

North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Regional Codes Coordinating Committee

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

9:30 a.m., Regional Forum Room

NCTCOG Offices, CPII

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011

Chair: David Kerr, City of Plano

Vice Chair: Jim Olk, City of Garland

1. Welcome and Introductions.

David Kerr, City of Plano and Chair of the RCCC, welcomed meeting attendants.

ACTION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS

- 2. Summary of the January 23, 2018 Meeting.** The January 23, 2018, meeting summary is available online for your review and consideration.

Jim Olk, City of Garland, made a motion to approve the January 23, 2018, meeting summary. Larry Bartlett, TDIndustries, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its approval.

- 3. EGAB Nomination.** The RCCC will consider the nomination of Poley Birika, Plans Examiner, City of Frisco, to fill Steve Covington's position on the Energy and Green Advisory Board.

NCTCOG provided an overview of the committee nomination form for Poley Birika. Larry Bartlett, TDIndustries, made a motion to approve Poley Birika membership on the Energy and Green Advisory Board. Ed Dryden, City of Lancaster, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its approval.

- 4. BRAB Nomination.** The RCCC will consider the nomination Philip Climer, Assistant Building Official, City of Frisco, to fill Steve Covington's position on the Building and Residential Advisory Board.

NCTCOG provided an overview of the committee nomination form for Philip Climer. Jim Olk, City of Garland, made a motion to approve Philip Climer's membership on the Building and Residential Advisory Board. Selso Mata, City of Plano, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its approval.

- 5. Approval Sought for the Recommended 2018 Regional Code Amendments.** The Chairs from the Plumbing and Mechanical Advisory Board, Fire Advisory Board, Building and Residential Advisory Board, and the Energy and Green Advisory Board will present the amendments of the 2018 Codes that their advisory board has put together. The RCCC will vote to send this amendments to the NCTCOG executive board.

- **Energy and Green Advisory Board, Ed Dryden.** Amendments on the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code.

Ed Dryden, City of Lancaster and Chair of the Energy and Green Advisory Board (EGAB), announced that the Energy System Labs has reviewed the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code amendments and determined them to meet or exceed the Texas Building Energy Performance Standards (TBEPS). A question regarding the Energy Certificates forms still reading the year “2015” versus “2018” was raised. Ed Dryden, City of Lancaster, stated that the date was going to remain “2015” on the certificate in order to give freedom to the cities who may not update to the 2018 codes. It was requested that verbiage on the Energy Certificate compliance statement be changed to read “2015 or 2018 as amended locally”. Jim Olk, City of Garland and Vice Chair of the RCCC, made a motion to approve the 2018 IECC and accompanying forms with the modifications requested by the group. James Rodriguez, Fox Energy Specialists, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its approval.

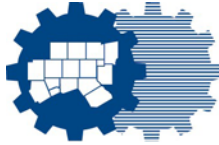
- **Building and Residential Advisory Board, Selso Mata.** Amendments on the 2018 International Building Code, International Residential Code, the International Swimming Pool and Spa Codes and the International Existing Building Code.

Selso Mata, City of Plano and Chair of the Building and Residential Advisory Board (BRAB), provided an overview of the major changes to the 2018 International Building Code amendments that were made by the committee. Bruce Rachel, Hensley Lamkin Rachel, Inc., requested that the RCCC consider the addition of an amendment on 1009.8 – Two Way Communication and proposed language to be added and modified. Larry Bartlett, TDIndustries, made a motion to approve the 2018 International Building Code Regional Amendments with the condition that section 1009.8 be added as discussed during the meeting. Selso Mata seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its approval.

Selso Mata provided an overview of the major changes to the 2018 International Residential Code (IRC) amendments that were made by the committee. It was announced that the Plumbing and Mechanical Advisory Board did not complete a review of the plumbing section of the IRC. Gilbert Urvina, City of Frisco and Chair of the Plumbing and Mechanical Advisory Board (PMAB), stated that the board would complete its review of the code by the next RCCC meeting. Bob Morgan, City of Fort Worth and Chair of the Fire Advisory Board (FAB), brought to the attention of the committee that R313 of the Fire Code amendments, regarding the sprinkling of townhomes, was missing from the IRC amendments. Selso Mata stated that the BRAB and FAB will have a joint meeting to discuss this provision. The RCCC decided to table a vote on the 2018 IRC amendments until the next meeting.

Selso Mata provided an overview of the major changes to the 2018 International Existing Building Code (IEBC) amendments that were made by the committee. A question was raised regarding the numbering of section number 1402.6, and it was requested that NCTCOG staff check the section numbers to ensure it is correct. The RCCC had no further questions or comments. Jim Olk, City of Garland, motioned to approve the 2018 IEBC amendments as presented to the committee. Gilbert Urvina, City of Frisco, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its decision.

Selso Mata provided an overview of the major changes to the 2018 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC) amendments that were made by the committee. The RCCC had no further questions or comments. Jim Olk, City of Garland, motioned to approve the 2018 IEBC amendments as presented to the committee. Dave Pendley, City of North Richland Hills, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its decision.



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Selso Mata provided an overview of the major changes to the Special Inspection Forms. The RCCC had no further questions or comments. Selso Mata made a motion to approve the Special Inspection Forms with the contingency that verbiage will be changed from “will” to “may” in the appropriate locations. Jim Olk, City of Garland, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its decision.

- **Fire Advisory Board, Bob Morgan.** Amendments on the 2018 International Fire Code.

Bob Morgan, City of Fort Worth and Chair of the Fire Advisory Board (FAB), provided an overview of the major changes to the 2018 International Fire Code (IFC) amendments that were made by the committee. Bob Morgan noted two sections that were significant changes made to the 2018 International Fire Code (IFC). The RCCC had no further questions or comments. Bob Morgan made a motion to approve the 2018 IFC amendments as presented to the committee. Jim Olk, City of Garland, seconded the motion. RCCC was unanimous in its decision.

Bob Morgan presented the statement the FAB created regarding the 2018 International Wildland-Urban Interface Code (IWUIC). David Lehde, Dallas Builders Association, presented adjusted language to the committee. The RCCC discussed making this an opinion paper with the additional language added provided by the Dallas Builders Association. The RCCC tabled a vote on the IWUIC until a more formal draft of the opinion paper can be prepared for the next meeting.

- **Plumbing and Mechanical Advisory Board, Gilbert Urvina.** Amendments on the 2018 International Plumbing Code and the International Mechanical Code.

Gilbert Urvina, City of Frisco and Chair of the Plumbing and Mechanical Advisory Board, presented major changes to the 2018 International Plumbing Code (IPC) amendments. The RCCC had no further questions or comments. Jim Olk, City of Garland, made a motion to approve the 2018 IPC amendments as presented to the committee. Selso Mata, City of Plano, seconded the motion. RCCC was unanimous in its decision.

Gilbert Urvina presented major changes to the 2018 International Mechanical Code (IMC) amendments. It was noted that section 306.5.1 needs to be changed to 2 stars as opposed to three. Larry Bartlett, TDIndustries, made a motion to approve the 2018 IMC amendments as presented to the committee. Kirk Smith, City of Highland Park, seconded the motion. RCCC was unanimous in its decision.

Gilbert Urvina presented major changes to the 2018 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC) amendments. It was noted that there were some minor changes needing to be made to the document, including: changing the year from “2015” to “2018” and modifying a sentence that read as both underlined and crossed out. NCTCOG stated that they would make these adjustments to the document. The RCCC had no further questions or comments. Jim Olk, City of Garland, made a motion to approve the 2018 IFGC amendments as presented to the committee with the aforementioned adjustments made to the document. Selso Mata, City of Plano, seconded the motion. The RCCC was unanimous in its decision.

DISCUSSION

- 6. Training for Small Cities.** The RCC will discuss logistics, such as topics covered and trainers, for the training to be held in August/September of 2018.

NCTCOG asked the committee if there was a preference for which month this training will be held. Jim Olk, City of Garland and Vice Chair of the RCCC, stated that this should be a question for the small cities who the training will be aimed at. However, if the 2018 code amendments are not released until September, then a training in late September would be more appropriate. NCTCOG informed the committee that they will review the survey results from January to identify potential training topics and conduct another survey of small cities to see what training they would like.

- 7. Electronic Plan Submittal Subcommittee Update.** Members of the Electronic Plan Submittal Subcommittee will give an update on their progress and next steps.

NCTCOG gave the committee an update on the status of the Electronic Plan Submittal Subcommittee. The Electronic Plan Submittal Subcommittee has determined that their next steps will be to develop a plan review guideline document; as well as an outline of functional requirements needed from a software. The subcommittee plans to host a stakeholder brainstorming session open to the region in order to determine these functional requirements.

- 8. FY2019 Work Plan Update.** NCTCOG will present an update on the initiatives to be pursued during FY2019. NCTCOG will be sending out commitment forms and providing information on cost sharing amounts in the next few weeks.

NCTCOG announced that commitments for the FY2019 Work Plan would be coming in the next few weeks and provided an outline of what FY2019 is described as in the Regional Codes Work Plan. David Kerr, City of Plano, stated that the budget for FY2019 will not have the code amendment process on it so there will be some room to develop trainings further. NCTCOG provided some ideas of training and education deliverables that the committee could work on. For the sake of time, it was determined that the committee will discuss this in more depth at the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- 9. Future Agenda Items.** The committee can request future agenda items.

No future agenda items were requested from the meeting attendants.

- 10. Roundtable Topics/Other Business.** RCCC members and NCTCOG may share additional items of interest as time allows. Members are asked to share what is happening in their communities.

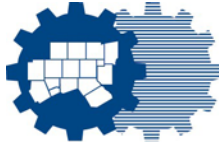
NCTCOG announced that there are two vacancies on the RCCC and that voting on membership will occur at the next meeting.

- 11. Schedule for the next RCCC Meeting.** The next meeting of the Regional Codes Coordinating Committee is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 30, 2018.

The next meeting of the RCCC was rescheduled for Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 9:30 in the Regional Forum Room.

- 12. Adjournment.**

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Ryann Cline by phone at (817) 608-2363, or by email at rcline@nctcog.org.



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