

MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER ICBO / ICC

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2003 International Building Code

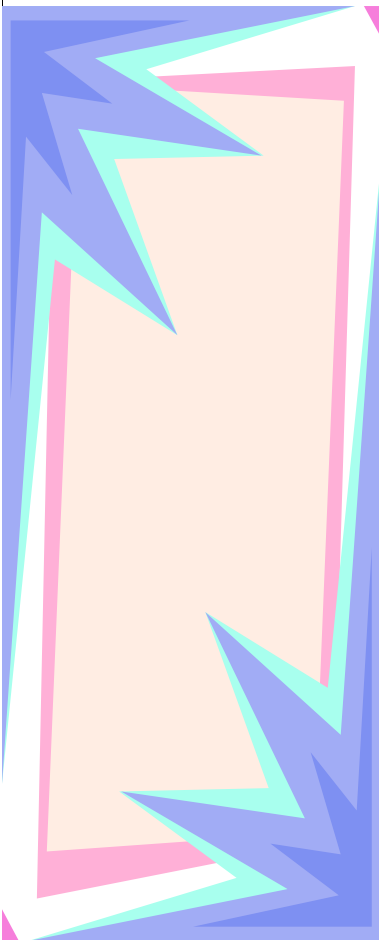
The Next Generation of Building Codes and their Structural Provisions

As you are all aware, in California, the process of adoption of the building code for the next cycle is in a state of flux at present. The ICC and NFPA are both working hard on producing the most complete set of codes for adoption in the next few years.

CALBO and its membership have been actively involved in the development of the "I" codes for the last six years. So much time and effort by dedicated building officials and private industry professionals has gone into the development of a code, that embodies the best of what the 3 major codes prior to IBC had to offer.

At this juncture, we are in the process of putting the finishing touches on the **2003 IBC** and a critical decision is facing us regarding the structural provisions. During the last cycle of code development hearing in April 2002 in Pittsburgh, the following two sets of related changes were proposed to the Structural Committee in regard to the general and lateral design force provisions contained in chapter 16:

1. Approve the use of provisions of ASCE 7-02 (developed by the American Society of Civil Engineers) as an alternate to the provisions already contained in the IBC.
2. Delete all such provisions currently in the IBC and adopt the ASCE 7-02 by reference exclusively.



2003 IBC (cont.)

Interestingly, both of these provisions were approved (at the request of proponent). Their rationale for this approach was that if one gets disapproved by the general membership during ABM, the other one could still get incorporated.

As building officials who deeply cares about the soundness of the codes we use in our region, we strongly urge you to consider approving the first proposal above, and disapproving the second, for the following reasons:

1. The process of adopting other standards by reference, although sounds like an appealing proposition, has its major disadvantages. The so called “consensus processes” that these groups use to formulate these provisions, is by no means an open and inclusive process such as the ICC code development hearings.
 - i. There is hardly any representation by building officials in such groups. **Currently there are no buildings officials from California on the ASCE committee.** AISC (American Institute of Steel Construction) has no building officials on its committee at all! These are mainly very closed groups that do not consider the participation of building officials as a necessary element in the development of the building code.
 - ii. The adoption by reference would also make the code a less complete document. Many of the inspectors and engineers who visit job sites may need to reference an item in the code. Having to carry multiple documents to the job site is not a practical approach to solving field issues.
2. The NFPA 5000, the competing code with IBC, is almost exclusively adopting structural standards by reference with no modifications allowed. If we are striving to gain acceptance for IBC, which we believe is the better code, why would we emulate the less than desirable features of the competing code?
3. The adoption of such standards by reference, and the lack of participation by building officials and other professionals from our region in the development of such standards, will almost ensure that we would have to make numerous local amendments to the code before its adoption. This would be counterproductive and contrary to the direction we have been heading through the years.

We believe adopting the ASCE provisions as an alternate is a much more reasonable approach at this time. Once we develop a level of comfort with the ASCE 7 provisions, and its code development process in the future, we can take the next step of adopting by reference exclusively. But, taking that leap of faith at this time is not the prudent approach in our opinion. We strongly urge you to disapprove the proposal for removal of the design provisions in chapter 16 and adopting the ASCE 7 exclusively.

MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER – ICBO/ICC
September 19, 2002 Minutes:

CALL TO ORDER
Pledge of Allegiance
Self-Introductions

CHAPTER BUSINESS

2.01 Approval of the Minutes:

1. The minutes of the August 2002 meeting were approved. (M/Pasquinelli; 2/Villalpando).

2.02 Unfinished Business:

2. J.D. Jones picked the winning drawing for a free chapter meeting lunch. Braches Janitorial, who attended the Builders Contractors FORA Program, is the winner.
3. John Villalpando discussed the various Chapter pin designs with the membership. A design was selected. Chapter pin vote (M/Kostelec; 2/Wheeler).

2.03 New Business:

1. Passed out PEX information.

2.04 Treasurer's Report:

2. Report from Janet Praria. Chapter CD has matured. Discussed closing CD for liquidity and roll funds into savings account. Transferred checking into savings. (M/Kostelec; 2/Pasquinelli).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

3.01 Code Change:

3. Dan Kostelec reported that he and John LaTorra are working on code change analysis.

3.02 Legislation:

4. None.

3.03 Special Inspection:

5. None.

3.04 Membership and Honors:

6. None.

3.05 IAEI:

7. Mike Stone reported the next IAEI meeting would be held Wednesday, September 25, 2002.

3.06 2003 CALBO ABM:

8. Craig Oliver stated that CALBO staff mentioned the tentative spouses program is the best they have seen.
9. Membership discussed dinner options for the Aquarium. Seafood was selected. (M/Kostelec; 2/Villalpando).

3.07 Education:

10. Dan Kostelec will put together a class on the I-Codes.
11. Gwen Miller mentioned that William Hayward has completed a "Green Building" at their new plant in Santa Maria. At our next meeting, John Villalpando will try to set up a program regarding this subject.

OTHER REPORTS

4.01 CALBO:

1. None.

4.02 ICBO/ICC:

2. None.

4.03 Code Discussion:

3. Tent requirements were discussed. These requirements are part of the Fire Code.
4. Communication tower requirements were discussed.

****NOTE: Due to recorder breakdown, minutes may be deficient on some information.**

September Attendance

J.D. JonesDevelopment Consultants
Stanley Wheeler.....LP²A
Janet Praria.....CBS
Gwen Wells.....Monterey Peninsula Builder’s Exchange
Rex E. Wyatt Sr.....City of Gilroy
Dave Pasquinelli.....City of Salinas
John Villalpando.....City of Monterey
Daniel Kostelec.....City of Capitola
Moe Tavalkolian.....PSI
Craig OliverCity of Marina
Dave Van Etten.....City of King
Art Werner.....Howard Carter and Asso.
Mike Stone.....City of Salinas
Imad Naffa.....Naffa International
Gwen Wells Salinas Valley Builders Exchange

Agenda

October 17, 2002 @ 11: a.m.
Bay Park Hotel, Monterey

1.0 Call to Order

- 1.01 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.02 Self- Introductions

2.0 Chapter Business

- 2.01 Approval of Minutes
- 2.03 Unfinished Business
- 2.03 New Business
- 2.04 Treasurers Report

3.0 Committee Reports

- 3.01 Code Change
- 3.02 Legislation
- 3.03 Special Inspection
- 3.04 Membership & Honors
- 3.05 IAEI
- 3.06 2003 CALBO ABM
- 2.07 Education

4.0 Other Reports

- 4.01 CALBO
- 4.02 ICBO / ICC
- 4.03 Code Discussion

Lunch \$15.00

***5.0 Program— Building Code Adoption
ICC ABM REPORT***

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ANNOUNCEMENTS*

Meetings

October 17, 2002Chapter Meeting

November 21, 2002...Chapter Meeting

December 19, 2002.....Chapter Meeting



Special Thanks to Rex Wyatt and Mike Stone
for the Great Electrical Seminars
And
John La Torra for the Plumbing Seminars

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION (CBCS)
SEISMIC COMMITTEE AND CODE CHANGE COMMITTEE**

**OCTOBER 17, 2002
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES
THE ZIGGURAT
EXECUTIVE DINING ROOM
707 THIRD STREET, FIRST FLOOR**

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95798

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SEISMIC COMMITTEE AGENDA: 10:00 a.m.

Item:

CODE CHANGE COMMITTEE AGENDA: 1:30 p.m.

Item:

- ❖ Meetings are subject to cancellation; agenda items are subject to removal.
- ❖ The Commission meets under authority of Health & Safety Code §§ 18901 to 18948.6.
- ❖ The meeting facilities and restrooms are accessible to individuals with disabilities. Requests for accommodations for individuals with disabilities (assistive listening device, sign language interpreters, etc.) should be made to the Commission office no later than 10 working days prior to the day of the meeting. If Paratransit services are needed, they may be contacted at (916) 429-2744, TDD (916) 429-2568.
- ❖ Public parking is available in the parking garage next door to the Ziggurat.
- ❖ For the latest taped information on meeting status and location, call (916) 263-0844, or check the Building Standards Commission Web Site: <http://www.bsc.ca.gov/>

1. Call to Order/Roll Call	CONFIRM QUORUM
2. Approve Minutes of the August 21, 2002 Meeting	<u>ACTION</u>
3. Process for Reviewing Model Codes to the 2004 Triennial California Building Standards Code	<u>DISCUSSION</u>
A. Scope of Model Code Review	
B. Referral for State Agency Review and Report	
C. Process, Milestones, and Timeframes	
4. Adjourn	ACTION