



Mechanical Plumbing and Solar Board Draft MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
October 30, 2012**

The Mechanical Plumbing and Solar Board convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at the One Texas Center, 505 Barton Springs Road, 5th Floor, Conference Room 500.

Chair Jerry Garza called the Board Meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Jerry Garza, Stephen Cox, Thomas Combs, and Nick Dawson.

Board Members not in Attendance: Michael Nail, Paul Hovey, and William Harris.

Staff Members in Attendance: Joe Parker, Chap Thornton, Julie Kirby, Leon Barba, Barry Boehl, Daryl Slusher, Danny Lytle, Robert Stefani, Don Pederson, Adam Smith, Tina Bui, Monty Lowell, and Cory Harmon.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION – Page Hill, Greywater Working Group, provided a handout summary from the working group and discussed greywater recycling.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes from the meeting of October 17, 2012 were approved as amended on Board Member Comb's motion and Cox's second for a 4-0 vote.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Adopt Annual Board Schedule** – The annual board schedule was adopted on Board Member Comb's motion and Dawson's second for a 4-0 vote.

4. DISCUSSION:

a. **2012 Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC)**- Chap Thornton continued discussion of the 2012 Plumbing Code (UPC) draft local amendment and the Board's changes from the previous meeting.

The Board recommended the additional changes:

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| Section 710.2 | Add an additional exception for pier and beam one- and two-Family structure that have "accessible piping". |
| Section 1601.2 | Under System Design for greywater systems, define a "simple system". Board Member Cox recommended "a simple greywater system is a simple subsurface irrigation greywater system from washing machines". Board would like staff to check for TCEQ opinions. |
| Section 1601.3 | Add that rainwater collection off composition roofs may not be used for potable use. |
| Section 1211 | Check location of unions in gas piping. |
| Section 1302 | Add Master to medical gas endorsement. |
| Section 103.1.3 | Add Exception #11 to Homestead Permits: A homestead permit shall be issued for an auxiliary water system outside the building: Interior only exception for washing machine greywater systems. |
| Section 1602 | Investigate if surge tank is required based on TCEQ requirements. |

- Section 1604 Clarify that domestic on site treatable non-potable water may not be used inside a structure.
- Section 1605.6 Delete first sentence and redundancy in Chapter 17 (1702.5).

b. 2012 Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC)

Discussion of the UMC was postponed to the next Board meeting on Board Member Comb's motion and Cox's second for a 4-0 vote.

5. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Stephen Cox and was seconded by Tom Combs. The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.