

2012 CODE AMENDMENT STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT February 6, 2013

Present: Kevin Gattis, Carson City; Eric Simonson, City of Reno; Jess Traver, BANN; Mark Meranda, City of Sparks; Jeff Ball, City of Fernley; Nick Malarchik, Lyon County; Shannon Gardner, Storey County; Don Jeppson, Washoe County; Leonard Ramociotti, AGC; Dale Lowery, ABC; Mike McCulloch, NNICC

Visitors: Aaron West, NAIOP

Meeting notes from February 6, 2013:

1: Approve meeting notes from January 24 meeting.

There were no corrections or additions to the meeting notes.

2: Review and vote on any catch up amendments.

IRC G2417.6.2 Med Gas Test

Unanimous /For There will need to be companion amendments for the IFGC, UMC and UPC

IBC F-1 & S-1 Travel Increase

Unanimous /For

Aaron West from NAIOP, a commercial real estate association, said that California and Washington state are adopting a similar F-1 and S-1 travel distance amendment. ICC is considering reinstating the 400' language similar to the 2006 IBC. Don Jeppson explained the amendment he proposed based on the California State Fire Marshal report.

3: Review and vote on any IAPMO amendments.

UPC 609.1 Water Pipe Depth

Unanimous /For

UPC 1212.1 LP Gas Installations

Unanimous /For

UMC T-403.7 Parking Garage

Unanimous /For

UMC 504.3.1.2 Clothes Dryer

Unanimous /For

UMC 505.3 Makeup Air

Unanimous /For

4. *Review and vote on IRC sprinkler amendments.*

There was a discussion regarding the sprinkler provisions in the IRC, specifically P2904. This section contains the prescriptive methods for installing residential sprinklers. P2904 is referenced throughout the IRC and the question is are these provisions available to be used and is there an appetite for building departments to review and inspect sprinklers. It is not clear if a license from the State Fire Marshal is required.

No one knew if fire departments would allow an IRC designed sprinkler system. It was decided that sprinklers should be regulated by the fire departments. The group thought there was no need remove all the references to P2904 in the IRC. Any reduction in fire resistive construction through sprinklers that reference P2904 only can be handled by accepting a complying NFPA system through alternative means.

5. *Verify new effective date of the 2012 package.*

The group was in agreement that the effective date of the amendment package would be September 1, 2013.

6. *Present support statement for signatures.*

The chair provided a sample support letter that could be signed by all participating organizations. The names of the representatives from the participating organizations will need to be forwarded to the chair.