ICC Code Technology Committee

TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2005

1.0   Introductions/Roster Update
The teleconference started at approximately 9:00 am Central on March 14, 2005. Each member gave a short introduction as to who they are and what they do.

Members present: Amiri, Baldassarra, Conant, Heilstedt, Jones, Mazz, Meacham, Nickson, Salvaggio, Tellez, Tubbs

Members absent: None

Staff present: Pfeiffer

2.0   Review Council Policy 5
There was a general discussion on CP 5 which regulates the activities of the CTC.

3.0   Discussion of Board approved agenda items
General discussion on the six approved items and some of the history behind each.

Balanced Fire Protection: Staff cited code change history dealing with height and area provisions, sprinkler trade-offs, and elevator lobbies, to name a few. It was also noted that that there have been numerous articles/editorials written on the subject.

Day Care: Relationship between the code and state laws.

Emergency Evacuation with Elevators: Discussion on the code requirements dealing with emergency evacuation planning (not necessarily just elevators) and the recent Maryland court case dealing with emergency evacuation for people with disabilities. It was also noted that ASME has held workshops on this topic, for which ICC has participated.

IBC Coordination with the new ADAAG: Issues of recreational and playground accessibility were brought forth.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors: Recent code change history in the IRC code development process which was the impetus for this being included on the CTC agenda.

Climbable Guards: Recent code change history in the IRC code development process which was the impetus for this being included on the CTC agenda.

4.0   Elect Chair/Vice Chair
It was decided to hold the election via email. Nominations are to be emailed to staff and the CTC would be balloted via email. It was mentioned that the key role of the Chair is one of running the meeting but that this role should not stifle one's ability to participate. It was agreed that for those matters before the CTC that required a vote, the Chair should only vote on matters to break a tie but not to create a tie.

5.0   Initiate development of a CTC work plan
It was noted that the next opportunity to propose code changes was for the 2006/2007 Code Development Cycle with a tentative deadline of March 24, 2006 and the CTC should be positioned to have completed some of its work to be active in the cycle. While there is a current cycle of code development on-going, with issues that may be related to some of the CTC activities, it was questionable if the CTC could fully

investigate an issue and establish a position on current cycle activities.

Staff was to provide all the CTC members with a CD of current 2004/2005 code changes and a copy of the IBC and/or 2004 Supplement, as needed.

6.0   Staff/CTC member assignments for first CTC meeting
It was agreed that the first face-to-face meeting of the CTC would focus on the development of the Scope & Objectives for each area of study and a corresponding work plan. The CTC agreed to initiate the S&O development by members volunteering to create a first draft and send to staff by April 1st for distribution to the committee in advance of the first meeting, as follows:

Balanced Fire Protection: Meacham, Baldassarra
Day Care/Adult Care: Jones, Tellez
Emergency Evacuation: Tubbs, Baldassarra
IBC Coordination w/ ADAAG: Mazz, Amiri, Nickson
Carbon Monoxide Detectors: Salvaggio, Conant
Climbable Guards: Heilstedt, Nickson

Staff will be working on a members-only website to be used for posting CTC materials. The general public will have access to materials posted on ICC's CTC website.

7.0   Date/Location for first CTC meeting
April 14 – 15. Chicago. Hotel near O'Hare airport

8.0   Adjournment
The conference call ended at approximately 10:30 am.