

METROPOLITAN AREA BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT (MABCD)

BOARD OF APPEALS OF REFRIGERATION, AIR CONDITIONING, WARM AIR HEATING and BOILERS

Minutes

February 5th, 2026

Present: Luke Parthemer, Dave Lyons, Teresa Jordan, Randy Freeman

Absent: Scott E. Smith, Jesse Kealy, William J. Loewenstein

Staff: Stoney Nethercot, w/MABCD

Guest: Randy Holm

Co-Chairman Dave Lyons called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board Member Dave Lyons made a motion to approve December 4th, 2025 minutes. Board Member Randy Freeman seconded the motion. Motion carried (4 – 0).

Public Agenda:

None

Old Business:

2027 (IMC) International Mechanical Code:

2027 (IFGC) International Fuel Gas Code:

Mr. Nethercot stated that ICC code hearings were coming up later in the year, however there were no new updates at this time. He advised that he would continue to monitor ICC's progress and would keep the board informed. No action taken.

New Business:

IMC 1109.2.7 – Pipe Identification:

Mr. Nethercot informed board members that stickers and labels were now available to identify refrigerant lines installed in commercial buildings. Board discussion led to the fact that the labels/stickers appeared like they would not last long after being applied. The board also agreed to revisit this section again during their review of the 2027 IMC. No action taken.

MABCD Updates:

Mr. Nethercot stated that he was receiving comments from contractors that certificates for mechanical journeyman or masters were not being checked in the field. Board members stated that they were hearing similar complaints and that new homes and duplexes were the most concerning at this time. Mr. Nethercot said that the mechanical inspectors are starting to do some inspections on both new homes and duplexes. He went on to say that the mechanical division would be checking in these areas to ensure that hvac installers have a current journeyman or master on the jobsite along with the allotted number of apprentices.

Board Member Randy Freeman motioned to adjourn the meeting, Board Member Teresa Jordan seconded the motion - Motion carried (4-0).

Respectfully Submitted,
Stoney Nethercot
Secretary, Board of Mechanical Appeals.