

COMMISSION REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS FOR COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THE DRAFT 8TH EDITION (2023), FLORIDA BUILDING CODE

COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF COMMENTS — MARCH 14, 2023 RULE WORKSHOP (FOR ADOPTION DECEMBER 13, 2023)

The public was invited to provide written comments on the draft 8th Edition (2023), Florida Building Code Update to the FBC (the Draft) starting January 19, 2022. The Draft consists of the proposed supplements to the 7th Edition (2020) as published January 19, 2023 and the 7th Edition (2020) FBC. The Commission's TACs met between February 15-24, to review public comments on the draft, and to provide recommendations to the Commission. The TACs' recommendations were posted to the BCIS in advance of the March 14, 2023 Rule Development Workshop on Rule 61G20-1.001. After the Commission takes action on TAC recommendations on written public comments, and verbal public comments provided during the Rule Workshop they will move to proceed with rule adoption for Rule 61G20-1.001(1), Florida Building Code Adopted, incorporating all approved amendments.

COMMISSION PROCESS FOR REVIEWING TAC RECOMMENDATIONS ON WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS, AND PUBLIC COMMENTS OFFERED DURING RULE WORKSHOP

- Facilitator will serve as moderator, call for motions, and assist with adopted process and ground rules.
- Facilitator will introduce each TAC recommendation (favorable) on public comments in turn.
- Staff will review the relevant TAC's recommendation.
- Facilitator will limit comments to a maximum of (3) three-minutes per person.
- Proponents of the TAC's recommendation on the public comment will speak first.
- Opponents of the TAC's recommendation on the public 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.
- Limit your comment and be concise. Do not read lengthy prepared statements.
- Offer new points and/or state agreement with previous speakers; please do not repeat what has been stated.
- Chair/Facilitator may terminate a comment if it is repeating previous comments.
- The Commission wants to hear all perspectives, and not repeats of the same views.
- Proponents/Opponents not wishing to provide comments are encouraged to raise their hands in support of or opposition to comments to provide a sense of stakeholder preferences.
- Clarifying questions of commenters is restricted to Commission members only.
- Staff, proponent, or specified commenter will respond to Commission Member's questions.
- Once a motion for an action on a comment is on the floor, discussion is limited to Commission members except as allowed by the Chair/Facilitator.
- All TAC favorable recommendations on public comments will be considered individually. The Commission will take action on each comment by voting either to approve the comment and amend their previous action, or deny the comment and retain their previous action.
- Once the Commission takes action on all of the TACs' favorable recommendations, members of the public will be afforded an opportunity to provide additional public comment, including commenting on issues that did not receive a favorable recommendation from the TACs.
- The same process will be used as above: public comment received, and after public comment on each issue brought forward is concluded, the Commission will decide whether to take any action.
- Motions require a 75% favorable vote for approval; those with less than a 75% favorable vote, are deemed not approved.