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STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: The meeting was held at

DES Building – Room 1213

1500 Jefferson St SE, Olympia, WA 98504 with Zoom and teleconference options

MEETING DATE: Friday, September 26, 2025

<u>Members in Attendance</u>: Council Chair Todd Beyreuther, Jay Arnold, Kjell Anderson, Justin Bourgault, Tom Handy, Roger Heeringa, Tye Menser, Benjamin Omura, Peter Rieke, Katy Sheehan, Dan Young, Tom Young, Lorin Lathrop

<u>Members Absent</u>: Scott Bastiani, Angela Haupt, Representative Alex Ramel, Representative Suzanne Schmidt, Senator Sharon Shewmake, Senator Shelly Short

Staff In Attendance: Managing Director Dustin Curb, Assistant Attorney Dierk Meierbachtol, Krista Braaksma, Josh Brown, Annette Haworth, Brandin Groat

<u>Visitors Present</u>: Bryan Ahee, Tim Attebery, Laura Bloyd, Rick Blumenthal, Ken Brouillette, Carter Carlson, Ian Casey, Micah Chappell, Thomas Deary, Kevin Duell, Jenifer Gilliland, Matt Hamilton, Patrick Hanks, Riley Helean, Gregory Johnson, Andrew Klein, Eric Lacey, Jeremy Larson, Carolyn Logue, Dana Moffat, Mike Moore, David Mow, Dave Nehren, Jenny Nickerson, Kathleen Petrie, David Reddy, Kevin Rose, Lisa Rosenow, Cory Shaw, Edison Shen, Deepa Sivarajan, Dominique Taudin, Todd Titus, Elizabeth Torske, Eric Urban, Eric Vander Mey, Tiffany Villarreal

Agenda Items	Council Actions/Discussion
Welcome and Introductions	Prior to the beginning of the meeting, Council Chair, Todd Beyreuther indicated he was traveling and asked Jay to run the meeting.
	The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Council Vice-Chair Jay Arnold. Roll was taken and a quorum was present. Anyone from the public, who wished to, introduced themselves.
2. Review and Approve Agenda	Motion: Dan Young moved to approve the agenda, Roger Heeringa seconded, the motion passed.

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Review and Approve Minutes August 15, 2025	Motion: Tom Young moved to approve the minutes, Dan Young seconded, the motion passed.
4. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda	Ken Brouillette inquired about a petition for new rules that he submitted, and Dustin Curb responded it was received.
	Carolyn Logue mentioned HB1462 as related to A3 refrigerants.
5. 2024 Code Cycle Schedule Update	Dustin Curb provided a brief recap of the Executive Committee meeting discussion, noting Staff isn't able to meet the deadlines, as previously outlined. Dustin Curb then provided some newly proposed dates for the 2024 Code Cycle schedule, which he noted were posted on the SBCC website for today's meeting. It was implied there was consensus to have all codes be implemented at the same time to ensure correlation between the codes. The next steps in the process were then reviewed.
	Public comments were heard in support of the delay as long as there was equal delay between the CR-103 process and implementation to allow for training.
	Discussion was held on the proposed May and June dates and the differences between the two in relation to Staff time commitment, filing deadlines, public hearings, and it was again mentioned to not split the codes for implementation. It was noted the WUIC is waiting for the DNR Maps. The 2027 Code Cycle schedule was questioned. It was said the technical work of the TAGs is complete and available for public review and consumption to self-educate.
	Concerns were expressed with the rushed TAG process, especially for the IRC TAG, and now a request to delay the entire process.
	Motion: Kjell Anderson moved to adopt the May 15, 2026, Final Adoption date, Katy Sheehan seconded, the motion passed.
	Motion: Kjell Anderson moved to maintain the November 1, 2026, Implementation Date, Katy Sheehan second, the motion passed with a 9-0 roll call vote.
	There was discussion held on the motions. The timeline between adoption and implementation was again said to be out of alignment for training and resource documentation to be created and should be adjusted. Further discussion was held on the dates and processes. It was mentioned the SBCC has been invited to attend a Local Government Committee Meeting on October 15 to provide Legislature with an SBCC update. It was also noted that Representative Alex Ramel has offered his support and assistance moving forward.
Petitions for Rulemaking Introduce A2L Emergency Rule Update: 2021 Codes Introduce A2L Petition: 2024 Codes	Eric Vander Mey, proponent of the petitions, introduced both of the petitions. Clarifying questions were asked and answered. It was noted this agenda item is for introduction only and no action will be taken on moving this forward or not, by the Council. Comments on the importance of these petitions and support of them were heard. An amendment was made to include a missing word and it was

suggested to refer these to the MVPE Committee for further review and their recommendation.

Motion: Ben Omura moved to forward both petitions for rulemaking to the MVPE Committee, Katy Sheehan seconded, the motion passed.

A break was taken from 11:54 a.m. until 12:10 p.m. at which time roll was taken and a quorum was established.

7. Committee Reports

MVPE Committee:

2024 UPC Recommendation + CR-102 Vote

• BFRW Committee:

2024 IRC Recommendation + CR-102 Vote

Ben Omura provided a brief review of the recommendations from the MVPE Committee and indicated support of moving forward into the CR-102 process.

Motion: Ben Omura moved to forward the MVPE Committee's recommendations for the 2024 UPC into the CR-102 process, Pete Reike seconded, the motion passed.

Dustin Curb provided a brief review of the recommendations from the BFRW Committee.

It was noted that proposal 24-GP2-054 wasn't sent from the Council to the TAG but was reviewed at the last TAG meeting and was also reviewed at the Committee level with no action taken. Todd Beyreuther stepped down from the Council to note he provided technical advisement on the proposal, he provided some background and noted he reached out to the proponent but has yet to reach out to LNI for input. It was suggested there wasn't enough time for review and discussion should be postponed until the next meeting.

Motion: Kjell Anderson moved to forward the BFRW Committee's recommendations into the CR-102 process, Dan Young seconded, the motion passed.

Comments were heard that the IRC TAG process was rushed, correlation is still needed, and some issues were not thoroughly discussed.

Further discussion was held on the proposal that wasn't recommended by the TAG or Committee; 24-GP2-054.

Motion: Kjell Anderson moved to forward Proposal 24-GP2-054 to the TAG to review, Dan Young seconded, the motion passed with Todd Beyreuther abstaining.

Dustin Curb indicated WSAFM Side Yard Setback was discussed at the Committee level, but members were not ready to make a decision and were in agreement that a "Special Council Committee" should be created to allow for further discussion by stakeholders of the topic. Todd Beyreuther said he would be willing to lead the committee, if one is formed.

Details of the committee were discussed, and it was noted it would be stakeholders of the topic and would be for information gathering with no rulemaking being made.

WSAFM Side Yard Setback Recommendation + Special Council Committee Creation

	Members of the Council who volunteered to be on the committee included Tom Young, Dan Young, Todd Beyreuther, and Jay Arnold.
	Motion: Dan Young moved to authorize creation of a committee and to bring back to the Council the details of said Committee, Tom Young seconded, the motion passed.
8. 24-GP1-114 Move to CR-102 with 2024 IBC Proposals	Dustin Curb provided a brief background on Proposals 24-GP1-114 and 24-GP1-038 and indicated only one was to be moved into the CR-102 process. Micah Chappell indicated support of this request.
	Motion: Kjell Anderson moved to forward Proposal 24-GP1-114 into the CR-102 process, Ben Omura seconded, the motion passed.
9. Other Business	No other business was discussed.
10. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

