

## STATE OF WASHINGTON

## STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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## STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

**LOCATION:** The meeting was held at

DES Building - Room 2208

1500 Jefferson St SE, Olympia, WA 98504

with Zoom and teleconference options

**MEETING DATE:** Friday, August 15, 2025

<u>Members in Attendance</u>: Council Chair Todd Beyreuther, Scott Bastiani, Tom Handy, Roger Heeringa, Tye Menser, Benjamin Omura, Pete Rieke, Katy Sheehan, Dan Young, Tom Young, Representative Suzanne Schmidt

<u>Members Absent</u>: Jay Arnold, Kjell Anderson, Justin Bourgault, Angela Haupt, Lorin Lathrop, Representative Alex Ramel, Senator Sharon Shewmake, Senator Shelly Short

<u>Staff In Attendance</u>: Managing Director Dustin Curb, Assistant Attorney Dierk Meierbachtol, Krista Braaksma, Annette Haworth, Brandin Groat

<u>Visitors Present</u>: Tim Attebery, Hans Erik Blomgren, Richard Blumenthal, Ken Brouillette, Ian Casey, Jerry Cornfield, Michael Diaz, Patrick Hanks, Matthew Hunter, Gregory Johnson, Jonathan Jones, Jonny Kocher, Dave Kokot, Rachel Koller, Eric Lacey, Dana Quam, Kevin Rose, Chris Russell, Cory Shaw, Lia Sommer, Elizabeth Torske

Agenda Items	Council Actions/Discussion
Welcome and Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Council Chair Todd Beyreuther. Roll was taken and a quorum was present. Anyone from the public, who wished to, introduced themselves.
2. Review and Approve Agenda	<b>Motion:</b> Dan Young moved to approve the agenda, Ben Omura seconded, the motion passed.
<ul><li>3. Review and Approve Minutes</li><li>July 25, 2025</li></ul>	<b>Motion:</b> Katy Sheehan moved to approve the minutes, Roger Heeringa seconded, the motion passed.
4. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda	No public comments were heard.

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5. Budget Report	Dustin Curb introduced DES's Budget Operations Manager Michael Diaz who presented SBCC's Budget Summary. Michael Diaz reviewed the document and answered questions from the Council. Discussion was held on the funding and fees collected and staffing issues. Michael Diaz explained the expenditure authority and the process to request authority to spend monies already allocated to SBCC. Discussion was held on when and who to communicate funding needs to and the best time and way to get this conversation started.
	<b>Motion:</b> Katy Sheehan moved to approve the budget, Dan Young seconded, the motion passed 6-2.
6. Emergency Rule Request: WSAFM	Dustin Curb explained the 2/3 vote for passing an emergency rule and 10 of the 14 voting members would need to vote in favor of.
	Dave Kokot, proponent of the Emergency Rule request, provided background on the request. It was then noted that the Council would first need to determine if an emergency exists. Discussion was then held on the language of the request meeting code language standards, and it was asked why this request didn't go back the BFRW Committee for review and input to which Dustin Curb responded that BFRW Committee meeting was cancelled and if the Council determines an emergency exists, the request can be sent to the BFRW Committee for additional review and language modifications. There was further discussion held in the chance the Council didn't find that an emergency exists and the steps that can be taken. The next steps for if an emergency does exist were also discussed. It was noted that jurisdictions across the State were being affected.
	<b>Motion:</b> Tom Handy moved to determine that an emergency basis exists, Dan Young seconded, the motion failed 8-1. Todd Beyreuther, Council Chair abstained from voting and the 2/3 vote needed all 10 votes to pass.
	<b>Motion:</b> Tom Handy moved to send the Emergency Rule Request to the BFRW Committee to make modifications to the language to better align with the Codes, Pete Rieke seconded, the motion passed.
7. 2024 Schedule Update	Dustin Curb provided a recap of the schedule changes that were discussed at the last Executive Committee meeting and noted the committee was in agreement to stay the course with an October 1, 2025, deadline for filings with the WSR, the dates for public hearings, CR-103, and final adoption were also provided. Dustin Curb then highlighted the status of each Code. Discussion was held on the consequences of not meeting the deadlines, the amount of work that still needs to be completed to meet said deadlines and the pending Supreme Court ruling on I-2066 and its possible effects.

	<b>Motion:</b> Tom Handy moved to approve the schedule as presented and post on the SBCC website, Dan Young seconded, the motion passed.
8. Other Business	Dustin Curb noted in preparation for the WEI meeting on Monday that one proposal didn't receive official Council approval to move forward into CR-102 and would be on the agenda for next month's Council meeting.
9. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

