

CITY OF MARCO ISLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 12-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARCO ISLAND, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE 09-03; DELETING SECTIONS 6-71 THROUGH 6-80 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; AND DELETING AND REPLACING SECTION 6-111 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF MARCO ISLAND ADMINISTRATIVE CONSTRUCTION CODE, WITH SAID ADMINISTRATIVE CONSTRUCTION CODE ACTING AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHAPTER (CHAPTER 1) OF THE FLORIDA BUILDING CODE, AS REFERENCED, AMENDING SECTION 108, FEES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONSTRUCTION CODE, ADOPTING CHAPTER 1 OF THE 2010 EDITION OF THE FLORIDA BUILDING CODE WITH AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION, CONFLICT AND SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Article VIII of the State Constitution and Chapter 166 of the Florida Statutes provide that municipalities shall have the governmental, corporate, and proprietary powers to enable them to conduct municipal government, perform municipal functions, and render municipal services, and may exercise any power for municipal purposes, except when expressly prohibited by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 553.73(4)(a), Florida Statutes, authorizes Florida municipalities to make local amendments to its building codes, provided they are not less stringent than the minimum standards described in the Florida Building Code ; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marco Island desires to provide for a single ordinance for the administration of the ~~2007~~ 2010 Florida Building Code, enforced by the City of Marco Island.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARCO ISLAND, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, correct and reflective of the legislative intent underlying this

Ordinance and are hereby made a specific part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Ordinance ~~05-04~~ 09-03 is repealed in its entirety.

~~**SECTION 3.** Sections 6-71 through 6-80 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marco Island are hereby deleted in their entirety.~~

~~**SECTION 4**~~ **SECTION 3.** Section 6-111 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marco Island are hereby deleted and replaced with text contained in Section 4 of this Ordinance.

~~**SECTION 5**~~ **SECTION 4.** Section 6-111 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marco Island is hereby amended and adopted as follows:

Sec. 6-111. Administration chapter of Florida Building Code adopted; amendments.

(a) Adoption. There is hereby adopted by reference, Chapter 1, Administration, of the Florida Building Code, ~~2007~~ 2010 edition, as the administrative provisions of the Florida Building Code, enforced by the City of Marco Island.

(b) Amendment. That Chapter 1, Administration of the Florida Building Code, ~~2007~~ 2010 edition, is adopted in this section and is hereby amended by local amendment to read as follows:

CHAPTER 1 ADMINISTRATION

SECTION 100 PURPOSE

100.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish and adopt a single ordinance uniformly addressing the non-technical and administrative requirements for the Florida Building Code, ~~2007~~ 2010 edition and any supplements, additions and or deletions, approved by the Department of Community Affairs, the Department of Business & Professional Regulation, the National Electric Code, ~~current~~ 2008 edition, Florida Fire Prevention Code, current edition and all other adopted technical codes and ordinances not superseded by the Florida Building Code.

100.1.1 Marco Island Administrative Construction Code shall constitute and be known and cited as the Marco Island Administrative Construction Code ("ACC") hereinafter referred to as the "ACC."

SECTION 101 GENERAL

101.1 Title.

These regulations shall be known as the *Florida Building Code*, hereinafter referred to as “this code.”

101.2 Scope.

The provisions of this code shall apply to the construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every building or structure or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings or structures as herein amended by the City of Marco Island.

Exceptions:

1. Detached one and two-family dwellings and multiple single-family dwellings (town houses) not more than three stories above grade plane in height with a separate means of egress and their accessory structures shall comply with the *Florida Building Code, Residential, 2010 Edition*.
2. Existing buildings undergoing repair, alterations or additions and change of occupancy shall be permitted to comply with the current edition of the Florida Existing Building Code.

101.2.1 Unsafe buildings.

Unsafe buildings or structures shall be abated using the International Property Maintenance Code current edition, promulgated by the International Code Council, Inc., subject to all amendments, modifications or deletions hereinafter contained.

101.2.2 Appendices.

Provisions in the appendices shall not apply unless specifically adopted.

- a) Appendix F – Rodent-proofing is specifically adopted.

101.3 Intent.

The purpose of this code is to establish the minimum requirements to safeguard the public health, safety and general welfare through structural strength, means of egress facilities, stability, sanitation, adequate light and ventilation, energy conservation, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards attributed to the built environment and to provide safety to fire fighters and emergency responders during emergency operations.

101.3.1 Permitting, plan review and inspection.

The permitting, plan review or inspection of any building, system or plan by this jurisdiction, under the requirements of this code, shall not be construed in any court as a warranty of the physical condition of such building, system or plan or their adequacy. This jurisdiction shall not be liable in tort or otherwise for damages or hazardous or illegal condition or inadequacy in such building, system or plan, or for any failure of any component of such, which may occur before, during or subsequent to such inspection or permitting. Further, no Building Services Division employee shall be liable in tort for damages from such conditions, in accordance with Section 768.28(9) (a), Florida Statutes, as may be amended.

101.3.2 Quality control.

Quality control of materials and workmanship is not within the purview of this code except as it relates to the purposes stated herein.

101.4 Referenced codes.

The other codes listed in Sections 101.4.1 through 101.4.8 and referenced elsewhere in this code shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference.

~~101.4.1 Electrical.~~

~~The provisions of Chapter 27 of the *Florida Building Code, Building*, shall apply to the installation of electrical systems, including alterations, repairs, replacement, equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings and appurtenances thereto.~~

101.4.2 101.4.1 Gas.

The provisions of the *Florida Building Code, Fuel Gas*, shall apply to the installation of gas piping from the point of delivery, gas appliances and related accessories as covered in this code. These requirements apply to gas piping systems extending from the point of delivery to the inlet connections of appliances and the installation and operation of residential and commercial gas appliances and related accessories.

101.4.3 101.4.2 Mechanical.

The provisions of the *Florida Building Code, Mechanical*, shall apply to the installation, alterations, repairs and replacement of mechanical systems, including equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings and/or appurtenances, including ventilating, heating, cooling, air-conditioning and refrigeration systems, incinerators and other energy-related systems.

101.4.4 101.4.3 Plumbing.

The provisions of the *Florida Building Code, Plumbing*, shall apply to the installation, alteration, repair and replacement of plumbing systems, including equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings and appurtenances, and where connected to a water or sewage system and all aspects of a medical gas system.

101.4.5 Reserved.

101.4.6 101.4.4 Fire prevention.

For provisions related to fire prevention, refer to the *Florida Fire Prevention Code*. The *Florida Fire Prevention Code* shall apply to matters affecting or relating to structures, processes and premises from the hazard of fire and explosion arising from the storage, handling or use of structures, materials or devices; from conditions hazardous to life, property or public welfare in the occupancy of structures or premises; and from the construction, extension, repair, alteration or removal of fire suppression and alarm systems or fire hazards in the structure or on the premises from occupancy or operation.

101.4.7 101.4.5 Energy.

The provisions of ~~Chapter 13~~ of the *Florida Building Code, Building Energy Conservation* shall apply to all matters governing the design and construction of buildings for energy efficiency.

~~101.4.8~~ **101.4.6 Accessibility.**

For provisions related to accessibility, refer to ~~Chapter 11~~ of the *Florida Building Code, Building Accessibility*.

~~101.4.9~~ **101.4.7 Maintenance.**

All buildings, structures, electrical, gas, mechanical, plumbing, and fire protection systems, both existing and new, and all parts thereof, shall be maintained in a safe and sanitary condition. All devices or safeguards which are required by the technical Codes when constructed, altered, or repaired, shall be maintained in good working order. The owner, or owner's designated agent, shall be responsible for the maintenance of buildings, structures, electrical, gas, mechanical, fire and plumbing and all other applicable systems.

~~101.4.10~~ **101.4.8 Manufactured buildings.**

For additional administrative and special code requirements, see Section 428, Florida Building Code, Building, and Rule 9B-1 F.A.C.

SECTION 102 APPLICABILITY

102.1 General.

Where, in any specific case, different sections of this code specify different materials, methods of construction or other requirements, the most restrictive shall govern. Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a specific requirement, the specific requirement shall be applicable.

102.1.1. The *Florida Building Code* does not apply to, and no code enforcement action shall be brought with respect to, zoning requirements, land use requirements and owner specifications or programmatic requirements which do not pertain to and govern the design, construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair or demolition of public or private buildings, structures or facilities or to programmatic requirements that do not pertain to enforcement of the *Florida Building Code*. Additionally, a local code enforcement agency may not administer or enforce the *Florida Building Code, Building* to prevent the siting of any publicly owned facility, including, but not limited to, correctional facilities, juvenile justice facilities, or state universities, community colleges, or public education facilities, as provided by law.

102.2 Building.

The provisions of the *Florida Building Code* shall apply to the construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every public and private building, structure or facility or floating residential structure, or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings, structures or facilities.

Additions, alterations, repairs and changes of use or occupancy group in all buildings and structures shall comply with the provisions provided in Chapter 34, of this code. The following buildings, structures, and facilities are exempt from the *Florida Building Code* as provided by law, and any further exemptions shall be as determined by the Legislature and provided by law:

- a) Building and structures specifically regulated and preempted by the federal government.
- b) Railroads and ancillary facilities associated with the railroad.
- c) Nonresidential farm buildings on farms.
- d) Temporary buildings or sheds used exclusively for construction purposes, and permits shall be required for structural support and tie down, electric supply and all other such utility connections to such mobile or modular structures as required by this jurisdiction.
- e) Mobile or modular structures used as temporary offices, except that the provisions of Part V (§§553.501-553.513, FS) relating to accessibility by persons with disabilities and permits shall be required for structural support and tie down, electric supply and all other such utility connections to such mobile or modular structures as required by this jurisdiction.
- f) Those structures or facilities of electric utilities, as defined in §366.02 Florida Statutes, which are directly involved in the generation, transmission, or distribution of electricity.
- g) Temporary sets, assemblies, or structures used in commercial motion picture or television production, or any sound-recording equipment used in such production, on or off the premises.
- h) Chickees constructed by the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida or the Seminole Tribe of Florida. As used in this paragraph, the term “chickee” means an open-sided wooden hut that has a thatched roof of palm or palmetto or other traditional materials, and that does not incorporate any electrical, plumbing, or other non-wood features.

102.2.1 In addition to the requirements of §§553.79 and 553.80 Florida Statutes, facilities subject to the provisions of Chapter 395 Florida Statutes and part II of Chapter 400 Florida Statutes shall have facility plans reviewed and construction surveyed by the state agency authorized to do so under the requirements of Chapter 395, Florida Statutes, and part II of Chapter 400, Florida Statutes, and the certification requirements of the federal government.

102.2.2 Residential Buildings or structures for residential uses moved into or within a county or municipality shall not be required to be brought into compliance with the state minimum building code in force at the time the building or structure is moved, provided:

1. The building or structure is structurally sound, meeting the wind speed requirement of ~~140 mph~~ as required by the wind speed maps in Section 1609 of the 2010 Florida Building Code, and is in occupiable condition for its intended use;
2. The occupancy use classification for the building or structure is not changed as a result of the move;
3. The building is not substantially remodeled;
4. Current fire code requirements for ingress and egress are met;
5. Electrical, gas and plumbing systems meet the codes in force at the time of construction and are operational and safe for reconnection; and
6. Foundation plans are sealed by a professional engineer or architect licensed to practice in this state, if required by the applicable Florida Statutes for all buildings or structures of the same residential occupancy class.

102.2.3 The Building Official shall apply the same standard to a moved residential building or structure as that applied to the remodeling of any comparable residential building or structure to determine whether the moved structure is substantially remodeled. The cost of the foundation on which the moved building or structure is placed shall not be included in the cost of remodeling for purposes of determining whether a moved building or structure has been substantially remodeled.

102.2.4 This section does not apply to the jurisdiction and authority of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to inspect amusement rides or the Department of Financial Services to inspect state-owned buildings and boilers.

102.2.5 Each enforcement district shall be governed by a board, the composition of which shall be determined by the affected localities. At its own option, each enforcement district or local enforcement agency may promulgate rules granting to the owner of a single-family residence one or more exemptions from the Florida Building Code relating to:

~~1. Addition, alteration or repair performed by the property owner upon his or her own property, provided any addition or alteration shall not exceed 1,000 square feet (93 m²) or the square footage of the primary structure, whichever is less. Electric water heaters installed in a single family residence that has a capacity of 80 gallons or less.~~

~~2. Addition, alteration or repairs by a non-owner within a specific cost limitation set by rule, provided the total cost shall not exceed \$5,000 within any 12-month period.~~

~~3. Building and inspection fees.~~ Each code exemption, as defined in this section, shall be certified to the local board 10 days prior to implementation and shall be effective only in the territorial jurisdiction of the enforcement district or local enforcement agency implementing it.

102.2.6 This section does not apply to swings and other playground equipment accessory to a one or two-family dwelling.

Exception: Electrical service to such playground equipment shall be in accordance with Chapter 27 of this code.

102.3 Application of references.

References to chapter or section numbers, or to provisions not specifically identified by number, shall be construed to refer to such chapter, section or provision of this code.

102.4 Referenced codes and standards.

The codes and standards referenced in this code shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference. Where differences occur between provisions of this code and referenced codes and standards, the provisions of this code shall apply.

102.5 Reserved.

102.6 Existing structures.

The legal occupancy of any structure existing, on the date of adoption of this code, shall be permitted to continue without change, except as is specifically covered in this code, or the *Florida Fire Prevention Code*, or as is deemed necessary by the Building Official for the general safety and welfare of the occupants and the public.

102.7 Relocation of manufactured buildings.

1. Relocation of an existing manufactured building does not constitute an alteration.
2. A relocated building shall comply with wind speed requirements of the new location, using the appropriate wind speed map. If the existing building was manufactured in compliance with the Standard Building Code (prior to March 1, 2002), the wind speed map of the Standard Building Code shall be applicable. If the existing building was manufactured in compliance with the *Florida Building Code* (after March 1, 2002), the wind speed map of the *Florida Building Code* shall be applicable.

102.8 Rules of construction.

The rules set out in this section shall be observed, unless such construction is inconsistent with the manifest intent of this chapter. The rules of construction and definitions set out here shall not be applied to any section of this chapter which contains any express provisions excluding such construction, or where the subject matter or content of such section would be inconsistent with this section.

102.8.1 Generally.

All provisions, terms, phrases and expressions contained in this division shall be liberally construed in order that the true intent and meaning of the administration of the jurisdiction may be fully carried out. Terms used in this division, unless otherwise specifically provided, shall have the meanings prescribed by the statutes of this state for the same terms.

102.8.2 Text.

In case of any difference of meaning or implication between the text of this division and any figure, the text shall control.

102.8.3 Delegation of authority.

Whenever a provision appears requiring the Building Official or some other officer or employee to do some act or perform some duty, it is to be construed to authorize the Building Official or other officer to designate, delegate and authorize professional level subordinates to perform the required act or duty unless the terms of the provision or section specify otherwise.

102.8.4 Month.

The word "month" shall mean a calendar month.

102.8.5 Shall, may.

The word "shall" is mandatory; "may" is permissive. The word "shall" takes precedence over "may."

102.8.6 Written or in writing.

The term "written" or "in writing" shall be construed to include any representation of words, letters or figures whether by printing or otherwise.

102.8.7 Year.

The word "year" shall mean a calendar year, unless a fiscal year is indicated.

102.8.8 Interpretation.

Interpretations of this chapter shall be made by the Building Official.

102.9 Words defined.

Abandon or abandonment.

1. Termination of a construction project by a contractor without just cause or proper notification to the owner including the reason for termination.
2. Failure of a contractor to perform work without just cause for ninety (90) days.
3. Failure to obtain an approved inspection within one hundred eighty (180) days from the previous approved inspection.

Appraised value.

For the purpose of this section, appraised value is defined as either (1) one hundred and twenty (120) percent of the assessed value of the structure as indicated by the County Property Appraiser's Office or (2) the value as indicated in a certified appraisal from a certified appraiser.

Assessed value.

The value of real property and improvements thereon as established by the County Property Appraiser.

Basic Wind Speed Line.

The basic wind speed for the jurisdiction shall be ~~140 miles per hour~~ as required by the wind speed maps in Section 1609 of the 2010 Florida Building Code:

Risk Category I: 155 mph

Risk Category II (Single Family Home): 170 mph

Risk Category III-IV: 185 mph

Board.

The appropriate City or County Board of Adjustment and Appeals, unless otherwise specifically stated.

Building shell.

The structural components that completely enclose a building, including, but not limited to, the foundation, structural frame, floor slabs, exterior walls and roof system.

Building system.

A functionally related group of elements, components and/or equipment, such as the electrical, plumbing and mechanical systems of a building.

Certificate of occupancy (C.O.).

An official document evidencing that a building satisfies the requirements of the jurisdiction for the occupancy of a building.

Certificate of Completion (C. of C.).

An official document evidencing that a building satisfies the requirements of the jurisdiction for the completion of a building, or component of a building or an accessory structure.

Change of Occupancy.

A change from one Building Code occupancy classification or sub classification to another.

Commercial building.

Any building, structure, improvement or accessory thereto, other than a one or two-family dwelling.

Demolition.

The act of razing, dismantling or removal of a building or structure, or portion thereof.

Examination.

An exam prepared, proctored and graded by a recognized testing agency unless otherwise implied in context or specifically stated otherwise.

Imminent danger.

Structurally unsound conditions of a structure or portion thereof that is likely to cause physical injury to a person entering the structure: Or due to structurally unsound conditions, any portion of the structure is likely to fall, be carried by the wind, or otherwise detach or move, and in doing so cause physical injury or damage to a person on the property or to a person or property nearby: Or the condition of the property is such that it harbors or is inhabited by pests, vermin, or organisms injurious to human health, the presence of which constitutes an immediate hazard to people in the vicinity.

Inspection warrant.

A court order authorizing the official or his designee to perform an inspection of a particular property named in the warrant.

Intensification of use.

An increase in capacity or number of units of a residential or commercial building.

NGVD - National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD 29)

A system of measurement used by surveyors and engineers, the basis for relating ground and flood elevations. It has been replaced by the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88).

NAVD - North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88)

A revised system of measurement used by surveyors and engineers, the basis for relating ground and flood elevations. It is also based on satellite systems that account for differences in gravitational forces in different areas. Note: NGVD + 1.3 ft. = NAVD

Permit.

An official document authorizing performance of a specific activity regulated by this chapter.

Permit card or placard.

A document issued by the jurisdiction evidencing the issuance of a permit and recording of inspections.

Risk Category of Buildings and Other Structures.

See Table 1604.5 FBC.

Site.

The physical clearing of the site in preparation for foundation work including, but not limited to, site clearing, excavation, de-watering, pilings and soil testing activities.

102.10 Existing mechanical equipment.

An agency or local government may not require existing mechanical equipment on the surface of a roof be installed in compliance with the requirements of the Florida Building Code, until the equipment is required to be removed, or replaced, or the roof covering is replaced.

SECTION 103 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

103.1 Additional Electrical Requirements

103.1.1 Ground rods:

Solid copper weld type ground rods shall be used for permanent installations.

103.1.2 System grounding:

Electrical systems shall be grounded to the footer reinforcing steel.

Exception: If the construction type does not use footer reinforcing steel, then solid copper type ground rods shall be used.

103.1.3 Access to main electrical service:

All occupants of multi-occupancy buildings shall have access to their main electrical service disconnect.

Exception: Not required if building management staff is on the premises at all times. Ref: NEC sec. 240.24B and 230.72C.

103.1.4 Low voltage lighting:

All exterior and interior low voltage lighting shall be permitted and installed by a properly licensed contractor.

103.1.5 Reach distance to switches:

Switches shall be located so that they cannot be reached from any bath tub or shower.

103.1.6 Cable sheathing:

Non-metallic cable sheathing shall not be used for electrical power systems in buildings over three (3) stories in height above parking.

NOTE: Including but not limited to parking garages and commercial buildings.

103.1.7 Aluminum wiring:

All lighting and receptacle circuits located in rooms that are being repaired or altered shall be replaced with code-approved copper wire.

103.1.8 Hard wired:

When building permits are required, then water heaters and air handlers shall be hard wired to an approved electrical disconnect device.

103.1.9 Protection during construction:

103.1.9.1 Interior electrical work shall not start prior to the structure being dried-in. Both components and fasteners shall be protected against the elements.

103.1.9.2 Any components that are rusted or corroded shall be replaced.

103.1.9.3 Holes around boxes or holes made to accommodate pipes or wires shall be sealed with an approved filler.

103.2 Additional site requirements.

All areas that are disturbed by construction activity shall be re-graded and satisfactorily ground covered prior to the final inspection. No final inspections or work complete inspections will pass inspection until the site is completely cleaned up and all work has been completed.

103.2.1 All new houses shall be built and graded to convey storm water to areas within their own property that will not negatively impact neighboring properties.

103.2.2 There shall be a 3 foot setback from the back side of the seawall for concrete decks. Concrete decks shall not be constructed in this setback to accommodate the function and maintenance of the French Drain. Walkways to access docks and boat lifts shall be allowed at a rate of one four foot wide walkway for every 50' of seawall, or two per lot, whichever is greater. Other coverings shall be removable for maintenance and shall not impede the function of the French Drain.

103.3 Additional plumbing requirements.

Waste pipes that are located below structures that are located on lots that require pilings shall be a minimum of schedule 40 PVC, and supported by hangers at 6'-0" intervals and at each riser as it passes through the above floor.

103.4 Additional mechanical requirements.

During the replacement of Mechanical Equipment, every effort should be made to accommodate the clearances needed to provide the required open air space around new

equipment. These clearances are set forth by the manufacturer to maximize the energy efficiency and overall performance of the equipment.

1. If the equipment cannot be rearranged to provide the required clearances, the pads/platforms may have to be expanded to accommodate the new larger units, provided it is not technically infeasible to do so.
2. A letter from the manufacturer shall state the minimum allowable clearances for the equipment to be installed. If these clearances cannot be achieved, the Building Official shall determine if the pad/platform needs to be expanded to accommodate any new equipment or future installations.
3. If the pad/platform is located on common property and was originally constructed to accommodate small equipment with no room for expansion, and small units are not available, it shall be the responsibility of the owner of the common property, to arrange to have the pad/platform expanded at its expense, to reasonably accommodate new units. The cost of relocation of the line sets and disconnects shall be included in the installation of the new equipment.

103.5 Additional building requirements.

103.5.1 Minimum slab reinforcement.

~~Minimum slab reinforcement for structural slabs shall be heavy gauge wire (road mesh) or rebar, called out by the design professional.~~ All concrete slabs supported by pilings shall be a minimum 5" thick and be reinforced by #3 rebar @ 12" o.c. or 2 layers of heavy gauge (2.4 to 2.9 minimum) Woven Wire Fabric (WWF). Ancillary slabs, such as driveways, walkways, and sidewalks may use rolled wire or fiber-mesh.

103.5.2 Slabs for non-waterfront houses shall be reinforced with (2.4 to 2.9 minimum) (W.W.F.) A.K.A. road mesh or rebar and meet ACI-318 standards.

103.5.3 All new waterfront houses and pools shall be pile supported. This includes concrete stairs and elevated air-conditioner condenser pads. Cantilevering or other acceptable Engineering solutions will be acceptable. Other sound Engineered solutions will be considered if accompanied by a geo-technical soil boring report and a detailed customized foundation signed and sealed by a Design Professional, the Design Professional will supervise the layering of replacement fill and certify the foundation has been constructed as intended and meets the requirements of his/her design.

103.5.4 Additions and concrete slabs that depend on edge support, where the load path does not return to the foundation, dowels shall be spaced not greater than 18" on center and secured by epoxy into solid masonry or tied to the existing structure by concrete filling voids in the block or other methods that will support the new slab.

103.5.5 Corner bars shall be required on top and bottom bars located on the outside of each corner and shall be a minimum of 40 bar diameters.

103.5.6 No permanent structures shall be constructed within 15 (fifteen) feet of the seawall. However, in rare cases structures could be built within the 15 feet if a new seawall is constructed with a deadman system that does not require the deadmen to be located under the structure or undermine the foundation in any way.

103.5.2 103.5.7 Lot pre-inspection for new Single Family and Seawall permits.

Pre-inspection of the lot(s) is required, prior to the issuance of any permit, for any new Construction project, major addition project, seawall replacement, or seawall maintenance project. The inspection will verify the integrity of the seawall, the seawalls and current condition of the adjoining properties. It will proactively identify and storm-water drainage issues. Findings will be submitted to the permit applicant as a review comment or as a condition of the permit, at the Building Official's discretion.

103.5.3 103.5.8 Prohibited Materials.

Materials that have the potential to become wind driven missiles shall be prohibited.

Example: Aggregate such as that found on tar and gravel roofs, or gravel used as ballast on roofs. This includes roofing, re-roofing and any material that is likely to be misplaced and propelled by strong winds, up to 140 mph (3 second gusts.)

103.6 Additional requirements - General.

103.6.1 Weathered materials.

103.6.1.1 Materials shall be protected against the weather and insects prior to and during construction. Materials that could be damaged shall be protected from the time they are delivered until completion of the final inspection. Materials that have been adversely affected by the elements shall be replaced.

103.6.1.2 Trusses must be elevated off the ground and be erected within twenty-five (25) days of delivery. Trusses of questionable integrity shall be replaced. **NOTE:** Every effort should be made to protect the end product from the adverse effects of water. Plywood buckling, delaminating, and excessive microbiological growth (fungus) can be prevented without extraordinary effort. Coordinating truss deliveries, house wrap, window installation, and dry-in procedures will greatly reduce premature weathering.

103.6.2 Restricted hours on certain activities.

Pile driving and demolition activities are only allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. No pile driving or demolition activities may take place on Sundays or City observed holidays.

SECTION 104 DUTIES AND POWERS OF BUILDING OFFICIAL.

104.1 General.

The Building Official is hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this code. The Building Official shall have the authority to render interpretations of this code and to adopt policies and procedures in order to clarify the application of its provisions. Such

interpretations, policies and procedures shall be in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code, and shall not have the effect of waiving requirements specifically provided for in this code.

104.2 Right of entry.

104.2.1 Whenever necessary to make an inspection to enforce any of the provisions of this code, or whenever the Building Official has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in any building or upon any premises any condition or code violation which makes such building, structure, premises, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing systems unsafe, dangerous or hazardous; the Building Official may enter such building, structure or premises at all reasonable times to inspect the same or to perform any duty imposed upon the Building Official by this code. If such building or premises are occupied, he shall first present proper credentials and request entry. If such building, structure, or premises are unoccupied, he shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner or other persons having charge or control of such and request entry. If entry is refused, the Building Official shall have recourse to every remedy provided by law to secure entry.

104.2.2 When the Building Official shall have first obtained a proper inspection warrant or other remedy provided by law to secure entry, no owner or occupant or any other persons having charge, care or control of any building, structure, or premises shall fail or neglect, after proper request is made as herein provided, to promptly permit entry therein by the Building Official for the purpose of inspection and examination pursuant to this code.

104.3 Reserved.

104.4 Revocation of permits.

The Building Official is authorized to suspend or revoke a permit issued under the provisions of this code wherever the permit is issued in error or on the basis of incorrect, inaccurate or incomplete information, or in violation of any ordinance or regulation or any provisions of this code.

104.4.1 Misrepresentation of application.

The Building Official may revoke a permit or approval, issued under the provisions of this code or the technical Codes, in cases where there has been any false statement or misrepresentation as to the material fact in the application or plans on which the permit or approval was based.

104.4.2 Violation of code provisions.

The Building Official may revoke a permit upon determination by the Building Official that the construction, erection, alteration, repair, moving, demolition, installation, or replacement of the building, structure, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing systems for which the permit was issued is in violation of, or not in conformity with, the provisions of this code.

104.5 Unsafe buildings or systems.

All buildings, structures, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing systems which are unsafe, unsanitary, or do not provide adequate egress, or which constitute a fire hazard, or are otherwise dangerous to human life, or which in relation to existing use, constitute a hazard to safety or health, are considered unsafe buildings or service systems. All such unsafe buildings, structures or service systems are hereby declared illegal and shall be abated by repair and rehabilitation or by demolition in accordance with the provisions of the International Property Maintenance Code or other local ordinance.

104.6 Requirements not covered by code. Reserved

~~Any requirements necessary for the strength, stability or proper operation of an existing or proposed building, structure, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, or for the public safety, health and general welfare, not specifically covered by this or the other technical codes, shall be determined by the Building Official.~~

104.7 Reserved

104.8 Liability.

Any officer or employee, or member of the Board of Adjustments and Appeals, charged with the enforcement of this code, acting for the applicable governing authority in the discharge of his duties, shall not thereby render himself personally liable, and is hereby relieved from all personal liability, for any damage that may occur to persons or property as a result of any act required or permitted in the discharge of his duties. Any suit brought against any officer or employee or member because of such act performed by him in the enforcement of any provision of this code shall be defended by the City Attorney until the final termination of the proceedings, unless such person is found to have acted in bad faith or with malicious purpose or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard for the safety, health, and welfare of the public.

104.9 Approved materials and equipment.

Materials, equipment and devices approved by the Building Official shall be constructed and installed in accordance with such approval.

104.9.1 Used materials and equipment.

The use of used materials which meet the requirements of this code for new materials is permitted. Used equipment and devices shall not be reused unless approved by the Building Official.

104.10 Requirements not covered by code.

Any requirement necessary for the strength, stability or proper operation of an existing or proposed building, structure, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, or for the public safety, health and general welfare, not specifically covered by this or the other technical codes, shall be determined by the Building Official.

104.11 Alternative materials.

The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code,

provided that any such alternative has been approved. An alternative material, design or method of construction shall be approved where the Building Official finds that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of this code, and that the material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, at least the equivalent of that prescribed in this code in quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety. When alternate life safety systems are designed, the *SFPE Engineering Guide to Performance-Based Fire Protection Analysis and Design of Buildings*, or other methods approved by the Building Official may be used. The Building Official shall require that sufficient evidence or proof be submitted to substantiate any claim made regarding the alternative.

104.11.1 Research reports.

Supporting data, where necessary to assist in the approval of materials or assemblies not specifically provided for in this code, shall consist of valid research reports from approved sources.

104.11.2 Tests.

Whenever there is insufficient evidence of compliance with the provisions of this code, or evidence that a material or method does not conform to the requirements of this code, or in order to substantiate claims for alternative materials or methods, the Building Official shall have the authority to require tests as evidence of compliance to be made at no expense to the jurisdiction. Test methods shall be as specified in this code or by other recognized test standards. In the absence of recognized and accepted test methods, the building official shall approve the testing procedures. Tests shall be performed by an approved agency. Reports of such tests shall be retained by the Building Official for the period required for retention of public records.

104.11.3 Accessibility.

Alternate designs and technologies for providing access to and usability of a facility for persons with disabilities shall be in accordance with ~~§11-2.2~~ Provisions of the Florida Building Code Accessibility.

104.12 Restrictions on employees.

An employee connected with the enforcement of this code, except on whose only connection is as a member of the board established by this Code, shall not be financially interested in the furnishing of labor, material or appliances for the construction, alteration or maintenance of a building, structure, service, system, or in the making of plans or of specifications thereof, unless he is the owner of such. No such employee shall engage in any other work that is inconsistent with his duties or is in conflict with the interests of the department.

104.13 Records.

The Building Official shall keep, or cause to be kept, a record of the business of the department. Except as may be otherwise specified by Florida Statutes, including the Public Records Law, all records of the department shall be open to public inspection.

104.14 Reports.

The Building Official shall submit annually a report covering the work of the preceding year. He/she shall incorporate in said report a summary of the decisions of the Board of Adjustments and Appeals during said year.

SECTION 105 PERMITS

105.1 Required.

Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any required impact resistant coverings, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be done, shall first make application to the Building Official and obtain the required permit.

105.1.1 Annual facility permit.

In lieu of an individual permit for each alteration to an existing electrical, gas, mechanical, plumbing or interior nonstructural office system(s), the Building Official is authorized to issue an annual permit for any occupancy to facilitate routine or emergency service, repair, refurbishing, minor renovations of service systems or manufacturing equipment installations or relocations. The Building Official shall be notified of major changes and shall retain the right to make inspections at the facility site as deemed necessary. An annual facility permit shall be assessed an annual fee and shall be valid for one year from date of issuance. A separate permit shall be obtained for each facility and for each construction trade, as applicable. The permit application shall contain a general description of the parameters of work intended to be performed during the year.

105.1.2 Annual permit records.

The person to whom an annual permit is issued shall keep a detailed record of alterations made under such annual permit. The Building Official shall have access to such records at all times or such records shall be filed with the Building Official as designated.

105.1.3 Food permit.

As per §500.12, Florida Statutes, a food permit from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is required of any person who operates a food establishment or retail store.

105.2 Work exempt from permit.

Exemptions from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code. Permits shall not be required for the following:

Gas:

1. Portable heating appliance.
2. Replacement of any minor part that does not alter approval of equipment or make such equipment unsafe.

Mechanical:

1. Portable heating appliance.
2. Portable ventilation equipment.
3. Portable cooling unit.
4. Steam, hot or chilled water piping within any heating or cooling equipment regulated by this code.
5. Replacement of any part which does not alter its approval or make it unsafe.
6. Portable evaporative cooler.
7. Self-contained refrigeration system containing 10 pounds (4.54 kg) or less of refrigerant and actuated by motors of 1 horsepower (746 W) or less.
8. The installation, replacement, removal, or metering of any load management control device.

Plumbing:

1. The stopping of leaks in drains, water, soil, waste or vent pipe provided however, that if any concealed trap, drain pipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with new material, such work shall be considered as new work and a permit shall be obtained and inspection made as provided in this code.
2. The clearing of stoppages or the repairing of leaks in pipes, valves or fixtures, provided such repairs do not involve or require the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.
3. The removal and resetting of water closets on the ground floor of multi-story buildings and any floor of single-family buildings.

105.2.1 Emergency repairs.

Where equipment replacements and repairs must be performed in an emergency situation, the permit application shall be submitted within the next working business day to the Building Official.

105.2.2 Minor repairs.

Ordinary minor repairs or installation of replacement parts may be made with the prior approval of the Building Official without a permit, provided the repairs do not include the cutting away of any wall, partition or portion thereof, the removal or cutting of any structural beam or load-bearing support, or the removal or change of any required means of egress, or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements; additionally, ordinary minor repairs shall not include addition to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, electric wiring systems or mechanical equipment or other work affecting public health or general safety, and such repairs shall not violate any of the provisions of the technical codes.

105.2.3. Prohibited activities prior to permit issuance.

A building permit (or other written site specific work authorization such as for excavation, tree removal, well construction, approved site development plan, filling, re-vegetation, etc.) shall have been issued prior to the commencement of work at the site. Activities prohibited prior to permit issuance shall include, but are not limited to, excavation, pile driving (excluding test piling), well drilling, formwork, placement of building materials, equipment or accessory structures and disturbance or removal of protected species or habitat. Where minor clearing of underbrush can be accomplished without protected habitat or species disturbance, permitting is not required.

Where test piles are required to establish bearing capacity for design purposes of a project, prior to the issuance of a building permit, a test pile permit shall be obtained before any piles are driven. All test pilings must be driven within the footprint of the building and applicable fees shall be charged for the permit. At the time of applying for the test piling permit the contractor shall provide, a bond, letter of credit or certified check equal to 125% of the estimated cost of removing the test piling and grading the site back to the condition it was in prior to the test piling in the event construction does not commence. If the project does not proceed and the test piles need to be removed, then they shall be removed to a minimum of 2 ft. below natural grade. In any event, the test piles are only allowed to remain exposed for a maximum of six (6) months.

105.3 Application for permit.

To obtain a permit, the applicant shall first file an application therefore in writing on a form furnished by the Building Department for that purpose. Permit application forms shall comply with the requirements of Florida Statutes Section 713.135(5) and (6). Each application shall be inscribed with the date of application, and the code in effect as of that date. For a building permit for which an application is submitted prior to the effective date of the latest edition of *Florida Building Code*, the state minimum building code in effect in the permitting jurisdiction on the date of the application governs the permitted work for the life of the permit and any extension granted to the permit.

105.3.1 Action on application.

The Building Official shall examine or cause to be examined applications for permits and amendments thereto within a reasonable time after filing. If the application or the construction documents do not conform to the requirements of pertinent laws, the Building Official shall reject such application in writing, stating the reasons therefore. If the Building Official is satisfied that the proposed work conforms to the requirements of this code and laws and ordinances applicable thereto, the Building Official shall issue a permit therefore as soon as practicable. When authorized through contractual agreement with school board, in acting on applications for permits, the Building Official shall give first priority to any applications for the construction of, or addition or renovation to, any school or educational facility. Properties in violation of code or with outstanding unresolved issued, or expired permits, shall be required to satisfactorily resolve the issues and close outstanding permits, prior to any new permits being issued to improve the property.

105.3.1.1 If a state university, state community college, or public school district elects to use a local government's code enforcement offices, fees charged by counties and municipalities for enforcement of the *Florida Building Code* on buildings, structures, and facilities of state universities, state colleges, and public school districts shall not be more than the actual labor and administrative costs incurred for plans review and inspections to ensure compliance with the code.

105.3.1.2 No permit may be issued for any building construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair, or addition unless the applicant for such permit provides to the enforcing agency, which issues the permit, any of the following documents which apply to the construction for which the permit is to be issued and which shall be prepared by or under the direction of an engineer registered under Chapter 471, Florida Statutes:

1. Plumbing documents for any new building or addition which requires a plumbing system with more than 250 fixture units or which costs more than ~~\$50,000~~ \$125,000.

2. Fire sprinkler documents for any new building or addition which includes a fire sprinkler system which contains 50 or more sprinkler heads. A Contractor I, Contractor II, or Contractor IV, certified under §633.521, may design a fire sprinkler system of 49 or fewer heads and may design the alteration of an existing fire sprinkler system if the alteration consists of the relocation, addition or deletion of not more than 49 heads, notwithstanding the size of the existing fire sprinkler system.

3. Heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning documents for any new building or addition which requires more than a 15-ton-per-system capacity which is designed to accommodate 100 or more persons or for which the system costs more than ~~\$50,000~~ \$125,000. This paragraph does not include any document for the replacement or repair of an existing system in which the work does not require altering a structural part of the building or for work on a residential one-family, two-family, three-family or four-family structure.

An air-conditioning system may be designed by an installing air-conditioning contractor certified under Chapter 489, Florida Statutes to serve any building or addition which is designed to accommodate fewer than 100 persons and requires an air-conditioning system with value of ~~\$50,000~~ \$125,000 or less; and when a 15-ton-per system or less is designed for a singular space of a building and each 15-ton system or less has an independent duct system. Systems not complying with the above, require design documents that are to be sealed by a professional engineer.

Example 1: When a space has two 10-ton systems with each having an independent duct system, the contractor may design these two systems since each unit (system) is less than 15 tons.

Example 2: Consider a small single story office building which consists of 6 individual offices where each office has a single three-ton package air conditioning heat pump. The six heat pumps are connected to a single water cooling tower. The cost of the entire heating, ventilation and air conditioning work is \$47,000 and the office building accommodates fewer than 100 persons. Because the six mechanical units are connected to a common water tower this is considered to be an 18-ton system. It therefore could not be designed by a mechanical or air conditioning contractor.

NOTE: It was further clarified by the Commission that the limiting criteria of 100 persons and ~~\$50,000~~ \$125,000 apply to the building occupancy load and the cost for the total air-conditioning system of the building.

4. Any specialized mechanical, electrical, or plumbing document for any new building or addition which includes a medical gas, oxygen, steam, vacuum, toxic air filtration, halon, or fire detection and alarm system which costs more than \$5,000.
5. Electrical Documents. See Florida Statutes 471.003(2)(h).
Documents requiring an engineer seal by this part, shall not be valid unless a professional engineer who possesses a valid certificate of registration has signed, dated, and stamped such document as provided in §471.025 Florida Statutes.

105.3.2 Time limitation on application.

An application for a permit for any proposed work shall be deemed to have been abandoned, becoming null and void, 180 days after the date of filing, unless such application has been pursued in good faith or a permit has been issued; except that the Building Official is authorized to grant one or more extensions of time for additional periods not exceeding 90 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing prior to the abandonment date and justifiable cause demonstrated.

105.3.3 Notice of commencement.

An enforcing authority may not issue a building permit for any building construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair or addition unless the permit either includes on its face or there is attached to the permit the following statement: "NOTICE: In addition to the requirements of this permit, there may be additional restrictions applicable to this property that may be found in the public records of this county, and there may be additional permits required from other governmental entities such as water management districts, state agencies, or federal agencies."

105.3.4 Single family permits.

A building permit for a single-family residential dwelling must be issued within 30 working days of application therefore unless unusual circumstances require a longer time for processing the application or unless the permit application fails to satisfy the *Florida Building Code* or the enforcing agency's laws or ordinances.

105.3.5 Liability insurance.

Identification of minimum premium policy. Except as otherwise provided in Chapter 440, Workers' Compensation, every employer shall, as a condition to receiving a building permit, show proof that it has secured compensation for its employees as provided in §§ 440.10 and 440.38, Florida Statutes.

105.3.6 Asbestos removal.

Moving, removal or disposal of asbestos-containing materials on a residential building where the owner occupies the building, the building is not for sale or lease, and the work is performed according to the owner-builder limitations provided in this paragraph. To qualify for exemption under this paragraph, an owner must personally appear and sign the building permit application. The permitting agency shall provide the person with a disclosure statement in substantially the following form:

Disclosure Statement: State law requires asbestos abatement to be done by licensed contractors. You have applied for a permit under an exemption to that law. The exemption allows you, as the owner of your property, to act as your own asbestos abatement contractor even though you do not have a license. You must supervise the construction yourself. You may move, remove or dispose of asbestos-containing materials on a residential building where you occupy the building and the building is not for sale or lease, or the building is a farm outbuilding on your property. If you sell or lease such building within 1 year after the asbestos abatement is complete, the law will presume that you intended to sell or lease the property at the time the work was done, which is a violation of this exemption. You may not hire an unlicensed person as your contractor. Your work must be done according to all local, state and federal laws and regulations which apply to asbestos abatement projects. It is your responsibility to make sure that people employed by you have licenses required by state law and by county or municipal licensing ordinances.

105.3.7 Refusal to issue permit.

If the application for a permit and the accompanying contract documents describing the work do not conform to the requirements of the technical codes or other pertinent laws or ordinances, the Building Official shall not issue a permit, but shall return the contract documents to the applicant with his refusal to issue such permit. Such refusal shall, when requested, be in writing, and shall contain the reason for refusal.

105.3.8 Licensed contractor/Designated agent.

All construction within the city limits shall be performed through and supervised by a licensed general contractor. A licensed contractor shall sign the application but may designate an employee or permitting service to submit and/or receive a building permit, such designation shall be by power of attorney, and a separate power of attorney shall be required for each specific project or permit request. The power of attorney shall remain in effect for a period of one (1) year and it is the contractor's responsibility to notify the Building Department of any change in status of the designee.

105.3.9 Owner-builder contractor.

A permit may be issued by the Building Department to an ~~unlicensed~~ owner-builder to build a single-family residence for self-occupancy. If the owner-builder utilizes this provision, no additional permits, other than accessory and/or remodeling within the same structure, will be issued to this individual for a period of one year from the issuance of a certificate of occupancy. All owners constructing their own residence shall carry public liability insurance equal to that as required for general contractors, and shall file a Certificate of Insurance with the Building Department.

105.3.10 Permit transfers.

A building permit issued to a licensed contractor by the Building Department may be transferred to the subject property owner as an owner-builder contractor to complete construction of a single-family residence. Prior to the actual transfer of the building permit from the licensed contractor to the owner-builder contractor either of the following must occur:

1. The licensed contractor shall execute and submit to the Building Department a sworn affidavit consenting to the full and complete release and transfer of the building permit from the contractor's control to the owner-builder contractor to complete construction of the single-family residence; or

2. In the event the licensed contractor will not execute the aforementioned affidavit of release and transfer, the owner-builder shall enter into an agreement with the City addressing the following to the satisfaction of the Building Official:

- a) That the owner-builder has requested that the licensed contractor provide an affidavit of release and transfer, and that the licensed contractor has refused;
- b) That the owner has requested that the City transfer the building permit from the licensed contractor to the owner-builder to complete the construction of a single-family residence;
- c) That the owner-builder contractor will comply fully with the terms and conditions of Section 105.3.9 and will complete all applicable Building Department applications prior to permit release and transfer;
- d) That the owner-builder is responsible for fully complying with all requirements of Chapter 173, Florida Statutes; and
- e) That in consideration for the release and transfer of the building permit by the Building Department, the owner-builder agrees to indemnify and hold the City of Marco Island harmless from any and all liability, losses, penalties, damages, and professional fees, including attorney fees and all costs of litigation and judgments associated with the release and transfer of the building permit.

105.3.11 Applicable Code for Manufactured Buildings.

Manufacturers should be permitted to complete all buildings designed and approved prior to the effective date of the new code edition, provided a clear signed contract is in place. The contract shall provide specific data mirroring that required by an

application for permit, specifically, without limitation, date of execution, building owner or dealer, and anticipated date of completion. However, the construction activity must commence within 6 months of the contract's execution. The contract is subject to verification by the Department of Community Affairs.

105.4 Conditions of the permit.

105.4.1 Permit intent.

A permit issued shall be construed to be a license to proceed with the work and not as authority to violate, cancel, alter or set aside any of the provisions of the technical codes, nor shall issuance of a permit prevent the Building Official from thereafter requiring a correction of errors in plans, construction or violations of this code. Every permit issued shall become invalid unless the work authorized by such permit is commenced within six months after its issuance, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned for a period of six months after the time the work is commenced.

105.4.1.1 Permit timeframes.

The permit application and the plans shall be reviewed, approved and ready for issuance within a reasonable time from the date of application. Permits shall be issued to the permittee and notified that the permit has been approved. The review process includes responses from the permit applicant when the permit cannot be approved. When the applicant is advised of deficiencies and does not respond within six (6) months with corrected plans or an appeal to the Board of Zoning Appeals, the permit application will be canceled. The cancellation process includes disposal of the application and plans.

- a) Building permits shall expire and become null and void if the construction authorized by such permit is not commenced within one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of the issuance of the permit. Date of issuance is the date of permit pickup. Additionally, the building permit shall expire if the work authorized by such permit is not completed within 18 months from the date of issuance of the permit, unless prior to the issuance of the building permit a time schedule has been submitted to and approved by the Building Official or his designee predicted upon customary time for construction of like buildings indicating completion of construction in excess of 18 months. In the event a time schedule has been submitted by the permittee, the building permit shall expire 30 days after the date of completion set forth in the approved time schedule. For purposes of this section, the construction authorized by such permit shall not be deemed to have commenced unless and until all foundation inspections have been requested and satisfactorily completed.
- b) The Building Official or his designee may authorize one or more extensions of time, for periods not more than 90 days each, upon payment by the permittee of a filing fee for each extension. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated. As a condition to granting a permit extension, the Building Official may require a building schedule from the

permittee setting forth the date of completion. The filing fee for each permit extension shall be as stated in Section 108.2.26. The filing fee is intended to cover the cost of reviewing existing or amended building plans to determine and verify code compliance. No further extension may be granted by the Building Official and the permit shall expire and become null and void.

- c) If construction has commenced within one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of issuance of the permit and is subsequently abandoned or suspended as determined by the Building Official, the permit shall expire and become null and void. Permit abandonment shall be deemed to have occurred if a required inspection has not been requested or satisfactorily completed within a six (6) month period. Once construction has commenced on a building project, it shall be prima facie evidence of abandonment or suspension of the project if the permittee during any six (6) month period fails to actively engage in construction and fails to complete at least sixty percent (60%) of the construction that would be considered average for the industry for that six (6) month time period predicated upon a customary time for construction of like buildings. Such project shall not be considered abandoned or suspended if the permittee furnishes the Building Official satisfactory evidence, in writing, that the delay is occasioned due to unavailability of construction supplies or materials, and every effort has been made to obtain substitute materials equal to those called for in the specifications, or due to delay in delivery of construction supplies or materials, or due to fire, weather conditions, civil commotion or strike. Increased cost of building materials or supplies or financial hardship shall not be considered by the Building Official as evidence that the project has not been abandoned or suspended.
- d) All final inspections shall be made within a 30 day period, unless additional time is granted by the Building Official. The Building Official may grant additional time for final inspections provided the permit holder makes the request in writing and shows justifiable cause.
- e) In the event that the Building Official declares a permit to be null and void as the result of abandonment or suspension of the project, the permittee shall be so notified, in writing, at his usual place of business. Within 15 days after receipt of the Building Official's decision, the permittee may appeal the decision of the Building Official to City Council or a duly authorized Board. The permittee shall have the burden of establishing that the project has not been abandoned or suspended upon which City Council or a duly authorized Board may reverse the decision of the Building Official.

105.4.1.2 If a new permit is not obtained within 180 days from the date the initial permit became null and void, the Building Official is authorized to require that any work which has been commenced or completed be removed from the building site. Alternately, a new permit may be issued on application, providing the work in place and required to complete the structure meets all applicable regulations in effect at the time the initial permit became null and void and any regulations

which may have become effective between the date of expiration and the date of issuance of the new permit.

105.4.1.3 Work shall be considered to be in active progress when the permit has received an approved inspection within 180 days. This provision shall not be applicable in case of civil commotion or strike or when the building work is halted due directly to judicial injunction, order or similar process.

105.4.1.4 Fees.

The fee for renewal, reissuance and extension of a permit shall be set forth by the administrative authority.

105.4.1.5 Expiration of demolition permits.

Permits issued for the demolition of a structure shall expire sixty (60) days from the date of issuance. For a justifiable cause, one (1) extension of time for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days may be allowed. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

105.5 Stop work order.

105.5.1 Authority.

Whenever the Building Official finds any work regulated by this code being performed in a manner either contrary to the provisions of this code or dangerous or unsafe, the Building Official is authorized to issue a stop work order.

105.5.2 Issuance.

The stop work order shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property involved, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work. Upon issuance of a stop work order, the cited work shall immediately cease. The stop work order shall state the reason for the order, and the conditions under which the cited work will be permitted to resume. Where an emergency exists, the Building Official shall not be required to give a written notice prior to stopping the work.

105.5.3 Unlawful continuance.

Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.

105.6 Reserved.

105.7 Placement of permit.

The building permit or copy shall be kept on the site of the work until the completion of the project.

105.8 Notice of commencement.

As per §713.135 Florida Statutes, when any person applies for a building permit, the authority issuing such permit shall print on the face of each permit card in no less than 18-point, capitalized, boldfaced type: “WARNING TO OWNER: YOUR FAILURE TO RECORD A NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MAY RESULT IN YOUR PAYING TWICE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO YOUR PROPERTY. A NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MUST BE RECORDED AND POSTED ON THE JOB BEFORE THE FIRST INSPECTION. IF YOU INTEND TO OBTAIN FINANCING, CONSULT WITH YOUR LENDER OR AN ATTORNEY BEFORE RECORDING YOUR NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT.”

105.9 Asbestos.

The enforcing agency shall require each building permit for the demolition or renovation of an existing structure to contain an asbestos notification statement which indicates the owner’s or operator’s responsibility to comply with the provisions of §469.003 Florida Statutes and to notify the Department of Environmental Protection of her or his intentions to remove asbestos, when applicable, in accordance with state and federal law.

105.10 Certificate of protective treatment for prevention of termites.

A weather resistant jobsite posting board shall be provided to receive duplicate Treatment Certificates as each required protective treatment is completed, providing a copy for the person the permit is issued to and another copy for the building permit files. The Treatment Certificate shall provide the product used, identity of the applicator, time and date of the treatment, site location, area treated, chemical used, percent concentration and number of gallons used, to establish a verifiable record of protective treatment. If the soil chemical barrier method for termite prevention is used, final exterior treatment shall be completed prior to final building approval.

105.11 Notice of termite protection.

A permanent sign which identifies the termite treatment provider and need for reinspection and treatment contract renewal shall be provided. The sign shall be posted near the water heater or electric panel.

105.12 Work starting before permit issuance.

Upon approval of the Building Official, the scope of work delineated in the building permit application and plan may be started prior to the final approval and issuance of the permit, provided any work completed is entirely at risk of the permit applicant and the work does not proceed past the first required inspection.

105.13 Phased permit approval.

After submittal of the appropriate construction documents, the Building Official is authorized to issue a permit for the construction of foundations or any other part of a building or structure before the construction documents for the whole building or structure have been submitted. The holder of such permit for the foundation or other parts of a building or structure shall proceed at the holder’s own risk with the building

operation and without assurance that a permit for the entire structure will be granted. Corrections may be required to meet the requirements of the technical codes.

105.14 Permit issued on basis of an affidavit.

Whenever a permit is issued in reliance upon an affidavit or whenever the work to be covered by a permit involves installation under conditions which, in the opinion of the Building Official, are hazardous or complex, the Building Official shall require that the architect or engineer who signed the affidavit or prepared the drawings or computations shall supervise such work. In addition, they shall be responsible for conformity to the permit, provide copies of inspection reports as inspections are performed, and upon completion make and file with the Building Official written affidavit that the work has been done in conformity to the reviewed plans and with the structural provisions of the technical codes. In the event such architect or engineer is not available, the owner shall employ in his stead a competent person or agency whose qualifications are reviewed by the Building Official. The Building Official shall ensure that any person conducting plans review is qualified as a plans examiner under part XII of chapter 468, Florida Statutes and that any person conducting inspections is qualified as a building inspector under Part III of chapter 468, Florida Statutes.

105.15 Opening protections as required.

When any activity requiring a building permit, where the estimated cost is \$50,000 or more, for a building located in the wind borne debris region as defined in the Florida Building Code, and that has an insured value of \$750,000 or more, or if the building is uninsured or for which documentation of insured value is not presented has a just valuation for the structure for purposes of ad valorem taxation of \$750,000 or more: Opening protection must be installed as required within the Florida Building Code, Building or Florida Building Code, Residential.

105.16 Safety

105.16.1 Unsafe buildings or systems.

All buildings, structures, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing systems which are unsafe, unsanitary, or do not provide adequate egress, or which constitute a fire hazard, or are otherwise dangerous to human life, or which in relation to existing uses, constitutes a hazard to safety or health, are considered unsafe buildings or service systems. All such unsafe buildings, structures, or service systems are hereby declared illegal and shall be abated by repair and rehabilitation or by demolition.

105.16.2 Pool barrier protection.

Where pool construction commences prior to occupancy certification of a one or two family dwelling unit on the same property, the fence or enclosure required shall be in place at the time of final building inspection. The final pool inspection shall be satisfactorily completed prior to issuance of the dwelling unit's Certificate of Occupancy.

Where pool construction is commenced after occupancy certification of a one or two family dwelling unit on the same property, the fence or enclosure required shall be in place prior to filling of the pool unless during the period commencing with filling of the pool and ending with completion of the required fence or enclosure, temporary fencing or an approved substitute shall be in place. Failure to call for a final pool inspection within thirty (30) days of filling the pool shall result in an inspection rejection. No swimming pools shall be placed into service, occupied, or used in any way prior to passing the final swimming pool inspection.

105.17 Waste materials management.

Inert waste materials may be buried on-site provided that such disposal is in conformance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Inert waste materials as used herein are specifically limited to brick, block, concrete, rock, stone, earth and sand that is free from contamination and of other types of waste, and that is capable of serving as fill material without environmental harm to, or pollution of, ground waters or surface waters. All other wastes, including garbage, hazardous waste, rubbish, refuse, paper products, containers, cloth, wood and wood products, sweepings, liquids other than water, sludge, tree limbs and trunks, undergrowth, and material produced by clearing and grubbing, and other horticultural wastes, shall not be buried on-site but shall be otherwise lawfully disposed of.

105.18 Dust control.

Adequate dust control measures shall be employed by the permittee to prevent complaints arising from unhealthy, unsafe, or damaging conditions. Failure to utilize adequate dust control procedures shall be sufficient cause to order cessation of the work causing such dust and to decline inspection requests.

105.19 Noise control.

Construction activities are permitted in accordance with the City of Marco Island Noise Control Ordinance.

105.20 Tenant improvements.

The general contractor of record for the building shell permit will be allowed to apply for a permit for tenant improvements before the shell has been given a Certificate of Occupancy. Only the general contractor of the building shell will be able to obtain a permit for a tenant improvement prior to the shell being given a Certificate of Occupancy. Each tenant space (i.e., unit, suite, etc.) that is not finished under the original building contract will require its own permit for improvements. Revisions to the original scope of work will not be considered for complete tenant improvements after the original permit is issued. No tenant spaces will receive a Certificate of Occupancy until after the shell has been given a Certificate of Completion. Exceptions will be considered and reviewed by the Building Official, or his/her designee. Final decision will be made based upon life, health and safety issues. The shell permit will be referenced on the tenant improvement permit.

SECTION 106 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FLOOR AND ROOF DESIGN LOADS

106.1 Live loads posted. Where the live loads for which each floor or portion thereof of a commercial or industrial building is or has been designed to exceed 50 psf (2.40 kN/m²), such design live loads shall be conspicuously posted by the owner in that part of each *story* in which they apply, using durable signs. It shall be unlawful to remove or deface such notices.

106.2 Issuance of certificate of occupancy. A certificate of occupancy required by Section 111 shall not be issued until the floor load signs, required by Section 106.1, have been installed.

106.3 Restrictions on loading. It shall be unlawful to place, or cause, or permit to be placed, on any floor or roof of a building, structure or portion thereof, a load greater than is permitted by this code.

SECTION ~~106~~ 107 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS

~~106.1~~ 107.1 Submittal documents.

Construction documents, special inspection and structural observation programs, and other data shall be submitted in one or more sets with each application for a permit. The construction documents shall be prepared by a design professional where required by the statutes. Where special conditions exist, the Building Official is authorized to require additional construction documents to be prepared by a design professional.

Exception: The Building Official is authorized to waive the submission of construction documents and other data not required to be prepared by a registered design professional if it is found that the nature of the work applied for is such that review of construction documents is not necessary to obtain compliance with this code.

If the design professional is an architect or engineer legally registered under the laws of this state regulating the practice of architecture as provided for in FS Chapter 481, Part II, or engineering as provided for in FS Chapter 471 & 61G15 Florida Administrative Code, then he/she shall affix his/her official seal, original signature and date to said drawings, specifications and accompanying data, as required by Florida Statute. If the design professional is a landscape architect registered under the laws of this state regulating the practice of landscape architecture as provided for in FS Chapter 481, Part II, then he/she shall affix his/her seal, original signature and date to said drawings as defined in §481.303(6)(a)(b)(c)(d), FS. & 61G1 Florida Administrative Code.

~~106.1.1~~ 107.1.1 Information on construction documents.

Construction documents shall be dimensioned and drawn upon suitable material. Electronic media documents are permitted to be submitted when approved by the Building Official. Construction documents shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and extent of the work proposed and show in detail that it will

conform to the provisions of this code and relevant laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, as determined by the Building Official (see also Section ~~106.3.5~~ 107.3.5).

~~106.1.1.1~~ 107.1.1.1 Fire protection system shop drawings.

Shop drawings for the fire protection system(s) shall be submitted to indicate conformance with this code and the construction documents and shall be approved prior to the start of system installation. Shop drawings shall contain all information as required by the referenced installation standards in Chapter 9.

~~106.1.1.2~~ 107.1.1.2 Roof Assemblies.

For roof assemblies required by the code, the construction documents shall illustrate, describe, and delineate the type of roofing system, materials, fastening requirements, flashing requirements and wind resistance rating that are required to be installed. Product evaluation and installation shall indicate compliance with the wind criteria required for the specific site or a statement by an architect or engineer for the specific site must be submitted with the construction documents.

~~106.1.2~~ 107.1.2 Additional document requirements.

1. Drawings to scale, minimum scale is 1/8".
2. A site plan which, shows the location of the proposed building or structure and every existing building or structure on the site or lot.
3. The first sheet of the Architectural Plans shall provide an information block with the following details:
 - a) Occupancy classification(s). If the building contains more than one (1) occupancy classification and/or tenant use areas, list each separately with the individual square footages.
 - b) Establish the required live load for the intended use of each floor and/or mezzanine area.
 - c) Building area (sq. ft.) for each floor and mezzanine area.
 - d) Grade elevation of first floor + _____ ~~N.G.V.D.~~ NAVD
 - e) Applicable Flood zone.
 - f) Elevation of first habitable floor + _____ ~~N.G.V.D.~~ NAVD
 - g) Height of building in feet above grade.
 - h) Building height in stories.
 - i) Type of construction.
 - j) Designed for applicable wind load.
 - k) Parking summary for occupancy classification(s) consistent with the calculation and supporting documentation from the approved final site development plan.
4. The permit documents (blueprint drawings) should be no larger than 24" when rolled up and blueprint plans with more than 3 sheets will be rolled, not folded.
5. Specification manuals may be submitted in electronic format provided one copy is in print. The printed copy will be used as the job site copy.
6. Pre-manufactured building components.
 - a) Building components designed by specialty engineers (i.e. roof trusses, floor trusses, precast floor slabs, etc.) are required to be submitted at time of permit application. Extra loading of the trusses, beams or girders with hot water heaters,

air handlers, compressors or other loads not specifically considered in the specialty design will not be allowed without engineered sealed drawings acknowledging such extra loads.

- b) The specialty engineer shall acknowledge that additional loading has been considered in the design and the type of roof covering shall be designated on the truss plans.
- c) There will be no jobsite modifications of product allowed without an approved design by the specialty engineer.
- d) During the design, process of roof trusses, floor trusses, or precast floor slabs, consideration must be given to the possibility that point loading (i.e. girders and columns) may dictate redesign of bearing footing. This shall be coordinated by the design professional.
- e) The design professional shall make a statement on his plan that he has considered and coordinated the truss layout plans, anchor details, uplift loads and reaction loads into his architectural plans by naming the truss manufacturer, their job number, and the date of the truss manufacturers plans on his architectural plans.
- f) Provide the truss layout plans and details by the truss manufacturer to include the profiles for all special trusses that have reaction loads over 5000# and uplift loads over 1000#. These special reaction and uplift connections shall be keyed into a schedule that coordinates with the truss layout plan by a highlighted indication on the truss layout plan for quick reference. The truss manufacturer or the design professional shall provide the recommended anchor for each special connection in the required schedule. The engineered cut sheets for all trusses shall be available at the job site prior to the required inspection.
- g) Provide an anchor bolt plan, fastener schedule and shop drawings as furnished by the steel building manufacturer. Special Inspectors will be required to inspect the fasteners, bolts, tension cables, and torquing required to properly construct a metal building.
- h) Product approval is required, all exterior doors, windows, skylights, vents, etc. shall be verified with a certification sticker, by an approved testing laboratory and applied to the product by the manufacturer, ~~or a signed and sealed document by the design professional indicating that the item is able to withstand the 140 mph wind loading requirements of Chapter 16 of the 2007 edition of the Florida Building Code.~~
- i) Engineered drawings shall be submitted with a signature and raised seal for all miscellaneous structures such as awnings, shutters, screen enclosures, swimming pools, spas, and seawalls. **NOTE:** Job specific engineering is ~~not~~ required for aluminum structures, ~~that meet the specifications of approved Master Plan Design manuals. These manuals shall be signed and sealed by a Florida State Registered Engineer and be provided to the Building Services Division. The Master Plan service provider shall periodically update their approved client list. Only approved clients of the service are allowed to reference the Master Plan Design manual.~~ Screen Enclosures and carport drawings shall include the requirements set forth in the Aluminum Structures minimum requirements checklist, attached to the Screen Enclosure Application.

- j) All signs and electric light standards shall meet structural and other standards regarding sign and light pole construction, erection, electrical wiring, etc. set forth in the building code. Plans for any pole or ground sign exceeding 32 square feet in area and/or eight (8) feet in height or light pole exceeding 8 ft. in height shall be accompanied by foundation drawings signed and sealed by a licensed architect or engineer or the manufacturers recommendations as published by their representative engineer.
- k) The Florida State certified architect or engineer of record shall sign and seal all submitted documents that were prepared under his/her license for the structural and functional components of the structure. The architect or engineer of record shall also indicate their company name, his/her legal name and State of Florida license number, address and phone number in the title block.
- l) For products not covered under the statewide product evaluation and approval system, the Building Official may require tests or test reports as proof of compliance. Required tests are to be made at the expense of the owner, or his agent, by an approved testing laboratory or other approved agency.

7. Lot drainage.

A lot drainage plan shall be submitted by the permittee at time of application for a building permit. Lot drainage shall comply with the approved lot drainage plan at time of Certificate of Occupancy inspection. Ground elevations shall be gradually sloped away from the building to effectively drain water away and to be managed on site through roof guttering or earth grading. No significant storm water run-off is permitted to flow from the subject premises onto abutting properties.

8. Structures located in a SFHZ-AE

Structures located in a SFHZ-AE where BFE is greater than one (1) foot above natural grade of the site or the lowest adjacent grade of an exterior wall, will require spread footings or grade beams with a maximum elevation of ~~7.3 Feet NGVD~~ 6 Feet NAVD.

9. Lowest finished floor.

Plans shall show that construction of the lowest finished floor and lowest living floor (in NAVD) meets the elevation criteria listed below or engineered properly to a site specific design and is certified by an architect or engineer, when conflict exists between the FIRM elevation and others, the higher elevation shall be required:

- a) FIRM elevation – the elevation that has been established by the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM). These are the approved maps adopted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), for both Marco Island and Collier County, Florida.
- b) Paved Road – a minimum of 18 inches above the crown of the nearest street or interior roadway system if finished with paving; or
- c) Graded or Unfinished Road – 24 inches above the crown if graded or otherwise unfinished; or
- d) ~~Mean Sea Level ten (10) feet above Mean Sea Level (MSL) based on the 1929 National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD)~~ 9 Feet NAVD; or
- e) Water Management Design
 - i. Buildings within projects which have water management routing and storage facilities designed and built for a 25-year, three (3) day storm

event in accordance with South Florida Water Management District's criteria may use a finish floor elevation in accordance with the project's water management designed 100 year zero discharge elevation or the FIRM elevation, whichever is higher.

- ii. Buildings which are not within projects having a water management storage facility designed and built for a 25-year, three (3) day storm event in accordance with South Florida Water Management District's criteria shall use a finish floor elevation of 18 inches above the adjacent roadway crown elevation or the FIRM elevation, whichever is higher.

10. Grading.

On parcels where unusual topographic conditions exist and the above standard conditions cannot be reasonably applied, the Building Official will consider requests to decrease the finish-floor elevation. All requests will require an analysis by a Florida registered professional engineer of the 25-year, three (3) day storm event and the 100 year, three (3) day storm event, using zero discharge for the entire drainage basin in which the proposed structure is located. Reductions may be allowed on the basis of the analysis, but in no case shall the finish floor be less than the FIRM.

NOTE: Slabs for garages, carports, screen enclosures, etc., must be at least equal in elevation to the crown of the nearest street, or at least six (6) inches above grade.

11. Boundary survey.

Building permits that require a foundation inspection or floor elevation inspection shall submit a current survey with the permit application.

12. Fire damage.

For fire damage issues, a Design professional shall review and a written report shall be submitted concerning the components to be salvaged or repaired and all structural systems shall be certified by an architect or engineer. These documents will be required before issuing a permit for reconstruction of a fire-damaged structure.

~~106.2~~ 107.2 Additional data.

~~106.2.1~~ 107.2.1 Additional details.

The Building Official may require details, computations, stress diagrams, and other data necessary to describe the construction or installation and the basis of calculations. All drawings, specifications and accompanying data required by the Building Official to be prepared by an architect or engineer shall be affixed with their official seal, signature and date as state law requires.

~~106.2.2~~ 107.2.2 Quality of building plans.

The Building Official may establish through departmental policy, standards for plans and specifications, in order to provide conformity to its record retention program. This policy may include such requirements related to minimum size, shape, contrast, clarity, or other items related to records management, such as Building plans shall be drawn to a minimum 1/8 inch scale upon substantial paper, or other acceptable medium. The standard size paper shall be used whenever possible or reasonable.

~~106.2.3~~ 107.2.3 Hazardous occupancies.