

**FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION
LIGHTNING PROTECTION WORKGROUP
TELECONFERENCE MEETING
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Revised
January 18, 2018
2:00 p.m.**

WORKGROUP MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Barber	Jeff Gross
Joe Belcher	Bryan Holland
Eric Boettcher	Mark Morgan
Jay Carlson	David Rice
Ken Castonovo	Jeff Sargent
Mike Dillon	Brad Schiffer
Kevin Flanagan	Joseph Territo
Shane Gerwig	

WORKGROUP MEMBER NOT PRESENT:

DEPARTMENT STAFF PRESENT:

Tom Campbell	Justin Vogel
Mo Madani	Chris Howell
Chris Burgwald	

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 and Introduction:

Mr. Blair welcomed Workgroup members, staff and the public to the January 18, 2018 Teleconference meeting of the Lightning Protection Workgroup. He provided an overview of the requirements regarding teleconference participation.

Roll Call:

Mr. Blair called the roll and a quorum was determined with 16 of 16 members present.

Agenda Review and Approval:

Mr. Blair covered the agenda and purpose of the meeting today. He then asked for a motion to approve the agenda as posted.

Commissioner Flanagan entered a motion to approve the agenda as posted. Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 16 to 0.

Workgroup Scope, Purpose and Workplan:

Mr. Madani provided an overview of the Workgroup scope and purpose. He then provided the Workplan for the group with the schedule of completion.

Procedural Issues:

Mr. Blair provided a brief overview of the decision-making process, procedural policies and reminded the group of the Sunshine Law. He advised the group of the requirement of a 75% favorable vote on recommendations to mandate a decision should a 100% vote not be achievable. Mr. Blair stated that should the group not be able to achieve the 75% acceptance, documentation of differences would be provided for those options that achieved 50% or more support from the Workgroup and there would be a more detailed review of this process at the next meeting.

Mr. Blair advised the group that they will need to e-mail him with any proposed options that they would like evaluated by January 25th for review at the meeting February 12, 2018 in Jacksonville. He again reminded the group that they are not to discuss any proposal outside of the meeting due to the Sunshine Law.

Commissioner Flanagan asked if this list of options would be provided to the group prior to the meeting. He asked if they could be e-mail directly to the group also.

Mr. Blair advised yes and it will also be posted and that the staff will e-mail the group also.

Discussion of the background and reference material:

Mr. Madani provided the members with an overview of the project background and noted that there were documents attached to the agenda relevant to the project. He stated this information was and is posted on the BCIS with the agenda and briefly spoke on the attachments.

Mr. Campbell advised that the two attachments 553.72, F.S. and 553.73(9), F.S. were there to serve as a guidepost for any modifications that are proposed. He further stated these are the questions the Electrical TAC and the Commission will look at when considering a modification. Mr. Campbell stated the group would want to keep these statutes in mind when making recommendations.

Presentations:

Mr. Blair asked the group if there were any members that would like to make presentations at the meeting in February. He then asked staff if the members will need to submit to staff for posting prior to the meeting.

Mr. Campbell stated yes, that they would need to be posted at least seven days prior to the meeting. He advised that all presentations need to be sent to him, Mr. Madani or Mr. Vogel no later than February 2, 2018 to ensure they are included on the agenda and made available to the group prior to the meeting.

Mr. Holland stated he would be preparing a presentation for the meeting. In addition, Mr. Dillon advised he would also be preparing a presentation for the February Meeting.

Commissioner Flanagan asked if the public will be able to provide handouts and presentations.

Mr. Campbell stated the public will be able to address the Workgroup and if they would like to make a presentation, it would be better to send it in ahead. He stated they can bring to the meeting but will be limited to time but will be allowed to address the group as they are allowed at all meetings.

Mr. Belcher also addressed the concerns of the public bringing proposed language to the meeting.

Mr. Blair stated the public will be able to bring material and hand it out as well as the members of the group.

Commissioner Gerwig asked if the original code modification 6460 pertains to commercial only.

Mr. Blair stated that is not correct, any proposal can be considered by the Workgroup which could include residential.

Mr. Morgan asked on 6460 the wording of risk assessment being performed could there be clarification.

Mr. Blair stated yes, we are starting from scratch and that any proposal and content that is allowable will be prepared for consideration.

Presentations (cont.):

Mr. Madani addressed the group of the type of proposal and objectives needed in these proposals.

Commissioner Schiffer if anyone had information on risk assessments.

Mr. Madani asked Mr. Holland if he could include examples in his presentation.

Mr. Holland stated yes he would include and also provided where there are assessments currently listed on page 5 under the modification 6460.

Mr. Belcher stated there is a tone on this call that there is going to be a code change and he wanted to be sure the group knows that this is a recommendation not a requirement for a code change.

Mr. Blair stated he is correct, that the group might decide there should be no changes made.

Mr. Barber asked for the deadlines again for proposals.

Mr. Blair advised proposals should be submitted by January 25th to him via e-mail.

Commissioner Flanagan stated most of the workgroup is aware that this was brought to the Commission previously. He advised that there may not be any change in the Code, however the issue last time was first it was going to be NFPA and then there were certain groups who were very irate and sent a lot of material as there are other alternatives to NFPA 780. Commissioner Flanagan stated he would like the Workgroup to work to get language that would be in agreement with all parties.

Commissioner Carlson asked for a list of the members if possible.

Mr. Blair stated that will be provided.

Mr. Territo advised he was not able to make the links work on the agenda.

Public Comments:

None

Next Workgroup Meeting Overview and Issues:

Mr. Blair provided a summary of the meeting today and the deadlines for proposals and presentations for the next meeting February 12, 2018 in Jacksonville.

Final Roll Call:

Mr. Blair performed a final roll call; all 16 original members were remaining on the call.

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Adjournment:

Commissioner Flanagan entered a motion to adjourn. Mr. Belcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 16 to 0.

Mr. Blair thanked everyone for their participation on the call and the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.