the topical

Code areas within the TAC's purview. These recommendations are posted to the BCIS and labeled: Chart #2: "Tracking Charts with TAC Actions—Consent Agendas for Approval." The tracking charts of Code amendments recommended for approval relevant to each TAC will be considered by the Commission as a single consent agenda per TAC.

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION.** The TACs' recommendations for proposed Code amendments recommended for individual consideration, either to approve or to deny, will be considered individually by the Commission. These recommendations are posted to the BCIS and labeled: Chart #3: "Tracking Charts with TAC Actions—Individual Consideration." The tracking charts of Code amendments recommended for individual consideration relevant to each TAC will be considered by the Commission individually per TAC.

#### **ATTACHMENT 9**

#### COMMISSION REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 2026 CODE AMENDMENTS PROCESS

COMMISSION CODE AMENDMENTS REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS

2026 CODE UPDATE PROCESS – 9<sup>TH.</sup> EDITION (2026), FLORIDA BUILDING CODE
(ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY AUGUST 13, 2024)

#### **SECTION 1. OVERVIEW**

Proposed Code amendments to the Florida Building Code will be reviewed by the Commission's TACs in meetings per the 2026 Code Update Workplan. The TACs' preliminary recommendations regarding proposed Code amendments will subsequently be posted to the Commission's website for a minimum of 45 days and the public will be provided an opportunity to comment on the TACs' recommendations during this timeframe (second 45-day review period). The TACs will meet for a second time per the 2026 Code Update Workplan to review the public comments, and to decide whether the submitted comments address their concerns regarding their recommendations on proposed Code amendments. The TACs will vote on their final recommendations during this series of meetings. In addition, the Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup will review the TACs' recommendations and provide comments regarding costs/impacts of the TACs' recommended Code amendments for approval relevant to the Residential Building Code (Code amendments identified as impactful). These comments will be incorporated into the detail reports for each TAC.

The Commission will consider the TACs' recommendations regarding proposed Code amendments during meeting designated in the 2026 Code Update Workplan. The Commission will consider each TAC's recommendations in turn, by consent agendas for approval, consent agendas for denial, and amendments recommended for individual consideration. Any Commissioner may pull any Code amendments for individual consideration.

After the Commission takes action on all of the proposed Code amendments they will move to proceed with rulemaking for Rule 61G20-1.001(1), Florida Building Code Adopted, for the purpose of adopting approved Code amendments to the Florida Building Code. The Commission will conduct a Rule Development Workshop on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code during the meeting(s) designated in the 2026 Code Update Workplan.

#### **SECTION 2. ORGANIZATION**

#### **Process Overview**

The TAC's recommendations regarding proposed Code amendments for inclusion in the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code (2026 Code Update) are arranged on single tracking charts one per TAC, as follows:

The TACs' Recommendations are on single Tracking Charts by TAC consisting of the **Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval** (all modifications the TAC is recommending for approval either as submitted or as modified – Group 1 and 2), the **Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial** (all modifications the TAC is recommending for denial – Group 3), and Amendments either pulled from the consent agendas by Staff for individual consideration or amendments requested to be pulled from the consent agendas (for approval or for denial) by stakeholders (Group 4).

- 1. Consent Agendas Recommended for Approval (Group 1 and 2). The TACs' recommendations for approval of specific proposed Code amendments are all of the amendments that the specific TAC is recommending for approval either as submitted or as modified, and this package of amendments is deemed to be the TAC's "Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval" (Group 1 and 2). The Commission will vote to approve the TAC's recommendations on the Code amendments, as posted or as amended by the Commission's removal of specific Code amendments recommended for approval. The motion should be framed: Motion to approve the consent agenda for approval (as posted or amended) and to approve all of the proposed Code amendments on the consent agenda. Commissioners should pull off any Code amendment(s) that would prevent them from voting to approve the consent agenda of amendments recommended for approval by the TAC and as posted to the BCIS.
- 2. Consent Agendas Recommended For Denial (Group 3). The TACs' recommendations for denial of specific proposed Code amendments are all of the amendments that the specific TAC is recommending for denial, and this package of amendments is deemed to be the TAC's "Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial" (Group 3). The Commission will vote to approve the TAC's recommendations on the Code amendments, as posted or as amended by the Commission's removal of specific Code amendments recommended for denial. The motion should be framed: Motion to approve the consent agenda for denial (as posted or as amended) and to deny all of the proposed Code amendments on the consent agenda. Commissioners should pull off any Code amendment(s) that would prevent them from voting to approve the consent agenda of amendments recommended for denial by the TAC and as posted to the BCIS.

Any Commissioner may pull any Code amendment off of a "Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval" or a "Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial" for individual consideration based on public comment.

**3. REQUESTS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION (GROUP 4).** Amendments that staff has pulled from the consent agendas (approval and/or denial) for individual consideration, and amendments that stakeholders are requesting the Commission pull from the consent agendas (approval and/or denial) for individual consideration.

All amendments pulled from the consent agendas, for approval or for denial, will be considered individually by the Commission. The Group 4 amendments on each Tracking Chart are the group of recommendations consisting of amendments staff is recommending for individual consideration and those amendments proponents requested be pulled and the Commission subsequently pulled off of consent agendas for individual consideration. The Code amendments recommended for individual consideration relevant to each TAC will be considered by the Commission individually per TAC. Code amendments that Staff recommended for individual consideration, and Code amendments pulled by the Commission for individual consideration for the purpose of approval or denial require a motion to approve or a motion to deny and a second.

The Commission will vote in favor of the motion that the standing findings apply to all motions to approve proposed Code amendments (Section 4 on page 3) prior to considering proposed Code amendments. The Commission will stand on the required findings for all motions to approve.

After the Commission takes action on all of the proposed Code amendments they will move to proceed with rulemaking for Rule 61G20-1.001(1), Florida Building Code Adopted, for the purpose of adopting approved Code amendments to the Florida Building Code.

### SECTION 3. REQUESTING CODE AMENDMENTS BE PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDAS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

REQUESTING A CODE AMENDMENT TO BE PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION. Commissioners or members of the public requesting that Code amendments be pulled for individual consideration ("Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial" or "Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval") should submit their request in writing no later than 21 days prior to the Commission meeting where the Code amendments will be considered. Requests should be sent to Mo Madani at DBPR. The Commission will decide which if any Code amendments to pull for individual consideration at its rule workshop on Rule 61G20-1.001.

Any Commissioner may pull any proposed Code amendment off of a "Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval" or a "Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial" for individual consideration based on public comment (submitted in writing or verbally).

### SECTION 4. STANDING FINDINGS APPLIED TO ALL MOTIONS TO APPROVE TACS' CONSENT AGENDAS AND FOR ALL INDIVIDUALLY CONSIDERED CODE AMENDMENTS

Facilitator will read the following motion, ask for a motion and second to approve, and the Commission will then vote in favor.

Motion 1: The Commission moves that for all motions made to approve a proposed consent agenda for approval and any individually-considered Code amendments, the Florida Building Commission votes to approve them based on the following Findings [Pursuant to the Requirements of Section 553.73 (9)(a) and (9)(b), F.S.]:

- A. The amendment is needed in order to accommodate the specific needs of this state; and
- B. The amendment has a reasonable and substantial connection to the health, safety, and welfare of the general public; and
- C. The amendment strengthens or improves the Florida Building Code, or in the case of innovation or new technology, will provide equivalent or better products or methods or systems of construction; and
- D. The amendment does not discriminate against materials, products, methods, or systems of construction of demonstrated capabilities; and
- E. The amendment does not degrade the effectiveness of the Florida Building Code; and
- F. The amendment has the following fiscal impact relative to the costs and benefits of the proposed amendment:
  - 1. The fiscal impact relative to enforcement imposed upon local government is as indicated by the proponent.
  - 2. The fiscal impact of compliance imposed upon building and property owners is as indicated by the proponent.
  - 3. The fiscal impact relative to compliance imposed upon industry is as indicated by the proponent.
- G. The amendment must demonstrate by evidence or data that the state's geographical jurisdiction exhibits a need to strengthen the code beyond the needs or regional variations addressed by the code and why the proposed amendment applies to this state.
- H. The amendment's benefits noted with regard to fiscal impact and efficacy outweigh the costs imposed.

I. The amendment does not diminish requirements related to wind resistance or prevention of water intrusion contained in the Code or its referenced standards and criteria.

Motion 2: Motion to approve DBPR Staff's recommendations regarding correlations and editorial fixes for the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code and to authorize staff to make correlations and editorial fixes as needed for the 9<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2026), Florida Building Code.

After the Commission takes action on all of the proposed Code amendments: Motion 3: Motion to proceed with rulemaking for Rule 61G20-1.001(1), Florida Building Code Adopted, for the purpose of adopting approved Code amendments into the Florida Building Code.

#### **SECTION 5. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- Facilitator will serve as moderator, ask for and call the motions, and assist with Commission's adopted process and participation procedures.
- ➤ One person speaks at a time. State name and representation each time you speak.
- Limit your comment and be concise.
- ➤ Do not read lengthy prepared statements. Summarize, and if you have a lengthy prepared statement submit the complete text of your comment in writing for the record.
- ➤ Public comments will be limited to a maximum of three minutes (3) per person. However, a Commission member may request clarification of public comments through the Chair or Facilitator.
- For in-person meetings, hold the microphone button the entire time while speaking. The light starts green, turns yellow with 30 seconds left, and red when 3 minutes is up.
- ➤ Offer new points and/or state agreement with previous speakers. Please do not repeat what has been stated.
- Facilitator in consultation with the Chair may terminate a comment if it is repeating previous comments, and not simply stating agreement or offering new points.
- ➤ The Commission wants to hear all viewpoints to ensure all perspectives are considered, not repeats of the same views.
- Proponents and Opponents not wishing to provide comments are encouraged to raise their hands in support of or opposition to Code amendments to provide the Commission with a sense of stakeholder preferences.

#### SECTION 6. PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS OVERVIEW

- Facilitator will introduce the TACs' recommendations regarding proposed Code amendments by "Consent Agendas Recommended for Approval," followed by "Consent Agendas Recommended for Denial," by TAC in turn.
- The public will be invited to request that any of the TACs' recommendations on consent agendas for Commission action be considered individually, as introduced by the Facilitator in turn by TAC, if the amendment has not previously been pulled by the Commission for Individual Consideration.

➤ Public comments will be limited to a maximum of three minutes (3) per person. However, a Commission member may request clarification of public comments through the Chair or Facilitator.

### SECTION 7. FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION 2026 UPDATE CODE AMENDMENTS REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS

- ➤ Facilitator will introduce each "Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval" consisting of proposed Code amendments recommended for approval (as submitted and as modified) (Group 1 and 2), by each TAC in turn.
- Facilitator will subsequently introduce each "Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial" consisting of proposed Code amendments recommended for denial (Group 3), by each TAC in turn.
- Facilitator will subsequently identify each Code Amendment Staff has pulled for Individual Consideration and those that stakeholders are requesting be pulled for Individual Consideration (Group 4), by each TAC in turn.
- Commissioner(s) will decide which, if any, Code amendments to pull for individual consideration.
- Any Commissioner may pull any Code amendment for individual consideration.
- ➤ Public will have an opportunity to speak to any Code amendments they wish the Commission to consider individually from the "Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval," or "Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial," if the amendment has not previously been pulled by the Commission for Individual Consideration, by TAC in turn, as introduced by the Facilitator.
- FBC will vote in favor of each "Consent Agenda Recommended for Approval," by TAC in turn, as posted or as amended by the Commission's removal of specific Code amendments recommended for approval.
- ➤ FBC will vote in favor of each "Consent Agenda Recommended for Denial," by TAC in turn, as posted or as amended by the Commission's removal of specific Code amendments recommended for denial.
- > Clarifying questions by FBC members only.
- ➤ Once a motion is on the floor, discussion is limited to FBC members except as allowed by the Chair.
- Facilitator will subsequently introduce each Code Amendment pulled by Staff and/or the Commission for Individual Consideration (Group 4), by each TAC in turn.
- ➤ A Commissioner must move approval or denial of a proposed Code amendment and receive a second prior to discussion.
- ➤ All Code amendments pulled for individual consideration must be voted on individually either to approve or deny.
- Any Code amendment considered individually that receives a motion to approve but does not receive a second will be deemed denied for failure to receive a second.
- $\triangleright$  Motions either for approval or denial require a  $\ge 75\%$  favorable vote for approval; those with less than a 75% favorable vote will be considered unapproved and the motion deemed denied.