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using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Text;

using Autodesk.Revit;
using Autodesk.Revit.Elements;
using Autodesk.Revit.Parameters;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using System.Diagnostics;

namespace ParameterUtil
{
    /// <summary>
    /// This class ParamUtil is used to retrieve the parameter set of a selected element
    /// </summary>
    class ParamUtil:IExternalCommand
    {
        public IExternalCommand.Result Execute(ExternalCommandData revit, ref String message, ElementSet elements)
        {
            // current active Revit document
            Document doc = revit.Application.ActiveDocument;

            // check if only one element is being selected
            if (doc.Selection.Elements.Size == 1)
            {
                // get the element iterator from the current selected object set
                ElementSetIterator iter = doc.Selection.Elements.ForwardIterator();

                // by using MoveNext() function to locate the first element of the list
                iter.MoveNext();
                Element sel = iter.Current as Element;

                // check if current selected element is not null
                if (sel != null)
                {
                    // initiate a StringBuilder object to record the parameter info
                    StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();

                    // append the element name at the beginning
                    sb.AppendFormat("\n--- Select Element:{0} ---\n", (sel.Name));

                    // iterate through each parameter that is associated with the selected element
                    foreach (Parameter p in sel.Parameters)
                    {
                        // if the parameter object is not null
                        if (p != null)
                        {

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// append the name of current parameter
sb.AppendFormat("Name: [ {0} ], ", p.Definition.Name);

// append the type and value of the parameter
// 5 types of parameters: integer, double, ElementId, string, None
switch (p.StorageType)
{
    case StorageType.Integer:
        sb.AppendFormat(" Type:[ integer ], Value:[{0}]\n", p.AsInteger());
        break;
    case StorageType.Double:
        sb.AppendFormat(" Type:[ double ], Value:[{0}]\n", p.AsDouble());
        break;
    case StorageType.ElementId:
        // if the storage type is an ElementId
        // use get_element(ref ElementId id) to retrieve the reference to the element
        ElementId eId = p.AsElementId();
        Element e = doc.get_Element(ref eId);

        // append the element name as the value
        sb.AppendFormat(" Type:[ ElementId ], Value:[{0}]\n", (e != null ? e.Name : "Not set"
        ));
        break;
    case StorageType.String:
        sb.AppendFormat(" Type:[ string ], Value:[{0}]\n", p.AsString());
        break;
    case StorageType.None:
        sb.AppendFormat(" Type:[ none ], Value:[{0}]\n", p.AsValueString());
        break;
    default:
        MessageBox.Show("Can not match the default parameter types!\n");
        break;
}
}

// add an ending statement at the end
sb.AppendLine("End of parsing Parameter set!\t-----\n");

// out put the property string to the Immediate Window
Debug.WriteLine(sb.ToString());
}
else
{
    MessageBox.Show("Iterator fails to collect info!");
    return IExternalCommand.Result.Failed;
}
}

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}
else
{
    MessageBox.Show("you show select a element!");
    return IExternalCommand.Result.Failed;
}

return IExternalCommand.Result.Succeeded;

}
}
}
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