

Builder Round Table
Notes of December 2014 Meeting

Representing: North Naples Fire District was Deputy Chief, Eloy Ramirez
Representing Greater Naples Fire District (formerly ENFS & GGFD): Division Chief-Fire and Life Safety,
Shawn Hanson and Inspector, Shar Hingson

NNFD has seen an increase in plan reviews. Some of the increase is based upon getting reviews in before the new life-safety code goes into effect in January 2015. Big Corkscrew Fire District will merge with NNFD as of January, 2015. Because of the increase in inspections, NNFD has implemented a Saturday cycle. There is no extra cost to contractors.

Both GNFD and NNFD representatives stated that being located at CCGM has made a huge difference in production capability. They are working to provide consistency and continue to explore ways in which they can work together more effectively.

A question arose about fire walls relative to kitchen and bath remodels.

Clarification sent from Shar A. Hingson, Deputy Fire Marshall, GNFD

Remodels, that interact with a fire rated floor, ceiling or wall, are having items (cabinets, gypsum, etc) installed prior to our inspection. The fire inspectors need to see the wall, floor, ceiling when the demo has been completed and prior to installation of the cabinets, gypsum, etc. We need the contractors to call in for an inspection so we can witness that the rated assembly is intact.

Plan:

Each plan will be stamped "All penetrations, existing and new, shall be fire stopped. Do not cover up penetrations until they are inspected and approved".

Permit Card:

Each permit card will have this information listed under the appropriate inspection code.

610-Penetration Protection: This inspection ensures all penetrations in a rated fire assembly have been properly protected by an approved fire stop system, installed per the manufacture's installation instructions. This inspection shall be called in by the contractor before the walls or ceilings are installed and shower pans are finished.

612-Fire Barriers Rough: This inspection shall be called in by the contractor to ensure that the rated assembly is installed per its listing.

and the proper wall board or framing material is used. On multi-layer systems each layer must be inspected. This inspection shall be done for each layer applied, and before new cabinets are installed. The approved design detail documentation on site at the time of inspection. Rated Barriers include ceilings, walls, shafts, and floors.

Any input for improving the fire review and inspections process is welcome from CBIA members.

CBIA will hold a training session for members on the new fire Life-Safety Code changes to be implemented in January 2015.

“Life-Safety Code Changes”
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 28, 2015
Fire Code Office
2700 N. Horseshoe Drive
(2 buildings from CCGM)

*WATCH FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR RESERVATIONS AFTER JANUARY 4, 2015

Representing CCGM: Manager Permits and Inspections, Rich Long: Building Official, Jonathan Walsh and Deputy Administrator, Jamie French.

A question arose when a design professional is required. Response: All commercial projects require a design professional.

Jonathan Walsh discussed engineer/ architect inspection affidavits in lieu of county inspections and the requirement that Collier County now has regarding them. Along with some existing and new affidavits he would like to implement. Please find below a draft letter that has become the standard which he would like our input.

See attached draft letter.

Jamie French shared that Collier County will mirror the ordinance on poll lights developed in Miami Dade.

See attached Miami Dade Ordinance which serves as example of changes hear in Collier County. Timeline has been requested from CCGM and will be posted with notes on our CBIA website.

Also discussed were time specific inspections. CCGM representatives requested that they be limited to concrete only. There were mixed comments from CBIA members. CCGM has sent the following memo to us which will be shared at DSAC January meeting for discussion and vote.

TIME SPECIFIC INSPECTION REQUESTS

Beginning **Feb. 1st, 2015** Time Specific Inspections will be available only for those inspections associated with concrete pours as listed below.

100 – Footings	106 – Columns	133 – Monolithic Slab
101 – Pile Caps	118 – Lintel Beam	200 – Rough Plumbing
102 – Grade Beam	119 – Fill Cells	700 – Pool Steel (Bonding)
103 – Floating Slab	121 – Epicore Deck	704 – Shell Reinforcement
104 – Tie Beam	124 – Steel in Stair/Columns	
105 – Shear Wall	125 – Elevator Pit	515 - Concrete Encased Electrode

To schedule a Time Specific inspection for one of the above listed inspections, please first schedule the inspection via web portal, www.colliergov.net or IVR phone system 239-252-3726. Once scheduled, please call (239) 252-5878 or email timespecific@colliergov.net with your requested time, permit number, contact information, and the inspection code you have scheduled. All requests must be made by 1:00 pm for the next business day.

Jamie French shared the county is working within City View to show contractors inspector routes. No start up time shared at this point. Jamie also shared that CCGM lost 5 employees. The county is having issues losing/hiring employees because surrounding counties pay better wages. As a result, obtaining qualified employees has become difficult.

NEXT BUILDER ROUND TABLE IS WEDNESDAY, January 21 at CBIA.