Uniform Construction Code (UCC) Review and Advisory Council (RAC)

Date: May 12, 2022

Location: Telephonic meeting

<u>Council Members present</u>: Elizabeth Baldwin, Daniel Corbet, Charles Coltharp, Edward Fegley, Richard Madzar, Kevin Maynard, Jerry Phelan, Walter Schneider, Amrinder Singh, Mitchell Swann, Michael Thompson, Matthew Wojaczyk, and William Yeagley

<u>Also present</u>: Jeffrey Criss, Kristen Gardner, Matthew Kegg, Joseph Martin, Nicholas Marsilio, and Basil Merenda

Reporter: Bernadette Black

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Walter Schneider. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call, the following business was conducted:

- 1. **Unanimous approval** to accept the published agenda (Motion Edward Fegley; Second William Yeagley)
- 2. **Unanimous approval** to accept the Oct. 14, 2021 minutes with the correction of item number 9, where Mr. Madzar's first name needs to be corrected to read Richard (Motion Amrinder Singh; Second Mitchell Swann)

3. Chairman's Comments and Correspondence:

Walter Schneider received a letter from Abby Foster, president of the Pennsylvania Chemistry Industry Council, requesting RAC support for the PA Alternative energy provisions. Since the RAC doesn't review the PA Alternative Energy portion of code, Ms. Foster was referred to Matt Kegg in the Department of Labor & Industry's Bureau of Occupational & Industrial Safety for further discussion.

Chair also stated the ICC is reviewing the latest round of edits on 2021 code. While this will be a larger book than has been created in the past, it negates the need for separate books for each code section (i.e., Plumbing, Building, etc.)

4. **Counsel's report:** Members were urged to submit their overdue 2021 Statements of Financial Interest, which were due at the Ethics Commission on May 1. The easiest way to file is electronically.

5. Committee reports:

- Legislative Committee chair John Kampmeyer had submitted a written report circulated to members prior to the meeting. William Yeagley said the group had very lively discussion regarding all the pending/proposed bills, and there was unanimous concurrence with the chair's submitted report.
- Regulation Committee chair Jerry Phelan had no report but commented that he
 assumed from past practice under a previous RAC chair that the PA Alternative Energy

code fell under his group's oversight. Legal counsel will review this further and present findings at the next meeting; however, it appears PA Alternate Energy could be entirely outside the RAC's purview.

- **Procedures** Will convene prior to the July 12 meeting.
- 6. Old Business None
- 7. New Business
 - Unanimous approval (Motion William Yeagley; Second Daniel Corbet) to accept for considering the 17 additional sections proposed during the open comment period.
 - **Unanimous approval** (Motion Daniel Corbet; Second Kevin Maynard) to table discussion on these additional sections until the next meeting.
 - Kevin Maynard inquired what is happening about board membership, since most of the seats are set to expire at the end of June. Chair responded that the Governor's Office has been contacted regarding making reappointments.
- 8. Following **unanimous approval** (Motion William Yeagley; Second Daniel Corbet), the meeting adjourned at 9:33 AM.