COA Commercial Energy Code – CURRENT AMENDMENTS

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The following is a brief summary of current amendments to the commercial energy code, recommendation for moving forward, and rationale for that recommendation. Amendments applicable to 90.1 would be adjusted to align.

C201.3 Terms defined in other codes.

Retain as worded

Refers to local codes rather than model codes.

C402.2.8 Insulation encapsulation requirement.

Retain as worded

Provides for more thorough insulation installation.

C402.4 Roof solar reflectance and thermal emittance.

Modify slightly

Local amendment addresses repairs and high sloped, commercial roofs. Slight modifications to match model code language and renumbered to accommodate model code.

C402.5.3 Maximum U-factor and SHGC.

Modify slightly

Local amendment considers COA design and compatibility standards. Renumbered to accommodate model code.

C402.8 Commercial Solar Ready (Mandatory).

Modify slightly

Provides for space and infrastructure to install solar PV systems in the future. Renumbered to accommodate model code.

C403.7.10 Ventilation filtration and filtration of return air.

Modify slightly

Provides for better air filtration as well as plenum sealing. Renumbered to accommodate model code.

C403.15 Demand response.

Delete

Now included in locally adopted appendix to model code.

C404.10 Electric water heater timers.

Delete

Now included in locally adopted appendix to model code.

C405.2 Lighting controls

Delete

Now included in locally adopted appendix to model code.

Table 405.13.2

New

Local amendment adds EV charging loads to list of required monitored loads.

C405.15.1 On-site renewable energy systems.

New

Local amendment adds exceptions to projects not required to install renewable energy systems.

Appendix CG - Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

New

Local adoption of model code appendix.

Table CG101.2.1

Local amendment modifies the EV space percentages per occupancy type listed in the table to support local market conditions.

CG101.2.1 Quantity.

Local amendment modifies the EV space percentages to accommodate long term parking garages. The percentage was adjusted to accommodate the mismatch in duration of parking in long term parking with the need and duration of EV charging in these facilities.

CG101.2.5 System and circuit capacity.

New

Local amendment adds separate requirements for long term parking garages.

CG101.2.5.4 Long term parking garages system and circuit capacity.

New

Local amendment allows Lvl 1 charging infrastructure for long term parking garages.

Appendix CH - Electric-Ready Commercial Building Provisions

New

Local adoption of model code appendix.

Appendix CI - Demand Responsive Controls

New

Local adoption of model code appendix.

CI101.1 Demand responsive controls.

New

Local amendment adds an exception for special occupancies and special applications.

CI102.1 Demand responsive water heating.

New

Local amendment adds exceptions for water heater timers, and special occupancy or special applications.

Appendix CJ – Electrical Energy Storage System

New

Local adoption of model code appendix.