### BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF RULES & APPEALS MEETING

### <u>Thursday, November 9th, 2017 – Broward County Governmental Center</u> 115 S. Andrews Avenue, Room 422, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

### Time: 7:00 P.M.

### **Call Meeting to Order**

**Roll Call** 

**Approval of Minutes** – October 12, 2017

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Certifications - Staff Recommended.

### **City of Coral Springs**

Chavez, Daniel, Fire Plans Examiner/Inspector

### **City of Hallandale Beach**

Ransom-Jackson, Shellie, Building Official

### **City of Miramar**

Correa, Fernando, Fire Inspector

Myers, Ryan, Fire Inspector

### **Town of Southwest Ranches**

Clutter, Randal, Assistant Building Official

### **City of Tamarac**

Grande, Claudio, Chief Structural Inspector

### City of West Park

Kajak, Joseph, Jr., Chief Plumbing Inspector

### **City of Wilton Manors**

Morell, John, Assistant Building Official

### Countywide

Aman, David, Plumbing Plans Examiner/Inspector

Burleson, Tommy L., Plumbing Inspector

Esteva, Rodolfo, Structural Inspector

Faris, Joseph A., Jr., Electrical Inspector

Howard, Andy, Structural Inspector

Laursen, Ole Hartvig, Structural Inspector

Lion, Donald J.E., Structural Plans Examiner/Inspector

Ravelo, Arsenio, Structural Inspector

Sherrod, Curtis P., Structural Inspector

Simeon, Andrew, Electrical Inspector

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

### 1.a Request of Mr. Andy Gregg Howard to be certified as a Structural Plans Examiner.

- a. Board Discussion
- b. Board Action

## 2. Proposed change to the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Florida Building Code (2017) Broward County Chapter I sections 107.3.4.0.1 and 107.3.4.0.3, effective January 1, 2018.

- a. Public Hearing
- b. Board Discussion
- c. Board Action

- 3. Proposed change to the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Florida Building Code (2017) Broward County Chapter I sections 112.1 and 112.2, effective January 1, 2018.
  - a. Public Hearing
  - b. Board Discussion
  - c. Board Action
- 4. Request of Board member Abbas Zackria, CSI to discuss scope of authority with respect to formal interpretation entitled "Two-Way Radio Communication Enhanced Public Safety Signal Booster Systems"
  - a. Board Discussion
  - b. Board Action
- 5. 2018, 2019 and 2020 Fiscal Year approval in Concept of Classes to be Offered by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) for inspectors, plans examiners, chiefs, building officials and fire marshals.
  - a. Recommendation of Administrative Director
  - b. Board Action
- 6. One-day course on accessibility for structural and plumbing inspectors proposed by Mr. Jeffery Gross and Mr. Larry Schneider.
  - a. Staff Recommendation
  - b. Board Action
- 7. Policy # 17-05 Waiver of recertification processing for those individuals who have been given their initial certification from November 1 through December 31 of the second year of a recertification cycle.
  - a. Staff report
  - b. Board action
- 8. Proposed 6th Edition Florida Building Code (2017) formal interpretation # 13, "Ceiling Grid Lighting Fixture Support Method" effective January 1, 2018.
  - a. Staff report
  - b. Board Action
- 9. Consideration of providing each city and the county with one complimentary set of the Florida Building Code 6th Edition (2017) and one copy of the 2017 Florida Fire Prevention Code (6th Edition).
  - a. Recommendation of Administrative Director
  - b. Board Action
- 10. Consideration of merit pay adjustment for staff effective October 8,2017
  - a. Recommendation of Administrative Director
  - b. Board Action
- 11. One-time cash equivalent merit bonus for Chief Fire Code Compliance Officer.
  - a. Recommendation of Administrative Director
  - b. Board Action

## 12. <u>Leadership performance review for Administrative Director, designation of pay range, salary adjustment and longevity/merit bonus.</u>

- a. Report of Board Chair Jeff Lucas, FM, CFI, CFEI
- b. Establishment of pay range
- c. Salary adjustment effective October 8, 2017
- d. Merit longevity bonus effective January 3, 2018
- 13. Director's Report
- 14. Attorney's Report
- 15. Committee Report
- 16. General Board Members Discussion
- 17. Public Comment (3-minute limit per person) and written communications
- 18. Adjournment

If a person desires to appeal any decision with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, such person will need record of the proceedings and, for this reason, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based (Sec. 286. 0105.FS). (Members: If you cannot attend the meeting, please contact Mr. DiPietro @ (954) 931-2393, between 6:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.)



To: Members of the Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals

From: Administrative Director

Date: November 9, 2017

**Re:** 2018, 2019 and 2020 fiscal year approval in concept of classes to be offered by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) for inspectors, plans examiners, chiefs, building officials and fire marshals.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board of Rules and Appeals approve in concept of a threeyear program of offering classes to be presented by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

### **REASONS**

By offering these classes, our building and fire code officials will obtain a higher level of expertise and thereby contribute to a higher level of building safety in the community.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- a. The Board of Rules and Appeals is working closely with the county's purchasing division to conclude a contract. The agreement is expected to cover a three-year period with the opportunity each year for the county to withdraw from the agreement.
- b. Should you approve of this concept this evening, I would have the administrative authority to work with the budget office to transfer money out of the Board of Rules and Appeals reserves and conclude a formal bidding process with the county per purchasing division and with the vendor, NFPA to conclude a contract.
- Description and Projected Costs of Classes
   The course data can be found on the following page.
- d. Costs and Funding 2018 fiscal year cost is projected to be \$230,000. The three-year (2018, 2019, 2020) program estimate is \$712,500. Money for this effort would be obtained from the Board of Rules and Appeals reserves, currently stated by the County's budget office to be \$4,928,400.

Respectfully Submitted,

James DiPietro

Approved by the Board of Rules and Appeals during its regular meeting of 11/09/2017



### Proposed Courses for Individuals Certified by the Board

### **CERTIFICATION COURSES:**

### Certified Fire Protection Specialist (CFPS)

Since then, CFPS has been awarded to more than 4,000 people who have demonstrated a level of professionalism through applied work experience, related education opportunities, and successful completion of a certification examination. This group of professionals includes risk managers, loss control specialists, fire officers, fire marshals, fire inspectors, safety managers, fire protection consultants, designers, engineers, code enforcers, facility managers and others who have responsibilities dealing with the application of fire safety, protection, prevention, and suppression technologies.

### Certified Fire Inspector I

The NFPA Certified Fire Inspector I (CFI-I) certification program was created in response to repeated requests by local entities, state agencies, and national organizations for certification programs founded on the NFPA 1031, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner, and other applicable NFPA codes and standards.

### Certified Fire Inspector II

Following the successful creation of the Certified Fire Inspector I (CFI-I) certification program in 1998, further requests by local entities, state agencies, and national organizations prompted the NFPA to develop the Certified Fire Inspector II (CFI-II) certification program.

Like the CFI-I, the CFI-II is based on the NFPA 1031, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner. In addition to the codes covered in CFI-I, the CFI-II program expands the fire inspector certification track to include the NFPA 24 and NFPA 220 standards.

Note: Entry into the CFI-II certification program requires that you first attain the CFI-I certification

### Certified Fire Plans Examiner

It is the particular mission of the NFPA Certified Fire Plan Examiner (CFPE) program to promote professionalism within the fire plan examiner field-of-practice through a widely accepted, recognized, appreciated, and practical certification program.

Like the CFI-I and CFI-II certification programs, the CFPE is based on the NFPA 1031, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner. In addition to the NFPA 1031, the CFPE certification program also includes NFPA codes related directly to the plan examiner's field-of-practice.



NFPA 20 Standard for the Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection
The NFPA 20 expands requirements to cover new technology and address
communication gaps. Updated for new technology and vital clarification on pumps in
series, new NFPA 20: Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection gives you the
latest requirements to ensure fire pumps are ready for action. This Standard offers
comprehensive requirements for fire pumps, limited service controllers, and pumps in
series. Designers, engineers, contractors, and installers can look to this expanded source
for the latest coverage of today's technologies and up-to-date requirements for:

### NFPA (NEC) 70 PV Class

The International Solar Energy Provisions ™ (ISEP™) and Commentary contains the complete solar-energy-related provisions and referenced solar standards from International Codes® plus the NFPA 70®: National Electrical Code® (NEC®) provisions related to solar energy in one document. This publication is organized such that it provides the best and most comprehensive tool for the design, installation and administration of both solar thermal (or solar heating and cooling) and photovoltaic systems.

### 2011-2014 NEC Changes for Electrical Inspectors

NFPA offers a 2-day NEC Changes class customized for electrical inspectors. This program is presented to AHJ's in adoption efforts in various US states. Day 1 on NEC Changes can be extended into part of day two or completed at the end of the day. Day 2 would likely be a half day with additional discussion if required and then exam.

- \* Certified may be substituted with other certified classes and non-Certified classes may also be substituted with other non-certified classes as needs become apparent based upon the attendance of 25 people per class.
- \* Instructors, books and all necessary materials are included in the cost of the courses as needed.



# **CERTIFICATION COURSES**

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# NON-CERTIFICATION COURSES

COURSE TITLE	DISCIPLINE(S)	CAPACITY	LENGTH	COURSES	2018	2019	2020
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NFPA (NEC) 70: National Electric Code Update	Electrical inspectors,	25/per class	2 days	7	>	>	>
	plans examiners and chiefs						
NFPA 54: National Fuel Gas Code	Fire, Plumbing	25/per class	1 day	1	>	>	>
	and Mechanical						
NFPA 72 (2013 Edition): National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code	Electrical and Fire	25/per class	1 day	1	>	>	>
NFPA 58: Liquified Petroleum Gas Code	Plumbing, Mechanical	25/per class	1 day	2	>	>	>
	and Fire						
NFPA 30: Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code	Mechanical, Plumbing	25/per class	1 day	1	>	>	>
	and Fire						
NFPA 20: Standard for the Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection	Electrical, Fire	25/per class	2 days	1	×	>	>
NFPA (NEC): 70 Solar Photovoltaic	Electrical, Fire	25/per class	2 days	Н	>	>	>
2011-2014 NEC Changes for Electrical Inspectors	Electrical, Fire	25/per class	2 days	н	>	>	>
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## **TOTAL COSTS**

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CERTIFICATION COURSES		\$140,000	\$140,000	\$140,000
NON-CERTIFICATION COURSES		000'06\$	\$101,250	\$101,250
	YEAR TOTAL	\$230,000	\$241,250	\$241,250
	PROGRAM TOTAL		\$712,500.00	