

## TACs' Final Recommendations to the Commission TAC Review Process for Public Comments on TACs' Preliminary Code Amendment Recommendations

2026 CODE UPDATE PROCESS –  $9^{TH}$  EDITION (2026), FLORIDA BUILDING CODE (ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY AUGUST 13, 2024 – PROPOSED REVISION APRIL 15, 2025)

## **SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- Facilitator will serve as moderator, ask for and call the motions, and assist with Commission's adopted process and participation procedures.
- ➤ One person speaks at a time. State name and representation each time you speak. TAC members state you name when making and seconding motions.
- ➤ Limit your comment and be concise.
- ➤ Do not read lengthy prepared statements. Summarize, and if you have a lengthy prepared statement submit the complete text of your comment in writing for the record.
- ➤ Public comments will be limited to a maximum of three minutes (3) per person. However, a TAC member may request clarification of public comments through the TAC chair or Facilitator.
- For virtual meetings, when invited to comment, use the *Raise Hand Icon* if you wish to comment.
- For in-person meetings, hold the microphone button the entire time while speaking. The light starts green, turns yellow with 30 seconds left, and red when 3 minutes is up.
- ➤ Offer new points and/or state agreement with previous speakers. Please do not repeat what has been stated.
- Facilitator in consultation with the TAC chair may terminate a comment if it is repeating previous comments, and not simply stating agreement or offering new points.
- ➤ The TAC wants to hear all viewpoints to ensure all perspectives are considered, not repeats of the same views.
- Proponents and Opponents not wishing to provide comments are encouraged to raise their hands in support of or opposition to Code amendments to provide the TAC with a sense of stakeholder preferences.
- Based on an evaluation of the number of individuals wishing to comment on a specific topic relative to the number of items to be considered, and the amount of time available in the meeting, the Facilitator in consultation with the TAC chair, may require stakeholder groups to select a representative(s) to provide the TAC with their comment(s) rather than allowing each individual to comment, pursuant to the authority provided in Section 286.0114 (4)(b), F.S.

## SECTION 2. TAC REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON TAC RECOMMENDATIONS REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION PROCESS

- Facilitator will introduce each comment on TAC's recommendations.
- Proponents of proposed comment will speak first.
- > Opponents of proposed 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. It will be up to the proponents and the opponents to select one individual to make the counterpoint for their respective perspectives.
- ➤ Withdrawal of Comment: A comment on a TAC recommendation regarding a proposed Code amendment may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time prior to the TAC's vote on that comment.
- After public input on a comment on a TAC recommendation, the TAC will take action on the comment by voting either to approve the comment and amend their previous recommendation, or to deny the comment and retain their previous recommendation.
- ➤ In considering the comment the TAC should consider whether the public comment sufficiently addresses the TAC's concern(s) regarding the proposed Code amendment, or does not address the TAC's concern(s).
- A proposed comment shall not be considered by the TAC if it:
  - o Is not legible;
  - o Changes the scope of the original proposed Code amendment and/or TAC's recommendation regarding the Code amendment; or,
  - o Is not readily understood so that a proper assessment of its impact on the original proposed Code amendment and/or TAC's recommendation can be determined.
- > TACs should not attempt to revise or amend the comments in any way.
- The TAC's final actions on the comments will be submitted to the Commission as the TAC's final recommendations on proposed Code amendments to the Florida Building Code.
- > The recommendations will be provided to the Commission on consent agendas.
- Motions require a two-thirds (67%) favorable vote for approval; those amendments which receive less than a two-thirds favorable vote will be considered unapproved and will be deemed recommended for denial.
- In order for a Technical Advisory Committee to make a favorable recommendation to the Commission, the proposal must receive a two-thirds vote of the members present at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting and at least half of the regular members must be present in order to conduct a meeting. [Section 553.73 (3) (b), F.S.]

## SECTION 3. CONSENT AGENDAS OF TACS' FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

CONSENT AGENDAS RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL. The TACs' recommendations for denial of specific proposed Code amendments are on "Consent Agendas Recommended for Denial," one per TAC, consisting of multiple tracking charts containing Code amendments reflective of the topical Code areas within the TAC's purview. These recommendations are posted to the BCIS and labeled: Chart #1: "Tracking Charts with TAC Actions—Consent Agendas to Deny." The tracking charts of Code amendments recommended for denial relevant to each TAC will be considered by the Commission as a single consent agenda per TAC.



CONSENT AGENDAS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL. The TACs' recommendations for approval of specific proposed Code amendments are on "Consent Agendas Recommended for Approval," one per TAC, consisting of multiple tracking charts containing Code amendments reflective of the topical Code areas within the TAC's purview. These recommendations are posted to the BCIS and labeled: Chart #2: "Tracking Charts with TAC Actions—Consent Agendas for Approval." The tracking charts of Code amendments recommended for approval relevant to each TAC will be considered by the Commission as a single consent agenda per TAC.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION. The TACs' recommendations for proposed Code amendments recommended for individual consideration, either to approve or to deny, will be considered individually by the Commission. These recommendations are posted to the BCIS and labeled: Chart #3: "Tracking Charts with TAC Actions—Individual Consideration." The tracking charts of Code amendments recommended for individual consideration relevant to each TAC will be considered by the Commission individually per TAC.