

**South Carolina Building Codes
Accessibility Committee Meeting
Minutes
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Lowcountry Room
Columbia, SC 29210**

Monday, March 10, 2025

10:30 am

Welcome and Call To Order:

Delisa Clark called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

Ms. Clark 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:

March 10, 2025

MOTION

Mr. Bradshaw made a motion to approve the March 10, 2025 agenda. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Introduction of Committee Members and Others

Delisa Clark, Patrick Bradshaw, and Stevenson Adams introduced themselves as Committee members.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Ely Grote, Advice Counsel; Maggie Smith, Board Executive; and Teresa Martin, Administrative Coordinator.

Kathleen Lee, with Huseby Court Reporting, appeared as the Court Reporter.

Approval of Excused Absences

MOTION

Mr. Bradshaw made a motion to excuse the absence of David Black and Salvatore Napolitano. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Election of Officers

MOTION

Mr. Bradshaw made a motion to delay the election of officers until all members are present. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Request for Interpretation - S.C. Code of Regulations 8-701(B), “fully accessible” units

The Committee discussed a request received from a building official seeking an interpretation of Regulation 8-701(B), in particular, the use of the term “fully accessible” units, and particularly relating to Group R-2 occupancies. Mike Zaprzalka, Richland County Building Official; Chris Stover, President of the Building Officials Association of South Carolina; and Seth Coker with Comet Builders spoke and provided comment with respect to the request for interpretation.

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

MOTION

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

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

MOTION

Mr. Bradshaw made a motion that the term “fully accessible”, as mentioned in the regulation, would be met by complying with the requirements of the South Carolina Building Code and A117.1 by meeting the requirements of Accessible units or Type A units. This does not affect the minimum number of accessible units that are required by statute and regulation—state statute §10-5-250 and Regulation §8-701 which mentions the percentage/the minimum number. The motion also included authorizing the acting chairperson to approve the final written statement of interpretation by the committee. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Public Comments

As noted above, Mike Zaprzalka, Chris Stover, and Seth Coker spoke and provided comment with respect to the request for interpretation.

Adjournment

MOTION

Mr. Bradshaw made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

There being nothing further, the meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.