

Status of 2006 Model Codes Adoption

The Building Code Advisory Committee (BCAC) has been working diligently since spring of 2006 to review the 2006 international model codes (IBC, IRC, IEBC, IMC, IPMC, IFC, IFGC) as well as the 2005 NEC and the 2006 UPC to advise the CBJ Assembly on adoption and local modifications under CBJ Title 19 Building Code. The committee also reviews CBJ 19.01 Administrative code which applies to all of the adopted model codes and CBJ 19.12 Grading and Excavation.

State Fire Marshal amendments to the IBC, IFC, IMC, and IFGC are reviewed for inclusion into CBJ Title 19 Building Code. CBJ is a deferred jurisdiction and thus is responsible to promulgate and enforce the body of building codes within our municipal boundaries. In doing so we can not be less stringent than the State of Alaska.

The committee has completed their reviews. The next step will be to schedule the committees recommendations for a public hearing at the CBJ Public Works and Facility Committee (PWFC). If no issues arise at this meeting then typically the PWFC recommends CBJ law dept. prepare a ordinance for repeal and reenactment of Title 19 Building Code for Assembly action. Upon completion of CBJ Law depts. ordinance formatting work the ordinance will be scheduled for introduction at an Assembly meeting. At a following Assembly meeting the Title 19 repeal and reenactment ordinance will be scheduled for discussion and hopefully approval.

Designers who wish to prepare plans to the 2006 model codes for submittal prior to the adoption of these codes may do per a blanket building code modification, MOD2009-00007, which requires draft changes to Title 19 be applied. Contact the CBJ Permit Center for additional details.

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