

CHAPTER BY-LAWS

LOS ANGELES BASIN CHAPTER CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE LOS ANGELES BASIN CHAPTER, International Conference of Building Officials (Effective July 11, 1996)

ARTICLE I

NAMES AND OBJECTIVES

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the "Los Angeles Basin Chapter of the International Conference of Building Officials."

Section 2. The objectives of the organization are:

(a) To place the public welfare above all other interests and to apply the special knowledge and skill of the Building Official to the benefit of all mankind.

(b) To build up the prestige of the Building Official, to provide sufficient qualified personnel adequately compensated, to establish minimum standards of what a building department is and to secure adequate recognition and proper place in the administrative organization.

(c) To investigate and discuss the principles underlying safety in the construction, occupancy and location of buildings and related structures.

(d) To develop, recommend and promote uniform regulations and legislation pertaining to building construction, and to encourage uniformity in zoning practice and code interpretation.

(e) To develop, maintain, and promote the adoption of the Uniform Building Code and related documents, and to become Active Class A members of the International Conference of Building officials.

(f) To advise and assist in administration of building laws and ordinances.

To do all such other things as are incidental to or desirable for the attainment of the above objectives.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Classes of Membership. There shall be the following classes of membership:

GOVERNMENTAL MEMBERS. There shall be three classes of governmental membership.

CLASS A. A governmental unit or agency engaged in the administration or formulation of laws and ordinances relating to building construction. In no case shall a governmental unit be entitled to more than one Class A membership.

CLASS B. An individual responsible for the enforcement or administration of laws and ordinances relating to building construction who has been designated an alternate Class A member by the jurisdiction.

CLASS C. An individual responsible for the enforcement or administration of laws and ordinances relating to building construction.

(2) PROFESSIONAL MEMBER. An individual or firm, incorporated or unincorporated, engaged in the practice of architecture, engineering, inspection, research, or testing.

(3) ASSOCIATE MEMBER. A firm or corporation interested in the objectives of the Conference.

(4) HONORARY MEMBER. An individual who has performed or provided meritorious service to the Chapter and is so designated by the Chapter President with concurrence from the membership.

(5) RETIRED MEMBER. Any former designated representative of a Class A member, any former representative of any other membership class or any former individual member who is retired.

(6) CERTIFIED MEMBER. An individual who maintains a current certificate under at least one of the International Conference of Building officials' certification categories.

Section 2. Voting. Each Class A member shall have one vote and one vote only on any given matter. However, for the purpose of bringing up matters for discussion, all members may make and second motions. All members shall be entitled to participate in meetings and discussions. Except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws, any member may be appointed to a committee as a nonvoting member.

Only Class A member designees and Class B members, as provided for in Section 3 of this article, shall be entitled to vote on any matter, whether as a committee member or otherwise.

Section 3. Class A Member Designees and Proxies and Appointment of Class B Members and Proxies. Class A members shall, when admitted to membership, designate in writing the individual who is to act as official representative for the purpose of voting, executing written consents, and for committee membership (hereinafter in these Bylaws referred to as "Class A member designee"). Said designation may be changed in writing from time to time.

Class A members may, in addition, designate, in writing, individuals to act as Class B members to serve on standing committees, and vote on other matters of business which may be assigned by the Board of Directors.

The Class A member may also designate in writing an individual from his own governmental unit or agency thereof to act as a proxy in the place and stead of the Class A member designee or Class B members in all respects as set forth above.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers shall be the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Immediate Past President: all of whom shall be Class A or Class B members at the time of their election to office.

Section 2. The President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected for a term of one year starting January first of each year. The Immediate Past President shall also serve as a member of the Board of Directors follow- the term of office served as President.

Section 3. Vacancies of office. A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the Vice President. A vacancy in the office of the Vice President shall be filled by the Treasurer. A vacancy in the office of the Treasurer or Secretary shall be filled by a majority vote of the Class A or Class B membership present at any regular meeting.

Section 4. When an officer ceases to be employed as a Class A or Class B member of jurisdiction, the officer will automatically be relieved from office.

Section 5. Manner of Election. Elected officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the voting members at the annual election of officers.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meeting will be held monthly, at a time and place selected by the President, to transact such business as the organization may select. Special meetings shall be held as and when called by the President or when requested by a majority of the membership.

Section 2. Complete records shall be kept by the Secretary of all proceedings and actions that transpire at all regular or special meetings.

ARTICLE V

AMENDMENT

Section 1. Proposed amendments of this Constitution and Bylaws may be submitted at any regular or special meeting provided that the proposed amendment(s) shall be signed by five (5) Class A members of the Chapter. All Class A members shall be notified of the proposed amendments and such changes shall be discussed at the next regular meeting. Proposed amendments shall receive a 2/3 majority vote of the total Class A membership present for final adoption.

ARTICLE VI

DUES

Section 1.

Class A members shall be assessed the sum of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) per fiscal year.

Class B members shall be assessed the sum of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per fiscal year.

Class C, Professional, Associate and Certified Members shall be assessed the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per fiscal year.

Each Retired and Honorary Member shall pay no dues.

Section 2. The fiscal year shall begin July 1 and end June 30. Dues not paid within six (6) months of the date on which they are payable are delinquent. A member with delinquent dues shall be suspended by the Chapter until the dues are paid.

ARTICLE VII

ANNUAL REPORTS

Section 1. The Treasurer shall submit a financial report to the membership at the first meeting of the new year following the Treasurer's term of office.

ARTICLE VIII

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Section 1. The order of business of this organization shall be as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Welcome and introduction of members present
3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting
4. Communications

5. Report of officers and committees
6. Unfinished business
7. New business
8. Election of officers (at annual meeting)
9. Program
10. Announcements
11. Adjournment

Section 2. The order of business may be changed by the President as deemed necessary.