Regional Codes Coordinating Committee

JULY 14, 2020

STAFF CONTACT: CAROLYN HORNER
1. Welcome and Introductions.

2. Meeting Summary.
   The January 14, 2020 meeting summary will be presented for approval.
Discussion Items

3. Regional Codes Work

Program Funding

Funding Goal for FY20 = $100,000

Current Committed Funding for FY20 = $27,950.00

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Current Funding (FY20).

Will confirm all participants the day before the meeting.
Action Items

3. FY2021-FY2023 Work Plan
Discussion on the draft 3-year work plan, specifically on Appendix B: Work Program Deliverables Prioritized by RCCC
### Completed Training or Action Items: Current Work Plan

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<td>ICC Preferred Provider status</td>
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<td>Codes Adoption Video/webinar</td>
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<td>Annual Survey</td>
<td>Spring every year</td>
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<td>Electronic Plan Submittal Recommendations</td>
<td>January 2020</td>
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Anticipated Training Timeline and Topic Prioritization in New Work Plan

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<td>Advisory Boards (4 Boards)</td>
<td>Start Fall 2020/Year 1</td>
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<td>Small City Roundtable</td>
<td>Spring 2021</td>
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<td>Education Video (Topic discussion needed)</td>
<td>TBD</td>
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<td>Trainings</td>
<td>Topics determined by Annual Survey responses and member interests</td>
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4. Regional Codes Coordinating Committee FY2021 Appointments. RCCC vacancies to be discussed, and nominations considered. The FY2021 membership term begins on October 1, 2020.
Regional Codes Coordinating Committee
FY2021 Membership

Current Members Seeking Reappointment

◦ Joe Bass, Senior VP-Development, Hillwood
◦ Jack Baxley, Executive VP, TEXO
◦ Philip Climer, Building Official, City of Frisco
◦ Stan Folsom, CEO, Systemhause
◦ Dwight Freeman, Lt., Dallas Fire Dept.
◦ Joelle Hainley, Building Official, Town of Flower Mound*
◦ Selso Mata, Building Official, City of Plano
◦ Jim Olk, Building Official, City of Garland
◦ David Pendley, Chief Building Official, City of North Richland Hills
◦ L. David Session, Assistant Building Official, City of Dallas
◦ Wayne K. Snell, Jr., Director of Inspections, City of Irving*
◦ * elected January 2020 to a position with an expiring term.
Regional Codes Coordinating Committee
FY2021 Membership

Public Sector:

- Two vacancies for a professional involved in municipal inspections with a city or county in North Central Texas who possess technical expertise in construction codes (building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, or residential).

  ◦ Prospective Members:
    • Michael Sizemore, Building Official, City of Allen
    • Jeffrey Widmer, Chief Building Official, City of Rockwall
    • Brady Cudd, Chief Building Inspector, Town of Prosper
    • Jeremy Booker, Building Official, City of Lewisville
Action Items

5. Regional Codes Coordinating Committee FY2021 Officers. Current officers serving in the officer positions:

Chair: David Kerr, City of Melissa
Vice-Chair: Jim Olk, City of Garland
Discussion Items

6. Regional Model Construction Code Survey Results

NCTCOG will present the results of the code adoption survey for discussion.
Regional City Responses - 51
Does your city utilize the NCTCOG Regional Code Amendments?

45 cities and 9 counties responded to this question.

Total number of responses: 51

92.16% Yes
7.84% No
Does your city typically adopt NCTCOG’s recommended amendments as published?

- Yes: 54.90%
- No, our city makes amendments to the NCTCOG recommended amendments prior to adoption: 45.10%

Number of responses: 51
Indicate the year of the code your city has most recently adopted.
Indicate the year of the code your city has most recently adopted (cont.)
What is your city’s code adoption schedule?

- Every 3 years: 39.13%
- Every 6 years: 17.39%
- No set time for adoption: 43.48%

Number of responses: 46
Does your city adopt option A amendments or option B amendments?

Number of responses: 47
Does your city plan to adopt the 2018 International Green Construction Code (IgCC)?

- Yes: 91.11%
- No: 8.89%

Number of responses: 47
If you have not adopted the most recent version of the codes, please indicate why.

Lack of technical knowledge to adopt, implement, or enforce the code: 0.00%
Not all codes are needed (ex: no commercial uses in city): 12.90%
Perception of increased costs to development community: 22.58%
Lack of staff support to adopt, implement, or enforce the code: 22.58%
Other, please specify: 51.61%

Number of responses: 31
Some of the responses received for answer choice “Other” from previous question

“We typically adopt codes on the odd year. We have elected to adopt the 2018 codes in Oct 2020.”

“Changes in leadership and timing”

“We typically need to go a couple of cycles.”

“Will adopt a more recent code this year”

“Political environment; city project priorities”

“In process to adopt the 2020 codes, we prefer a 6 year cycle.”

“Currently preparing for upcoming code cycle. 2021”

“Are implementing new adoption schedule”

“every six years is adequate”

“Change of building official delayed the 2018 adoption, now we’re skipping that and will adopt the 2021 codes”

“Adoption of current codes is currently in process. Will be in place by May 2020.”

“Our City has been set aside for a long period of time. We are, with our new staff, motivated to bring our City up.”

“we are in process of adopting 2018 model codes”

“Cycle”
Does your city need assistance with adopting more current codes?

Number of responses: 47
Is your entity aware of the following resources provided by the Regional Codes Coordinating Committee? Select all that apply.

- Work Program: 55.81%
- Workshops/Video: 62.79%
- Training Calendar: 76.74%
- Quarterly Meetings of the Regional Codes Coordinating Committee: 76.74%
- Regional Code Amendments: 95.35%

Number of responses: 43
TC16  Do these values mean they are aware or they are not aware....for example, are 62% not aware or are they aware?
Tamara Cook, 7/7/2020

CH11  Are aware
Carolyn Horner, 7/12/2020
What additional assistance would your city desire in relation to the code/amendment adoption process?

- "Need to have COG amendments to marry up with our needs"
- "Clarification as to the impact of HB 2439"
- "Unfamiliar with adoption process; would need training on how to select or customize code to specific town or city."
- "NCTCOG provides appropriate support."
- "Existing building code classes"
- "Drafting the ordinances as well as the ability to justify the reason to adopt"
- "I would like to have the changes that relate to the 2018 model codes."
- "We are currently in 2012 editions."
Please list any comments or suggestions regarding the NCTCOG amendments, code adoption process, or this survey.

- "We appreciate all the hard work and effort expended to bring the amendments about for adoption."
- "It will be the first year under HB 2439 adoption limiting amendments. This may limit the meetings, shorten the amount of amendments and the overall process."
- "While the explanation provided with each amendment is very helpful, some amendments could use a bit more detail in the explanation. I also believe the amendment to Article 230.71(A) to allow more than 6 means of disconnect to a multi-tenant building should be included in the 2020 NEC. This was a long-standing COG amendment that was removed from the 2017 NEC. By removing the amendment, it created 1,000s of non-conforming structures throughout the metroplex. Also, many cities added this amendment back in, so it defeats the purpose of regional conformity, because not all cities added it."
- "We mainly adopt all of COG's amendments, but we have a few city-specific amendments to go along them."
- "Keep up the great work, would love to serve of the fire advisory board"
Discussion Items

7. COVID-19 Discussion

Topic at the request of the Vice-Chair.

NCTCOG hosted 4 Regional Response to COVID-19 Conference Calls with members of the RCCC and Building Officials across the region. Topics of the calls included public building access or restrictions, virtual inspections, software specifics for virtual meetings with developers and contractors, working from home procedures/problems, unexpected cost savings, process efficiencies discovered, and how to calculate reduced occupancy allowances for reopening businesses.
Discussion Items

8. Advisory Boards. Discussion of the upcoming need for Advisory Board members for the 4 Advisory Boards:

Building & Residential Advisory Board
Energy and Green Advisory Board
Fire Advisory Board
Plumbing and Mechanical Advisory Board
Other Business and Roundtable Discussion

   The committee can request future agenda items.

10. Roundtable Topics/Other Business.
    RCCC members and NCTCOG may share additional items of interest.
Other Business and Roundtable Discussion

11. Schedule for the Next RCCC Meeting.
   The next meeting date is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 9:30 AM
Other Items

A list of upcoming events are on our website at https://www.nctcog.org/envir/events

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