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BUILDING, FIRE AND PLUMBING CODES COMMITTEE SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: DES Building, Room 2330
1500 Jefferson Street
Olympia, WA 98501

MEETING DATE: October 12, 2017

Agenda Items	Committee Actions/Discussion
1. Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Committee Chair Jim Tinner. <u>Members in Attendance:</u> Jim Tinner, Chair; Andrew Klein, Vice Chair; Diane Glenn; Robert Graper; Traci Harvey; Steve Simpson <u>Committee Members Absent:</u> Al French, Phil Lemley, Doug Orth <u>Staff In Attendance:</u> Richard Brown, Managing Director; Tim Nogler, Managing Director; Krista Braaksma <u>Visitors Present:</u> David Hruska, Jed Scheuermann, Steve Wilcox
2. Review & Approve Agenda	The agenda was approved as written.
3. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda	None offered.
4. Interpretation Requests Bellingham	<p>The Committee has four interpretations on the table today.</p> <p>The first interpretation is from the City of Bellingham, asking if dormers would be allowable in a habitable attic. This was referred to the Committee by the Council after their last meeting. The Council amended the original response, but sent it back for more information.</p> <p>Tim Nogler provided information submitted by the proponents when this change was made at ICC for the 2009 International Residential Code. It referred to attic space within a roof truss and thus a dormer would not be included. That was the basis for the original answer of no. Diane Glenn felt the dormer could be out of the gable side which wouldn't interfere with the truss.</p> <p>Jim Tinner felt the concern and reasoning behind the amendment was that most of this region was limited to two or three stories, based on the seismic requirements and there was concern that an attic space would be considered an additional story.</p> <p><i>Public comment:</i> None</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> No action was taken to amend the response as previously modified by the Council.</p> <p>Moses Lake</p> <p>The second request from Moses Lake is also a referral from the Council in September. It was approved by the Council at that meeting. This particular state amendment has been in the code a long time. It was moved from Chapter 34 to the IEBC for the 2015 edition.</p>

<p><i>Public comment:</i> None</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> No action was taken to amend the response.</p> <p>Bothell The third interpretation request is from the City of Bothell and deals with the amendment allowing an additional story in Type VA construction with stairway pressurization. Tim noted that there may be other code provisions that require some of the protections mentioned in the interpretation, but they are not addressed by the section in question.</p> <p>Jim Tinner agreed that it was not the intent to apply all of the requirements, along with their expense, of Section 909.</p> <p>It was mentioned that the code limits construction to 70 feet, although the first question mentions 75 feet.</p> <p><i>Public comment:</i> None</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> Steve Simpson moved to approve the response as written. Diane Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Clyde Hill The last interpretation is from the City of Clyde Hill and looks at the requirement for escape and rescue openings in a basement without sleeping rooms.</p> <p><i>Public comment:</i> None</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> Steve Simpson moved to approve the response as written. Traci Harvey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.</p>	<p>It provides some flexibility to provide accessible features. The language does expressly state “rooms.” If the Council wanted to address the issue it would require an amendment to the code.</p>
<p>5. Staff Report</p>	<p>Tim notified members that this would be his last Committee meeting. He also introduced David Hruska, who will be joining the staff next week, taking Joanne McCaughan’s position.</p>
<p>6. Other Business</p>	<p>Tim noted the Council has received some written testimony regarding the proposed rule on school alarms. It is posted on the website for review.</p>
<p>7. Adjourn</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.</p>