Tuesday, November 15, 2022

10:30 am

Welcome and Call To Order:

Darbis Briggman, acting as Council Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

Darbis Briggman, acting as Council Chairman, announced that notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Building Codes Council Office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with §30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act

Approval of Agenda:

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MOTION

Mr. Hill made a motion to approve the Agenda for November 15, 2022. Mr. Rye seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Introduction of Council Members and Others

Doug Terrell, Alan Campbell, Bennett Griffin, Melissa Hopkins, Mike Lowman, Curtis Rye, Frank Hill, Darbis Briggman, Tim Hance, Michael Julazadeh, Stevenson Adams, and Patrick Bradshaw introduced themselves as Council members.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Stacey Hewson, Advice Counsel; Molly Price, Administrator; Maggie Smith and Teresa Martin, Program Coordinators; and Katie Lee, Court Reporter.

Approval of Excused Absences

MOTION

Ms. Hopkins made a motion to approve the absences of Chris Cullum, Michael Richardson, and Delisa Clark. Mr. Lowman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

<u>Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 16, 2022; October 18, 2022; November 7, 2022</u> MOTION

Mr. Hill made a motion to approve the August 16, 2022, October 18, 2022, and November 7, 2022 meeting minutes. Ms. Hopkins seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chairman's Remarks:

Darbis Briggman welcomed those present and thanked them for coming.

Staff Reports

a. Administrator's Report – Molly Price

Ms. Price provided licensure statistics to the Council, citing 27 newly issued registrations as of November 10, 2022, with a total of 1,213 total active registrants.

She also provided cash reports for both the Building Codes Council and the Certification Program.

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b. Modular Building Program Report- Maggie Smith

Mrs. Smith provided an update on the status of the modular plant audits, and stated that staff will begin developing third-party inspection agency audit procedures at the recommendation of HUD.

c. Office of Investigations and Enforcement Report - Todd Bond

Mr. Bond explained that there have been 31 new complaints filed since January 1, 2022. There are currently 4 active investigations and 32 cases have been closed this year.

d. Investigative Review Committee (IRC) Report – Todd Bond

The IRC met on November 3, 2022, and recommended 3 cases for dismissal and 2 cases for formal complaint.

MOTION:

Mr. Rye made a motion to approve the IRC report. Ms. Hopkins seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

e. Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report – Erin Baldwin

Ms. Baldwin reported that 5 cases have been closed since the last meeting, and there are currently 6 cases with the Office of Disciplinary Counsel—all of which are pending hearings or agreements.

Emergency Building Code Modification Hearing

2021 SC Plumbing Code: Request to Delete 403.2, Exception 6 and 403.1.1, Exception 2

MOTION:

Mr. Lowman made a motion to go into executive session for legal advice. Mr. Rye seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Mr. Bradshaw made a motion to come out of executive session. Mr. Lowman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

It was noted for the record that no votes were taken during executive session.

MOTION:

Ms. Hopkins made a motion to accept the proposed modification as submitted, with the addition of the International Building Code (IBC) Section 2902.1.1, Exception 2; and Section 2902.2, Exception 6. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Old Business

2022 Regulatory Review

Ms. Hewson provided an overview of the regulatory review process and submitted the proposed Regulatory Review Report to the Council for approval.

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Mr. Lowman made a motion to approve the proposed Regulatory Review Report. Mr. Hance seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

New Business

Approval of Travel for 2023 World of Modular Conference (March 29 - April 2, 2023)

MOTION

Ms. Hopkins made a motion to approve two staff members and two Council members to attend the 2023 World of Modular Conference. Mr. Lowman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Regulatory Review Committee - Building Code Enforcement Officer Regulations

Ms. Hopkins thanked everyone on the Committee for their help in identifying and correcting issues found in the existing regulations, and provided the progress of the Committee in reviewing the Council's regulations through 8-185. She stated that the next committee meeting will be held virtually on November 28, 2022, at 10:00am.

Public Comments

Mr. Briggman noted that code change classes are available throughout the state for anyone who may need a refresher.

Adjournment

MOTION

Mr. Rye made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Hopkins seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

There being nothing further the meeting adjourned at 11:32 am.