

APPENDIX F: BUILDING OFFICIALS INPUT

Required inspections. The building official shall determine the timing and sequencing of when inspections occur and what elements are inspected at each inspection.

Building:

1. Foundation inspection; While not a new inspection, code stipulates elements to be inspected during foundation inspection: stem-wall, monolithic slab-on-grade, piling/pile caps, footers/grade beams
2. Framing inspection; was called Frame Inspection and now includes elements to be inspected: window/door framing, vertical cells/columns, lintel/tie beams, framing/trusses/bracing/connectors, draft stopping/fire blocking, curtain wall framing, energy insulation, and accessibility.
3. Sheathing inspection; **new inspection**: To be made either as part of a dry-in inspection or done separately at the request of the contractor after all roof and wall sheathing and fasteners are complete and shall at a minimum include the following building components: roof sheathing, wall sheathing, sheathing fasteners, and roof/wall dry-in.
4. Roofing inspection; **new inspection**: Shall at a minimum include the following building components: dry-in, insulation, roof coverings, and flashing.
5. Final inspection; no difference: To be made after the building is completed and ready for occupancy.
6. Swimming pool inspection; **new inspection**: First inspection to be made after excavation and installation of reinforcing steel, bonding and main drain and prior to placing of concrete. Final inspection to be made when the swimming pool is complete and all required enclosure requirements are in place.

Responses from Building Officials Regarding Increased Cost for Enforcing the Florida Building Code

West Palm Beach	B. Staples	At this time we do not see any increased costs being incurred from enforcing the Florida Building Code. All fee increases that are being looked at by the department are related to improving customer services.
City of South Pasadena	Philip Charnock	The city of south Pasadena Building Department has no plans to raise permitting fees because of the FBC. We raised our permitting fees last December to cover costs of operating the department.
City of Leesburg	Sonny Sutherland	No fee increases are planned for the City of Leesburg, FL.
Town of Melbourne Beach	A. J. Duff, Jr.	No for the Town of Melbourne Beach
City of Tallahassee	Ronnie Spooner Building Official	No fee increases are anticipated, based on the new FBC. We are in the process of an overdue fee study, but it is being based on current practices.
Palm Beach County	A. Roland Holt	Not Palm Beach County
City of Atlantic Beach	Don Ford CBO	No for the City of Atlantic Beach.
City of Port Orange	Joe Crum, CBO, Building Official	No for the City of Port Orange.
Lake County	Dale Greiner	No increases in Lake County
Citrus County	Dennis Macneil	Citrus County has no plans at this time to increase fees to the builder as a result of changes required by the FBC. However, we have advised our BOCC that we will be in a better position to analyze increased costs once we have been operational under that code for several months. Increased costs would likely be tied to a demonstrated need for additional staff. I would be very interested in the results of your study project.