



City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 12/ 5/2023

Proposed Ordinance No. 23-023- First Reading - An Ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Boynton Beach, Florida, approving the Boynton Beach Administrative Amendments to the 8th Edition (2023) of the Florida Building Code; providing for conflicts, severability, codification, and an effective date.

Requested Action: Approve Proposed Ordinance No. 23-023 on First Reading.

Explanation of Request: Based on section 553.73 4(a), Florida Statutes, titled "Building Construction Standards," the State legislature has provided for local jurisdictions to modify Chapter 1 of the Florida Building Code to deal with local issues and conditions that are unique and distinctive to each jurisdiction.

Accordingly, the City of Boynton Beach Building Division has modified Chapter 1 of the Florida Building Code in conjunction with Palm Beach County to provide greater consistency in the application and interpretation of the code on a county-wide basis.

The request for adoption includes the following revised sections, added sections clarifications, and text corrections throughout the document, but not limited to.

BOAF - Building Officials Association of Florida recommendations
BCAB - PBC Building Code Advisory Board recommendations
State Model Code - State of Florida Model Code recommendations

102.2.5 Addition of "local enforcement agency" BOAF recommendation
Strike item 4. - Removed from BOAF and State Model Code

102.6 Removed Property Maintenance Code. Not an adopted code
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104.11 Struck and simplified alternative methods, design, and materials. Matches BCAB/BOAF/State

105.2 Building 2. simplified one- and two-family work exempt from permits. Matched PBC BCAB

105.3 Application for permit, removed email application submission as the Building Department is paperless.

105.3.1.2 example 2 item 4. Added exception to simplify permitting process for fire alarm

system projects. BOAF and State Model Code recommendations.

105.3.1.2 example 2 item 5. Replace plumbing requirements and replaced with electrical as plumbing referenced in 105.3.1.2 1. Amended to match PBC BCAB

105.14 Permits issued on the basis of affidavit. Added Building Official review for Special Flood Hazard Areas.

This could affect our Community Rating System. PBC BCAB recommendation.

105.17 Streamline Low Voltage alarm permits. Added video cameras close circuit TV to detect burglary, fire, robbery, or medical emergency. PBC BCAB recommendations.

107.1.1 Submittal documents General. Added local government cannot require a contract at application or issuance of a permit. PBC BCAB recommendations.

017.2.7 Structural information. Struck non-Threshold requirements for all permits; this is addressed in section 110.8 Threshold Buildings. PBC BCAB recommendation.

107.3.5 Minimum plan review criteria. Added building envelope. PBC BCAB recommendation.

107.3.5 Minimum plan review criteria. Mechanical - added smoke and or fire dampers. BOAF/State/PBC BCAB recommendation.

107.3.5 Minimum plan review criteria. Residential (one- two-family) 4. Added carbon monoxide alarm. BOAF/State/PBC BCAB recommendation.

107.3.5 Minimum plan review criteria. Residential (one- two-family) 5 Added wind requirements BOAF/State/PBC BCAB recommendation.

107.6 Affidavits. Added private provider time frames per section 553.791(7), Florida Statutes. PBC BCAB recommendation.

107.6.2 Affidavits. Added private provider affidavits are to be reviewed by Building Official for projects in Special Flood Hazard Areas. This could effect out CRS rating. PBC BCAB recommendation.

109.6 Refunds. Added Building Official is authorized to establish refund policy through ordinance or resolution. PBC BCAB recommendation.

110.1.2 Inspection service. Added verification of Architect and Engineers who perform inspections. PBC BCAB recommendation.

110.2 Preliminary inspection. Struck limitation of 553.79 (20). In line with BOAF/STATE/PBC BCAB

110.2.1 Existing building inspections. Struck as it's redundant to 110.2.

110.3 Required inspections. Struck survey or special purpose survey may be required before an inspection is approved. PBC BCAB/BOAF/STATE recommendation.

How will this affect city programs or services? This will allow the City to mirror the Florida Building Code and the Palm Beach County Administrative amendments to allow for consistency.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Attachments:

[Ordinance No. 23-023 Amend BB Admin Admendments to FLA Bldg Code 8th Ed 2023.pdf](#)

[Boynton Beach Local Amendment to 2023 FBC Building Chapter 1.docx](#)

[Changes to Boynton Beach Administrative Amendments.pptx](#)