

STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE (C&S)
Wednesday, March 11, 2020 – 1:00 PM, 2NB -Room B

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ATTENDANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2020 MEETING

4. COMMUNICATIONS:

SUBJECT & DATE RECEIVED	FROM – TO	DESCRIPTION
a. Correspondence Received 03/02/20	Attorney Sara Sharp C&S	A-04-19 Request for Continuance RE: 1201 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT (<i>see item #b for details</i>). ACTION: _____ _____
b. Correspondence Received 03/04/20	Joseph V. Cassidy, P.E. State Building Inspector C&S	A-01-20 Summary of Review and Conclusions RE: 90 Ironworks Hill road, Brookfield, CT (<i>see item #n for details</i>). ACTION: _____ _____
c. Request for Appeal 03/04/20	Philip R. Sherman, P.E. C&S	A-02-20 Request for Appeal RE: 1201 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT - RE: [15 Oakwood Avenue, Norwalk, CT] - <i>denial of Section 2902.1 of the 2015 IBC - that proposed to provide plumbing fixtures for approximately 100 occupants in lieu of providing fixtures for 455 occupants within a proposed building.</i> ACTION: _____ _____

5) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Codes Amendment Subcommittee (CAS) (Free) –
- b) Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee (Harwood) –

6) OLD BUSINESS

7) NEW BUSINESS

- a) **Staff Report**
 - i) **Joseph Cassidy, State Building Inspector –**
 - ii) **William Abbott, State Fire Marshal –**
 - iii) **Jenna Padula, Staff Counsel –**
- b) **Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee (Harwood & Sinsigalli) –**
- c) **Training Councils**
 - i) **Building Code Training Council (Musco) –**
 - ii) **Fire Marshal Training Council (Harwood) –**
- d) **Report on Bills (Cassidy) –**

8) APPEAL HEARINGS

- a) **A-04-19** Request for Appeal received 3/14/19 from Bill Disiero, Centennial Real Estate RE: [1201 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT (M-69-19)]. Denial of Section 907, of the 2012 IBC portion of the 2016 SBC, which sets forth requirements for “*Emergency Voice/Alarm Communication Systems in malls*” in which proposed to not have the required alarm system within the mall to trip Dave & Busters Fire Alarm System. Panel assigned: Mike Sinsigalli, Panel Chair, Glenn Nielson, Panel, Lou Free, Panel, and Donald Harwood (alternate). Hearing scheduled, Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 11:00a.m.-2 North Conference Room B. Received Request for Continuance from Sara A. Sharp, Esq., Hurwitz Sagarin Slossberg & Knuff, LLC on 5/31/19. Panel Granted Continuance. Hearing rescheduled, Wednesday, 11/13/19 @ 9:00 a.m., 2N Room B. 10/28/19 Appellant requested a continuance of the hearing. Panel granted continuance. Hearing rescheduled Wednesday, 12/18/19 @ 10:00a.m., 13 North Room A. **Panel continued hearing to Wednesday, 3/11/20 @ 10:00am, 2 NB Room B. Hold on agenda.**
- b) **A-05-19** Request for Appeal received 5/15/19 from Raymond Pietrorazio, Representative, OXC Airport/Power Plant, Town of Middlebury - RE: [CPV Towantic LLC, 16 Woodruff Hill Road, Oxford, CT]. RE: CT Fire Safety Code Section(s) under appeal: NFPA-54 and NFPA-56. And CT Building Code Section(s) under appeal: Section, 104.1, 105.1, NFPA-54 and NFPA-56. Referred to State Fire Marshal. State Fire Marshal still actively working with Appellant. **State Fire Marshal contacted the State’s Attorney. Hold on agenda.**
- c) **A-09-19 Request for** Appeal received 6/21/19 from Robert W. Hall, Jr., Director of Facility Support Services, Gaylord Specialty Healthcare (Lyman Building): RE: 50 Gaylord Farm, Road, Wallingford CT. RE: Denial of relief from Part IV, Section 7.2.1.4.2(2) of the 2018 Connecticut State Fire Safety Code - to permit the door to the existing Exit Stair Enclosure STR-L101 (said to be used as a convenience stair between the Floor Levels 1, and 2) to swing opposing the direction of egress travel at Floor Level 1, within an existing Two Story Health Care Occupancy. Panel assigned: Keith Flood, (Chair); David McKinley (panel); Henry Miga (panel) and Carlton Smith (alternate). Hearing scheduled: Wednesday, 12/11/19 @ 11:00 a.m., 2N Room B. **Hearing held. Decision will be mailed out in 90 days (3/11/20) Hold on agenda.**

- d) **A-10-19 Request for Appeal received 6/27/19 from** 860 Main Street, LLC - Estate of John Gramegna, Managing Member: RE: 860 Main Street, East Hartford, CT RE: Connecticut Fire Safety Code(s). Referred to State Fire Marshal for investigation. State Fire Marshal unable to reach a resolution with Appellant. 11/29/19 received site visit and assessment report from OSFM. Panel assigned: Keith Flood (Chair); Mike Sinsigalli (panel); Don Harwood (panel); William Zoeller (alternate). Hearing scheduled: Wednesday, 12/18/18 @ 9:00a.m., 13 North Room A. 12/11/19 Appellant requested continuance of hearing. Panel granted hearing – continued to Thursday, 2/6/20 @ 10:00am, 13 NB Room A. **2/3/20 Appellant requested a 60-Day Continuance: Panel Granted. Hold on agenda.**
- e) **A-12-19 Request for Appeal received 9/3/19** from Richard Leighton, R.E. Leighton & Associates, RE: Appeal of the Local Fire Marshal Ivoryton (Essex), Connecticut. RE: Ivory Key, LLC, [158 Main Street, Ivoryton (Essex), CT]. Referred to the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Communications are ongoing with State Fire Marshal and Appellant. State Fire Marshal is currently working on the report for the Committee. 12/13/19 received OSFM site visit and assessment report. Panel assigned: Keith Flood, Chair; Mike Sinsigalli, Panel; Fred Wajcs, Panel; Henry Miga, Alternate. Hearing scheduled Thursday, February 6, 2020 @ 11:00a.m. 13 North Room A. **Hearing held. Decision will be mailed out in 90 days (5/6/20). Hold on agenda.**
- f) **A-14-19 Request for Appeal received 9/20/19** from Anthony P. Strazza, III RE: [194 South Ave, New Canaan, CT] denial w/o prejudice, of Section 404.2.3.2 (Swinging Doors), of ICC A117.1-2009 portion of the 2018 SBC; that proposed to allow a 4 inch clearance on the push side of the door in lieu of the required 18 inch clearance for a manual swinging door. Panel assigned: David McKinley (Chair); Don Doeg (panel); Henry Miga (panel); George Iskra (alternate). Hearing scheduled Wednesday, 01/08/20 @ 11:00 a.m., 2N Room B. Hearing held and continued for 30 days. **Chair ordered status letter to Appellant for follow-up. Admin emailed/mailed status letter on 3/5/20 requesting Appellant to respond by 3/19/20. Hold on agenda.**
- g) **A-15-19 Request for Appeal received 9/27/19** from Bruce J. Spiewak RE: [Saint Thomas More – 23 Lynwood Place, New Haven, CT] Section 1011.3, of the 2015 IBC portion of the 2018 IBC: Modification approved in part: approved a headroom of 6 feet, 5 inches, but denied a headroom of 5 feet, 9 inches at a stairway leading from a new dwelling unit located on the third floor of an existing building undergoing a change of use. Panel assigned: Glenn Neilson (Chair); Lou Free (panel); Tom DiBlasi (panel); Paul Costello (alternate). 01/15/19 received Summary of Rational from Knight Architecture LLC. Hearing scheduled Wednesday, 01/08/20 @ 10:00 a.m., 2N Room B. **Hearing held and continued for 30 days. Hold on agenda.**
- h) **A-16-19 Request for Appeal received 10/23/19 from Rachita Shan RE:** [338 South Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT] Section R311.7.2, of the 2015 IRC *denial* that proposed a headroom of 6 feet, at the top of a stairway that serves a newly created habitable attic within a single family dwelling. Panel assigned: Glen Neilson (Chair); Tom DiBlasi (panel); Lou Free (panel); Johnny Carrier (alternate). Hearing Scheduled Wednesday, 2/5/20 @ 11:00am PLAZA LEVEL, ROOM B. **Hearing held. Decision will be mailed out in 90 days (5/5/20) Hold on Agenda.**
- i) **A-18-19 Request for Appeal received 11/15/19** from Jane Davila, Managing Director, NEST Arts Factory. **RE: [NEST Arts Factory - 345 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport, CT]** RE: Accessibility Exemption from Section 1012.8(2) – Complete Change of Occupancy, of 2015 IEBC. *denial* of an accessibility exemption that proposed to utilize an existing freight elevator to provide accessibility within an existing three-story 34,185 square foot building undergoing a change in occupancy. Panel assigned: John Butkus, Chair; Lout Free (panel); Johnny Carrier (panel); Carlton Smith (alternate). Hearing scheduled,

Wednesday, 1/15/20 @ 11:00am, 2 NB Room B. Decision will be mailed out in 90 days (4/15/2020).
Decision was mailed out on 2/25/20.

- j) **A-19-19** Request for Appeal received 11/15/19 from Attorney Pat Labbadia. RE: Abatement order of Fire/Life Safety Hazards – Section 31.3.4.1.1 [45 Jefferson Road / West Main, Branford, CT]. Referred to Office of the State Fire Marshal. **OSFM currently working on this – assigned to Inspector Mike Kellett. Hold on agenda.**
- k) **A-21-19** Request for Appeal received 12/6/19 from Mr. Carlos Pla, Greenwich, CT. RE: [107 East Elm Street, Greenwich, CT] Section R305.1(4), 2015 IRC – denial of 6 feet, under a beam within an existing basement being converted to habitable space. **Panel assigned: Glenn Neilson, Chair; Lou Free (panel); Tom DiBlasio (panel); Carlton Smith (alternate). Hearing scheduled: Wednesday, 4/8/20 @ 11:00 a.m., 2 NB Room B. Hold on agenda.**
- l) **A-01-20** Request for Appeal received 1/06/20 from Brian Miller, Brookfield, CT. RE: [90 Ironworks Hill Road, Brookfield, CT] RE: Storm Damage: Re-roof and replace 2 skylights RE: William Babyak, Assistant Brookfield Building Official’s Certificate of Approval. Referred to the Office of the State Building Inspector for mediation. **Appellant withdrew appeal on 1/10/20.**

9) GOOD OF THE ORDER

The next Codes and Standards Committee meeting is set for **Wednesday, April 8, 2020, 1:00 p.m.**, and will be held in the **2 North Room B**, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut.

10) ADJOURNMENT