



**International Code Council
International Energy Conservation Code
2024 Development Committee
Residential Sections
Existing Buildings Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: August 22, 2023

Subcommittee Chair: Gil Rossmiller gil.rossmiller@shumscoda.com

Subcommittee Vice Chair: Edwin Hensley EHensley@habitat.org

1. Call to order.

a. The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:45 PM EST.

2. Meeting Conduct.

a. IECC Secretariat Kris Stenger introduced this item and made attendees aware of ICC [Council Policy 7](#) Committees: Section 5.1.10 Representation of Interests and ICC [Code of Ethics](#).

3. Roll Call.

a. Subcommittee members in attendance at Roll Call:

Present	Name
N	Avila, Elgin <i>(no longer on Committee due to employment change)</i>
N	Berg, Molly (alternate)
N	Brown, Michael
Y / N	Chen, Yan (non-voting) / Salsido, Rob (alternate)
Y	Demers, Paul
Y	Dent, Stephen
Y	Hensley, John Edwin
N	Kringgold, Fred
Y	Rossmiller, Gil
Y	Schwarz, Robby

Y	Swope, Clifford
Y	Wiley, Seth
Y	Zengel, Jim

b. Public in attendance: *See Attendee List from Online Meeting Platform below.*

c. ICC Staff in attendance: Kris Stenger

4. Approval of Minutes.

a. Motion to approve by Zengel. Second by Hensley. Motion passes with 1 abstention.

5. Approval of Agenda.

a. Motion to approve by Demurs. Second by Zengel. Motion passes unanimously.

6. Administrative Issues.

a. Stenger comments that public comments on Table R408 are currently being processed by Staff and may be forthcoming for this Subcommittee.

7. Action Items.

a. Discuss **RE2D-46-23**

1. Proponent Martino recounts proposal language and history of current Code language. Comments that “continuous” makes the Code more confusing and that using only continuous insulation in this section may create problems.
2. Comment Crandell comments that proposal does not achieve intent and may trigger significant additional work on the interior. Comments that water vapor control is neither increased nor decreased by this Code section.
3. Kochkin questions Crandell about hypothetical scope where cladding and interior finish is both within a project’s scope – how would section #2 affect that scope of work.
4. Crandell responds differentiating section #1 from section #2 and how flexibility is allowed.
5. Kochkin and Crandell have minor exchange on interpretation of sections.
6. Wiley comments similar to and in agreement with to Crandell and that this proposal may be beyond development process at this point given it is substantively technical.
7. Martino adds comment similar to previous. Comments that intent is to provide choice to add exterior insulation or cavity insulation.
8. Crandell comments that section #1 provides the flexibility which Martino is seeking and that the section #2 does not require continuous insulation in and of itself.
9. Kochkin inquires about adding language to clarify.
10. Crandell responds with similar comments to previous.
11. Johnson comments that section #2 is fine either way – changed per proposal or not.

12. Zengel comments similar to Johnson and that adding “as applicable” to end of 503.1.1.3 may be an improvement.
13. Martino agrees with Zengel in terms of adding “as applicable”.
14. Crandell encourages to add “continuous” back into the proposal.
15. Wiley comments that it is very important to keep continuous and that adding “as applicable” would be fine.
16. Schwarz asks if Martino is amenable to adding “as applicable” and keeping “continuous”. Martino agrees and is amenable.
17. Rossmiller directs Subcommittee on process to make modification.
18. Schwarz comments on possible modification.
19. Kochkin comments in support of adding “as applicable” and keeping “continuous”.
20. Hensley comments on simple disapproval of proposal.
21. *Zengel makes motion to add “as applicable” after “following” at the beginning of the section, remove “and” from the 1st sentence of item #1, and keep “continuous” in section #2. Demurs seconds. Reason statement: This clarifies the ability to choose #1, 2, or 3 and so removes possible confusion. Kochkin comments on semicolon after “approved design” where possibly there should be a comma. Rossmiller comments that Staff should address that clerical work. Vote: 6 in favor, 1 against, 0 abstain. Motion passes as modified. Rossmiller comments that he will distribute modified language to Subcommittee and Proponent to confirm correct.*

b. Discuss **RE2D-48-23**

1. Proponent Martino recounts proposal and that this section of Code as written may be more stringent than other Code sections, and reviews different types of walls, and says she is open to help from others to improve this section. Martino requests clarification of how to address some different below grade wall constructions within the Code. Martino comments that unintended consequences may need more work.
2. Crandell comments that this proposal is significant in that it potentially substantially relaxes compliance.
3. Hensley comments in agreement with Crandell.
4. Wiley comments in agreement with Hensley and Crandell and that this proposal could also trigger moisture condensation problems and is not in support of the proposal.
5. Hensley comments in agreement with Wiley.
6. Demurs comments in agreement with Wiley, Hensley, Crandell.
7. *Wiley makes motion to disapprove. Demurs seconds. Reason statement: The proposal would likely significantly decrease energy efficiency and would likely create moisture condensation problems. Vote: 7 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstain. Motion passes.*

8. Open Discussion. (See Chat Room below)

a. None

9. Other Business.

a. Rossmiller comment that likely no further Subcommittee meetings will be needed. Rossmiller thanks Subcommittee work for. Hensley thanks Rossmiller for work.

10. Adjournment.

a. Motion to adjourn by Hensely. Second by Demurs. Adjourn 4:30 pm EST. Motion passes unanimously.

Attendee List from Online Meeting Platform:

Display Name	Join Time	Leave Time
Alex Smith	2023-08-22 14:38:43	2023-08-22 15:30:24
Amy Martino	2023-08-22 14:29:58	2023-08-22 15:31:35
Andrea Papageorge	2023-08-22 14:30:00	2023-08-22 15:05:51
Clifford Swoape	2023-08-22 14:29:30	2023-08-22 15:30:47
Edwin Hensley	2023-08-22 14:29:58	2023-08-22 15:31:35
Gil Rossmiller	2023-08-22 14:25:03	2023-08-22 15:31:36
Greg Johnson	2023-08-22 14:32:16	2023-08-22 15:31:37
Jason Vandever	2023-08-22 14:34:25	2023-08-22 15:30:12
Jay Crandell	2023-08-22 14:32:04	2023-08-22 15:30:38
Jim Zengel	2023-08-22 14:27:55	2023-08-22 15:30:41
Joe Cain SEIA	2023-08-22 14:33:04	2023-08-22 15:15:01
Kristopher Stenger	2023-08-22 14:45:12	2023-08-22 15:31:45
Melissa Howard	2023-08-22 14:46:18	2023-08-22 15:30:27
Paul Demers	2023-08-22 14:29:35	2023-08-22 15:31:38
Paul Karrer	2023-08-22 14:34:38	2023-08-22 15:30:43
Robby Schwarz	2023-08-22 14:29:38	2023-08-22 15:30:49
Seth Wiley	2023-08-22 14:25:19	2023-08-22 15:31:32
Stephen Dent	2023-08-22 14:32:09	2023-08-22 15:30:46
T Weston	2023-08-22 14:33:18	2023-08-22 15:31:00
Ty Jennings	2023-08-22 14:42:43	2023-08-22 15:30:38
Vladimir Kochkin	2023-08-22 14:34:52	2023-08-22 15:30:24
Yan Chen	2023-08-22 14:31:15	2023-08-22 15:30:46

Chat Room:

from Seth Wiley, AIA, Subcommittee Member to everyone: 3:31 PM
Seth Wiley, Architect, Voting Subcommittee Member, Representing Self
from Greg Johnson to everyone: 3:32 PM
Greg Johnson National Multifamily Housing Council
from Jay Crandell to everyone: 3:33 PM
Jay Crandell, ABTG/ARES Consulting, rep for FSC
from Greg Johnson to everyone: 3:33 PM
I'm pointing at you, Gil. you must exist.
from Amy Martino, Building Site Synergy, voting member to everyone: 3:33 PM
Amy Martino, Building Site Synergy, Non- subcommittee member
from T Weston to everyone: 3:33 PM
Theresa Weston, Holt Weston representing ABAA
from Jay Crandell to everyone: 3:34 PM
Can you exist virtually?

from Paul Demers (privately): 3:34 PM

Can I give you a call after as I have a family member that is looking at being foolish and buying a townhouse in NYC. I would welcome a little guidance to share. As I heard you say you do a lot in the city. Country boy out of his element!!

from Seth Wiley, AIA, Subcommittee Member to everyone: 3:35 PM

I guess we knew "I exist therefore I am", now we have "I am therefore I exist"

from Clifford Swoape to everyone: 3:35 PM

Clifford Swoape, Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District - Subcommittee member - you can exist virtually, but if you fall in the woods, virtually no one hears it.

from Jay Crandell to everyone: 3:36 PM

How do we know if its really Gil running the meeting?

from Paul Demers to everyone: 3:36 PM

Wow this is more fun than being on the wrong side of every vote!!

from Seth Wiley, AIA, Subcommittee Member to everyone: 3:37 PM

If the meeting hasn't started, does the meeting exist?

from Greg Johnson to everyone: 3:39 PM

Every entity has two inseparable parts: the imperceptible existence and the perceptible body. Existence is comprised of space, time, and consciousness. These characteristics manifest in the perceptible forms of capability, activity, and awareness, respectively. The essence of this is best approximated in code hearings.

from Greg Johnson to everyone: 3:41 PM

Hopefully Kris still exists.

from Jason Vandever - NAIMA to everyone: 3:41 PM

Lol

from Paul Demers to everyone: 3:41 PM

Sainthood becomes him and JC!!

from Seth Wiley, AIA, Subcommittee Member to everyone: 3:42 PM

I think Kris might be AI

from Jay Crandell to everyone: 3:42 PM

So, Greg, you justify your existing by code hearings?

from Greg Johnson to everyone: 3:43 PM

I justify my billings by code hearings. It provides for a pretty good existence.

from Jay Crandell to everyone: 3:43 PM

Ha!

from Greg Johnson to everyone: 3:45 PM

Kris exists!

from Seth Wiley, AIA, Subcommittee Member to everyone: 3:46 PM

We just proved that if Kris is not at a meeting, the meeting does not exist.

from Paul Demers (privately): 4:14 PM

He was wondering if the OMNIBUS was here??

from Jason Vandever - NAIMA to everyone: 4:15 PM

sneaky... you enter this meeting unmuted. I'm lucky I didn't say something that'd get me banned for life

from Seth Wiley, AIA, Subcommittee Member to everyone: 4:29 PM

Thanks Gil and Ed!

from Amy Martino, Building Site Synergy, voting member to everyone: 4:30 PM

Thank you Subcommittee and especially Gil and Edwin

from Seth Wiley, AIA, Subcommittee Member to everyone: 4:30 PM

Thanks all!