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City of Chicago  
Harold Washington, Mayor

Board of Ethics  
Harriet McCullough  
Executive Director

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Case Number 87090.E

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Dear [REDACTED]

Pursuant to your request, the Board of Ethics has reviewed Chapter 21, Section 25 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the ordinance which created the Mayor's Advisory Commission for Revising the Building Code, to determine whether the Commission's Board members will be required to file Statements of Financial Interests with the Board of Ethics.

Section 26.2-15 of the Ethics Ordinance states that appointed officials who serve on an agency that is "solely advisory in nature" are not required to file an annual Statement of Financial Interests. For an agency to be classified as "solely advisory in nature", it cannot have any authority to (1) make binding decisions, (2) enter into contracts or (3) make any expenditures other than those incurred for research purposes.

Based on a review of the information you have supplied and Chapter 21, Section 25 of the Municipal Code, it is the opinion of the Ethics Board that the Mayor's Advisory Commission for Revising the Building Code meets all three of the requirements necessary for classification as an agency that is "solely advisory in nature". We therefore exempt all of the Commission's Board members from the requirement of filing a Statement of Financial Interests.

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Sincerely,

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Chairman

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