

Seattle Fire Department

Fire Code Advisory Board

Fire Code Advisory Board Meeting – Meeting Minutes of September 13 2022, 1:00-3:00PM

Location: Webex and FMO Large Conference Room

Board Members Attending

Kevin Marr	Amy Liu	Kurt Lustig	Hugo Sotelo
Shawn Wood	Rae Anne Rushing	Chris Todd	

Guests Attending

Board Members Absent

Carlene M Comrie	Fritz Chess		
Tara Henriksen	Ricky Campbell		

Fire Department Members Attending

Ken Brouillette	Shawn Shepherd	Jennifer Kann	

Vice Chairperson Hugo Sotelo called the meeting to order at 13:02 hours; a quorum was present.

Items for Review and Discussion:

- I. Introductions-Chief Munnis addressed the board and thanked them for their time and explained the importance of the new draft Energy Storage System Administrative Rule that will be reviewed today.
- II. Review and approve agenda
 - A. Motion was made with a second to approve the agenda. Motion passed without objection.
- III. Update on member appointments and reappointments
 - A. Ken Brouillette announced that all members appointments have been updated with City Council. We have 4 open positions, including Jim Fair that needed to step down.

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IV. 2021 SFC Review Schedule.

- A. Ken Brouillette announced that FCAB will be reviewing the 2021 SFC and making recommendations for changes over the next couple of months. The goal is to stay in line with the proposed State adoption of July 1, 2023 for implementation in Seattle. FCAB meetings to be held every two weeks unless more are necessary.
- B. Shawn Shepherd was introduced by Ken Brouillette and Shawn indicated that in third party plan reviews will be starting soon and they should help with the backlog.

V. Draft Administrative Rule 12.01.22.

- A. Ken Brouillette explained that this document is necessary to catch up with the emerging Energy Storage System technology. The current 2018 SFC does not have the ability to address these systems thoroughly. This document is based on the upcoming 2021 IFC and 2024 IFC. The intent is to have this Rule in effect until the next SFC is in effect and then rescind the Rule. This draft rule will exempt one and two family dwellings and townhouses for review at this time. Discussions are occurring with SDCI for how to permit these types of occupancies in the future.
- B. Hugo Sotelo asked if OSHA rules had been cross referenced. Shawn Shepherd stated these are not stand-alone charging stations and ESS are more like a UPS.
- C. Kevin Marr asked if the 2024 IFC had already been approved by ICC. Ken Brouillette said yes and indicated that they are shown in purple on the draft rule.
- D. Motion was made by Kevin Marr and seconded by Amy Liu. Passed

VI. 2021 SFC Chapters 6 through 8.

- A. Ken Brouillette explained the documents that indicated the Green text is proposed or existing WA State amendments, Red is existing 2018 amendments that will be brought forward, blue is new language in the 2021 and Purple is any new proposed amendments.
- B. Amy Liu brought up that different regulations exist for commercial versus residential sites for oil storage tanks.
- C. Ken Brouillette discussed that a new clothes dryer exhaust system section has been added in the 2021 IFC. Kevin Marr asked what is a dryer exhaust system. Ken Brouillette explained that this section was developed to address laundry room situations and not individual dryers in homes.
- D. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 6. Kurt Lustig seconded the motion. Passed.
- E. Chapter 7 was presented and Ken Brouillette explained the proposed changes in purple regarding ducts and air transfer openings and the reason that Seattle Fire would like to bring this forward. It was explained that this was going through the legislative process at the State but because of time allowances, it did

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not make it out of committee. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 7. Kurt Lustig seconded the motion. Passed.

F. Chapter 8 was presented by Ken Brouillette. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 8. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed.

VII. Review 2021 SFC Chapters 20-22.

- A. Chapter 20 was presented by Ken Brouillette. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 20. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed
- B. Chapter 21 was presented by Ken Brouillette. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 21. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed
- C. Chapter 22 was presented by Ken Brouillette. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 22. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed

VIII. Review 2021 SFC Chapter 23.

- A. Ken Brouillette explained that the current SFC amendments are proposed for the 2021 SFC and no new WA or Seattle amendments are proposed. Kevin Marr made a motion to approve Chapter 23. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed.

IX. Review 2021 SFC Chapters 24-29.

- A. Ken Brouillette presented Chapter 24. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 24. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed
- B. Ken Brouillette presented Chapter 25. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 25. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed
- C. Ken Brouillette presented Chapter 26. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 26. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed
- D. Ken Brouillette presented Chapter 27. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 27. Amy Liu seconded the motion. Passed
- E. Ken Brouillette presented Chapter 28. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 28. Chris Todd seconded the motion. Passed
- F. Ken Brouillette presented Chapter 29. Kevin Marr made motion to approve Chapter 29. Kurt Lustig seconded the motion. Passed

X. Discuss FCAB Board elections.

- A. Ken Brouillette explained that the Board will need to hold elections in October per the Board rules to fill Chairperson and Vice Chairperson positions.

XI. Future Agenda Items.

- A. Ken Brouillette discussed that the focus will be on the 2021 SFC Chapters.

Motion was made by Kurt Lustig to adjourned and seconded by Kevin Marr. Adjourned at 2:25 pm.