



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

**BOARD OF APPEALS
MINUTES OF WORKSHOP**

May 7, 2015
4th Floor Training Room
1222 First Avenue
Development Services Department

Attendance:

Present: Sommer Adams, John H. Johnson, Douglas R. Isaaks, Elley Klausbruckner, Frank Landy, John J Lopez, John Veltre, Michael West

Absent: Mary Elain Cooluris

City Staff: Afsaneh Ahmadi (DSD), Douglas Perry (Fire Rescue), Mark Dossett (Fire Rescue), Inga Lintvedt (City Attorney), Ali Fattah (DSD), Kelly Eisenstein (DSD Life Safety)

Applicants, their representatives and members from the public:

<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
	None	

Call to Order: Ali Fattah called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

Non-agenda public comment

None.

Consent Agenda **Agenda Item 1:** Approval of minutes from the October 7, 2010 meeting. Ali Fattah clarified to the Board that since only two members were present that attended the past meeting that minutes will be entered into the record without a vote.

Discussion Agenda: **Agenda Item 2:** Staff presentation on meeting procedure

- Ali Fattah described the meeting plan to the Boa and persons attending the meeting. Clarified each code will be presented separately and would be voted on separately.
- John Veltre joined the meeting in progress.
- Explained the State rules on adopting local code modifications with findings approve due to local geological, climatic and topographic conditions.
- The summary matrix provides a road map to the proposed amendments to the Land Development Code, and to identify the State required finding when applicable. An errata was issued for pages 6 and 11.

Action Agenda: **Agenda Item 3:** Nominate and vote on a temporary chair for 5/7 and 5/21 meetings. Ali Fattah clarified to the Board that Ali Sadre the former chair had termed out and tendered his resignation to the Mayor's office. After discussions with the Mayor's office it was decided that the chair

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should be a member who had attended prior meeting since the majority of the Board members will be attending a meeting for the first time on May 7. Frank Landry was nominated by Development Services due to his perfect attendance during his 8 year term. The Board voted 6-0 with Frank Landry abstaining to accept the nomination as temporary chair. The gavel was handed to Frank Landry.

Agenda Item 4: BOA Case # 1513- Part 1 Adoption of amendments to the 2013 CBC, CRC, CEC, CGBSC, and Construction Permit rules and Procedures.

a. 2013 California Building Code Amendments.

- Ali Fattah presented 17 code change items and explained an errata to item # 5 on pages 5 and 6 referencing the proposed code change for combined domestic clothes dryer ducts in Mechanical Regulations.
- Code change item # 16 for subsurface drainage is being deleted from the package and not moved forward.
- John Lopez joined the meeting during the discussion of this item.
- J. Veltre requested a clarification on whether the fire apparatus access roadway loading in the CFC appendix chapter being referenced accounts for the heaviest apparatus or future apparatus. Doug Perry clarified that Fire Rescue is adopting the national standard and that the roadway would be signed. Trash trucks and other vehicles are heavier but normally do not drive on the elevated roadway typically on private property.
- The need for appendix L earthquake instrumentation was presented.

Vote: E. Klausbruckner made a motion to approve the proposed changes as amended in the errata on page 5, 6. The motion was seconded by J. Veltre. The vote was 7-0 with John Lopez not casting a vote.

b. 2013 California Residential Code Amendments.

- Ali Fattah presented 11 code change items and explained that the majority were editorial in nature.
- Proposed Table 149.0302 was discussed reflects the net of deletions for the CRC Table R301.2(1) that is adopted with a modification.
- E. Klausbruckner suggested that the subject heading in Section 149.0335 (a) include artificial ponds or similar bodies of water. Ali Fattah indicated that DSD will take another look at the section.
- Code change # 11 was discussed. E Klausbruckner expressed a concern for existing buildings with roofs less than Class A and located in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ). Ali Fattah indicated that propose amendment restates what the SFM amendment to the CRC states and that the State has published several information bulletins explaining this issue. The majority of the rack/panel assemblies with satisfy a Class A fire classification according to the industry and SFM.

Vote: E. Klausbruckner made a motion to approve the proposed changes as submitted. The motion was seconded by J. Veltre. The vote was 7-0 with John Lopez not casting a vote. Staff will revisit the issue raised in code change # 8.

c. 2013 California Electrical Code Amendments.

- Ali Fattah presented 3 code change items and explained that the majority were editorial in nature.
- D. Isaaks questioned whether the edition of the Electric Service Standards and Guide needed to be referenced. S Adams indicated that there is no date and that periodic amendments are issued without re-issuing the whole guide and that the latest standards apply.
- The proposed changes for existing receptacles in relocated buildings were presented.

- Proposed changes addresses electric vehicle charging were presented; the changes are necessary due to the continuously evolving sector for low or zero emission vehicles.

Vote: J. Johnson made a motion to approve the proposed changes as submitted. The motion was seconded by M. West. The vote was 7-0 with John Lopez not casting a vote.

d. 2013 California Green Building Standards Code Amendments.

- Ali Fattah presented 3 code change items and explained that the changes are editorial in nature.

Vote: D. Isaaks made a motion to approve the proposed changes as submitted. The motion was seconded by J. Veltre. The vote was 7-0 with John Lopez not casting a vote.

e. 2013 California Green Building Standards Code Amendments.

- Ali Fattah presented 3 code change items and explained that the changes are editorial in nature.

Vote: D. Isaaks made a motion to approve the proposed changes as submitted. The motion was seconded by J. Veltre. The vote was 6-0 with John Lopez not casting a vote. E. Klausbruckner was not present during the vote.

f. 2013 Construction Permit Procedures.

- Ali Fattah presented 9 code change items and explained that the changes are editorial in nature and are being made to be reflective of current practice.
- J. Veltre and E. Klausbruckner questioned 129.0205 (b) and whether design professionals in responsible charge of a project should stamp fire alarm and fire sprinkler plans with the equivalent of a shop drawing review stamp. The section is very general and would apply. The section applies to all deferred submittals for items required for occupancy and triggered in the building code.
- Questions were raised on whether fire permit applications have expiration rules. They do not.

Vote: J. Veltre made a motion to approve the proposed changes as submitted. The motion was seconded by M. West. The vote was 7-0 with John Lopez not casting a vote.

Adjournment:

Prior to adjourning the meeting Ali Fattah requested that the members who have had prior committee experience to consider nominating themselves to be permanent chair after the next meeting. The Board would vote on that at the end of the next meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ali Fattah

ALI M. FATTAH
Senior Research Engineer

Note: A permanent audio recording of this meeting is being kept in the Research Engineer's office.

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