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STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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SUMMARY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: Department of Enterprise Services

Olympia, Washington

MEETING DATE: June 28, 2013

Agenda Items	Committee Actions/Discussion
1. Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order at 2:02 p.m. Members in Attendance: Ray Allshouse, Council Chair; Dave Kokot, Vice Chair; Rod Bault; John Chelminiak; Dave DeWitte; Duane Jonlin; Bob Koch; Mark Kulaas; Jerry Mueller; Dave Peden; Jeff Peterson; Eric Vander Mey; Staff In Attendance: Tim Nogler, Managing Director; Krista Braaksma; Joanne McCaughan; Peggy Bryden Visitors Present: Hank Teran, Jan Himebaugh, Tom Young, Michael Weingard, Wes McCart, Suzanne Mayr, Chuck Murray, Jim DeTro
2. Review and Approve Agenda	The agenda was approved as written.
3. Energy Code – Climate Zones (Modify Tables C301.1 and R301.1 to move Ferry, Okanogan, Pend Oreille and Stevens Counties to Climate	Ray Allshouse pointed out that quite a bit of input had been received on the first two items; however none of it was opposed. Tim Nogler reported there was input from Department of Commerce recommending the Council go into permanent rulemaking not emergency rulemaking. Ray continued stating this item is to change the four northeastern counties from
Zone 5B) Public Comment	Climate Zone 6 on the national map to Climate Zone 5B, the same as Spokane is. Chuck Murray , with Commerce Department is in support of this change. It makes sense to have a larger climate zone on the east side. The fact we are rolling back the energy code requirements is not significant given the low population.
	Wes McCart, Stevens County Commissioner. He reported SBCC has their written testimony and he is available for questions if any come up. Jim DeTro, Okanogan County Commissioner. He is for the emergency rule and
Motion 1	would request his comments from the previous meeting be incorporated into the record. Bob Koch made a motion: Adopt as an emergency rule, amendment of WAC 51-11C and 51-11R to merge Climate Zone 6B into Climate Zone 5B as published in the CR-103E posted for this meeting including the emergency declaration, and to enter into permanent rulemaking and file the same as a CR-102 proposed rule. John Chelminiak seconded the motion. John clarified this motion as a change for Ferry, Okanogan, Pend Oreille and Stevens Counties. The motion passed

	unanimously.
4. Energy Code – Allowance for Increased Glazing Area (Modify Section C402.3.1.2 to allow an increase in vertical fenestration with the use of high-performance glazing) Motion 2	Ray Allshouse said this is the proposal with Eric Vander Mey as the proponent and it was created to provide a prescriptive option for glazing of high rise buildings. Jeff Peterson made a motion: Adopt, as emergency rule, amendment of WAC 51-11C to add a prescriptive path allowance for glazing as published in the CR-103E posted for this meeting, including the emergency declaration, and to enter into permanent rulemaking and file the same as a CR-102 proposed rule. Jerry Mueller seconded the motion. Tim Nogler made a point of order that the record showed Eric Vander Mey has recused himself from this vote. With Eric's abstention, the motion carried unanimously.
5. IRC R101.2 – Lodging Houses (include sprinkler exemption except where required by local jurisdiction) Public Comment	Ray Allshouse stated this is the item that was missed and was based on a proposal that was not properly published. We will now take public comment on this. Hank Teran, Washington State Fire Chiefs. He thanks SBCC for the work they do and appreciates being able to be a part of this process. The State Chiefs are extremely concerned as to why this is an emergency rule. The number of firemen per fire is paramount in life safety, particularly when it comes to Bed and Breakfasts. The Chiefs are against the exemption of the removal of fire sprinklers from Bed and Breakfasts; they believe that discussion is important if there were to be any changes and this should happen through the normal rulemaking process. They are not in support of this proposal or having it filed as an emergency rule. Suzanne Mayr is with the Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board of Puget Sound and the National Fire Sprinkler Association. She forwarded a letter to SBCC voicing the same concerns Mr. Teran has expressed. She would also like to point out that the original intent when these lodging houses were put into the IRC as opposed to the IBC was they would be covered by fire sprinklers. John Chelminiak has a question for Suzanne. He wanted clarification on whose intent she was referring to. Suzanne said she spoke to codes representative, Jeff Hugo, who represents the sprinkler industry at the ICC hearings. The language in the 2009 IRC had mandated that lodging houses must have sprinklers installed in them if they were to be moved to the IRC. Dave Kokot states it is interesting to look at the history of this with the information that was provided to us and getting some additional background. The intent, as indicated, at the national level was that they wanted to be able to provide flexibility for the Bed and Breakfasts owners. So by allowing the Bed and Breakfasts to be constructed under the IRC, the specific requirement was to
	ensure we had the proper protection for this type of occupancy, by requiring fire sprinklers. If we remove those requirements, the allowance under the IRC should also be removed. He feels we should keep the language as it is. He does not believe this should be considered an emergency item, rather it should go through the normal process. Dave DeWitte wondered about the economic impact on existing Bed and Breakfasts if this exception is not allowed in this emergency action. Ray

Motion 3	Allshouse said this would only apply to new Bed and Breakfasts because under the current code sprinklers are not required. Dave DeWitte made the following motion: To enter into regular permanent rulemaking and file the CR-102 proposed rule, amending R101.2 to clarify residential fire sprinkler systems must be installed only where required by local ordinance. Jerry Mueller seconded the motion.
	John Chelminiak asked if it is possible to proceed with regular rulemaking rather than emergency rulemaking according to what is stated on the agenda. Tim Nogler indicated it is possible.
	Duane Jonlin agreed that if the fire services have concerns on this we should go through the regular process as suggested. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m.