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HURRICANE RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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October 12, 2021

2:00 p.m.

Minutes

HURRICANE RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Schock, Chairman
Sergio Ascunce
Joe Belcher
Anne Cope, Ph.D.
David Compton
Jeffery Gross
Mark Mikkelson
Craig Parrino

John "Bud" Plisich
Angela Schedel, Ph.D.
Brad Schiffer
Jeffery Schnellmann
Vince Seijas
Brian Swope
Mike Savage

HURRICANE RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Mo Madani
Jeff Blair
Thomas Campbell

Sabrina Evans
Jim Hammers
Justin Vogel

MEETING FACILITATION:

The meeting was facilitated by Jeff Blair from Facilitated Solutions, LLC. Consultation, Process Design & Facilitation. Information at: facilitatedsolutions.org

Welcome:

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Schock welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Hurricane Research Advisory Committee.

Roll Call:

Mr. Blair performed roll call for the HRAC. A quorum was determined with 13 members present at roll call.

Agenda Approval:

Mr. Blair covered the agenda items for the meeting today.

Mr. Blair asked for a motion to approve the agenda for October 12, 2021 as posted if there were no changes.

Mr. Belcher entered the meeting.

Mr. Seijas entered a motion to approve the agenda as posted. Commissioner Compton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 14 to 0.

Approval of Meeting from September 13, 2021:

Mr. Plisich recommended amending the minutes for the September 13, 2021 meeting.

Mr. Seijas entered a motion to approve the minutes for September 13, 2021 meeting as amended. Mr. Belcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote 14 to 0.

Provide Comments on the International Code Council's Draft "Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide."

Mr. Parrino entered the meeting.

Mr. Campbell updated the Committee on the International Code Council's draft "Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide."

Provide Comments on the International Code Council’s Draft “Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide.” (cont.)

Mr. Blair instructed the Committee about the process for commenting on the International Code Council’s draft “Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide.”

Dominic Sims introduced Mike Pfeiffer, Senior Vice President of Technical Services who is responsible for the ICC’s codes and standards development processes.

The HRAC discussed the scope of work for the International Code Council’s draft Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide.

Commissioner Swope entered a motion to discontinue the process providing comments on the scope of work Mr. Belcher seconded the motion.

The HRAC continued to discuss their concerns with the scope of work for the International Code Council’s draft “Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide.”

Dr. Schedel stated that she would be abstaining from voting on recommendations regarding the International Code Council’s draft “Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide,” since was retained by ICC to assist in development of part of the appendix and thus may have a financial interest in the matter.”

Public Comment:

Dan Lavrich is in favor of the motion and stated his concern of using the term “recertification.”

Mike Silvers, FRSA is in favor of the motion.

Rick Logan, AIA stated their comments were sent straight to staff.

Provide Comments on the International Code Council’s Draft “Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide.” (cont.)

Laurance Dickie, licensed architect and contractor in the state of Florida, recommended the Florida Building Commission be the lead for this scope of work. He is not in agreement with the motion, but is in favor of advancing the draft, so it can be a published document.

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Mr. Blair performed roll call for the HRAC. The motion failed by a vote of 10 – 4.

Provide Comments on the International Code Council’s Draft “Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide.” (cont.)

Commissioner Shock entered a motion to recommend to the Commission that the scope of work be revised to develop a fundamental, basic, minimum inspection plan template for existing buildings by evaluating available documents, templates, programs, research, and data as a starting point, and with the flexibility to use data and research project results as they become available. The scope and purpose for the work will be further refined once Commission direction is received. Mr. Ascunce seconded the motion.

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Eric Stafford became the alternate for Dr. Anne Cope.

The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 14-0 in favor.

Identification and Discussion of Next Steps:

Dominic Sims provided some feedback on the next steps on the International Code Council’s draft “Appendix C Existing Building Safety Inspection Guide.”

Public Comment:

Dan Lavrich provided expressed some concerns with the motion.

The HRAC discussed the possibility of brainstorming ideas for possible next steps.

Dan Lavrich, Rick Logan, and Thomas Sputo made comments related to licensure requirements for inspectors.

Additional Workgroup Business:

None

Adjourn:

Chairman Schock thanked everyone for their participation, and there being no further business before the Committee Chairman Schock adjourned the meeting at 3:34 p.m.