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**OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION'S KEY ACTIONS AND DECISIONS**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023**

**I. PLENARY SESSION SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW**

The Commission conducted their October 17, 2023 Plenary Session as an in-person meeting in Cocoa Beach, Florida. At the October meeting the Commission considered and decided on Chair's issues and recommendations, Executive Director's announcements, product and entity approvals, applications for accreditor and course approvals, applications for waivers from accessibility requirements, petitions for declaratory statements, a legal report, and recommendations from the Commission's various committees. In addition, the Commission received an update regarding UF's preliminary assessment of building damage caused by Hurricane Idalia; and a briefing on Binding Interpretation #263. Specific actions included voting to: **1)** Approve the updated Workplan and Schedule for development of the 8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023), Florida Building Code; **2)** Approve the Existing Building Inspection Workgroup's SB 4-D Assignment #2 Recommendations, as revised by the Commission, for the *Commission's Recommendations on Structural and Life Safety Maintenance and Inspection Standards* Report; and **3)** Initiate the rulemaking process for Rule 61G20-2.005, Florida Administrative Code, to update the private provider form, and to delegate authority to Thomas Campbell to sign rulemaking documents on behalf of the Commission.

*(Attachment 1 — Meeting Evaluation Results)*

**II. CHAIR'S WELCOME**

Chairman Schock welcomed the Commission, DBPR staff, and the public to Cocoa Beach, Florida and the October 17, 2023 plenary session of the Florida Building Commission.

The Chair expressed that on behalf of the Florida Building Commission he offered the Commission's sympathy and support to all those impacted by Hurricane Idalia. 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 Chair noted that the Commission remains committed to this effort,

and during the meeting they would receive an update regarding UF's preliminary building damage assessment from Hurricane Idalia.

The Chair noted that in addition to considering regular procedural issues, updates, and reports, the primary task for the October 17, 2023 meeting was to approve the EBIWG's SB 4-D Assignment #2 Recommendations.

The Chair explained, as always the Commission would provide an opportunity for public comment on each of the Commission's substantive discussion topics. Chairman Schock expressed that if one wants 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 or there is a formal motion on the floor.

### **III. COMMISSION ATTENDANCE**

The following Commissioners participated in the October 17, 2023 in-person meeting:

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

(16 of the 16 seated Commissioners attended — 100%).

*Absent Commissioners:*

All commissioners were present.

### **DBPR STAFF PARTICIPATING**

Thomas Campbell, 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: <http://facilitatedsolutions.org>.



### **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: <http://floridabuilding.org/c/default.aspx>

#### **IV. AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

Following are the key agenda items approved for consideration:

- To Approve Regular Procedural Topics (Agenda and Minutes).
- To Consider/Decide on Chair’s Discussion Issues/Recommendations.
- To Consider/Decide on Executive Director Announcements and Discussions.
- To Receive a Preliminary Update Regarding Survey of Building Damage from Hurricane Idalia.
- To Receive Update Regarding the Florida Building Code, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, (2023), Workplan.
- To Consider/Decide on the EBIWG’s SB 4-D Assignment #2 Recommendations.
- To Consider/Decide on Product Approval, DBPR, and Entity Approval.
- To Consider/Decide on Applications for Accreditor and Course Applications.
- To Consider/Decide on Applications for Waivers from Accessibility Requirements.
- To Receive Briefing on Binding Interpretation #263.
- To Receive a Legal Report Briefing.
- To Consider/Decide on Petitions for Declaratory Statements.
- To Receive/Decide on Reports and Recommendations from Committees.
- To Hear Public Comment.
- To Identify Needed Next Steps, Assignments, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (December 12, 2023, Virtual meeting).

***Commission Action:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the agenda for the October 17, 2023 meeting as presented and posted.

*Amendments to the Posted Agenda:* There were no amendments offered to the posted agenda.

*(Attachment 2 — October 17, 2023 Commission Agenda)*

#### **V. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 15, 2023 MEETING MINUTES AND FACILITATOR’S SUMMARY REPORT**

The Chair asked whether there were any corrections or additions to the posted August 15, 2023 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, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the August 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes and Facilitator’s Summary Report as posted/presented.

*Amendments:* There were no amendments offered to the meeting minutes.

#### **VI. CHAIR’S DISCUSSION ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### **Appreciation for Tom Campbell**

Chairman Schock reported that Tom Campbell, the Commission’s Executive Director, recently announced he was taking a higher-level position within DBPR, and October 17, 2023 is his last day as

the Commission's Executive Director. Since being appointed Executive Director on September 23, 2016, Tom provided 7 years of outstanding service to the Commission demonstrating a collaborative and respectful approach toward working with the many diverse stakeholders representing building construction industry interests, consistent with the Commission's commitment to working with affected interests to build consensus on the Florida Building Code System. On behalf of the Commission, the Chair heartily thanked Tom for his service to the state of Florida in his role as the Commission's executive director. Thank you Tom, you will be missed by all!

### **Appointments**

Chairman Schock made the following appointments and thanked the appointees for agreeing to serve:

- Linda Patrick to the Swimming Pool TAC.

### **Updated Commission Milestones**

The Chair reminded participants that the Updated Commission Milestones document (updated as of August 15, 2023) is linked to the October 17, 2023 FBC Agenda on the BCIS.

## **VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISCUSSIONS**

Tom Campbell, FBC Executive Director, briefed the Commission on the following issues:

### **A) Election of Chair**

Tom stated that pursuant to Rule 61G20-2.001, F.A.C. - Commission Organization and Operations, the Commission will need to elect a new chair during the December 2023 meeting. As the first elected chair, Chairman Schock's term will end on December 31, 2023 when the 8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023), Florida Building Code becomes effective. The term for all subsequent chairs will run from the date that a new edition of the Florida Building Code becomes effective until the subsequent edition of the Florida Building Code goes into effect. The next chair's term will run from December 31, 2023 until the effective date of the 9<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Code. There are no term limits and any commissioner who has served for at least one year is eligible. In addition, the elected chair will appoint the vice chair. Tom indicated that commissioners interested in running for the chair position should submit their names to Mo Madani and Jeff Blair prior to the December meeting.

### **B) Future Commission Meeting Dates**

Tom reported that the Commission's next meeting is December 12, 2023, and will be conducted as a Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting. Following are the tentative dates for the regular bimonthly Commission meetings scheduled for 2024:

- February 13, 2024, Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting
- April 16, 2024, Onsite (Rule workshop for Code errata and rule workshop for milestone inspection requirements)
- June 18, 2024 Virtual (Second rule workshop for milestone inspection requirements, if necessary)
- August 13, 2024, Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting
- October 15, 2024, Onsite (In conjunction with TAC meetings for I-Code changes review)
- December 10, 2024, Onsite (Commission review of I-Code changes)

## VIII. SURVEY OF BUILDING DAMAGE FROM HURRICANE IDALIA UPDATE

Chairman Schock reported that Hurricane Idalia made landfall in Florida on August 30, 2023 along the Big Bend coast of Florida near Keaton Beach (Taylor County) as a powerful Category 3 storm. In order to evaluate the Code’s effectiveness against wind and water intrusion, the Commission has an ongoing contract with the University of Florida (UF) to conduct/survey building damage assessment of hurricanes impacting Florida. Dr. David Prevatt from the University of Florida (UF) provided the Commission with an update regarding UF’s preliminary assessment of building damage caused by Hurricane Idalia.

Dr. David Prevatt, UF, provided the Commission with a presentation titled: “Hurricane Idalia of 30 August 2023 Preliminary Observations of Impacts in Florida.” The presentation will be posted to the BCIS.

### Summary of Report

#### *Hurricane Idalia Summary*

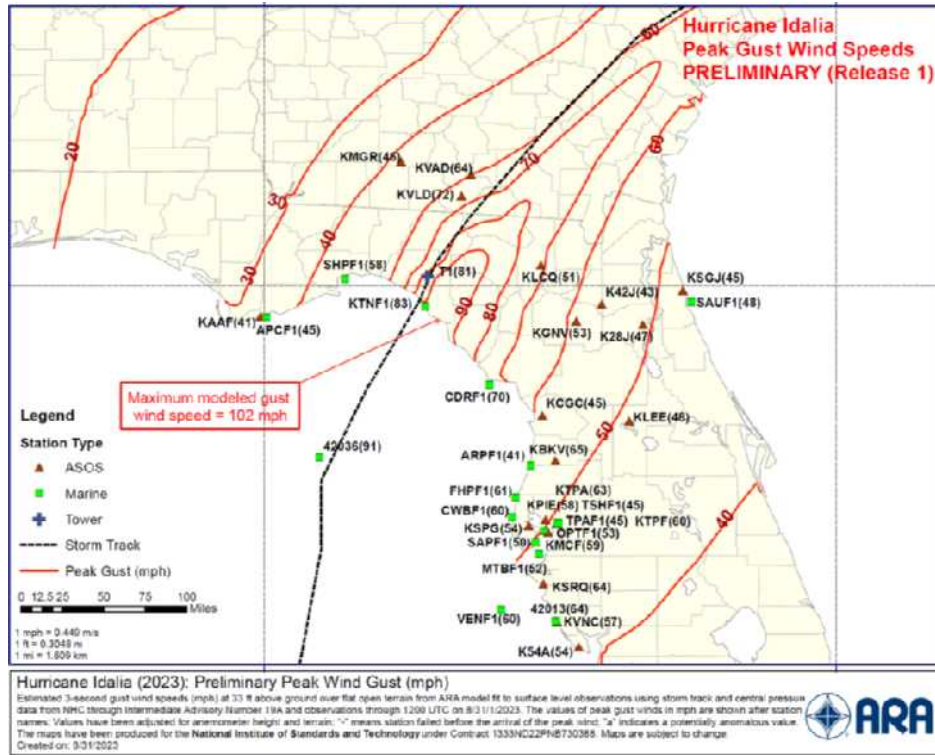
<b>Landfall Date</b>	30-August 2023
<b>Landfall Location</b>	Kenton Beach, FL
<b>Landfall Intensity</b>	Category 3
<b>Max Sustained Winds at Landfall (NHC)</b>	125 mph
<b>Peak Surge Inundation</b>	~ 8 ft above ground level
<b>Economic Losses</b>	\$2.5 – 4 billion (Verisk)
<b>Fatalities</b>	9 total / 5 direct in FL and GA



- Storm surge dictated by combined effects of the:
  - Strong onshore wind field associated with the hurricane,
  - Tidal effects,
  - The coastal geography - wide, gently-sloping continental shelf, and
  - The concavity and low-lying coastal features of the Big Bend.
- Maximum total rainfall across a 48-hr period during Idalia’s passage was estimated at:
  - Almost 10 inches in swaths near St. Petersburg, FL, and
  - Along the storm’s track from the Florida panhandle and into portions of Georgia and South Carolina.
- The NWS issued 40 tornado warnings and 9 tornadoes were reported.
- NWS confirmed 13 tornadoes, all rated EF0 or EF1 using the Enhanced Fujita Scale ([NWS](#)).



## Hurricane Idalia Wind Hazard Observations



## Local Building Code Provisions - History

**Table 3.1.** History of building codes and wind design standards for Keaton Beach, FL

Code Edition	Effective Date	ASCE Reference	Design Wind Speed (mph) <sup>a</sup>	ASD Wind Load Factor	Lateral Design Pressure (psf) <sup>b</sup>
1997 SBC	Pre-2002	ASCE 7-98	120	1	36.8
2001 FBC	Mar-02	ASCE 7-98	120	1	36.8
2004 FBC	Oct-05	ASCE 7-02	120	1	36.8
2007 FBC	Mar-09	ASCE 7-05	120	1	36.8
2010 FBC	Mar-12	ASCE 7-10	122	0.6	22.9
2014 FBC	Jun-15	ASCE 7-10	122	0.6	22.9
2017 FBC	Dec-2017	ASCE 7-10	122	0.6	22.9
2020 FBC	Jan-2021	ASCE 7-16	117	0.6	21
2023 FBC	July-2023	ASCE 7-22	122	0.6	22

<sup>a</sup> Design wind speeds are 3-second gusts in open terrain at 10 m height above ground level, but correspond to a 50 yr MRI in ASCE 7-98/02/05 and a 700 year MRI in ASCE 7-10.  
<sup>b</sup> Lateral design pressure is defined as  $P = 0.00256 \cdot (V_{design})^2 \cdot LF$ , where  $V_{design}$  is the design wind speed, and LF is the ASD wind load factor.

- In the landfall region, design wind speeds are 120 mph or less, the lowest in all of the state.
- For comparison, the allowable stress design level lateral wind pressure has dropped from the 37 psf established in the ASCE 7-98 to 22 psf in ASCE 7-10 and subsequent editions regulate most building construction:

- (1) the Florida Residential Code and,
- (2) the Florida Building Code.
- While the Florida Residential Code provides regulations and guidance for the construction of one and two-family dwellings, the Florida Building Code addresses all other permanent buildings and structures.
- The Florida Building Code, released in 2010, was primarily based on the 2009 International Building Code, which did not incorporate the specifications of ASCE 7-10 at that time.
- From 2012, the ASCE 7-10 served as the foundation of the minimum structural design provisions of the Florida Building Code. See Table 3.1 above for the history of code adoption in the landfall region and how the design pressure has changed with time.

### **FBC Changes After Hurricane Charley (2004)**

- Improved wood to masonry wall interfaces.
- Improved roof tile attachment.
- Adoption of wind-rated resistance of asphalt shingles.
- Required roof deck re-nailing when reroofing.
- Adoption of wind pressure criteria for soffits.
- Adoption of wind pressure labels for windows, garage doors, and shutters.
- All major structures are required to be designed to resist the predicted forces associated with a 100-year storm event. the lowest horizontal structural member of the building is placed at an elevation above the predicted breaking wave crest, termed the 100-year storm elevation.
- Notably, there is no CCCL in Big Bend, as it governs only sandy beaches.

### **Post-Idalia Assessments**

- Two triage assessments were performed.
- Survey led by Dr. Prevatt was conducted west of Jasper and Southwest of Lie Oak on September 8, 2023.
- Survey led by Dr. Gurley was conducted in Steinhatchee, Dark Island, Keaton Beach, Dekle Beach, and Ezell Airstrip on September 1, 2023.

### **Summary of Survey Results**

- Primarily loss of roof cover (shingles or old metal roofs):
  - Most structures had little to no observable roof cover loss,
  - Roof cover loss was almost exclusively to older buildings,
  - All elevations of subject buildings typically not available, so unseen damage is very likely.
- Debris impact damage evident.
- Window damage was observed. Pressure vs debris not assessed.
- Roof decking damage was observed but infrequent, and only older construction.
- Overall observation is that coastal wind damage is consistent with that expected for a Cat 1-2 event, but it is much less frequent or severe than Cat 3 expectations. (This is independent of any storm surge damage)

*Summary of Damage Observed*

Category	Damage Observed
Single-Family Residential Buildings	Pre-1994 houses predominantly damaged, at or near grade. Roof cover and wall cladding losses
Multi-Family Residential Buildings	Brick building cladding failures, roof cover failures
Commercial Buildings	MBMA building total collapse, gas station canopies, storm surge damage to coastal structures,
Farm Buildings	A few total collapse of wood, steel framed buildings
Healthcare/Medical Facilities	No damage observed
Schools	Failures of metal roofing, & asphalt shingle roofing
Government Facilities	No damage observed
Mobile/Manufactured Homes	Few damage reports – including homes floated off foundation by storm surge
Critical Facilities	Fire Station, Cedar Key – Accessory structure
Historical Buildings	No damage observed
Religious Institutions	1 flooded church in Horseshoe Bend, 2 roofing failures from churches (Perry and Jasper, FL)

**Summary and Recommendations**

- Hurricane Idalia was one of the lowest-impact major hurricanes to landfall in the state of Florida in recent years – due to rural location.
- Moderate peak wind speeds (70 to 90 mph), caused damage to structures well inland from coast, as far as Jasper, Florida near the Georgia border.
- We do not recommend further investigation given small numbers of damaged buildings - anticipate limited opportunity to derive new knowledge.
- Opportunities for bolstering community resilience:
  - Risk perception and behavioral response to risk information (wind speeds 90 mph).
- Policy advocacy:
  - Coastal Building Elevations/ Blue Sky Study,
  - Reconsider: Code Exemptions for Buildings on Agricultural Property, and
  - Vulnerability of Manufactured and Mobile Homes (especially in coastal locations).

**IX. 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, 16 – 0 in favor, to approve the updated Workplan and Schedule for development of the 8<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2023), Florida Building Code.

## **X. APPROVAL OF EBIWG’S RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMISSION FOR SB 4-D ASSIGNMENT #2**

The Chair explained that in response to the Champlain Towers tragedy, the Florida Legislature unanimously passed Senate Bill 4-D (2022) in a special session in May 2022. The bill created Section 553.899, Florida Statutes, which directed the Florida Building Commission to complete two assignments. To complete the two assignments, the Chair appointed and convened the Existing Building Inspection Workgroup (EBIWG). The first assignment required the Commission to “review the milestone inspection requirements and make recommendations to the Legislature to ensure inspections are sufficient to determine the structural integrity of a building.” The Commission completed the assignment and submitted a written report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2022 as required.

The second assignment requires the Commission, in consultation with the State Fire Marshal, to “provide recommendations to the Legislature for the adoption of comprehensive structural and lifesafety standards for maintaining and inspecting all types of buildings in this state that are three stories or more in height,” and requires the Commission to submit a written report of its recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2023.

For both assignments the Workgroup solicited public opinion and provided opportunity for public testimony at its meetings, and engaged in a consensus-building process to identify potential recommendations that had a broad base of support.

At their final Phase 2 meeting on September 15, 2023 the Workgroup voted unanimously to recommend the Commission include the Workgroup’s consensus ranked recommendations as the Florida Building Commission’s *Recommendations on Structural and Life Safety Maintenance and Inspection Standards* report.

Jeff Blair, Commission Facilitator, explained the sequence of steps for evaluating the EBIWG’s recommendations as follows:

- Tom Campbell will provide an overview of the EBIWG’s Recommendations and the 5 revisions proposed by DBPR.
- Commissioner clarifying questions.
- Public Comment. The public should use this opportunity to address the proposed revisions specifically and/or the Report and Recommendations generally.
- Commission will take the 5 proposed revisions on a consent agenda to approve.
- Any Commissioner may pull off any of the proposed revisions for individual consideration and action.
- The Commission will approve the consent agenda for approval of the proposed revisions as presented, or as amended if any are pulled for individual consideration.
- Proposed revisions pulled for individual consideration, if any, will be voted on individually.
- The Commission will vote to adopt the Recommendations as revised by the Commission.

Tom Campbell, FBC Executive Director, subsequently led the Commission through a review of the Report and Recommendations and explained the 5 revisions proposed by DBPR.

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

***Commission Actions:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the (5) five revisions proposed by DBPR, as amended to include relevant statutory references that would provide any exemptions regarding the requirement for local AHJ's to make milestone inspection records publicly available through and internet web page or internet-based application.

**MOTION** — The Commission voted, 15 – 1 in favor, to adopt the Florida Building Commission's *Recommendations on Structural and Life Safety Maintenance and Inspection Standards*, incorporating the Existing Building Inspection Workgroup's Recommendations and the Commission's approved revisions, in fulfillment of SB 4-D Assignment #2, and to authorize DBPR to make editorial revisions for presentation, clarity, and consistency as needed and to submit the Commission's Report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2023.

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

Commissioner Hershberger presented the Product Approval Oversight Committee's recommendations for entities approvals to the 2023 Code on the consent agenda for approval.

***Commission Action on the Consent Agenda for Entities Approvals — 2023 Code:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the consent agenda of product approval entities to the 2023 Code (9) as posted/presented.

Commissioner Hershberger presented the Product Approval Oversight Committee's recommendations for products recommended for approval to the 2020 Code on the consent agenda for approval.

***Commission Action on the Consent Agenda for Product Approvals — 2020 Code:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the consent agenda of products (25) recommended for approval to the 2020 Code as posted/presented.

Jeff Blair presented the Product Approval Oversight Committee's recommendations for product approvals to the 2020 Code with comments.

***Commission Actions Regarding Product Approval Applications With Comments — 2020 Code:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve FL 42284, FL 42289, and FL 42290.

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16- 0 in favor, to conditionally approve FL 42291 to allow the applicant to clarify the water rating.

Commissioner Hershberger presented the Product Approval Oversight Committee's recommendations for product approvals to the 2023 Code on the consent agenda for approval.

***Commission Actions on the Consent Agenda for Product Approval — 2023 Code:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the consent agenda of products (830\*) recommended for approval to the 2023 Code as posted/presented.

*\*Includes Supplement (FL 39124)*

Jeff Blair presented the Product Approval 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, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve FL 7561, FL 42346, and FL 42355.

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16- 0 in favor, to conditionally approve FL 2894, FL 17723, and FL 41735 based on the conditions recommended by DBPR staff analysis, and as recommended by the Product Approval POC and reflected in the posted documentation.

***Commission Actions Regarding DBPR Applications:***

There was no Commission action required regarding the October 2023 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**

Commissioner Bourré presented the applications, and the Commission reviewed and decided on the accreditor and course applications submitted for their consideration as follows:

***Commission Actions:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to approve advanced accredited course numbers (10): 1150.0, 1165.0, 1160.0, 1161.0, 1153.0, 1147.0, 1151.0, 1152.0, 1148.0, 1144.0.

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to conditionally approve for compliance with Rule 61G20-6.002, advanced accredited course numbers (2): 1130.0, and 1131.0.

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to approve administratively approved updated course numbers (2): 960.1 and 962.1.

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to approve administratively self-affirmed with one change updated course numbers (3): 948.2, 629.3, and 1098.1.

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to conditionally approve for compliance with Rule 61G20-6.002, Administratively Approved Self-Affirmed (One-Change) Updated course numbers (2): 853.1, and 854.1.

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

Justin Vogel, Accessibility Advisory Council legal advisor, presented the Accessibility Advisory Council’s recommendations for the waiver applications, and the Commission reviewed and decided on the waiver application submitted for their consideration.

***Commission Actions Regarding Accessibility Waiver Applications:***

- 1. Orchidea Hotel and Restaurant – Waiver 640** - 1350 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach 33139

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor of buildings one and two, and all levels of building three on the grounds of economic hardship.

**2. Elizabeth Bishop House – Waiver 637-** 624 White Street, Key West 33040

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the first and second floors on the grounds of the historical nature of the property.

**3. Harding – Waiver 635-** 7418 Harding Ave, Miami Beach 33141

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the first and second floors on the grounds of the historical nature of the property.

**4. Beach Plaza 1401 - 1409 - 1411 Collins Avenue – Waiver 620-** Buildings at 1401, 1409 and 1411 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach 33156

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the basement and the first, second, and third floors of guest rooms on the grounds of the historical nature of the property and technical infeasibility.

#### **XIV. BINDING INTERPRETATION #263 BRIEFING**

The Chair reported that Binding Interpretation #263 was petitioned by Accent Closets (Ryan Abrams) regarding the City of Pompano Beach BO’s interpretation pursuant to Building, Chapter 9 (Fire Protection Systems), Section 903.2.4.1 of the 7<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2020) Florida Building Code.

The issue involves a petition for a binding interpretation challenging the decision to deny a building permit unless fire sprinklers are installed.

Mo Madani briefed the Commission reporting that the answer to Binding Interpretation #263 was as follows:

**Q)** Are automatic sprinklers required by section [F]903.2.4.1, Florida Building Code, Building, 7<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2020), for a fire area that is larger than 2,500 square feet containing a woodworking area that is 2,500 square feet or less?

**A)** No. However, determination of the subject woodworking operation area must be in accordance with a dust hazard analysis as required by Section 426.1, Florida Building Code, Building, 7<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2020), as reviewed and approved by the authority having jurisdiction.

#### **XV. LEGAL REPORT**

Justin Vogel, Commission Legal Counsel, updated the Commission on outstanding legal matters relevant to the Commission. Justin reported that the Commission needs to update the form used by private providers, which is incorporated by reference in Rule 61G20-2.005, F.A.C., to address changes to the private provider statute that were made in 2005. Also, the language in the notary block may need to be updated to reflect statutory changes made in 2019.

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

***Commission Action:***

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to initiate the rulemaking process for Rule 61G20-2.005, Florida Administrative Code, to update the private provider form, and to delegate authority to Thomas Campbell to sign rulemaking documents on behalf of the Commission.

## **XVI. PETITIONS FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENTS**

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

### **1. DS 2023-035 by George Merlin of George Merlin Associates, Inc**

**Motion** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the Structural and Special Occupancy TACs’ recommendations on the Petition, and adopt staff’s analysis for Q1a, Q1b, Q2, and Q3.

### **2. DS 2023-037 by Jack Butler of Butler & Butler, LLC.**

**Motion** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 - 0 in favor, to approve the Code Administration TAC’s recommendation on the Petition, and adopted staff’s analysis to decline to answer the Petition on the grounds that the questions (Q1 – Q7) deal with subjects outside of the Commission’s authority, address actions taken by other entities, and are not the proper subject for a declaratory statement from the petitioner, given the facts presented.

## **XVII. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Chairman Schock 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 October 17, 2023 Agenda on the BCIS.

### **Code Administration TAC**

Commissioner Brown presented the TAC’s report and any recommendations.

#### **Commission Action:**

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to accept the TAC’s report as presented/posted (October 6, 2023).

### **Education POC**

Commissioner Bourré presented the POC’s report and any recommendations.

#### **Commission Action:**

**MOTION** — The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to accept the POC’s report as presented/posted (October 3, 2023).



### **Existing Building Inspection Workgroup**

Jeff Blair presented the Workgroup's reports and any recommendations.

#### ***Commission Action:***

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to accept the Workgroup's reports as presented/posted (August 16, 2023 and September 15, 2023).

### **Product Approval POC**

Commissioner Hershberger presented the TAC's report and any recommendations.

#### ***Commission Action:***

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to accept the POC's report and Facilitator's Summary Report as presented/posted (October 5, 2023).

### **Special Occupancy TAC**

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

#### ***Commission Action:***

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report as presented/posted (October 6, 2023).

### **Structural TAC**

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

#### ***Commission Action:***

**MOTION**— The Commission voted unanimously, 16 – 0 in favor, to accept the TAC's report as presented/posted (October 6, 2023).

## **XVIII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS AND ISSUES**

Chair Schock 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:***

- None were offered.

## **XIX. 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 Schock invited members of the public to address the Commission on any issues under the Commission's purview.

#### ***Public Comments:***

- Larry Schneider, AIA, Accessibility Advocate: Recommend the Commission charge the Accessibility TAC with evaluating the issues and developing recommendations regarding accessibility requirements for EV charging stations, and adult changing stations for the next edition of the Code.
- Dottie Mazzarella, ICC: Suggested the Commission consider holding their April 2024 meeting in Orlando, Florida to correspond with the ICC code hearings taking place there.

## **XX. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING OVERVIEW AND ASSIGNMENTS**

The December 12, 2023 meeting will focus on the Commission’s regular procedural and substantive issues, and any rule development initiatives. The December meeting will be conducted as a web-based and teleconference virtual meeting.

*(Attachment 5 — Commission Meeting Schedule)*

### **STAFF ASSIGNMENTS FROM THE OCTOBER 17, 2023 COMMISSION MEETING**

There were no specific assignments not handled through the meeting’s agenda items.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair thanked Commission members, staff and the public for their participation, and adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2023.

**ATTACHMENT 1**  
**FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION MEETING EVALUATION RESULTS**

**OCTOBER 17, 2023 — COCOA BEACH, FLORIDA**

*Average rank using a 0 to 10 scale, where 0 means totally disagree and 10 means totally agree.*

Number of Respondents: 12 of 16 (75% response rate) Commissioners participating in the meeting completed meeting evaluations.

**1. OVERALL MEETING ASSESSMENT.**

- 10.0 The background information was very useful.
- 10.0 The agenda packet was very useful.
- 10.0 The objectives for the meeting were stated at the outset.
- 10.0 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 Executive Director's Announcements and Discussions including FBC Annual Report.
- 10.0 Preliminary Assessment of Hurricane Idalia Update.
- 10.0 8<sup>th</sup>. Edition (2023) Workplan Approval.
- 10.0 EBIWG's SB 4-D Assignment #2 Recommendations to the Commission Approval.
- 10.0 Applications for Products and Product Approval Entities Approvals.
- 10.0 Applications for Accreditor and Course Approvals.
- 10.0 Applications for Waivers from Accessibility Requirements Decisions.
- 10.0 Binding Interpretation #263 Briefing.
- 10.0 Legal Report.
- 10.0 Petitions for Declaratory Statements Decisions.
- 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.**

- 10.0 Overall, I am very satisfied with the meeting.
- 10.0 I was very satisfied with the services provided by the Facilitator.
- 10.0 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.**

- Always like in person meetings to better build working conditions and respect.
- The UF report on Hurricane Idalia.
- Good information.
- Very professional.

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

- All went well!
- We should have more in person meetings.
- Coffee and large projection screen facing the Commission.

**COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC EVALUATION TOPICS.**

- None were offered.

**ATTACHMENT 2**  
**OCTOBER 17, 2023 MEETING AGENDA**

**FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION**  
**PLENARY SESSION**  
**COCOA BEACH, FLORIDA**

**MEETING OBJECTIVES**

- To Approve Regular Procedural Topics (Agenda and Minutes).
- To Consider/Decide on Chair’s Discussion Issues/Recommendations.
- To Consider/Decide on Executive Director Announcements and Discussions.
- To Receive a Preliminary Update Regarding Survey of Building Damage from Hurricane Idalia.
- To Receive Update Regarding the Florida Building Code, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, (2023), Workplan.
- To Consider/Decide on the EBIWG’s SB 4-D Assignment #2 Recommendations.
- To Consider/Decide on Product Approval, DBPR, and Entity Approval.
- To Consider/Decide on Applications for Accreditor and Course Applications.
- To Consider/Decide on Applications for Waivers from Accessibility Requirements.
- To Receive Briefing on Binding Interpretation #263.
- To Receive a Legal Report Briefing.
- To Consider/Decide on Petitions for Declaratory Statements.
- To Receive/Decide on Reports and Recommendations from Committees.
- To Hear Public Comment.
- To Identify Needed Next Steps, Assignments, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (December 12, 2023, Virtual meeting).

**COMMISSION AND COMMITTEES — ON SITE & VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

August 16, 2023	8:30 a.m.	Existing Building Inspection Workgroup
September 15, 2023	8:30 a.m.	Existing Building Inspection Workgroup
October 3, 2023	9:00 a.m.	Education Program Oversight Committee
October 5, 2023	10:00 a.m.	Product Approval Program Oversight Committee
October 5, 2023	2:00 p.m.	Accessibility Advisory Council
October 6, 2023	10:00 a.m.	Special Occupancy TAC
October 6, 2023	10:00 a.m.	Structural TAC
October 6, 2023	1:30 p.m.	Code Administration TAC

**MEETING AGENDA — OCTOBER 17, 2023**

*All Agenda Times—including Adjournment—are Approximate and Subject to Change*

<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>1.)</b>	<b>Welcome and Opening, Roll Call</b>
	<b>2.)</b>	<b>Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda</b>
	<b>3.)</b>	<b>Review and Approval of the August 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes and Facilitator’s Summary Report</b>
	<b>4.)</b>	<b>Chair’s Discussion Issues</b>

		<b>Appointments</b> <b>Updated Commission Milestones</b>
	5.)	<b>Executive Director Announcements and Discussions</b>  <b>Future Meetings:</b> December 12, 2023 – Virtual Meeting
	6.)	<b>Preliminary Update Regarding Survey of Building Damage from Hurricane Idalia</b>
	7.)	<b>Florida Building Code, 8th Edition, (2023) Update – Workplan Status</b>
	8.)	<b>Review and Approval of the Existing Building Inspection Workgroup’s Recommendations for SB 4-D Assignment #2</b>
	9.)	<b>Applications for Product and Entity Approval</b>
	10.)	<b>Applications for Accreditor and Course Approval</b>
	11.)	<b>Applications for Waiver from Accessibility Requirements</b>
	12.)	<b>Briefing on Binding Interpretation #263</b>
	13.)	<b>Legal Report</b>
	14.)	<b>Declaratory Statements</b>  A. DS 2023-035 by George Merlin of George Merlin Associates, Inc. B. DS 2023-037 by Jack Butler of Butler & Butler, LLC
	15.)	<b>Committee Reports</b> A. Code Administration Technical Advisory Committee (October 6, 2023) B. Education Program Oversight Committee (October 3, 2023) C. Existing Building Inspection Workgroup (August 16, 2023) and (September 15, 2023) D. Product Approval Program Oversight Committee (October 5, 2023) E. Special Occupancy Technical Advisory Committee (October 6, 2023) F. Structural Technical Advisory Committee (October 6, 2023)
	16.)	<b>Commissioner Comment</b>
	17.)	<b>Public Comment</b>
	18.)	<b>Adjourn Commission Plenary Session</b>

**ATTACHMENT 3**  
**KEY TO COMMON ABBREVIATIONS**

ACRONYM	DEFINITION
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 2011)
DEP or FDEP	Florida Department of Environmental Protection
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 (previously FAW)
FBC	Florida Building Code
FBC	Florida Building Commission
FECC	Florida Energy and Conservation Code
IBC	International Building Code
ICC	International Code Council
POC	Program Oversight Committee (Education and Product Approval)
SAD	ADA Standards for Accessibility Design
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee

## 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 certified residential 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**  
**2023 CODE UPDATE WORKPLAN**  
**UPDATED OCTOBER 17, 2023**

**COMMISSION MEETING DATES FOR 2023**

1) February 7, 2023	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting
2) March 14, 2023	Onsite, Westin Lake Mary, Florida
3) April 11, 2023	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting
4) June 20, 2023	Onsite or Virtual, TBD
5) August 15, 2023	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting
6) October 17, 2023	Onsite, Marriott Courtyard Cocoa Beach/Cape Canaveral, Florida
7) December 12, 2023	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting

**TENTATIVE COMMISSION MEETING DATES FOR 2024**

1) February 13, 2024	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting
2) April 16, 2024	Onsite (Rule workshop for milestone inspection requirements)
3) June 18, 2024	Virtual Meeting (Second rule workshop for milestone inspection requirements, if necessary)
4) August 13, 2024	Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting
5) October 15, 2024	Onsite (In conjunction with TAC meetings for I-Code changes review)
6) December 10, 2024	Onsite (Commission review of I-Code changes)

**COMMISSION’S 2023 CODE UPDATE DEVELOPMENT WORKPLAN**

**8<sup>TH</sup>. EDITION (2023) FBC CODE UPDATE DEVELOPMENT TASKS**

**8<sup>TH</sup>. EDITION (2023) UPDATE TO THE FLORIDA BUILDING CODE**

TASKS	SCHEDULE
<i>Selection of the Model Codes</i>	
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 conduct its review	2/9/2021 <b>Completed</b>
<i>Review of the Model Code Changes</i>	
In coordination with ICC, staff post complete listing of the code changes to the I Codes online	2/25/2021 <b>Completed</b>
Staff post on Commission website/Building Code Information System (BCIS) analysis of the 2021 I-Code change to provide for identification of the following: <input type="checkbox"/> Provisions which overlap with the provisions of the FBC <input type="checkbox"/> Provisions which correlate directly with the provisions of the FBC	5/17/2021 <b>Completed</b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 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</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 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</li> </ul>	
<p>Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (RCCIWG) reviews the 2021 changes to the International Residential Code (IRC) and provides comments to the Commission’s TACs on impactful code changes.</p> <p>RCCIWG meeting – <b>Conference call/Webinar</b></p>	<p>6/29/2021 <b>Completed</b></p>
<p>45 day public review and comment period ends (<b>By Rule -45 day min before TAC review</b>)</p>	<p>7/1/2021 <b>Completed</b></p>
<p>Staff post on Commission website analysis of the 2021 I-Code changes with public comments (Tracking Charts and code change monographs)</p>	<p>8/2/2021 <b>Completed</b></p>
<p>TACs review the 2021 changes to the I Codes and make recommendations to the Commission regarding those changes as follows:</p> <p>That the Commission rejects certain model code provisions by consent agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> (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> <p>That the Commission approves certain model code provisions by consent agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> (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> <p>That the Commission approve or reject certain model code provisions after considering them individually.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> (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> <p>TACs meetings – on site - TBD</p>	<p>9/22-30/2021 and 10/1-7/2021 <b>Completed</b></p>

Staff post TACs' recommendations online for further public review	10/15/2021 Completed
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 to the model codes - on site meeting (TBD)	12/14-15/2021 Completed
Staff post Commission's recommendations online	1/3/2022 Completed
<b><i>Proposed Modification to the Foundation Code and Commission's Approved I-Codes Changes</i></b>	
Period for public to propose modifications to the 7 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2020) FBC and the Commission's approved I-Codes changes	1/4/2022 – 2/15/2022 Completed
Proposed amendments reviewed by staff and posted to the Commission website	3/3/2022 Completed
1 <sup>st</sup> 45 day comment period ends ( <i>By law -45 day min before TAC review</i> )	4/17/2022
Staff post on Commission website proposed code changes (Tracking Charts and Detail Reports)	5/2/2022 Completed
<b>Staff assign TAC members specific proposed code change for review in advance of the TAC meetings in June</b>	Completed
TACs consider proposed modifications (1 <sup>st</sup> 45 day comment period) TACs meetings - 4-day on-site meetings	6/20-24/2022 Completed
TACs recommendations posted to the website Starting date for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> 45 day comment period	7/13/2022 Completed
Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup (RCCIWG) reviews the 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.	08/17/22 Completed
2 <sup>nd</sup> 45 day comment period ends ( <i>by law – 45 day min before Commission review</i> )	8/26/2022
Staff post on Commission website proposed code changes with comments (Tracking Chats and Details Reports)	9/21/2022 Completed
TACs consider public comments on their actions on the proposed mods TACs meetings – 6-day meetings [5-day on-site and 1 – day via conference/webinar]	10/6-13/2022 Completed
Staff post on Commission website TACs consideration of public comments	11/10/2022
<b>Deadline for requesting amendments to be pulled off consent agendas for individual consideration</b>	11/22/2022
Commission considers TAC recommendations (2 <sup>nd</sup> 45 day comment period) Commission – 1-day meeting	12/13/2022 Completed
8 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) FBC (7 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2020) FBC, Florida Supplement and Commission's approved I Codes) posted online	12/20/2022
<b><i>Provide Supplements to ICC for integration into the 7<sup>th</sup> Edition (2020) FBC</i></b>	Completed
<b>Deadline for submitting comments on the Draft 8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) update to the FBC (Supplements plus 7<sup>th</sup> Edition (2020) FBC)</b>	January 31, 2023

TACs review comments to Rule Development Workshop of March 14, 2023 and make recommendations to the Commission TACs meetings - 3-days of conference call/webinar meetings	2/21 - 24/2023 Completed
<b>Rule Development Workshop</b> Commission – 1-day meeting	March 14, 2023 Completed
<b>Rule Development Workshop</b> To review comment requesting consideration of the latest editions of ICC 500 and 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	May 10, 2023 Completed
Integrated Draft 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) FBC – Posted online	May 22, 2023
<b>Rule Development Workshop</b> To review comment requesting withdrawal of Modification # SP10413 to retain the existing language of Chapter 4, Section 464.4.2.2 in the 7 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2020) for inclusion in the 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2023), Florida Building Code.  Special Occupancy TAC meeting – June 12, 2023 (Conference call/webinar)	June 20, 2023 Completed  Completed
<b>Glitch/Errata</b>	
Deadline for submitting glitch amendments and errata regarding the draft 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) update to the FBC	November 1, 2023
Proposed glitch amendments and errata reviewed by staff and posted to the Commission website	November 14, 2023
1 <sup>st</sup> 45 day comment period ends ( <i>By law -45 day min before TAC review</i> )	December 30, 2023
TACs consider proposed modifications (1 <sup>st</sup> 45-day comment period) TACs meetings – 3 days of conference call/webinar meetings	Jan. 23 -25, 2024
TACs recommendations posted to the website Starting date for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> 45-day comment period	February 8, 2024
2 <sup>nd</sup> 45 - day comment period ends ( <i>by law – 45 - day min before Commission review</i> )	March 24, 2024
<b>Rule Development Workshop</b>  To review and take final action on proposed glitch amendments and errata regarding the draft 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) update to the FBC	April 16, 2024
<b>Hearing</b> on 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) FBC to consider received comments	TBD
<b>Final Rule Hearing</b> 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	TBD
Rule Submitted to Secretary of State and Supplement/Integrated posted online – subject to addressing all JAPC’s concerns	TBD
Final FBC -PDF posted	TBD
Printed Code available - subject to negotiation with ICC	TBD
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Edition (2023) FBC Effective Date</b> (6 – months after publication)	12/31/2023