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Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS)

COASTAL SUBGROUP MEETING

March 30, 2021 Meeting Minutes

1:00 p.m.

This was a virtual Microsoft Teams meeting.

Roll Call:

BBRS Richard Crowley, Group C	hair √present 0 absent	PJM David Macartney	0 present √absent
CZM Lisa Berry Engler	√ present 0 absent	Steve Mague	0 present√absent
CZM Rebecca Haney	√ present 0 absent	AIA Andrew Kollar	√present 0 absent
DCR Joy Duperault	0 present √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 1:05 p.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.
- 1. **Vote/Discuss Draft Meeting Minutes.** On a **MOTION** by John Bologna, 2nd by Andrew Kollar, it was unanimous VOTE by ROLL CALL to approve the February 17, 2021 draft meeting minutes as amended. Rebecca Haney noted that the summary of the Nationwide Study in item #2 was provided by FEMA (**EXHIBIT B**).
- 2. Vote/Discuss Draft Meeting Minutes. On a MOTION by John Bologna, 2nd by Jim Kennedy, it was unanimous VOTE by ROLL CALL to approve the March 10, 2021 draft meeting minutes (EXHIBIT C)
- 3. **Review** Coastal A Zone BLENDED Findings_Lisa E_Anrew K 12-16-20_Working Draft_Joy D. Comments 12-18-2020 R. Haney 1-4-2021 J. Duperault 2-12-2021 G_3_10_2021 meeting_H (**EXHIBIT D**). The discussion started with page 3, the group agreed with Rebecca Haney's edit to strike "Presentations Storm and Flood Damage within Coastal A Zones" and replace with "Lessons Learned from FEMA Building Science Post-Storm Assessments and Analyses for coastal flood zones".

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Moving forward through the draft report, the group reviewed the new text for #3 and the three bullets below. Rebecca Haney explained the changes, and the source is a Hurricane Sandy report. The group agreed with the changes.

Next the group reviewed the updated text labeled #4. The group agreed with. Next the group reviewed the changes in #5. A general discussion ensued about the statement that I-Codes saves \$11 for every dollar invested. Jamie Fay expressed concern because the statement of the savings encompasses several types of natural disasters (i.e.; wind, earthquake, and hurricane). Because this groups focus limited to flooding, he thinks this information is misleading to the reader of this report, and recommended removing the sentence with this information. Jamie Fay expressed interest with removing this language. Rebecca Haney offered to research this information to clarify the concerns expressed.

Rebecca Haney offered to research and offered to work with Jamie Fay to offer different language limited to Coastal A Zones.

Next the group reviewed #6 and decided to strike because it address information that is part of #5. Rebecca Haney offered to incorporate the footnote into the text in #5.

The discussion on #7 included Rebecca Haney giving an example that shows cost savings in property insurance. After some discussion, John Bologna offered to research and bring some additional information to the next meeting.

Next the group reviewed the Design Considerations for Coastal Environment Construction portion of the draft report. The group generally agreed with #1 and #2, but some wanted to take time to read outside of the meeting.

Next the group discussed matters of professional opinion. The texted appearing in the report was offered by Andrew Kollar, and architects can choose to design to flood standards and this an ethical responsibility. The group discussed standards of care and some professionals evaluate the risks as part of deciding their standard of care. Some spoke about meeting the minimum code requirements is not a standard of care. Some questioned the BBRS weighing in on standard of care, as this falls on the registered design professional. Chairman Crowley offered to work with Andrew Kollar to bring back language which captures the essence of designer considerations.

4. **Adjourn.** On a **MOTION** by Andrew Kollar, seconded by Jamie Fay, it was unanimously **VOTED** by **ROLL CALL** to adjourn the meeting @ approximately 2:36 p.m. No response from Lisa Engler, Jim Kennedy, and John Bologna.

Exhibits

- A. Meeting agenda.
- B. Amended meeting minutes, February 17, 2021.
- C. Meeting minutes, March 10, 2021.
- D. Coastal A Zone BLENDED Findings_Lisa E_Anrew K 12-16-20_Working Draft_Joy D. Comments 12-18-2020 R. Haney 1-4-2021 J. Duperault 2-12-2021 G 3 10 2021 meeting H.