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DISCUSSION NOTES ON ADMIN CODE MEETING WITH INDUSTRY

Friday, February 08, 2008

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Presentation Room

The following items were discussed as **potential** permit exemptions to be included in the 2008 Clark County Building Administrative Code.

1. Building

Requested Permit Exemption:

- Drywall repairs are less than 30 square feet total area room (less than 1 sheet of drywall)
- Carpet, moldings, wood details, tile flooring, acoustic ceiling tile replacement, window wall glass
- Replacement of glass on store fronts (It may not be possible due to fire rating and/or Energy Code compliance)

Other issues discussed:

- Replacement of rated doors requires permits.
- We will do monthly inspections for as-built and 3rd party. We will work on standing permits for large facilities.
- Movable wall partition under 5'9" is currently exempt, however a constructed wall assembly is a permitted item
- Self-certification for inspections is not viable at this time. A 3rd party (QAA) can do it if there is an emergency repair and the permit can be obtained after the fact.
- New work must comply with new code. Existing conditions have to be compliant to the code in which it was constructed. If you find something that is not code compliant, it has to be corrected to the current code. If there are unique conditions, document the condition and submit to the Building Official for approval.

2. Plumbing

Requested Permit Exemptions:

- Replacement of like fixtures, i.e., water closets and lavatories except water heaters, where no work is done that affects rated assemblies.
- Exposed trap replacements

Other issues discussed:

- When replace tubs or other fixtures a permit should be required when modifying the drain pipe.

3. Electrical

Requested Permit Exemptions:

- Motor (same type, same rating, same location) replacements
- VFD less than 50HP
- VFD less than 100 AMPS
- Pull panel wiring through an existing walker duct
- Low voltage devices.
- Low voltage data links.
- Slot banks in existing raceways with no change in wiring.

Other issues discussed:

- Switch gear replacement must have a permit, even if it is an exact replacement
- Low voltage wiring methods – if it is surface mounted and exposed, permits are not required. If it is in a concealed location and passing through a conduit, permits are required.
- A master or journeyman must perform the work and licensed plumber contractors must pull the permits.
- Existing raceway that is already there, no need for a permit.
- We do not do jobsite trailer inspections. We will review that with our staff.
- New conduit runs require a permit.
- Replacing chandeliers should require a permit.
- Change of ballast with a similar or lower rating.

4. Mechanical

Request Permit Exemptions:

- Changing compressors with the same rating(s)
- Process piping

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