

BOARD OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Codes and Standards Committee
October 3, 2022
11:45 A.M.
Glen Allen, Virginia

Members Present

Louie Berbert
Claudia Cotton
Susan Dewey
Sean Farrell
Richard Gregory
Sylvia Hallock
Mark Jackson
Abigail Johnson
Keith Johnson
Brett Meringoff
Larry Murphy
J.M. Snell
Mark Trostle

Members Absent

Patricia “Patty” Shields

Call to Order

Mr. Rick Gregory, Chairman of the Codes and Standards Committee, called the meeting to order at 11:45 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll was called by Mr. Kyle Flanders of the Department of Housing and Community Development’s (DHCD) Policy Office. Mr. Flanders reported that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2021, meeting of the Committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Report of the Statewide
Fire Prevention Code

Mr. Brett Meringoff, Chairman of the Statewide Fire Prevention Code Development Committee (SFPCDC) reported the committee recommendations.

The SFPCDC recommendation in the form of a motion to approve the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (SFPC) base document as presented in Tab 1 of Book 1 of the agenda package was presented to the committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The SFPCDC recommendation in the form of a motion to approve consensus items in a block as presented in Tab 2 of Book 1 of the

agenda package, with the exception of proposal FP107.1-21, was presented to the committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The SFPCDC recommendation in the form of a motion to disapprove the consensus for disapproval item as presented in Tab 3 of Book 1 of the agenda package was presented to the committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Proposal FP107.11-21 was presented to the committee with no recommendation. A motion was made to approve the proposal but no second was received. A motion was made and seconded to disapprove the proposal, the motion passed 12-1.

FP906.1-21 was presented to the committee with no recommendation. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal, the motion failed 1-12. A motion was made and seconded to disapprove the proposal, the motion passed 12-1.

The SFPCDC recommendation in the form of a motion to approve proposal B1010.2.8-21 was presented to the committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Code Change Proposals

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC) base document as presented in Tab 1 of Book 2 of the agenda package. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the consensus proposals in Tab 2 of Book 2 with the exception of proposal B432(2)-21. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to disapprove proposal B432(2)-21. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to disapprove the consensus for disapproval proposals in Tab 3 of Book 2. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to disapprove the non-consensus proposals in Tab 4 of Book 2 that exceed 2021 model

code and that exceed 2018 amendments to the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code.

During discussion, some board members indicated strong opposition to addressing non-consensus proposals in a block.

Other board members indicated support for addressing the non-consensus proposals in a block.

A motion was made and seconded to amend the motion to only consider those proposals that exceed the 2021 model code in a block. The motion failed 4-9.

After additional discussion regarding the pending vote before the committee, the main motion to disapprove the non-consensus proposals in Tab 4 of Book 2 that exceed 2021 model code and that exceed 2018 amendments to the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code passed, 9-4.

A motion was made and seconded for disapproval of proposal EC-C1301.1.1(2) - 21. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to approve proposal EC-Appendix CB - 21. The motion passed 12-1.

A motion was made and seconded for disapproval of proposal B903.2.3 - 21. The motion failed 3-10.

A motion was made and seconded for approval of proposal B903.2.3-21. The motion passed 12-1.

A motion was made and seconded for disapproval of proposal B1006.3.4-21. Board members discussed the possible benefits and concerns with the proposal. Members expressed significant concern with the public safety implications, referencing past instances with limited egress. Board members noted the topic needed additional consideration. The motion passed on a voice vote with a friendly amendment to study the issue in the next code cycle.

A motion was made and seconded for approval of proposal B1010.2.8-21. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded for approval of proposal RB326-21. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded for approval of proposal PM103.2-21. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Industrialized Building Safety Regulations (IBSR) base document as presented in Tab 5 of Book 2 of the agenda package. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Consensus proposals in Tab 6 of Book 2 as presented in the agenda package were considered. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposals in a block. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Virginia Amusement Device Regulations (VADR) base document as presented in Tab 7 of Book 2 of the agenda package. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Consensus proposals in Tab 8 of Book 2 as presented in the agenda package were considered. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposals in a block. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Consensus for disapproval proposals in Tab 9 of Book 2 as presented in the agenda package, were considered. A motion was made and seconded to disapprove the proposal in this Tab. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Preparation of Proposed Regulations

A motion was made and seconded to recommend that the BHCD approve code changes as recommended by the Committee for inclusion in the proposed regulations. The motion passed 11-2.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to be discussed.

New Business

There was no new business to be discussed.

Adjournment

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.