



November 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Redwood Empire Association of Code Officials

1007-B West College Avenue # 326 Santa Rosa, CA 95401

The November 7th meeting was held at Cattlemen's Restaurant Petaluma

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 by Glenn Schainblatt who led us in the pledge.

2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS (Officers, Guests, Members)

There were 25 members and guests in attendance.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

The minutes of the September meeting were approved by acclamation.

4. PROGRAM

No program scheduled.

5. OFFICERS REPORTS

President: Glenn Schainblatt- **CALBO sends thanks to all who responded to the SAP call for fire assessments recently.**

Vice President: Tony Piazza - **No report**

Secretary: Charles Lucas- **No report**

Treasurer: Steve Buffenbarger- **Checking Balance: \$25,806.14**

Past President: Eric Seabrook- **No report.**

6. LIAISON REPORTS

AIARE: Peter Hendrickson- **Not Present.** Website: <http://aiare.org/>

The chapter has posted a Disaster Assistance Handbook on their website:

<http://new.aia.org/resources/71636-disaster-assistance-handbook:56>

CSI: Charles Young – **Not Present.**

Announcements included monthly meeting as posted on their website: <http://redwoodempire.csinet.org/>

& Monthly meetings held first Thursday evening of the month; 5:30 Social Hour, 6:30 Dinner & Program;

Charlie's Grill at the Windsor Golf Club, 1320 19th Hole Drive, Windsor, CA 95492

<http://redwoodempire.csinet.org/Stay-Informed/Monthly-Dinner-Meetings>

SCFPO: Glenn Schainblatt: **Next meeting Healdsburg Fire Department**

601 Healdsburg Ave. Healdsburg CA on November 15th with a presentation by Tesla on their solar panel roofing system by Duncan Cleminshaw who is Tesla's Manager of Solar Product Compliance. His team is responsible for identifying the correct standards for certification, as well ensuring products and their installation practices comply with code requirements. A passionate educator, Duncan considers building and fire officials to be his "customers."

Monthly meetings are posted on their website: <http://sonomachiefs.org/publiceducation.html>

IAEI: Mike Stone, NEMA- **Not Present**

CBOAC: Glenn Schainblatt: **Andrea announced plans for rescheduling the 2017 Annual Conference**

and Business Meeting originally scheduled: Oct. 30-Nov.1 2017 at the Flamingo Hotel in Santa Rosa.

See website for more information: <http://www.cboac.net/>

ICC Rep: Susan Dowty: **The ICC Government Relations Update November 2017 were submitted and summarized by Glenn.**

Susan submitted The November 2017 ICC report summarized by Glenn. See full text of both reports below.

CEC Representative- **Amie Brousseau provided the following energy commission updates. The full text is appended below.**

CALBO: Brad Wungluck- Glen summarized **CALBO Chapter Report Fall 2017** attached below.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominations Committee: **Doug Hughes** updated membership regarding committee's intent to nominate **Jay Bradford** for secretary, **Charles Lucas** Vice President, **Tony Piazza** for President, and **Glenn Schainblatt** for past President. No nominations from the floor were put forward. A vote and installation will be made next meeting.

Education Committee Chair: **Education Committee Chair: Glenn Schainblatt**. Seeking input for training requests.

Web-Site Committee: **New emails** are being sent by our Mail Chimp account. Let us know about any errors.

Structural Committee Chair: **Bob Ost**: No report.

ICC Region 1: **Glenn Schainblatt** updated.

8. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mike Brinkman requested support for CALBO Board. **Glenn** has prepared a letter of support that was approved by membership.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Roundtable discussion of fire related activities.

Tony Piazza and **Glenn Schainblatt** attended a meeting of design and construction professionals to start the recovery process; it was set up by 5th District Supervisor **Linda Hopkins** and **Patrick Slayter** City of Sebastopol Vice Mayor. They are taking input on types of housing, expediting permits etc.

MKM and **ZFA** have provided some informal guidelines for debris removal on private property including foundational elements.

10. OLD BUSINESS

Online credit card payments are activated on the newly updated website. We will be posting meetings and educational events.

Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation request for \$500.00 donation. The donation request was approved by motion and member vote.

If you would like a picture of your Jurisdiction displayed on the REACO website homepage please submit electronically to **Charles Lucas** <mailto:clucas@ci.petaluma.ca.us>

11. LEGISLATIVE NEWS

12. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting concluded at approximately 2:30 pm.

Next meeting will be December 5, 2017, at the Cattleman's Restaurant Petaluma.

International Code Council Government Relations Update – November 2017

Follow [@ICC_GR on Twitter](#) for breaking GR news & announcements throughout the month!

Check out PRONTO: ICC Certification & Testing is all-new and renamed the ICC Assessment Center

The ICC Assessment Center marks a significant step forward for building code certification. Now, all current and future Certification needs and resources can be found in one location. In addition to being more closely aligned with ICC's array of online and in-person training options, features include:

- **One account number with ICC**—the same number for your ICC Membership, Certifications and testing. This is the number on your ICC wallet card.
- **Single sign-on** for both **online** and **computer-based testing**. If you have previously tested with Pearson VUE, your Pearson ID has automatically been changed to this identification number.
- The option to purchase exams **directly from the ICC Store**.
- Various **exam catalog updates** at your fingertips.
- New services available now, including [ICC PRONTO™](#). More to come!

ICC is continually evolving exam offerings, testing options, and technology to ensure that all building and code officials have access to tools and resources needed to advance in today's world. [Proctored Remote Online Testing Option \(PRONTO\)](#) allows individuals to take an ICC certification exam in the privacy of their home, office or other secured location. [Click here to read more.](#)

November 10 is deadline to submit application for ICC Codes & Standards Council positions

Interested International Code Council Members have until [Nov. 10 to submit their application](#) to fill one of five expired terms/vacancies on the Codes & Standards Council. The CSC is a single, multi-discipline council that was established to advise the ICC board regarding applications for codes- and standards-related committees and to review and provide oversight of codes- and standards-related procedures — Council Policy 28 and Council Policy 12, respectively. Click here for Council Policy 9, which regulates the ICC councils. [Click here for an application.](#)

Webinar compares the effectiveness of building codes after Hurricanes Harvey and Irma

Building code adoption and enforcement are significant components of a community's resilience against natural and man-made disasters. Using information from ISO's **Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS)**, a recent webinar compared the current state of code adoption and enforcement found in the states of Texas and Florida, titled **"Building Codes in Light of Harvey and Irma: A Tale of Two States."** You can watch the seminar by [clicking here and registering in the sign-up column.](#)

Talking points, a PowerPoint, a flyer and a video are tools you can use to promote code officials

A "do it yourself" set of resources is [now available on the International Code Council's website](#) to give ICC Members the tools needed to make public presentations on the value of code officials to their communities. The talking points go with the PowerPoint presentation, both of which can be edited for presentation lengths and the kind of audience being addressed. The resources are intended to build public awareness of what code officials do and their impact on communities. Please feel free to use all these resources to communicate the value of the code official to your local community. If you have questions, or need additional assistance, please contact Madi Dominescy at mdominescy@iccsafe.org.

First quarterly ICC Chapter Leader Virtual Roundtable yields questions and advice for Chapters

The first ICC Chapter Leader Virtual Roundtable was held Thursday, Nov. 2, to allow ICC Chapter Presidents and Vice Presidents the opportunity to share information. Topics included the newly named ICC Assessment Center, the [Proctored Remote Online Testing Option \(PRONTO\)](#), resources found on the new [Value of a Code Official page](#) on the ICC website, strategies to recruit people to become code officials, the Military Families Program, chapter benefits, ICC annual award programs, the Chapter Leadership Academy and the Code of Honor Scholarships program. The entire meeting, which included two questions from Chapter Presidents, lasted only 30 minutes. The date and time for the winter Chapter Leader Virtual Roundtable, led by Ron Piester, Vice President, ICC Membership & Certification, will be announced later.

Building, Fire and Sustainability Code Action Committees will meet Dec. 5-6 near Chicago O'Hare

Schiller Park, Ill., is where members of the Building Code Action Committee (BCAC), Fire Code Action Committee (FCAC) and Sustainability, Energy & High Performance Building Code Action Committee (SEHPCAC) have scheduled a joint meeting Dec. 5-6 to discuss the code development process for the 2021 I-Codes. All meetings are open to the public. [View the meeting notice](#). The meetings will be at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel near Chicago O'Hare Airport. Agendas, meeting minutes, meeting materials and all other documents can be [found on the CAC website](#).

ANCR holds its first Technical Development Advisory Workshop at Target Corporation HQ

The [Alliance for National & Community Resilience \(ANCR\)](#) held its first Technical Development Advisory Workshop at the Target Corporation Headquarters in Minneapolis, Minnesota on Oct. 25. The objective was to engage community resilience experts and stakeholders to get feedback on ANCR's Community Resilience Benchmark proposed development and adoption process. ANCR Executive Director Bryan Soukup was pleased with the outcome: "After nine hours, the mission and vision of ANCR were embraced by many of the best minds in resilience in the United States. The Board and ANCR participants will be working tirelessly over the next months to operationalize what was discussed in Minneapolis and, hopefully, deliver this much-needed system to American communities in part or in total as soon as possible." The priority of ANCR is to develop a benchmarking system that supports governments, businesses and citizens with comprehending and addressing areas of vulnerability and how to prepare for environmental change and natural disasters. The workshop was an opportunity for ANCR to continue to build partnerships and seek financial, foundation, private sector, and government support to complete the development of its community resilience benchmarking system.

ICC and ANCR partner with FEMA's Resilient Nation Partnership Network

The Resilient Nation Partnership Network (RNPN), developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), consists of more than 100 organizations committed to build resilient communities by collaborating on best practices to endure natural disasters. The International Code Council (ICC) and its resilience subsidiary, the Alliance for National & Community Resilience (ANCR), recently joined Resilient Nation Partnership Network (RNPN). The RNPN also includes the American Red Cross, National Fire Protection Association, Natural Hazard Mitigation Association, National Electrical Manufacturers Association and National Institute of Building Sciences. One outcome was the use of the [ICC Disaster Response Network \(DRN\)](#) in response to Hurricane Harvey. Click [here if you wish to register](#) as a volunteer for the ICC Disaster Response Network.

360-degree cameras provide new useful tool to understanding fire code issues

Poudre Fire Authority (PFA) and the Fort Collins Museum of Discovery teamed up to produce a virtual reality tour of an off-campus house fire at Fort Collins, Colo. [Using the links to this story](#), the technology places the viewer in the middle of a fire scene while listening to the conversation with Education Specialist Michael Durkin from the [Poudre Fire Authority](#) and Digital Dome Manager Ben Gondrez from the [Fort Collins Museum of Discovery](#). You can read [more details about the fire at the PFA website](#). According to Rob Neale, Vice President, ICC National Fire Service Activities: "This new and exciting technology brings to life the real impacts of fire: Heat-blistered paint, blackened surfaces and the overall consequences of fire. It also provides a great reminder of the importance of maintaining smoke alarms and sleeping with the bedroom door closed. Finally, it's a great reminder for assuring that recreational fires are out before retiring for the night."

SAVE THE DATE: 2018 Chapter Leadership Academy will be June 4-6 in Denver

The 2018 Chapter Leadership Academy will be held from June 4-6 in Denver, Colo., to help ICC Chapter officers learn best practices and share ideas on building successful state and regional chapters. Previous Chapter Leadership Academies, held in Oklahoma City in 2016 and Atlanta last summer, focused on several topics. Additional details and registration information for the Denver event, to be held at the Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center, will be announced in early 2018. Chapter Presidents can use their annual Chapter benefit for one of the following:

1. Complimentary travel, hotel expenses and registration for the 2018 Chapter Leadership Academy, or
2. Complimentary registration for the 2018 Annual Conference

A "Save the Date" flyer can be accessed [here](#).

ICC and NFPA workshop focused on the community economic impact of codes and standards

The International Code Council (ICC) and the National Fire Protection Association hosted a workshop on needs and resources, focusing on the economic impact of codes and standards. Presenters were from a wide range of stake holders, including government agencies and nonprofits such as the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Government Accounting Office, the Department of Energy, the District of Columbia Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, the National Association of Homebuilders, the International Association of Fire Chiefs and many more. Presentation topics included "Lifecycle Cost Effectiveness Methodology," "Economic Perspective from an Authority Having Jurisdiction" and "Economic Impact of Mitigation." Attendees participated in Q&A sessions with the presenters to gain further insights. Sara Yerkes, ICC Senior Vice President of Government Relations, facilitated a discussion on how economic decision tools can be used to evaluate the impact of codes and standards for one of four breakout sessions. Participants collaborated on next steps for forming economic impact studies related to codes and standards.

Raj Nathan promoted to head International Accreditation Service, Inc., replacing Chuck Ramani

ICC and the International Accreditation Service, Inc. (IAS) Board last week announced the selection of Raj Nathan as IAS President. Nathan is replacing C.P. "Chuck" Ramani, who is retiring after a 44-year career in global conformity assessment and construction code enforcement. Nathan has over 30 years of experience and has been with IAS since 2002. [Read more by clicking here.](#)

ICC fire service officials publish article to promote involvement in ICC's Membership Councils

You don't have to be a fire official to be interested in what Rob Neale and Scott Adams had to say about why all six Membership Councils add value to ICC memberships. The article was published in the fall edition of Utah Fire & Rescue Academy's Straight Tip Magazine. To read the article, [turn to page 22](#) on the Straight Tip website. Adams, retired assistant fire chief, is chair of the ICC Fire Service Membership Council and Neale is Vice President of ICC National Fire Service Activities. There is no fee to join any of the Membership Councils. [Click here to learn more or to join any of the Membership Councils.](#)

RESNET reaches milestone of more than two million HERS-rated homes across the USA

The Residential Energy Services Network (RESNET), an important ICC partner, announced that over 2 million homes have now been rated with a Home Energy Rating System (HERS) index score, which establishes a uniform estimate of a home's energy consumption and provides buyers and owners with a reference point for how energy efficient it is as compared to other homes. [To read more, click here.](#)

New webinar outlines solar updates and additions to NEC on large-scale photovoltaic supply stations

There are more than 1.3 million photovoltaic systems installed nationwide that are increasingly guided by robust codes and standards. In a new webinar, national expert Jim Rogers discusses new solar updates and the National Electrical Code including large-scale photovoltaic electric supply stations, energy storage systems, rapid shutdown and photovoltaic systems grounding. [For more, click here.](#)

American Wood Council offers free registrations on November and December webinars

The American Wood Council, an ICC Preferred Education Provider, is offering webinars that are suited as continuing education for code officials, architects, engineers and building designers. They are:

- Nov. 16 – "[Cornucopia of Classic Connection Conundrums \(DES340\)](#)." The course will be held 1:55 p.m. Eastern Standard Time to 3:30 p.m. Instructors are Michelle Kam-Biron and Lori Koch. Based on numerous help desk questions and feedback from design professionals, AWC has identified some of the most commonly overlooked wood connection engineering requirements from the NDS and SDPWS. One and a half hour of education credits will be awarded.
- Dec. 14 – "[2018 NDS Changes \(STD120\)](#)." The course will be held 1:55 p.m. Eastern Standard Time to 3 p.m. Instructor is Buddy Showalter, PE. One hour of education credits will be awarded.

ICC Institutes are scheduled for November and December in Los Angeles, New York and Phoenix

- **ICC Plan Review Institute, Los Angeles Nov. 13-17:** [Make your plans now for the Plan Review Institute.](#) This five-day course is based on the 2015 International Codes and will include interactive exercises that detail best practices for various plan reviews.

- **ICC Reinforced Concrete Special Inspector Certification Test Academy, New York City Nov. 13-15:** Taught by an expert ICC instructor, the [Reinforced Concrete Special Inspector Certification Test Academy](#) provides instruction, individual/ group interactive review exercises, evening assignments and opportunity to practice test taking. Topics that will be covered include general requirements; concrete quality; reinforcement; formwork, joints and embeds and concrete placement, protection and curing of the special inspection certification exam.
- **ICC Code Officials Institute, Phoenix Dec. 4-7:** Designed for current managers or code professionals on track for a leadership position, this [four-day, in-depth event](#) is an opportunity to learn everything from processing electronic plan reviews to how to hire the right people.

Training for becoming Building Department Lead Assessors to be offered Nov. 29-30 in D.C. area

A [two-day training program](#) for individuals interested in becoming Building Department Lead Assessors is coming to Arlington, Va., Nov. 29-30, sponsored by the International Accreditation Service (IAS). The course is intended for individuals with advanced experience in the operation of building departments along with good working knowledge on the enforcement of construction codes. Sound knowledge of plan review and inspection methodologies, and excellent written and verbal communication skills are essential for success as lead evaluators. This course is also suitable for individuals looking to better understand building department accreditation requirements.

Registration open for 2015 IBC Special Topics seminar Nov. 29-30 at ICC Brea, Calif., office

Registration is open for the [2015 IBC Special Topics seminar](#), Nov. 29–30 at the ICC Western Regional Office in Brea, Calif. The training addresses four critical topics from the 2015 International Building Code® (IBC®). During this two-day training event, participants will have the opportunity to learn from code experts with decades of experience and get answers to the toughest code questions. Earn CEUs and gain insights on focused code topics that can immediately be put to use in the workplace. Doug Thornburg, AIA, is the instructor. Thornburg is Vice President and Technical Director of Products and Services for the International Code Council. [Click here for more information.](#)

IAS offers training course Dec. 11-12 at Brea, Calif., on operating management systems

The International Accreditation Service (IAS) offers important training course that will provide an introduction and refresher to the ISO/IEC 17020 standard, Management System requirements, IAS assessment process, and auditing techniques. Subjects include inspection equipment management, managing inspection personnel and procedures, inspecting sample management, internal audits and management review and contract management. [Registration](#) is limited to 20 people.

Valuable seminar on ASCE 7-10 to ASCE 7-16 offered in eight cities between November and March

ICC announced in June the addition of S.K. Ghosh Associates (SKGA) to its family of companies, which further strengthens ICC with respect to the structural provisions of our codes and reference standards. SKGA has partnered with the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) to develop training based on a new publication coauthored by S.K. Ghosh titled **Significant Changes from ASCE 7-10 to ASCE 7-16**. For [more information on this timely seminar, click here.](#)

Former ICC CEO James Lee Witt appointed to lead recovery efforts in California’s wine country

James Lee Witt was appointed executive director of Rebuild North Bay, a nonprofit launched to coordinate wildfire recovery efforts in Sonoma, Napa, Mendocino, Lake and Solano counties in California. Witt, a former Chief Executive Officer of the International Code Council (ICC), was the director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). [According to the San Francisco Chronicle](#), Witt said his focus as head of Rebuild North Bay will be to “build back better and safer, and build back with more resiliency than ever before.” Used in all 50 U.S. states and many other countries, the International Codes, including the International Wildland Urban Interface Code, are an important part of rebuilding efforts to ensure safe structures and resilient communities.

Have you seen the latest edition of ICC’s Building Safety Journal? [Click here](#) for the October 2017 Building Safety Journal Online. Cover page headline is “**Disaster Mitigation: Codes Perform in the Midst of Calamity.**”



November 2017 ICC Announcements

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Upcoming Dates:

- **Now** _____ 2018 I-codes available for free viewing online: codes.iccsafe.org (click on "Public Access")
- **Now** _____ ICC has joined with CALBO to match funds donated to the American Red Cross to help those affected by California's devastating fires. [Donate Here](#). For 2017 Wildfire Information and Resources, [click here](#)
- **Nov 13-17** _____ **Plan Review Institute (Based on 2015 I-Code) at Doubletree Norwalk: 0.6 CEUs.** This 5-day institute focuses on skills necessary to perform a plan review referencing the 2015 IRC and 2015 IBC. More info here: <https://learn.iccsafe.org/ihtml/application/student/interface.icc/index.htm>
- **Nov 13-14** _____ [Permit Technician Institute in San Francisco](#)
- **Nov 16-17** _____ [Permit Technician Institute in San Francisco \(2nd offering\)](#)
- **Nov 23** _____ **Happy Thanksgiving!**
- **Nov 27** _____ Region I Member-wide Conference Call 4:00 to 5:00 pm. ICC Region I website: <http://www.iccregion1.com/>
- **Dec 1** _____ Chapter Reward Program Application Deadline: [For more info, click on "Chapter Rewards"](#)
- **Jan 8, 2018** _____ Deadline for Group A Code Changes
- **Jan 22-25** _____ Code Official Institute at ICC Brea Office [more info here](#)
- **Jan 31** _____ Last day to submit presentation for 2018 ICC Annual Conference [Call for Presentations](#)
- **Mar 26** _____ Region I in-person meeting, 4-5 pm, CALBO Annual Meeting, Burlingame, CA
- **Apr 15-25** _____ Group A Code Action Hearings, Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, OH

Notes:

- ICC has a new cloud-based testing system, Proctored Remote Online Testing Option (PRONTO) which enables candidates to take ICC certification exams at their convenience on their home or office computer, 365 days a year, 24 hours/day. Here is a great resource for more information: <https://www.iccsafe.org/education-certification/assessment-center/pronto-administration/>.
- Value of the Code Official. Visit our campaign webpage for valuable support materials: [click here](#)
- Free video on solar updates: National expert Jim Rogers discusses new solar updates and additions to the NEC in this video from a previous, sold-out webinar. Content includes large-scale photovoltaic electric supply stations, energy storage systems, rapid shutdown and photovoltaic systems grounding. [View the video.](#)
- It's not too early to plan for ICC's 2018 Annual Conference:
2018 Annual Conference and Group A Public Comment Hearings:
Annual Conference: October 21-23, 2018
Public Comment Hearings: October 23 - 31, 2018
Greater Richmond Convention Center
403 N 3rd Street, Richmond, VA, 23219

Efficiency Division Updates REACO Monthly Meeting November 7, 2017 CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

Efficiency Division Updates and Resources

- Last business meeting was held on October 11. Next business meeting is November 8.

Business Meetings Agendas and Minutes:

www.energy.ca.gov/business_meetings

- 2019 Energy Efficiency Standards Rulemaking Workshops Notices, Comments and Transcripts:
www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2019standards/prerulemaking/documents/
- CBECC-Res 2016.3.0 (934 SP1) Residential Software Flash Update (bug fix version) is now available:
<http://www.bwilcox.com/BEES/cbecc2016.html>
- 2016 Energy Standards Fact Sheet for Computer Rooms & Data Centers is now available:
http://www.energy.ca.gov/title24/orc/coveredprocesses/2016_coveredprocess.html
- New dynamic and consolidated NRCC-LTO-E and NRCC-LTS-E are now available:
http://www.energy.ca.gov/2015publications/CEC-400-2015-033/appendices/forms/Dynamic_Forms/

Energy Standards Training and Events

- Energy Commission upcoming training dates and locations:
 - www.energy.ca.gov/title24/orc/schedule_oe/index.php ○ 11/2 – IHACI Trade Show, Pasadena, CA – Exhibit
 - 11/16 – Local Building Officials, Chico, CA – Residential Lighting (0.2 ICC CEUs) and Water Heating (0.2 ICC CEUs)
- Energy Code Ace: www.energycodeace.com/training
- PG&E: www.pge.com/pec

Energy Standards Resources:

- Online Resource Center: www.energy.ca.gov/title24/orc
- Energy Standards Hotline: 800-772-3300 or Title24@energy.ca.gov

To receive regular updates, sign up and respond to the confirmation email:

- Building Standards: www.energy.ca.gov/title24/orc/
- Blueprint Newsletter: www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/blueprint/

Chapter Report

California Building Officials

Fall 2017

Upcoming CALBO Events:

CALBO Education Week South (Ontario) – October 16-19, 2017

CALBO Education Week Orange County (Anaheim) – February 5-8, 2018

CALBO's 56th Annual Business Meeting (Burlingame/SFO) – March 25-29, 2018

Upcoming Industry Events:

California State Association of Counties Annual Meeting – November 27-30, 2017 (Sacramento)

CALBO GOVERNANCE

- The CALBO Board met in June and approved a multi-year set of goals:
 - Promotion of the Building Official profession
 - A committee of staff and board members are working on a multifaceted effort to promote the building official profession. Greater communication to city/county leadership, a marketing and promotional toolkit, and potential legislation are all part of the effort.
 - Commitment to strengthened and vigilant government affairs, to include a “legislative win”
 - Building upon CALBO's legislative victories in 2016, the potential to introduce legislation is being evaluated. Opportunities to amend and strengthen existing legislative proposals are also being considered. Building upon our strategic relationships is also a part of this holistic effort.
 - Increased promotion of technology and innovation for Building Departments
 - Promoting available technologies and innovations available to Building Departments has become a forefront CALBO effort. Look for an upcoming survey from the newly chartered CALBO Technology & Innovation Committee.
 - Fostering the promoting the next generation of code officials
 - The importance of the next generation of building department personnel has been underscored with efforts moving forward to foster and develop this generation. Model internship programs, expansion of the highly successful CALBO Job Fair and the BOLA program are all being considered as part of this effort.



- The CALBO Board has thoroughly analyzed the organization’s bylaws and opined that the bylaws allow CALBO to engage in national code development. CALBO’s role and level of participation in this process is currently being discussed by the CALBO Board.
- The new CALBO membership dues structure as of April 1, 2017, is as follows:
 - Class I for jurisdictions with populations of 50,000 or less = \$215
 - Class I for jurisdictions with 50,001 to 149,999 = \$295
 - Class I for jurisdictions with populations of 150,000 or more = \$375
 - Technical Membership = \$50
 - Associate/Corporate = \$495
 - Senior & Student = \$20
- CALBO is working with ICC on greater support and opportunities for student chapters. Our Governmental Relations staff member Susan Dowty has been instrumental in these efforts.
- CALBO hosted a booth at the League of California Cities Expo in Sacramento. For the 2018 conference in Long Beach, CALBO is developing a topical presentation discussing and promoting the role of local building departments.
- CALBO provided a presentation at the ICC ABM entitled the *Generational Divide in the Public Sector*. CALBO Past President Raj Patel and CALBO’s Executive Director Matt Wheeler gave the presentation, which was eligible for CEUs for all attendees.
- CALBO supported eight candidates for the ICC Board of Directors, all of whom were successful in their election. To vet candidates, CALBO participated in the ICC Candidates Forum hosted by the Western Pacific League of Building Officials (WPLBO) on July 21. This forum provides an opportunity for ICC Candidates for the Board of Directors to meet with many statewide and regional organizations and request endorsements.
- Each ICC California Chapter has been assigned a CALBO Board Member liaison. Board Member liaisons serve as the conduit between local chapters and the CALBO Board. Board Members will supply updates and attend meetings throughout the upcoming year.
 - 1) CalBIG – Sharon Goei
 - 2) Central Coast – Bryan Spain
 - 3) Citrus Belt – Joe Kirkpatrick
 - 4) County Building Officials – Jeff Janes
 - 5) East Bay – Sharon Goei
 - 6) Foothill – David Khorram
 - 7) High Country - TBD
 - 8) High Desert – Ron Takiguchi
 - 9) Los Angeles Basin – Ron Takiguchi and David Khorram
 - 10) Monterey Bay – Sharon Goei
 - 11) Napa/Solano – Shane Diller
 - 12) NorCal FPOs – David Gonzalves and Shane Diller



- 13) Orange Empire – David Khorram and Joe Kirkpatrick
- 14) Peninsula – Sharon Goei
- 15) Redwood Empire – Brad Wungluck
- 16) Sacramento Valley – Shane Diller
- 17) San Diego – Ron Takiguchi
- 18) San Joaquin Valley – Jeff Janes
- 19) Shasta/Cascade – Shane Diller
- 20) SoCal FPOs – David Khorram
- 21) Ventura – Ron Takiguchi
- 22) Yosemite – David Gonzalves and Brad Wungluck

- All CALBO policy committees have been appointed with some members continuing on within their term, and other new members appointed. In 2014, CALBO started a process of staggered two-year committee appointments for continuity.
- CALBO has chartered a new policy committee entitled “Innovation and Technology.” The charge of the new committee is to promote and analyze new innovations, trends, ideas and practices that can increase the efficiency and management of building departments.
- CALBO has remained engaged with the California Energy Commission. Following the letter sent by CALBO and Mr. Greg Mahoney, the CEC has responded with a request to be better engaged with CALBO. This is a symbolic first step, but hopefully the first of many as new standards and enforcement needs are proposed.
- The CALBO Board has approved the following future ABM locations: Hyatt Regency SFO/Burlingame (2018) and Hyatt Regency San Diego/Mission Bay (2019). Pending locations for future meetings include Palm Springs area (2020) and Sacramento (2021). The Hyatt Regency hotel chain has made a continued partnership viable ensuring that CALBO members receive reasonable overnight rates with the meeting space conducive to our needs.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- The 2017-18 CALBO Training Catalogue is now available to all members. Registration is currently open for Ontario and Anaheim Education Weeks at www.calbo.org
- The San Ramon Education Week was held September 18-21 and was highly successful with nearly 2,300 students in attendance over the course of the four days.
- CALBO will supplement Education Week training with independent offerings spread into geographically remote areas of the state.
- The retooled Building Officials Leadership Academy (BOLA) was held in Sacramento April 24-28, 2017 with 13 new students. The weeklong offering in the CALBO office was a large success, where students completed new courses, attended CALBO’s Leadership & Advocacy Day, and heard from a variety of lunchtime speakers.

- The BOLA program will be held for the first time in southern California in 2018. Those interested in joining the program should reach out to CALBO's Director of Training Lauren Herman at lherman@calbo.org.
- CALBO has again collaborated with ICC to offer publications for the code change year; 2016 Significant Changes to the California Building Code and the 2016 California Residential Code. Both publications will be jointly produced and the profits will be shared between the organizations. The publications are currently available through the ICC Bookstore.
- CALBO is seeking to make the student experience onsite at Ed Weeks more efficient and technologically modern. With the addition of the ICC Preferred Provider Program (ICC PPP), the sign in process needs to be updated. CALBO is looking into new methods for tracking courses, student history, sign-ins, and CEU credit, including the potential purchase of software or onsite scanning capabilities. All CALBO trainings offered in 2017-18 have been approved within the ICC PPP. If you are preparing to submit certification requests through ICC, all CALBO courses have been approved and assigned an ICC course number.
- The CALBO Training Institute (CTI) is seeking new instructors and course developers. CTI will help you develop your speaking and listening skills, provide you an opportunity to co-teach with a seasoned instructor to gain hands-on experience in the classroom, learn how to create and implement a course plan, and utilize your knowledge to become a subject matter expert. Look for more information and an application in the upcoming 2017-18 CALBO Training Catalogue. Contact Lauren Herman, CALBO Director of Training, with any questions.

CALBO's 56th ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING IN BURLINGAME (SFO)

- CALBO's 56th Annual Business Meeting will take place in Burlingame near the San Francisco Airport March 25-29, 2018. The CALBO Board has met and finalized the program. Registration will begin in December.
- All meetings will be held at the Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport, 1333 Old Bayshore Hwy. The hotel will begin accepting room reservations this Fall. The overnight rate is \$195, which includes discounted parking, in room wifi access and a number of other amenities. There is no resort fee.
- The program will be held Monday – Thursday, with a 2.5 day Expo, companion's program, and Sunday golf tournament.
- A planning committee has been chartered comprised of four local chapters. The planning committee has been working with their Board Liaison Sharon Goei on details and recommendations for the CALBO Board.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

- The State Legislature completed its work for the 2017 session. All bills are either at the Governor's desk awaiting his action or held over for further consideration next year.
- CALBO joined a large coalition in opposition to AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer), which is detailed below. In addition to testifying against the bill in committee, writing letters, making calls and visiting offices, CALBO joined the opposition in a press-conference. The bill did not move this year as a direct result of the concerted effort.
- SB 721, which was introduced in response to the Berkeley balcony collapse of last year, is a two-year bill. CALBO is working with the author and stakeholders during the fall to further amend the bill so that it increases balcony safety for existing buildings, but does not create onerous burdens on building departments.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT/BILLS OF INTEREST

Legislation Addressing Service Contracts

AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer) Counties: Personal Services Contracts

CALBO Position: *Oppose*

Status: Two-Year bill, will not move until January 2018.

Summary: AB 1250 Establishes specific standards for the use of personal services contracts by counties. Requires the county to demonstrate that the proposed contract will result in costs savings to the county and to show that the contract does not cause displacement of county or city workers. Establishes liability provisions for employment law violations and torts committed in the course of providing services under contract. Imposes disclosure requirements on contracts.

Observations: AB 1250 would impose a de facto prohibition on counties' abilities to contract with businesses, non-profits, and economic development organizations to provide local services that a county either does not have the expertise or internal capacity to provide directly. CALBO has joined a large coalition of opposition to this bill. The bill will was not taken up for a vote on the Senate floor. This is a victory for the year, but we remain in opposition to the bill as the sponsor will likely pursue the bill further next year.

Legislation Addressing California's Housing Challenges:

AB 202 (Steinorth) Planning and Zoning: Permits

CALBO Position: *Concerns/Watch*

Status: Two-Year bill, will not move until January 2018.

Summary: AB 202 requires all grading, foundation, building, and use permits required by a municipality for a development project that creates, or results in an increase of, a certain number of residential dwelling units or guest rooms to be approved or denied by a director of

the lead planning agency. Provides for authorizations and requirements for a director of the lead planning agency for development projects.

Observations: This bill may limit the ability of some jurisdictions and may potentially remove some of the Building Official's abilities and responsibilities.

AB 494 (Bloom) Accessory Dwelling Units

CALBO Position: *Watch*

Status: Governor's Desk.

Summary: AB 494 amends the Planning and Zoning Law to provide that an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) may be rented separately from the primary residence. Requires that parking requirements for accessory dwelling units not exceed a certain number. Removes the prohibition on specified off-street parking where that parking is not allowed anywhere else in the jurisdiction.

Observations: This Bill will create more work for Building Officials in the areas of permitting, plan check, inspection, code enforcement, property addressing, and utility connections.

AB 565 (Bloom) Alternative Building Regulations

CALBO Position: *Support*

Status: Two-Year bill, will not move until January 2018.

Summary: AB 565 requires a city or county to adopt alternative building regulations, and specifies that these regulations include provisions for housing artists, artisans, and other similarly situated individuals. AB 565 requires a city or county that has already adopted alternative building regulations to amend those regulations to include provisions for housing artists, artisans, and other similarly situated individuals.

Observations: The alternative set of guidelines for buildings is a creative way of reusing/retooling existing buildings and it is considered a viable approach to revitalize older commercial neighborhoods. It can be considered controversial because some projects, through the code modification process approved by the Building Official, ultimately comply with less restrictive code requirements. CALBO supports as much control as possible remaining at the local level. CALBO looks forward to working with Assembly Member Bloom on this measure during interim to ensure that the right level of control remains at the local level.

SB 431 (Bates) Accessory Dwelling Units

CALBO Position: *Oppose*

Status: Two-Year bill, will not move until January 2018.

Summary: SB 431 authorizes a local building inspector to waive some or all building code requirements with respect to an accessory dwelling unit constructed prior to January 1, 2008 for the purpose of issuing a building permit for that accessory dwelling unit.

Observations: CALBO is in contact with the author and while we oppose this bill as written, we have offered our expertise in amending this measure. This bill has been established as a two-year bill. CALBO opposes giving a building inspector authority to waive health and safety requirements. It is only a Building Official that can be charged with establishing proper standards and enforcing the requirements to make an Accessory Dwelling Unit a legal and habitable space.

Legislation Addressing Structural Safety and the Regulatory Process:

SB 721 (Hill) Building Assembly Inspections

CALBO Position: *Support if Amended*

Status: Two-Year bill, will not move until January 2018.

Summary: SB 721 requires the inspection of decks, balconies, and elevated walkways more than six feet above ground level in a building containing three or more multi-family units by a person licensed to perform these inspections by the Department of Consumer Affairs. SB 721 provides for completion and subsequent inspections. The inspections are for existing buildings and are to be performed every five years.

Observations: CALBO supports the intent of the bill. Furthermore, CALBO worked closely with the author's office during the fall of 2016 to draft the first version of the bill, a version CALBO fully supported. However, amendments to the bill place a significant burden on building departments, requiring that they track compliance with the bill and assess fines when property owners do not comply. This places unfunded mandates on building departments, which CALBO opposes. CALBO will continue to work closely with the author's office during interim to help amend this bill in a way we can fully support.

Legislation Addressing Clean Energy:

AB 1239 (Holden) EV Charging

CALBO Position: *Watch*

Status: Governor's Desk

Summary: AB 1239 requires the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Building Standards Commission to adopt mandatory building standards regarding electric-vehicle (EV) capable parking spaces for multifamily-housing and parking structure construction and renovation.

Observations: This bill aims to address the need for EV-capable parking to keep up with the demand over time. Specifically, AB 1239 requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the Building Standards Commission (BSC) to 1 to research, develop and propose building standards regarding EV capable parking spaces that require existing multifamily housing and parking structures to meet building standard codes for EV capable

parking spaces during any additions, significant repairs, or alterations involving existing parking spaces. Next, AB 1239 requires the BSC to research, develop, and propose mandatory building standards regarding EV capable parking spaces for commercial buildings in the next triennial edition of the CA Building Standards Code adopted after January 1, 2018. And finally, it requires HCD and CBSC to consider revising EV capable building standards every 18 months. CALBO remains neutral on the measure.