

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
MECHANICAL APPEALS & ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, December 10, 2009 – 9:00 AM

AGENDA SUMMARY

1. **9:10 A.M. - Called to Order and Roll Call – Board Room**
Mr. Juan Villela called meeting to order.

2. **Roll Call:**
All but Jimmy Salazar present & welcomed new member, Danny Zimmermann

3. *****Added Agenda Discussion During the Meeting*****
 - Gary Kreutziger went to Baltimore and said it was successful in the 1st hearing and there will be a final hearing in Louisiana. He encourages the Board to get involved and have input. It's open to make code change proposals. Mistakes and misprints found in the code book can be changed in the next publication if ICC is called and notified.

 - Roland Maldonado stated Barry Archer has the final draft (IB 167) present. Passed out to Board.

 - Antonio Medina has problems with IB167 (Submittal Requirements for Building Envelope Air Leakage, Insulation Compliance and HVAC/Duct Leakage Testing) with the separation of single vs. multi-family residences.

 - Roland Maldonado says there's no need to duct test only one outlet. 1-2 family is only exempt if it's non-conditioned.

 - Barry Archer says the bottom of page 6, IB167 was based on to make clear to contractors to save electricity and water. Code officials approve on a case by case basis.

 - Danny Zimmermann stated he's not too familiar with RESNET, but would like others to be added.

4. **Invocation:**
None/Skipped

5. **Approval of minutes from June 11, 2009 meeting:**

Danny Clay made a motion to approve minutes; seconded – vote unanimous; motion passes. Mr. Clay would like the meeting minutes presented within 30 days for review, and post the approved meeting minutes to the web.

6. **Citizens to be heard:**

None

7. *****Added Agenda Discussion During the Meeting*****

- Roland Maldonado stated in the past 2 ½ years with the Board’s help, and with rallying, it’s (getting the codes approved and ammended) been successful with full support. Mr. Maldonado announced his last working day with the City of San Antonio is December 11, 2009.
- Juan Villela thanked Roland Maldonado for his services and expertise. Asked will there be an interim Chief?
- Roland Maldonado said William Paige and Jesse Vasquez will alternate.
- Carlos Richardson announced this may be his last meeting.

8. **Report on the Mayor’s Sustainable Building Task Force and amendments to Chapter 6 on Duct Testing:**

- Carlos Richardson says where’s the safety in this action? Interior of duct system is made out of fiberglass.
- Danny Clay doesn’t feel fiberglass is safe. By now from old schools, the particles are in the air for all to breathe. It was said it’s sealed with vinyl coating, but seams are open, and it’s a major hazard. May be as dangerous as asbestos.
- Antonio Medina suggests talking with Gary Kreutziger about procedures to make recommendations to change code to make it safe.
- Carlos Richardson hopes it’s addressed again, and dealt with in his absence.
- Antonio Medina would like this to be an action item for the next meeting. It will be difficult to clean.
- Danny Clay says “they” keep rearranging the ordinances; wants to know who “they” are and how are “they” able to have the power to change codes without bringing to the board.
- Carlos Richardson will be on Community Initiatives’ Board. He’s stepping down due to that and because District 2 is now ‘technician’, not ‘layman’, and councilperson is in charge.

- Antonio Medina says councilpersons are not in favor with current practice. Suggests that Carlos Richardson stays.
- Roland Maldonado mentioned to let legislators know of fiberglass and have chairman notify City Council regarding Board positions.
- Manuel Lizcano thinks there's valid point with health issues from fiberglass, duct lining, tearing up protected ducts, and that it should be regulated and maybe it should have a life expectancy.
- Roland Maldonado says the next quarterly meeting may be in March 2010 (TBD).
- Danny Zimmermann suggests being an Advisory Board Member and action should be made and documented.
- Juan Villela will review issues individually, research and bring up for action at the next meeting.

9. **Adjournment:**

Mr. Juan Villela adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.