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2 MR. NAUMAN: I recognize a sizeable number of
3 faces here. But I want to thank everybody for coming. I
4 want to welcome you all to our first of six public sessions.
5 The intent of these meetings is to present our proposed
6 amendments to the 2012 International Green Construction
7 code, and to give voice to everyone who will be affected by
8 this code, from design professionals, to owners and
9 developers, to builders, contractors, and suppliers, and to
10 every citizen and business within Montgomery County; also to
11 future generations, who will be impacted by our collective
12 actions and decisions.

13 Each session will be transcribed for accuracy, and
14 these transcriptions will be made publicly available.

15 My name is Mark Nauman, and I wish to personally
16 thank everyone who has taken their valuable time to be here,
17 and especially for those who have worked so hard at
18 providing evaluation and input on this code over the past
19 year. Your presence here, and interest in the topics
20 covered, is a clear indicator that you care about the
21 quality of what we do today, and the legacy of what we leave
22 for tomorrow.

23 In 2008, Montgomery County committed to a Climate
24 Protection Plan, which included a reduction of greenhouse
25 gases of 80 percent by 2050. Additionally, development of

1 renewable energy sources, increases in
2 residential/commercial/multi-family and public building
3 energy efficiencies, changes in transportation, forestry and
4 agriculture, as well as long term planning, which includes
5 use planning, and in education and outreach.

6 In 2008, as part of these goals, the Green
7 Building Law was enacted, requiring LEED certification
8 levels for commercial buildings over 10,000 square feet. At
9 that time, the LEED rating system was the best available
10 approach, but as LEED was never intended to be used as a
11 code, its implementation and effectiveness has been limited.
12 But LEED showed us how a baseline sustainable building and
13 development code could be developed and utilized.

14 In 2011, Maryland adopted the IGCC, and made it
15 available to each jurisdiction for inclusion in each state's
16 model performance codes. In line with Montgomery County's
17 Climate Protection Plan goals, we are moving forward with
18 consideration of the IGCC.

19 I'd like to speak for a few minutes about the
20 importance of sustainability codes, whatever they may end up
21 being. The most fundamental axiom of economics is the
22 objective reality of scarcity. Productive resources are
23 limited, and will be so forever. Our climate is changing,
24 and our past path is not sustainable. Our airshed is laden
25 with unhealthy emissions from consumption of energy. Our

1 natural resources are depleted. And we continue to burden
2 our environment. We can do better, and we must do better.

3 The Cuyahoga River in Ohio was once one of the
4 most polluted rivers in the United States. Devoid of fish
5 from Akron to Cleveland, the river was reported to have
6 caught fire at least 13 times. The first such fire occurred
7 in 1868. It wasn't until the passage of the Clean Water Act
8 in 1972 that the river began to see improvement. Today, the
9 river now supports 44 species of fish. But, pollution, much
10 of it from storm run-off, is still a huge problem.

11 Empirical data has proven trees absorb greenhouse
12 gases, retain fresh air, and aid tremendously in regulating
13 the earth's temperature. Yet, tropical deforestation
14 continues at a most alarming rate. Weather patterns have
15 changed dramatically, and the result is a severe
16 modification of our environment, as well as our ability to
17 keep pace with these changes.

18 It is a fact that our planet's glaciers and ice
19 caps are receding at an alarming rate, with equally alarming
20 consequences. Resources once considered plentiful and easy
21 to obtain are limited. The extraction and consumption of
22 these resources have led to unprecedented damage to
23 environments and ecosystems around the planet. Extinction
24 is on the rise. Energy consumption is increasing, but not
25 only in the United States, but throughout the world. The

1 consequence of this consumption is alarming.

2 It is through legislative action that innovation
3 has taken flight. Our ever increasing knowledge has given
4 us the ability to find alternatives to practices that
5 deplete precious resources, so that we can build and develop
6 better, smarter and more sustainably. We think this is
7 critical for future generations, and that this will yield
8 immediate benefits, as well as reduced operating costs, and
9 reportedly higher revenues from a well-planned built
10 environment that consumes fewer resources.

11 Some may fear that mandates will stifle economic
12 growth. Yet the opposite is likely more accurate. The
13 green economy is emerging, and innovations that have been
14 created by sensible legislation that promotes
15 sustainability, have led to surprising technologies and
16 burgeoning industries.

17 Again, I want to thank you for your time and your
18 valuable input and insight.

19 Now, I would like to introduce Mr. Robert Kelly,
20 who is our Commercial Plan Review Manager. We are quite
21 fortunate to have Mr. Kelly on our staff. He has extensive
22 experience throughout the building industry, and has been
23 instrumental in the development of the LEED rating system,
24 the International Energy Conservation Code, and the IGCC,
25 just to name a few. Mr. Kelly, from this point on, will be

1 moderating the discussion, and I ask that we keep this to
2 comments at this time. We will be having future hearings
3 and discussions as we move closer to the adoption of the
4 code. Thank you very kindly.

5 Mr. Kelly?

6 MR. KELLY: Good afternoon. My understanding from
7 Reggie is those of you that have comments --

8 (Discussion of the record.)

9 MR. KELLY: Anyway, from what my understanding is,
10 we have two people signed up that would like to make
11 comments. Those that want to make comments, they're asking
12 that you come up here, sit at the microphone, make your
13 comments. The comments will, like we were told earlier,
14 they'll be recorded, and we will certainly take them into
15 consideration. Montgomery County staff has to this point
16 gone through the International Green Code Construction Code
17 line by line, page by page. And the items that you see that
18 have been published so far, are amendments that we are
19 proposing to carry forth when we take it for adoption by the
20 County.

21 So, we'd like your feedback on those amendments,
22 or if you have any comments or amendments that you would
23 propose, this would be the time to put them in. And, we're
24 on Chapters 1, 2 and 3, today. We'll be doing 4 and 5 next.

25 Correct?

1 MR. NAUMAN: Correct.

2 MR. KELLY: Okay, 4 and 5 will be next week.

3 MR. NAUMAN: That would be next week, correct.

4 MR. KELLY: So, the first person I have in line is
5 Nicola Whiteman.

6 MS. WHITEMAN: I came here for Shawn Farr today.
7 We didn't have any formal statements prepared, I mean, we'll
8 be submitting comments.

9 (Discussion off the record.)

10 MS. WHITEMAN: Well, good afternoon. My name's
11 Nicole Whiteman. I am with the Apartment and Office
12 Building Association. I'm here standing in for Shawn Farr.
13 Some of you may know, I'm the D.C. Vice President for AIA,
14 but I work on the IGCC on behalf of our organization in D.C.
15 He asked me to come in and just listen today, and I'll weigh
16 in where I can. But, our process is a very long process.
17 So, if I can offer any assistance or answer any questions,
18 I'm available. Thank you.

19 MR. KELLY: Thank you.

20 MS. WHITEMAN: And we will be submitting comments.
21 Mr. Farr will be submitting comments on behalf of the
22 organization.

23 MR. MANSOURI: Okay. So you are going to submit
24 comments?

25 MS. WHITEMAN: Yes.

1 MR. MANSOURI: Okay. When will we be getting
2 those comments for the --

3 MS. WHITEMAN: I actually need to check with
4 Shawn. I know there were some comments on Chapters 1 to 3,
5 noting for example, some of the differences that D.C. made.
6 But, he's the one that is going to be submitting the
7 comments for the Apartment and Office Building Association.

8 MR. MANSOURI: Okay. Is your --
9 I'm sorry, Reggie?

10 (Discussion off the record.)

11 MR. MANSOURI: Hadi Mansouri, Department of
12 Permitting Service, Chief Operating Officer. So, my
13 question is that, if your -- the comments that you're
14 sending, are you sending all of them for one, one comment
15 for the whole, all chapters, or are you going to do it
16 for --

17 MS. WHITEMAN: I will ask Shawn --

18 MR. MANSOURI: Okay.

19 MS. WHITEMAN: Since he's the one that's going to
20 be submitting the comments. I'm not sure what format. If
21 the County would prefer them, you know, as we go through the
22 chapters or all at once, whichever would be easier.

23 MR. NAUMAN: Well, if I may comment on that. Mark
24 Nauman. We are making our proposed amendments available as
25 is germane to the upcoming worksession. So we're going to

1 post them a week ahead of time to give people a chance to
2 peruse and, you know, provide comments. We ask that the
3 comments be provided in a Word document. And, I've got
4 business cards here. They can be sent through the
5 SurveyMonkey link, or they can be sent directly to me as
6 well.

7 MS. WHITEMAN: Okay. But, in terms of timing, do
8 you prefer, like since we're going to do Chapter 1 through 3
9 today, do you want comments --

10 MR. NAUMAN: Well, that's entirely up to you. If
11 you'd like to ingest them all before comment, that would be
12 great. That's entirely up to you.

13 MS. WHITEMAN: This will be easier in terms of how
14 we submit them.

15 MR. KELLY: And, we'll be having worksessions
16 every week. So, it's going to progress through the entire
17 document.

18 MS. WHITEMAN: He's going to be here for the
19 remainder of the sessions.

20 MR. KELLY: Okay.

21 MR. MANSOURI: So, let me just pause just for a
22 second. Our Director is here.

23 Diane, would you like to say anything --

24 MS. SCHWARTZ JONES: Welcome --

25 (Discussion off the record.)

1 MS. SCHWARTZ JONES: Not really, but I'm going to.
2 I'm Diane Schwarz Jones, for those of you who
3 don't know me; most of you, many of you do. We appreciate
4 your being here. As I know Mark Nauman has told you, this
5 is a really critical code. It's critical for our future,
6 and we're really happy that you're here to provide us with
7 your comments, and work with us towards an even greater
8 sustainability. So, thank you.

9 MR. MANSOURI: Thank you.

10 MS. SCHWARTZ JONES: That was it.

11 MR. MANSOURI: Thank you.

12 MR. KELLY: The next person I have listed is
13 Daniel Coffey. Come on down. I'll get out of the way.

14 MR. COFFEY: I'll keep my comments brief. My name
15 is Dan Coffey. I'm the Chair of the U.S. GBC, Montgomery
16 County Branch. We participated in a joint task force review
17 of the IGCC with Potomac Valley AIA this past year, and the
18 comments we will be forwarding are going to be from that
19 report. So, we'll sort of spare the time of the meeting
20 today to get into the detail, but it'll be along the same
21 similar comments that we had back in July.

22 MR. MANSOURI: When do you think we will get those
23 comments?

24 MR. COFFEY: We'll post those up, I think, by
25 Friday.

1 MR. MANSOURI: By Friday. I appreciate that.

2 MR. NAUMAN: You're free to speak. We're trying
3 to allot three minutes. But since we only have a limited
4 number of people who have signed up to speak, feel free to
5 take care of some additional comments, if there are things
6 that you would like to address everybody with.

7 MR. COFFEY: Well, I think that some of the
8 initial concerns, we spent a fair amount of time with a good
9 cross section, not just of the design community, but of real
10 estate developers, the USGBC, contractors, and other people
11 that are related to these codes. And went through chapter
12 by chapter with a fair amount of very open debate and
13 questioning about areas that needed further clarification,
14 or in some cases, needed to be deferred until further
15 development of systems and technologies that we have, to
16 really be able to implement some of the items that are in
17 the code. Because there some concepts that the industry
18 hasn't caught up to yet. So, we're a little concerned about
19 adopting things as just a blanket code.

20 We did spend a fair amount of time with the
21 District of Columbia to go through their process that they
22 went through. They came through and gave us sort of some
23 lessons learned. They've been through that review and some
24 amendments this past year as well. So, we do try to keep
25 very open dialogue with each other. So we want it to be a

1 successful implementation of the code. I mean, that's why
2 we did spend a fair amount of time every Tuesday night, for
3 about six months, going through that code review.

4 MR. NAUMAN: We appreciate that.

5 MR. COFFEY: Okay. Great.

6 MR. MANSOURI: Reggie, may I ask you, do we have
7 any processing place that when we get the comment from
8 individual we can share it with everybody, that everybody
9 know what the comment was?

10 MR. JETTER: Reggie Jetter, Permitting Services.
11 So, for each of these meetings, just like you received an
12 invitation for this one, you'll receive an invitation for
13 the next one, where you can sign up to attend, or you can
14 sign up to speak. We will post the proposed amendments, as
15 we did this time. And then on the front page of our
16 website, as we gather the comments, we will post them, and
17 they will be updated on a regular basis. So there is a link
18 on our website, on the front page of our website, where you
19 can actually go and just type in comments. Or, if you send
20 them to me in a PDF, or in any other kind of form of
21 document, I can take that and put those up as well on the
22 website.

23 MR. KELLY: And I'd like to make a comment too.
24 This is Robert Kelly with DPS. If you want to submit
25 comments, I mean, you can do the comments on each of the

1 chapters, obviously we're doing the first three. If you can
2 give them to us in a legislative type format where it makes
3 it easier for us to track what you'd like to change. In
4 other words, what I mean is, underline new text. Strike
5 through text you want to remove. That way we don't have to
6 go back and take each document and then each amendment to
7 try and figure out what's occurring. And that way, we can
8 carry those on further, and then have a chance for public
9 comment on the modifications as well.

10 MR. JETTER: So, later this evening or tomorrow,
11 you should receive an e-mail with the next version for
12 Chapters 4 and 5, the proposed amendments, and an invitation
13 to the next meeting, which is a week from today, 2:30 to
14 4:30, same location.

15 MR. KELLY: Is there anybody in the audience that
16 would like to make comment that didn't sign up ahead of
17 time?

18 (Discussion off the record.)

19 MR. KELLY: There's a microphone right in front of
20 you.

21 MR. MANSOURI: One second. We had a -- yes, you
22 had a question, sir?

23 MR. COFFEY: The format -- did you see the format
24 that the AIA joint task force did?

25 MR. KELLY: I have not. If it's in code format,

1 it's fine.

2 MR. MANSOURI: Your name, please.

3 MR. COFFEY: Oh, Dan Coffey, USGBC. I just want
4 to make sure the format that we presented back in July was
5 the appropriate format you're looking for.

6 MR. NAUMAN: I can comment on that. Mark Nauman.
7 Yeah, we've been through all of the comments, and I'd like
8 to make it clear that this is just a draft of our proposed
9 amendments. And what you see is only the sections that we
10 are proposing to amend at this time. When the process is
11 finalized, this will be in a legislative format, and made
12 available to everyone. But, as I stated earlier, I'd prefer
13 to get things in a Word document with strike-through and
14 underlines, that'd be fine. But, essentially, any way that
15 you're comfortable in presenting this up front, we will, you
16 know, give consideration to this and incorporate it into the
17 legislative amendments as we move forward.

18 (Discussion off the record.)

19 MR. BENNETT: My name is Ralph Bennett. I'm an
20 architect, member of Potomac Valley Chapter of the AIA. And
21 I personally have been working on the IGCC for four or five
22 years now, providing some information and assistance to Mark
23 and to others in Permitting Services. But together, the
24 Potomac Valley Chapter put together a task group which
25 worked all last summer to go over the code in some detail.

1 And that, those reflections and recommendations were
2 transmitted to Permitting Services on July 30th, and I'd
3 like to simply make those a part of the record.

4 They include an executive summary, which deals
5 with the subjects for today. It also includes extensive
6 appendices, which cover all the sections of the code. With
7 that, I won't repeat those. There are some significant
8 observations related to the business of today.
9 Particularly, the inclusion of Table 302.1, which we
10 recommend not be included. And I understand that there are
11 some specific, some specifications in 302.1 which are
12 interesting. A good many of the requirements are not
13 included. But, I'd like the record to show that following
14 the District of Columbia adoption, and a number of other
15 jurisdictions -- by the way, which we summarize in the
16 letter that we sent you in July -- this table is not always
17 included.

18 Beyond that, however, I would like to point out
19 that we would look forward to your recommendations
20 concerning alternative compliance paths. Because the IGCC,
21 as you know, also includes an ASHRAE Code 189.1. And our
22 recommendations include cautious inspection of that code, as
23 well, which we conducted during the fall, and transmitted to
24 you as well. In addition, we are recommending some
25 transition phases, which include the County's existing

1 energy code, include LEED to a silver rating for certain
2 buildings, and possibly some other codes as well.

3 The point being that a sudden transition to this
4 code is not an appropriate strategy, we think. That there
5 are many sustainability codes which are currently in place
6 with which people are familiar and accustomed to dealing.
7 And attention should be paid to the transition phase.

8 I'd also like to point out that the regulatory
9 costs of adopting a code as complex as this should be a
10 caution to the Department of Permitting Services, and to all
11 of us as taxpayers. In addition, the alternative compliance
12 paths, of course, bring with them, while they bring
13 flexibility, they also bring costs as well.

14 So, the overall impact of the adoption of this
15 code, the technique of its adoption is important to us, and
16 we assume to you as well. We appreciate your conducting
17 these hearings so that we can speak in detail. What I think
18 we'll probably do in coming hearings, is simply to put into
19 the record our concerns with specific language in parts of
20 the code, and so repeat the information that we provided
21 during the summer and fall of last year. But again, we
22 detect movement. We understand there's a commitment to
23 adopt the code, and we're happy to be involved, and want to
24 be of any service we can be.

25 MR. NAUMAN: Bob, do we have anybody else?

1 MR. KELLY: Any other persons that would like to
2 comment?

3 MR. MANSOURI: Especially on these three chapters,
4 Chapters 1 through 3.

5 MR. KELLY: Seeing none. Thank you.

6 MR. MANSOURI: Oh, wait.

7 MS. WHITEMAN: Well, I think question is, again,
8 because I'm standing in for someone. Again, my name is
9 Nicola Whiteman with AOBA, I apologize, I'm standing in for
10 someone. The intent, just to, for Shawn Pharr, to go over
11 the sections today, and then we can ask questions, or should
12 we just include that in our comments?

13 MR. NAUMAN: Well, as I stated earlier -- Mark
14 Nauman, again -- the intent of these sessions are not to
15 provide a debate forum, but to give voice to the community
16 to be able to comment and provide input on their evaluation
17 and considerations that they would like us to take into
18 account.

19 MS. WHITEMAN: Okay.

20 MR. NAUMAN: So, you know, based upon that
21 procedure.

22 MS. WHITEMAN: I had a more of a, actually,
23 clarifying question about one of the changes. I wasn't sure
24 what the scope was, and so, and that might help inform the
25 comments that we actually submit. So I'm trying to

1 determine the best time to ask the question about the intent
2 of a particular proposed amendment.

3 MR. MANSOURI: Now, you're here. If you want to
4 ask, we can, we're glad to, you know, talk about that. Make
5 sure that it's --

6 MS. WHITEMAN: I'll quickly grab that for you. My
7 question goes to Section 4, which proposes to in part amend
8 Section 101.3.1, and strike the reference to R3. Is the
9 intent there to actually strike R4 and in subsection 1.3?

10 MR. NAUMAN: To strike subsection 1.3?

11 MS. WHITEMAN: Right. So, I'm looking at Section
12 4, Section 101.3.1, Residential Construction, and it's, the
13 recommendation is to delete the reference to R3. But, I
14 wasn't sure if the intent was also to actually strike the
15 reference to R4 in subsection 1.3.

16 MR. NAUMAN: All right, Mark Nauman again. Just
17 so that I'm clear on this, you're talking about R4
18 construction?

19 MS. WHITEMAN: Right. Because the R3 is in 1.2.

20 MR. NAUMAN: The code is only addressing R2, 3 and
21 4. So, we are removing R3 from that category, and retaining
22 R2 and R4.

23 MS. WHITEMAN: Okay. So, in essence striking 1.2,
24 but keeping paragraphs 1.1 and 1.3?

25 MR. NAUMAN: That's correct. That's the only

1 change out of that section.

2 MS. WHITEMAN: Okay. I had --

3 MR. MANSOURI: Could you state your organization
4 name? The lady, she was trying to get you.

5 MS. WHITEMAN: Oh sure. Again, my name is Nicola
6 Whiteman, when the Apartment and Office Building
7 Association. I'm here on behalf of Shawn Pharr, who
8 represents the organization in Montgomery County. I have a
9 few others, I'll got get my computer.

10 MR. KELLY: Okay.

11 MS. WHITEMAN: Thank you.

12 MR. KELLY: You need to come down to the
13 microphone, please.

14 MR. KAY: Can you hear me from here?

15 THE COURT REPORTER: I can hear you from there,
16 but you need to project.

17 MR. KELLY: The other people may not be able to.

18 MR. KAY: Two questions. Michael Kay, Department
19 of General Services. Two questions. We had reviewed the
20 IGCC last Summer. We had some recommendations and
21 suggestions. Were any of those incorporated into your
22 recommendations for adoption of the IGCC?

23 MR. NAUMAN: Well, that's actually a very good
24 question. And a lot of this is based upon the goals that
25 Montgomery County is trying to achieve over the next decade

1 or so. So, we are looking for a tempered roll out of this
2 ahead of the 2015 codes. The ICC hearings have already
3 taken place in Tennessee, and they, these will be finalized
4 in Florida in September of this year. So, we're not quite
5 sure of what the new codes are going to be presenting,
6 whether they're going to be more or less restrictive. But,
7 based upon, and you've not yet been made privy to all of the
8 proposed amendments. And as we move forward, I think you'll
9 see that a lot of your considerations have been taken into
10 account. But, once again, this is just a draft proposal.
11 We're still in the process of trying to digest all of the
12 input and commentary. And this will be used to create our
13 final version.

14 MR. KAY: And, if I may, my second question. I
15 just noticed, the definitions, have you looked, reviewed the
16 definitions? Because --

17 MR. NAUMAN: We have, each one.

18 MR. KAY: -- there's, for example, they define
19 impervious surface, which would be in conflict with Park and
20 Planning's definition of impervious surface, which is what
21 is currently being used through the County Code. So, is
22 this going to now be a potential revision to the term
23 impervious surface in how it's used throughout the County?

24 MS. SCHWARTZ JONES: No. This is Diane Schwartz
25 Jones. Mike, the definitions that we are employing up here

1 are going to relate to the building construction codes. How
2 definitions are used in other code provisions, we would need
3 to look at. So, if you're talking about whether it's
4 Chapter 19, whether it's how Park and Planning is looking at
5 it under Chapter 59, or any other provisions, there is staff
6 here from these other agencies. But, this purpose right now
7 is not to change the codes that are under the jurisdiction
8 and authority of other jurisdictions, but to work together.
9 There may be changes that ultimately flow from that.

10 MR. KAY: Okay.

11 MS. SCHWARTZ JONES: But that's a much more
12 complicated question than this.

13 MR. KAY: I know, that's why I'm bringing it up,
14 because that was one of the issues we had when, as we were
15 evaluating it.

16 MR. SCHWARTZ JONES: So, I think for the format of
17 this, we really would like to see you make comments on the
18 chapters that are in front of you. We've got all of your
19 omnibus comments, and you'll see as we roll out different
20 chapters. And if you've got more specific questions, we can
21 talk off-line about specific questions. But, I think it's
22 really important that as we're rolling out these proposed
23 amendments, that you all are looking at them. That you're
24 looking at what you think other amendments you might want to
25 see, and what you think of the amendments that we are

1 proposing. That would be extremely helpful so that we can
2 have this -- because it's an umbrella code, it's a fairly
3 large undertaking. In order to manage it in a way that
4 makes sense to everybody who's here to talk about these
5 chapters, I think that's the way we need to proceed. Okay?
6 Thank you.

7 MR. KAY: Thank you.

8 MR. NAUMAN: Any other questions, Mike?

9 MR. KAY: (No audible response.)

10 MR. NAUMAN: Mike, any other questions?

11 MR. KAY: No, I think I'll step back. Thank you.

12 (Discussion off the record.)

13 MS. EMMET: My name is Eileen Emmet. I'm an
14 architect with Montgomery County Department of Parks and, I
15 was also the co-chair of the AIA Potomac Valley Chapter's
16 task force that sent you recommendations last year, and
17 earlier this year. My question is, do you intend to do away
18 with the current green building law for Montgomery County
19 when you roll this International Green Construction Code
20 out?

21 MR. NAUMAN: Well, our intent is not to have
22 multiple codes. We're gearing toward a single code with
23 which is enforceable, adoptable, and has no vagaries as is
24 currently met with the LEED certification. There's a lot of
25 ambiguity in the review and acceptance process. And we are

1 looking to establish an actual baseline, as opposed to a
2 pick and choose rating menu. So, the answer to that would
3 be, the current law would be amended.

4 MS. EMMET: Okay. Now, my follow-up question, I
5 think Ralph Bennett alluded to this, is it your intent then
6 to have one code and not alternate compliance paths?

7 MR. NAUMAN: That's the direction that we're
8 currently headed, but that is still open for possible
9 consideration.

10 MS. EMMET: Would that mean that you would be
11 moving in the direction of the IGCC code over ASHRAE 189.1?

12 MR. NAUMAN: ASHRAE 189.1 is a component of the
13 IGCC. And as you'll note, that has not been stricken from
14 the language in our proposed amendments.

15 MS. EMMET: Thank you.

16 MR. NAUMAN: Okay, thank you.

17 MR. MANSOURI: Yes, ma'am?

18 MS. WHITEMAN: This is more of a follow-up
19 comment, I'm going to echo the, the gentleman's name from
20 AIA. Having gone through the District's process, which was
21 a long and deliberate process, where we were meeting weekly,
22 there might be some lessons learned there, that the County
23 may want to wish to look to or incorporate, given your
24 timeframe. There are, you know, some chapters they made
25 changes to, either because they were existing provisions

1 elsewhere in their code, hat may or may not be the situation
2 in Montgomery County. But now that they have a final code I
3 believe it was March 28th, they tweaked it with a
4 (indiscernible) on May 9th, but it was just a few sections,
5 actually one or two sections of the IGCC, most of the other
6 sections, that in essence you have a document that may be
7 helpful in terms of determining what your baseline is.

8 MR. NAUMAN: Thank you. To comment on that --
9 Mark Nauman, again -- we have been through the District
10 process from its inception. And we are familiar with their
11 finalized proposal. And just keep an eye out on our
12 website, and you'll note that we have made what would be
13 considered significant changes along the lines of deletions,
14 movement into Appendix A, that kind of stuff. So, I think
15 you'll see something positive in that response.

16 MS. WHITEMAN: Thank you.

17 MR. NAUMAN: Okay. Thank you.

18 MR. MANSOURI: Okay, any other? Yes?

19 MR. COFFEY: Dan Coffey with USGBC again. The one
20 comment about the ASHRAE 189.1. Do you want us to also
21 include our comments that relate to that, as well as the
22 IGCC? So there's, we've got specific IGCC comments, as well
23 as ASHRAE 189 comments?

24 MR. MANSOURI: That would be very helpful.

25 MR. COFFEY: Okay.

1 MR. NAUMAN: Yes, if I can further comment on
2 that. Mark Nauman, again. ASHRAE 189, since it is a
3 component of the code, we consider that to be an amendable
4 document as well. So, your input and comment would be very
5 helpful.

6 MR. COFFEY: Okay, great.

7 MR. NAUMAN: Anyone else?

8 MR. MANSOURI: Anybody here from, for signed up
9 for the next week? You are signed up for the next week?

10 MR. JETTER: We haven't sent it out yet.

11 MR. MANSOURI: You haven't sent it out yet?

12 MR. JETTER: No.

13 MR. NAUMAN: The next two sessions, I think, are
14 going to be critical to all of our stakeholders. So, I
15 would urge everybody to, if you don't attend the session, at
16 least peruse the code. Try to digest what's in there and
17 what we're proposing as an amendment to what's in the code.
18 And get it to us as soon as you can. There's no extreme
19 rush, but as has been alluded to, you can either send it
20 through SurveyMonkey, to Reggie, or to myself. And, once
21 again, I have business cards here. A lot of you folks
22 already have my address. So, feel free to call me, to
23 write, however you'd like to contact me.

24 MR. MANSOURI: Anything else you need to do before
25 closing? No.

1 MR. KELLY: No, thank you all very much,
2 appreciate it.

3 MR. MANSOURI: Thank you for coming. I'll see you
4 next week.

5 (Whereupon, at 2:23 p.m., the meeting was
6 adjourned.)

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