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STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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MECHANICAL, VENTILATION and ENERGY CODES COMMITTEE SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: In response to the Governor's Emergency Proclamation, there was no physical location.

MEETING DATE: March 18, 2021

Members in Attendance: Kjell Anderson, Chair; Caroline Traube, Vice Chair; Diane Glenn; Andrew Klein; Doug Orth; Todd Beyreuther

Members Absent: Phil Lemley

Staff In Attendance: Stoyan Bumbalov, Krista Braaksma

Visitors Present: Jeff Mang, Michael Baranick, Gary Heikkinen, Eric Lacey, Damen Jeg, Luke Howard, Shawn Mullins, Larry Adeyemi, Duane Jonlin

Agenda Items	Committee Actions/Discussion
1. Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Kjell Anderson, Committee Chair. Everyone was welcomed and roll was called. A quorum of the Committee was present.
2. Review and Approve Agenda	The agenda was approved with the addition of review of an IRC opinion under Other Business.
3. Review and Approve Minutes	The minutes of the December 4, 2020 meeting were approved as written.
4. Energy Code TAG Report	Kjell Anderson reported that the TAG was unable to complete their review of the Integrated Draft for the commercial portion of the 2021 Energy Code. The Integrated Draft is a baseline of the 2018 Washington State Energy Code overlaid by the changes in the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code, to include the best of both codes with no reduction in stringency, to be used as the basis for code change proposals. Thus far the TAG has reviewed about two thirds of the document. The TAG will meet again on March 26 to complete the review.
5. Request for Opinion City of Bellevue WSEC C407.2, Performance based compliance	Staff presented the request for an opinion from the City of Bellevue and the proposed response. The Committee approved the opinion as written.

5. Other Business	<p>The Committee reviewed a request for opinion on the IRC from Kittitas County that will be heard by the Building, Fire and Plumbing Codes Committee. The opinion asks if an unvented crawlspace can be turned into conditioned space meeting the criteria to receive energy credits under Table R406.3. The committee is recommending a change to the proposed answer be presented to the BFP Committee:</p> <p>Either the space is considered an unvented crawlspace and considered outside the thermal envelope barrier and meets the requirements of Section R408.3, or it is designed as part of the conditioned space where ducts are within the space enclosed by air barrier and thermal requirements and does not require continuous exhaust per IRC Section R408.3, Item 2 but must comply with Item 1 radon requirements.</p>
6. Adjourn	Meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Attachments:

[Finalized opinion](#) for City of Bellevue

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