



**Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals  
APPROVED MINUTES**

**Board Meeting  
July 27, 2016**

The Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals convened in a Board meeting on July 27, 2016 at the City Hall, 301 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Board & Commission Room, Austin, Texas.

**Chair Haught** called the meeting to order at 1:47 p.m.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Ben Abzug, Aubrey Brasfield, Frank Haught, Darryl Pruett, and Alan Schumann, Matt Hart, and Alicia Jones. **Board Members Not in Attendance:** Lionel Bess, Michael Cannatti, John Kiracofe. **Staff in Attendance:** Julie Kirby (DSD), Jose Roig (DSD), Tony Hernandez (DSD), Susan Barr (DSD), Joe White(AFD), Chief Vires(AFD), Robert Stefani(AWU), and Carl Wren(DSD).

1. **Citizen Communications:** None.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** The June 8, 2016 minutes were approved as written on Vice Chair Brasfield's motion second by Schumann for a 7-0 vote.

**3. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING**

**a. Local amendments for the adoption of the 2015 International Fire Code (IFC).**

Staff presented the significant changes of draft ordinance, including the adoption of Appendix M requiring mandatory fire sprinklers compliance in all highrises. Board member Pruett made a motion to adopt as amended second by Chair Haught for a 7-0 vote.

**b. Discussion and Board Recommendation for the adoption of the 2015 International Residential Code (IRC) for residential plumbing.**

Staff presentation supported the adoption of the plumbing section of the IRC. The Public Hearing included speakers for and against the IRC for residential plumbing. The Board closed the public hearing and discussed both codes.

Board Member Jones made a motion to support the adoption of the Uniform Plumbing Code(UPC) for residential plumbing with no second. The motion failed.

Board Member Schumann made a motion to support staff and the adoption of the IRC plumbing section for residential plumbing with a second by Abzug for a 5-1-1 vote with Jones voting nay and Haught abstaining. The motion failed.

Jose Roig and Carl Wren stated that due to time constraints, the City will move forward with the adoption the UPC for residential plumbing for this code cycle.

**4. Future Agenda Items:**

- Public Hearings for the 2015 IRC, and IBC.

**5. ADJOURN** – Board Chair Haught adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.