

MINUTES

On May 2, 2023, the Construction Advisory and Appeals Commission met at 1:06 p.m. for a regular meeting in room 306 on the third floor of City Hall.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Jim Banes, Baneco Electric	Yes	20	19
Richard Constancio, Architect	No	20	8
Tom Roller, Coldwell Banker	Yes	20	20
Frank Willburn, Plumbing Contractor	Yes	53	50
George Cumming, Missouri Valley	Yes	20	19
Jeff Bryant, Builder	Yes	32	24
Ryan Huseman	Yes	19	13
Russ Glaze	No	15	4
Gary Ward	Yes	5	3

Also, in attendance were:

Johnny Scholl	Building Official, City of Amarillo
Van Dryden	Chief Electrical Inspector, City of Amarillo
Leslie Schmidt	Senior Assistant Attorney, City of Amarillo
Howard Hall	Chief Building Inspector, City of Amarillo
Kenneth Wagner	Chief Mechanical/Plumbing Inspector, City of Amarillo
Jacob Diaz	Fire Marshal, City of Amarillo
Lori Stewart	Administrative Specialist I, City of Amarillo

This meeting of the Construction Advisory and Appeals Commission was called to order by Mr. Frank Willburn, established a quorum at 1:06 p.m.

ITEM 1: Public Forum

The Chairman, Mr. Frank Willburn opened the floor for any public comments to speak to any item on the agenda that doesn't have a public hearing. No one spoke.

ITEM 2: Minutes

Approval of Minutes from Regular Meetings held on May 26, 2022. The motion was made by Mr. Roller, seconded by Mr. Banes and the motion passed with a 7:0 vote.

ITEM 3: Staff Updates

1. Discussion adoption of 2021 Building Code.

Mr. Scholl informed the council that the information requested in the last meeting regarding the 2021 Building Code was ready for their review & asked how Council Members would like to review that

information. Council Members agreed that they would like to have it emailed directly to them. The next meeting to discuss any concerns will be on Thursday June 1, 2023, and then again two weeks from that, as a backup meeting if needed, on June 15, 2023.

2. Discuss the current Energy Code.

Mr. Scholl stated that we are currently on the 2015 Code but with our current amendments we are just shallow of the full 2015 code. Mr. Scholl then posed the question of staying with our current amendments or adding to or deleting any current amendments. The Council Members agreed to go forward with the current amendments with no changes.

3. Discuss the International 2020 Electrical Code.

Mr. Scholl stated that even though the City of Amarillo is on the 2014 Electrical Code, all electrical contractors are required by the State to install according to the 2020 codes. Mr. Scholl stated that they have had requests from contractors to inspect by the 2014 code, however he has talked with the State representative from TLDR & was told that the city of Tyler now has a law suite filed against them for doing this very thing. Mr. Scholl proposed that we adopt the new Electrical Code automatically any time it comes up. Mr. Dryden sited several reasons as to why he recommended moving to the 2020 Electrical Code. The commissioners further discussed the current Electrical Code verses the 2020 code. Mr. Scholl proposed to move forward with adoption of the 2020 Electrical Code separately from the others. The commissioners agreed to the proposal.

4. Discuss adoption of automatically following State Building Code.

The commissioners did not agree to the automatic adoption of state building code as they are released.

ITEM 5: Adjourn

The Chairman, Mr. Frank Willburn concluded the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m. This meeting was recorded, and all comments are on file with the Department of Building Safety.

Frank Willburn, Chairman

ATTEST:

Johnny Scholl, Building Official