1. **Call to Order**
Chair Chuck Anastos called the meeting of the Review Committee to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. **Roll Call**
The Chair called the roll. A quorum was present.

**Present**
- Charles H. (Chuck) Anastos  Chair
- Bert Mijares, Jr.  Member
- Debra Dockery  Member

**TBAE Staff Present**
- Cathy L. Hendricks  Executive Director
- Scott Gibson  General Counsel
- Katherine Crain  Legal Assistant
- Michael Shirk  Managing Litigator
- Jack Stamps  Managing Investigator
- Steve Franz  Investigator

**Attendees**
- Raymond W. Stone, P.E. and Jeri Morey, Architect

3. **Public Comment**
None.

4. **Minutes – Approval of minutes of the April 5, 2012 meeting of the HB 2284 TBAE Review Committee**
A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED (Dockery/Mijares) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 5, 2012, MEETING. Ms. Dockery stated a comment on page 4 of the minutes attributed to her should be clarified. Regarding the authority to have textile on the walls, she said her statement should read textile “in this amount” is not permitted on the walls as portrayed in the plans for the project at issue. BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT, THE COMMITTEE ADOPTED THE AMENDMENT TO THE MINUTES AS DISCUSSED. THE MOTION AS AMENDED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **EXCEPTED ENGINEER PERMIT APPLICATIONS -- REVIEW AND ACT UPON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTED ENGINEER STATUS PURSUANT TO HB2284, 82nd LEGISLATURE:**
   - 067-12E – Raymond Stone, P.E.
Mr. Stone's application included plans for three projects he had designed: (1) Classroom Additions to Training Center for Contractor's Safety Council in Corpus Christi, Texas; (2) Social Security Building for Victoria, Texas; and (3) Cotulla Best Western Motel in Cotulla, Texas.

**Classroom Addition-Training Center for the Contractor's Safety Council.** – Ms. Dockery asked Mr. Stone about the fire rating of doors and walls in the corridors for the addition. The door schedule appears to specify a fire rating of 20 minutes. The plans do not specify the fire rating for walls in the corridors. Mr. Stone stated the doors and walls were adequately fire rated, according to his specifications, and the project passed building inspection. Ms. Dockery noted that the size of the project would eliminate any exemption from the requirement for an elevator but there is no elevator in the plans. Mr. Stone stated an elevator and a boardroom were installed in a subsequent project in the same building. Ms. Dockery noted the absence of a required guardrail on one of the elevation sheets. Mr. Stone stated that sheet depicted the pre-existing building and was outside of the scope of the project. Ms. Dockery asked about door 57 on the floor plan which appears to impede egress from offices. Mr. Stone stated he worked with the owner and the building officials to reach an agreement regarding that door. It is to remain open during business hours and act solely as security door which is closed only at night.

Mr. Mijares noted that the second floor restrooms are not accessible. Mr. Stone stated that restrooms as depicted on the plans are the pre-existing restrooms. During the project, the toilets were changed in the second floor restroom and the doors were moved to make them accessible. The project was inspected for compliance with accessibility standards and approved by TDLR.

The Chair noted the site plans and photos show there is no clear access for a person in a wheelchair to access the ramp without going behind cars. Mr. Stone stated a new entrance was added to the side of the building with clear access from disabled parking to the entrance.

**Social Security Building-City of Victoria** -- Mr. Dockery and Mr. Mijares stated they had no questions regarding the project. It is an open plan, government lease built to specification. The Chair noted that the building was identified as Type III construction. However, it appears from the plans that plywood was used in the exterior walls which is not allowed for Type III. Mr. Stone stated the Social Security Building was metal exterior. He stated he did not recall any wood used in the project other than incidental wood.

**Cotulla Best Western-City of Cotulla** -- Ms. Dockery noted that the floor plans do not match the photos. Mr. Stone said this was a unique Best Western because the owner wanted a ranch house look. He said that the downstairs rooms have exterior doors and a deep porch and the upstairs have no exterior doors. He suggested that Ms. Dockery might be looking at an upstairs floor plan and downstairs photos. Mr. Stone said the project owner received a variance from the Best Western headquarters for an additional elevator and alterations to the roof line.

Ms. Dockery asked about the accessible route which does not appear to be clearly defined from disabled parking to the front desk. Mr. Stone stated there is temporary parking under a porte cochere which provides access from temporary parking to the
front desk. He also noted the access from disabled parking to the rooms is well marked
and an elevator was added to the rear of the building to aid access.

The Chair noted the building is identified as Type III but there is combustible material in
the walls. Mr. Stone stated he always builds metal buildings and he might not have
corrected the plans to reflect the materials used.

Mr. Stone asked to address the Committee. The Chair, with the consent of the
Committee, allowed Mr. Stone the floor. Mr. Stone thanked the Committee for allowing
him to make his presentation regardless of the outcome of the meeting. He said he is
from Madison, Wisconsin, and attended church in a building designed by Frank Lloyd
Wright. While working for IBM, he visited Taliesin near Spring Green. He worked and
attended college in Chicago where he visited the Sears Tower and observed that the
elevators do not have cables but are moved by fans. He also visited other landmark
buildings in Chicago. He stated he has learned much over his life-long study of buildings.
He said that building design had been a lifelong passion for him and he has studied all
features of buildings. He stated he has practiced electrical, mechanical and structural
engineering. He learned a great deal about electrical engineering at IBM. But he was
displaced by technology and went back to school in 1974 and got a structural
engineering degree. He requested the Committee to add him to the list of engineers
exempt from the Architects’ Practice Act.

The Chair recognized Ms. Morey. Ms. Morey said she did a survey of building plans on
file with the City of Corpus Christi in 2007 to determine the rate of compliance with life-
safety codes. She reported Mr. Stone was the only engineer in Corpus Christi that did
not have any violations in his buildings.

A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED (Mijares/Dockery) TO APROVE THE
APPLICATION AND ADD RAYMOND W. STONE TO THE LIST OF EXCEPTED
ENGINEERS PURSUANT TO HB 2284. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Adjournment
A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED (Mijares/Dockery) TO ADJOURN THE
MEETING AT 8:58 A.M. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approved by the Committee:

CHARLES “CHUCK” H. ANASTOS, AIA
Chair of the HB2284 TBAE Review Committee
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