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**Attachments:** Pool Plan Reviews; Example Building Code Issue; Ltr to FBC about DOH permits suggested language.pdf

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Mo Madani, Chip Sellers, Ken Gregory.

I am sorry this information is being sent to you so late in the process before the commission meeting and the Swimming Pool TAC, but it couldn't be helped. I can bring these up as public comment tomorrow during the TAC. The attached emails are from an affected contractor and an engineer that warrant a tweaking of the FB code due to their recent difficulties.

One of these complaints relates to resurfacing pools, which is not a modification as defined in the FBC, and this is also stated in 424.1.10.1. Since only new pool construction or modifications are Building Department jurisdictional under the transfer of construction permitting authority at s.514.031, FS, the DOH should be the only one involved with the resurfacing of existing public pools. We suggest that you strike the resurfacing details from the FBC including the last sentence at that paragraph above ("However, the following items shall be addressed during resurfacing projects:") and then delete all of 424.1.10.1.1 through 424.1.10.1.9, and also delete the next two subparagraphs dealing with other changes that are less than a modification: 424.1.10.2 and 424.1.10.3.

I also have a few issues that repetitively have occurred and would ask again that the code address these:

Attached is a PDF letter from our DOH Bureau Chief Engineer Patti Anderson that is still valid and was prepped for the February FB Commission meeting and as you recall, the FBC attorney said that day it could not be heard since it wasn't vetted by the SP TAC. This edit would solve the objection that BOAF had to the original modification that DOH proposed, as it puts the burden on the applicant for the pool permit to alert the DOH whenever a building permit or CO/CC is issued. The jurisdictional Building Official would not be asked to alert DOH. If we know a pool is under construction, we can communicate with the owner or contractor to provide timely service for issuance of an operating permit. We have been called to numerous pools a day before the grand opening, only to find omissions or errors in the pool that do not allow opening. These situations can be avoided, saving time and money, with the notification to DOH that a pool permit has been issued.

Some new issues can be addressed later, administratively, rather than via the code:

Non-Exempt public pools- specifically infant swimming lessons offered in portable, above-ground pools built in commercial warehouse space. These are not exempt as private pools under Ch 514.0115(3), FS, and have been overlooked as public pools. (at 3 sites exist now).

Disinfection equipment modification without permits have occurred where the popular chlorine generators do not meet the chlorine dosage feed rate required, and these rates are not verified before a permit is issued for the change-out, or worse, permits are waived as unnecessary (at many locations). This is a true modification under the FBC.

ADA retrofit lift and other entry devices installed on public pools- setbacks/clearance of 4' and pool curb cuts should be considered & approved.

Please call for additional information

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