

**Construction Codes Advisory Board  
Minutes of May 19, 2016**

**Board Members present:**

Greg Gilda	Charlie Beck
Lachlan Foss	Eric Vander Mey
Judy Tucker	Lily Iftner
Rob Lane	Allan Wakeling
Len Whalen	

**Board Members absent:**

Steve Simpson	Jim Safranek
Joseph Malaspino	

**City Staff:**

Kathleen Petrie	Jon Siu
Maureen Traxler	Steve Pfeiffer
Ardel Jala	Joel Lehn
Don Weissinger	

**Minutes of April 7, 2016**

CCAB unanimously approved the notes of the April 7, 2016 meeting.

**Review of the Seattle Existing Building Code (SEBC)**

Ardel Jala described proposed changes made to the structural provisions of the draft SEBC since CCAB reviewed the previous draft. Highlights of the changes include:

- The structural provisions were located in chapter 3 and deleted from other chapters.
  - With regard to change of occupancy, Greg Gilda questioned why Tiers 1 and 2 are not allowed. He will consider whether this represents a change from the 2012 SEBC. Ardel noted that any change comes from the IEBC not Seattle amendments.
- Deletion of the International Existing Building Code (IEBC) trigger that required abatement of parapets on unreinforced masonry buildings (URMs) if a specified amount of reroofing is being done. The IEBC trigger was deleted because SDCI considers URM parapets as 'unsafe bldg appendages' which SEBC requires be abated.
- Sec 303, Repairs, was modified to permit applicants to use either ASCE 31 or 41. Greg noted that ASCE 31 will cease to exist with new ASCE 41 but he supports allowing use of 31 for 3 more years because people are familiar with it. The city should consider deleting it next time.
- In Section 707, Structural, the draft SEBC has provisions for reroofing and nothing else. CCAB recommended moving those provisions to the reroofing section in Chapter 3.

Joel Lehn explained that SDCI is proposing to located the flood related provisions for all compliance methods in chapter 3 to avoid redundancy. The proposed language is the same as the IEBC.

Kathleen Petrie pointed out that provisions for moved structures for all compliance methods are proposed to be located in chapter 3 because they are the same for all methods.

Greg expressed concern about the volume of amendments in the SEBC, and the difficulty of maintaining them in future editions. Jon Siu and Maureen Traxler noted that the 2018 IEBC will be more like the 2015 SEBC because in the 2018 IEBC accessibility and moved buildings provisions will be the same for all compliance methods.

Follow-up: SDCI will revise the reroofing sections for CCAB to review at the next meeting.

#### DR7-2016 Small Efficiency Dwelling Units

Don Weissinger presented a proposed new Director's Rule about small efficiency dwelling units. The purpose of the rule is to clarify the rules for room size.

After reviewing the rule, Judy Tucker move to approve it as presented; Len Whalen seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.