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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Parker Coordinating  
Committee**  
Thursday, April 21, 1:00-  
2:00 pm, Pikes Peak Room  
Town of Parker, 20120 E.  
Mainstreet,  
Contact: Kim Calomino,  
[kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com)

**HBA Government  
Affairs Committee  
Meeting**  
Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at  
3:00 pm in the HBA North  
Conference Room  
Contact: Kim Calomino,  
[kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com)

**Arapahoe County  
Coordinating Meeting**  
Thursday, May 5, 9:00-11:00  
am, Arapahoe County PWD  
Building, Arapahoe Room,  
10730 E. Briarwood Ave.,  
Centennial  
Contact: Kim Calomino,  
[kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com)

**Aurora Joint Task  
Force Committee**  
Thursday, May 5, 3:30-5:00  
pm, City of Aurora, Mt. Elbert  
Room  
Contact: Kim Calomino,  
[kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com)

**Regulated Utilities  
Committee**  
Tuesday, May 10, 8:30-9:30  
am, HBA North Conference  
Room  
Contact: Kim Calomino,  
[kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com)

**Jobsite Safety  
Committee**  
Tuesday, May 10, 2:00-  
3:30 pm, HBA Lower Level  
Conference Room  
Contact: Cherie Talbert  
[ctalbert@hbadenver.com](mailto:ctalbert@hbadenver.com)

## Attention Denver Voters

Mail in ballots for the Denver City Council and Mayoral elections have been mailed and are due May 3. The following endorsements have been made by the Metro Housing Coalition:

**Mayoral Candidate:** Michael Hancock

## **Endorsed Council Incumbents:**

Jeanne Faatz, District 2  
Peggy Lehmann, District 4  
Charlie Brown, District 6  
Chris Nevitt, District 7  
Jeanne Robb, District 10

## **Endorsed At-Large Candidates:**

Rich Gonzales  
Josh Davies

Note: Districts 1 & 5 will be vetted after the run-off, and District 11 will be vetted through a debt relief process.

Members are encouraged to share the MHC endorsement list with their trade partners and employees.

For further information regarding the races or the candidates, please contact Cherie Talbert, MHC Director and VP of Public Affairs & Communications at [ctalbert@hbadenver.com](mailto:ctalbert@hbadenver.com).

## **HBA Coordinating Committees Seeking Member Involvement, Input**

The Government Affairs Committee is establishing or re-invigorating coordinating committees in the following jurisdictions: Broomfield; Denver; Thornton; Erie; Douglas County; Parker; Arvada; and Arapahoe County.

The purpose of coordinating committees is to meet on an as-needed basis with key city/county staff to provide a forum for open communications on issues of concern to the housing industry. How frequently a particular coordinating committee meets is established by the committee.

Upcoming coordinating committee meetings:

Parker, 4/21, 1:00 – 2:00 pm, in the Town of Parker Pikes Peak Conference Room  
Broomfield, 4/29, 11: 00 am – Noon, in the Broomfield Zang Spur Conference Room  
Denver, 5/11, 3:00 – 4:00 pm, in the HBA Board Room  
Arvada, 5/26, 8:00 – 9:00 am, in the Arvada CCR Conference Room

For more information contact Kim Calomino, [kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com), 303-551-6733

## **Not Happy with the Current Building Codes? Get Involved in the Code Development Process**

There are more than 18 ICC Committees and Councils that oversee the development of the ICC Codes & Standards. Among these are the 6 Code Committees that consider the changes to the International Residential Code (IRC) and the International Building Code (IBC). NAHB's representation on all of these ICC Committees and Councils is an integral part of NAHB's overall involvement in the code development

## Denver Issues Committee

Wednesday, May 11, 3:00-4:00 pm, HBA Board Room  
Contact: Kim Calomino, [kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com)

## Stormwater Committee

Thursday, May 12, 3:00-4:00 pm, HBA Board Room  
Contact: Chérie Talbert [ctalbert@hbadenver.com](mailto:ctalbert@hbadenver.com)

## Arvada Coordinating Committee

Thursday, May 26, 8:00-9:00 am, City of Arvada, CCR Conference Room  
Contact: Kim Calomino, [kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com)

For a list of all HBA meetings and events visit [www.HBADenver.com](http://www.HBADenver.com) Events and Education

## CITY GOV'T LINKS:

City of Aurora Council Agenda Link: [www.auroragov.org/auroragov/government/city\\_council/meetings\\_agendas\\_and\\_minutes/index.htm](http://www.auroragov.org/auroragov/government/city_council/meetings_agendas_and_minutes/index.htm)

City /County of Denver Council Agenda Link: [www.denvergov.org/default.aspx?alias=www.denvergov.org/citycouncil](http://www.denvergov.org/default.aspx?alias=www.denvergov.org/citycouncil)

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process.

Currently, the nomination process for NAHB Representatives on the 2012-15 ICC Code Development Cycle (CDC) code committees and interpretations committees is open. For a complete list of the 2012 ICC Code Committees, [click here](#).

Among the duties required of a NAHB Representative on a Code Committee is attending the NAHB Provisions Oversight Group (POG) meetings in Washington, D.C. prior to the hearings. The purpose of these POG meetings is to review all of the proposed code changes and develop a NAHB position of support. NAHB covers the travel expense for the POG meetings.

For the hearings themselves, the Code Committee members are required to participate in pre-hearing conference calls, review the proposals assigned to them, and attend the Code Development Hearings. Depending on the Code Committee, the time to travel and attend the hearings is two to three days. The IRC Building/Energy Code Committee hearings may last as long as five days. ICC Committee/Council members travel at ICC's expense when participating at these meetings.

The 2012-15 CDC is the first cycle where the hearings are divided into Group A and B, with separate hearings in 2012 and 2013. The codes being heard in 2012 are the IBC, IFGC, IMC, IPC and IPSDC. The codes being heard in 2013 are the IEBC, IECC, IFC, IGCC, IPMC, IRC, IWUIC and IZC.

The deadline to submit an application to NAHB is Thursday, May 12. To complete the application process, you will need to complete a Background Information Form that can be obtained from [Steve Orlowski](#), NAHB program manager, Codes and Standards.

If you are interested and would like to be considered as a NAHB nominee for the 2012-15 ICC CDC, or would like additional information, email [Steve Orlowski](#) or call him at 800-368-5242 x8303.

## NAHB Offers Construction Forecast Webinar

Receive the most informed forecast from housing's sharpest minds. Get diverse data and interact directly with some of the nation's top economists: David Crowe, Chief Economist, NAHB; Mark Zandi, Chief Economist, Moody's Analytics; and Robert Denk, Assistant Vice President for Forecasting and Analysis, NAHB.

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Participants are encouraged to ask questions and will be able to do so directly via the webinar setup. After the event, the webinar will also be available in the NAHB archives to all registrants for on-demand viewing.

To register or for more information visit [Construction Forecast Webinar Overview](#).

## Have you heard? In Member's Words

We've launched a new element to the HBA website called *In Member's Words*. Check out the home page on [www.HBADenver.com](http://www.HBADenver.com) to see who's featured this week, and then visit the [In Member's Words](#) page to see who is next in the line up. Provide us your photo and a brief quote about why you're an HBA member, and you too can be featured on the HBA home page! For more information, contact Chérie Talbert, [ctalbert@hbadenver.com](mailto:ctalbert@hbadenver.com), 303-551-6734.

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If you are not a member but would like to become one, please contact Vicki Pelletier at [vpelletier@hbadenver.com](mailto:vpelletier@hbadenver.com).

If you have questions about government affairs or any advocacy issue, please contact Kim Calomino, [kcalomino@hbadenver.com](mailto:kcalomino@hbadenver.com).

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