

Seattle Fire Department Fire Code Advisory Board

Fire Code Advisory Board Meeting – Meeting Minutes of Apr 27, 2021, 1:00-3:00PM

Location: Webex

Board Members Attending

Amy Liu	Scott Peterson	Jim Fair	Hugo Sotelo
Kevin Marr	Kurt Lustig	Rae Anne Rushing	

Guests Attending

Ricky Campbell (Local 699)	Desert		

Board Members Absent

Carlene M Comrie	Chris Todd	Fritz Chess	Brad Middleton
Tara Henriksen			

Fire Department Members Attending

Ken Brouillette	Robert Noble	Derek Williamson	Rich Richardson
Chief Timothy Munnis			

Chairperson Jim Fair called the meeting to order at 13:02 hours; a quorum was present.

Items for Review and Discussion:

- I. Review and approve agenda
 - A. Kevin moved to approve agenda as written, Hugo seconded. Motion passed without objection.
- II. Review and approve Jan 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes
 - A. Kevin submitted motion to approve meeting minutes as written, Jim Fair seconded. Motion passed without objection
- III. 2018 Seattle Fire Code Distribution to FCAB members
 - A. All board members receive a written copy
 - B. Easiest way is if you can come pick up your copy. If that doesn't work, I'll have to get the ok to mail them at an extra cost.
 - C. All present board members able to come pick up hardcopy.
 - D. Kevin: Is the electronic version available
 1. Ken: No, the electronic version is only for SFD personnel. There is a free version available online at www.seattle.gov/fire/business-services/fire-code-and-fire-safety-documents
 2. An electronic version can be purchased from the ICC website

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3. Rae Anne: Is the 2018 code in effect even though we haven't approved the city of Seattle amendments?
 - i. Ken: Yes, we approved the amendments last meeting.
 - ii. Rae Anne: Ok, so the next thing to talk about is the 2021.

IV. 2021 WA state fire code development and proposed amendments

A. Process Notes

1. Kevin Marr is also on the state Fire Code TAG
2. Currently, anyone can propose a change to the 2021 state code via sbcc.wa.gov
3. If you are interested in a particular subject matter, this is the time to get involved with that. Ken is able to help individual members write code change proposals

B. Sprinklers in Highrise buildings retrofit (Appendix M)

1. Would require sprinkler installation in all existing buildings and included a compliance schedule. Wasn't adopted in 2018 code.
2. Retrofit requirements have been added to 2021 code even where Appendix M hasn't been adopted if building meets certain requirements.
3. Rich Richardson pointed out that the city measures High Rises differently than other places.
4. Current estimate: roughly 50-60 high rises in Seattle without sprinklers

C. Section 320: Additive Manufacturing (3D Printing)

1. New section
2. Will include an operational permit
3. Ken reached out to board to find out if anyone has an particular expertise in this
4. Jim: What brought rise to this?
 - i. Ken: I'm actually not sure. I'm to go back and find out.

D. Chapter 40 (storage of distilled spirits and wines)

1. New chapter that may impact new distilleries
2. Adds new requirement for sprinklers without a threshold

E. Next TAG meeting is in May. Ken would like to bring those proposals back to FCAB members for review.

1. It is easier to handle changes at the state level where possible.

F. Next week is the start of the 2024 code process.

V. Other issues

A. Rich Richardson is working on updating our TCO document/process

B. Desert (Guest): Is there a place to look at proposed 2021 changes?

1. Ken: The international fire code redline version is available for purchase and shows the changes from 2018 to 2021.

C. Amy: Is there a deadline for code submissions.

1. Ken: End of May.

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VI. Kevin submitted motion to adjourn. Motion seconded and passed without objection.

Meeting adjourned by Chairperson Jim Fair at 13:40 hours

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