Appendix G - Flood-Resistant Construction

SECTION G101 ADMINISTRATION

G101.1 Purpose. The purpose of this appendix is to promote the public health, safety and general welfare and to minimize public and private losses due to *flood* conditions in specific *flood hazard* areas through the establishment of comprehensive regulations for management of *flood hazard areas* designed to:

- 1. Prevent unnecessary disruption of commerce, access and public service during times of *flooding*;
- 2. Manage the alteration of natural *flood* plains, stream channels and shorelines;
- 3. Manage filling, grading, dredging and other development which may increase *flood* damage or erosion potential;
- 4. Prevent or regulate the construction of *flood* barriers which will divert floodwaters or which can increase flood hazards; and
- 5. Contribute to improved construction techniques in the flood plain.

G101.2 Objectives. The objectives of this appendix are to protect human life, minimize the expenditure of public money for *flood* control projects, minimize the need for rescue and relief efforts associated with *flooding*, minimize prolonged business interruption, minimize damage to public facilities and utilities, help maintain a stable tax base by providing for the sound use and development of flood-prone areas, contribute to improved construction techniques in the flood plain and ensure that potential owners and occupants are notified that property is within flood hazard areas.

G101.3 Scope. The provisions of this appendix shall apply to all proposed development in a flood hazard area established in Section 1612 of this code, including certain building work exempt from permit under Section 105.2.

G101.4 Violations. Any violation of a provision of this appendix, or failure to comply with a permit or variance issued pursuant to this appendix or any requirement of this appendix, shall be handled in accordance with Section 114.

SECTION G102 APPLICABILITY

G102.1 General. This appendix, in conjunction with the *Abu Dhabi International Building Code*, provides minimum requirements for development located in flood hazard areas, including the subdivision of land; installation of utilities; placement and replacement of manufactured homes; new construction and repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation or additions to new construction; substantial improvement of existing buildings and structures, including restoration after damage, temporary structures, and temporary or permanent storage, utility and miscellaneous Group U buildings and structures, and certain building work exempt from permit under Section 105.2.

G102.2 Establishment of flood hazard areas. Flood hazard areas as established in Section