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Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS)

COASTAL SUBGROUP MEETING

June 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes 10:00 a.m.

This was a virtual Microsoft Teams meeting.

## Roll Call:

BBRS Richard Crowley, Group Cha	ir √present 0 absent	PJM David Macartney	√ present 0 absent
CZM Lisa Berry Engler	0 present √absent	Steve Mague	0 present √absent
CZM Rebecca Haney	√ present 0 absent	AIA Andrew Kollar	√ present 0 absent
DCR Joy Duperault	√ present 0 absent	SEMBOA Mike Clancy	0 present √ absent
DCR Eric Carlson	√ present 0 absent	NAIOP Katie T. Moniz	√ present 0 absent
DEP Lealdon Langley	√ present 0 absent	NAIOP Jamie M. Fay	√ present 0 absent
HBRA John Bologna	√ present 0 absent	ISD Jim Kennedy	√ present 0 absent

Chairman Crowley opened the meeting @ approximately 10:03 a.m. and took roll call.

## General notes on format of these minutes

- These minutes represent general points discussed during the meeting. The minutes are not intended to be a verbatim account of discussions.
- Agenda topics as numbered may not be in the same order as they appear on the meeting agenda.
- The meeting agenda is listed as EXHIBIT A; others are listed sequentially as addresses during the meeting.
- Vote/Discuss Draft Meeting Minutes. On a MOTION by John Bologna, 2nd by David Macartney, it was unanimous VOTE by ROLL CALL to approve the April 15, 2021 as amended as presented and May 18, 2021 draft meeting minutes as amended (EXHIBIT B), and (EXHIBIT C). Eric Carlson offered clarification to the Appendix G discussion in the May 18th meeting minutes. Adopting the IBC Appendix G allows participation in the National Flood Insurance Program, however is not the only option to conforming to the National Flood Insurance Program.
- 2. Review Coastal A Zone BLENDED Findings\_Final Draft 06\_17\_2021 (EXHIBIT D). The group discussed information Rebecca Haney prepared using some data from John Bologna (EXHIBIT E), intended to follow the Risk Rating 2.0 paragraph under the Lessons Learned from FEMA Building Science Post-Storm Assessments and Analyses for coastal flood zones section. The group discussed providing a clarifying statement that will have the data better understood and locating the data in an appendix. Chairman Crowley asked if anyone would oppose having the report reference the data, but the discussion suggested that not everyone agreed. Joy Duperault

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offered to edit the two paragraphs with the intent of clarifying the data. On a **MOTION** by David Macartney 2nd by Lealdon Langley, it was unanimous **VOTE** by **ROLL CALL** to include the information Rebecca Haney provided with language that clarifies the data.

Next the group moved to the Design Considerations for Coastal Environment Construction portion of the draft report. Andrew Kollar explained he authored this portion and he talked about the information and the rational for providing. No additional information was offered and objections to accept the text was expressed.

Next the group discussed the professional opinion portion. The discussions included adding Andrew Kollar as the author and possibly putting this information in an appendix. This discussions gravitated to the recommendations portion of the draft report. The group discussions included developing recommendations from a consensus of the group as a way to help the BBRS use the work of this group. Some members expressed that different approaches, and technologies can result in a structure that can hold off the forces brought on by flooding. Some expressed that the information conveyed in the draft report align with the building science folks the subgroup heard from. Some expressed interest with recommending the BBRS adopt the I-Code flood standards requirements without amendment. Some expressed interest in clarifying the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph in the recommendation portion of the report to make clear that exemptions to building in the V Zone are available. John Bologna offered to get this exception to staff for it to be added to the recommendation section.

3. **Adjourn.** On a **MOTION** by, John Bologna, seconded by Dave Mcartney, it was unanimously **VOTED** by **ROLL CALL** to adjourn the meeting @ approximately 12:00 p.m.

## **Exhibits**

- A. Meeting agenda.
- B. Meeting minutes, April 15, 2021 amended.
- C. Meeting minutes May 18, 2021 as amended.
- D. Coastal A Zone BLENDED Findings\_Final Draft 06\_17\_2021.
- E. R.Haney NFIP insurance rates table with explanation (003).