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Florida Building Code, Building Section [A]107.1

Florida Building Code, Residential Section R703.7.2.1

Text of code provisions:

[A] 107.1 General. Submittal documents consisting of construction documents, statement of special inspections, geo-technical report and other data shall be submitted in two or more sets with each permit application. The construction documents shall be prepared by a registered design professional where required by Chapter 471, Florida Statutes or Chapter 481, Florida Statutes. Where special conditions exist, the building official is authorized to require additional construction documents to be prepared by a registered design professional.

Appeal question requesting a response:

The local building official has placed a "Stop work" order on a residential construction project due to failure to comply with building code requirements for application of a stucco finish on a new residence under construction. The solution offered by the contractor was rejected due to failure to provide additional construction documents which will provide corrections to work by a registered design profession under the authority granted to the building official under Section [A]107.1 of the Florida Building Code, Building Volume. The petitioner requests that the building official's determination to "Stop Work" should be removed and seeking an interpretation from the Panel which will allow the work on the dwelling to proceed.

Answer: The Panel concluded that the building official has the authority to require the petitioner to provide corrections to work by a registered design profession under the authority granted to the building official as provided in the Florida Building Code before proceeding with work.

NOTICE:

The Building Officials Association of Florida, in cooperation with the Florida Building Commission, and the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation, provides this interpretation of the Florida Building Code in the interest of consistency and application of the Building Code statewide. This interpretation is binding and not subject to acceptance and approval by the local building official.