

2000 WORK PLAN

BUILDING REVIEW BOARD

The Building Review Board will continue to meet on the last Thursday of each month, provided that there are discussion items appearing on the regular monthly agenda. The Board may also meet as needed in order to convene special meetings.

Staff anticipates the Building Review Board will be called on to review contractor license applications that do not strictly meet the qualification criteria specified in the City Code. The Board is empowered to grant variances from such criteria when it determines there are practical difficulties or that an undue hardship would be imposed on the applicant; or, when the Board determines the applicant has sufficient specialized training, education, or additional relevant experience.

Under its quasi-judicial review authority, the Board may consider disciplinary action against any contractor license for which there is alleged commission of any specified infractions listed in the regulations.

In its code appellate function, the Board is expected to hear appeals from strict application of the building codes or from an interpretation of the codes by the Building and Zoning Director (Building Official).

In its advisory capacity, the Board will be reviewing the 2000 edition of the new International Building Code (IBC). The IBC replaces the familiar Uniform Building Code as the consolidated national model building code. The Board will also be reviewing the City's Contractor Licensing Code. After review, the Board will make recommendations to Council regarding any necessary revisions for local conditions and community standards.

The Board will continue to work on its operational procedures and other matters of interest.