

2018 IBC Task Force Fourth Meeting Minutes 2/22/2018

MEETING BEGINS 10:00 Am

WELCOME

- Ted Miltiades, DCA Director of Codes and Research welcomed everyone and introductions were made around the room of task force members, DCA staff, interested parties and guests.
- Ted then turned the meeting over to Task Force Chairman Gregori Anderson.

SCOPE OF WORK

- The minutes from the third meeting on February 1, 2018 were reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Mark Schroeder (first) and John Hutton (second). The motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS REVISTED

Several items were revisited which were delayed for further discussion at the last meeting:

- **Table 504.4 Allowable Number of Stories Above Grade Plane.** Table 504.3 was revised to comply with the current State Fire Marshal (SFM) rules and Department of Community Health regulations and to add a new footnote i which requires all assisted living occupancies to have automatic sprinkler systems. Motion was made by Daniel Baiamonte (first) and Mark Schroeder (second) to approve the table with the recommended changes. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Section 713.14.1 Designated Floors for Elevator Return.** The previous amendment is confusing because the intent was to apply to the “designated” floors for elevator return. Thus, the word “designated” was added in front of elevator lobbies and “exterior” was added in front of walls in item 2 for clarification. Motion was made by Daniel Baiamonte (first) and Mark Schroeder (second) to carry forward the amendment with the revisions as discussed. The motion passed.
- **Section 1203.2 Attic spaces.** It was originally recommended to carry forward the previous 2014 GA amendment and change the section number to 1202.2.1. However, it was determined that the requirements for spray foam insulation on the underside of rafters were adequately covered in the 2018 IBC. Motion was made by Bill Chambliss (first) and Dee Leclair (second) to delete and not carry forward the previous 2014 GA amendment. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Table 1203.2 Insulation for Condensation Control.** This table is already covered in the 2018 IBC. Motion was made by Bill Chambliss (first) and Dee Leclair (second) to delete and not carry forward the previous 2014 GA amendment. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Section 1203.3 Under-floor ventilation.** These provisions are covered by the 2018 IBC. Motion was made by Bill Chambliss (first) and Dee Leclair (second) to delete and not carry forward the 2014 GA amendment. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Chapter 34 Existing Buildings.** This chapter was deleted in the 2018 IBC in lieu of referencing the *International Existing Building Code* (IEBC) instead. By Georgia law, the IEBC is a permissive or optional State Minimum Standard Code. However, the IEBC must be specifically adopted by a local government ordinance. Motion was made by Dee Leclair (first) and Mark Schroeder (second) to carry forward Chapter 34 of the 2012 IBC and scoping language be added to the *preface* to address any references to the IEBC in the 2018 IBC. The motion passed with one nay from John Hudgison.
- **Section 3401.7 Existing buildings or structures.** This 2014 existing GA amendment provides necessary guidance for building officials, building designers and contractors to determine when existing building systems must be brought up to meet code. It was recommended to add the phrase “Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Life Safety” before systems to clarify the intent. Motion was made by John Hutton (first) and Dee Leclair (second) to carry forward the amendment with the proposed changes. The motion passed unanimously.

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- **Appendix O, Disaster Resilient Construction.** It was recommended to carry forward Appendix N from the 2013 GA amendments with the following revisions by DCA staff: 1) Change from Appendix N to Appendix O and revise all section references from AN to AO, 2) Delete “flood hazard area,” 3) Check reference standard editions, 4) Verify webpage links in Chapter 6, and 5) Correlate code sections with 2018 IBC. Motion by Dee Leclair (first) and John Hutton (second) to approve Appendix O with proposed changes. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER ITEMS (Housekeeping)

- **Chapter 35 Referenced Standards.** Two new reference standards were recommended to be added to reflect the previous changes to Table 3001.3 for personnel and material hoists. Motion was made by Daniel Baiamonte (first) and Bill Chambless (second) to approve as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Section 1810.3.2.6 and Table 1810.3.2.6.** SEAOG recommended the section name be changed to Allowable Axial Stresses...and also add two new conditions in the table under item 4 “Other conditions” for the maximum allowable axial stress allowed. Motion was made by John Hutton (first) and Dee Leclair (second) to approve as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Sections F] 903.2.8.1, [F] 903.2.8.2, F] 903.2.8.4, [F] 903.3.1.3 (See Items 13 through 16 on report form)

- These items were submitted by the State Fire Marshal for coordination with the State Minimum Fire Safety Standards. Motion was made Daniel Baiamonte (first) and Bill Chambless (second) to approved as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

- Chairman Anderson stated the task force has completed the review of all the new code chapters and appendices and all existing amendments to carry forward. There was only one amendment received from an outside proponent by the set deadline which was disapproved. A preliminary task report will be made to the State Codes Advisory Committee on February 28 and the final task force report to recommend adoption of the new code and amendments will be in June.
- Lunch was provided for Task Force members and DCA staff.

ADJOURN – 12:30 Am

TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT: Gregori Anderson, Chairman, Bill Chambless, Vice Chairman, Daniel Baiamonte, John Hudgison, Mark Schroeder, Dee Leclair, Alex Holbrook and John Hutton.

TASK FORCE MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael McGwier.

DCA STAFF: Ted Miltiades, Bill Towson, Matt McConnell, Soli Nicolson and Kadedra Caldwell

INTERESTED PARTIES: Dwayne Garriss, State Fire Marshal; Ken Hix, Huber, Doug Maples, City of Atlanta.

End of Minutes.