Minutes

ACCESSIBILITY TAC PRESENT:

Jeff Gross, Chairman 
Sharon Mignardi 
Brad Schiffer 
Larry Schneider 
Diana Worrall 
Jack Humburg 
Barbara Page 
Frederick Schilling 
James Woolyhand

ACCESSIBILITY TAC NOT PRESENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Mo Madani 
Justin Vogel 
Marlita Peters 
Jim Hammers 
Thomas Campbell 
Chris Howell 
Chip Sellers

MEETING FACILITATION:

The meeting was facilitated by Jeff Blair from the FCRC Consensus Center at Florida State University. Information at: http://consensus.fsu.edu/
Welcome:

Time:  10:00 a.m.

Mr. Blair welcomed everyone to the teleconference of the Accessibility TAC. He provided information for the callers on how to mute systems to avoid background noise.

Roll Call:

Mr. Blair performed roll call for the Accessibility TAC. A quorum was determined with 8 members present at roll call.

Agenda Approval:

Commissioner Schilling entered a motion to approve the agenda for today’s meeting as posted. Commissioner Worrall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 8 to 0.

Approval of the Minutes from July 26, 2018:

Commissioner Schiffer entered a motion to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2018 meeting as posted. Commissioner Schilling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 8 to 0.

Jack Humburg joined the meeting bringing the quorum total to 9 members present.

To accept input and to provide recommendations on the proposed code changes for the update to the 7th Edition (2020) Florida Building Code, as applicable.

Mr. Blair provided a brief overview of the Code review process for this meeting. Mr. Blair provided the voting process and the standing motion to be used on each modification.

Standing Motion:

Move to recommend approval of the proposed modifications by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) based on the following findings [Section 553.73 (9)(a) and (9)(b), F.S.]:

A. The modification is needed in order to accommodate the specific needs of this state; and

B. The modification has a reasonable and substantial connection to the health, safety, and welfare of the general public; and
Standing Motion (cont.):

C. The modification 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 modification does not discriminate against materials, products, methods, or systems of construction of demonstrated capabilities; and

E. The modification does not degrade the effectiveness of the Florida Building Code; and

F. The modification has the following fiscal impact:
   1. The fiscal impact of 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 of compliance imposed upon industry is as indicated by the proponent.
   4. The fiscal impact of compliance imposed upon small business is as indicated by the proponent (no impact or as specified by the proponent).

G. The modification’s benefits noted with regard to fiscal impact and efficacy outweigh the costs imposed.

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

Mr. Madani provided an overview of the tracking and code charts for the TAC members and the process being used for Code modifications.

SubCode: Building

7637

Public Comment:
Joe Belcher, FHBA spoke in opposition with a detailed explanation of decision.

Standing motion no second - NAR
30 – Elevators and Conveying Systems

7363
Robert Fine, Esq. spoke in opposition with explanation of decision.

Steven VonBodungen, Deputy Director of Hotels and Restaurants and Bureau of Elevator Safety at DBPR stated there are conflicts within these comments and they are in opposition.

Standing motion no second - NAR

SubCode: Existing Building

14 – Performance Compliance Methods

7447
Larry Schneider entered a second to the standing motion and stated he agrees with this being a reference but opposes current comment language.

Sharon Mignardi stated the wording needs to be changed but there does need to be a reference.

Vote was 9 in favor and 8 against - NAR

7451

Standing motion no second - NAR

8375

Standing motion no second – NAR

TAC Comments:

Commissioner Worrall stated she felt the Department and the Commission should take part in bill introduction for the accessibility code and additions to the code.

Mr. Campbell provided and explanation on the Departments involvement with the Legislative Bill process.
Final Roll Call:

Mr. Blair performed a final roll call, all 9 members were remaining on the call.

Adjournment:

Chairman Gross adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m.