

**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS  
EASTERN REGIONAL YOUNGER MEMBER COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION 2021-01  
RECOMMENDATION FOR LOCATION OF  
2023 EASTERN REGIONAL YOUNGER MEMBER COUNCIL**

**WHEREAS**, the Workshop for Section, Branch, and Institute Leaders (WSBL), Workshop for Student Chapter Leaders (WSCL), and the Eastern Regional Younger Member Council (ERYMC) have been held jointly since 1999; with the noted exception of 2021 when these events were held separately due to the COVID pandemic and,

**WHEREAS**, the planning for a joint meeting called the Regions 1, 2, 4, and 5 Multi-Region Leadership Conference (MRLC) for the WSBL, WSCL, and ERYMC, generally dictates a location be selected for the meeting two years in advance; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is very difficult to host an ERYMC in a location where there is not an active Younger Member Group (YMG); and,

**WHEREAS**, the ERYMC would like to provide recommendations on the location of the MRLC to consider the local YMG's ability to host the ERYMC meetings; and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2014 ERYMC was held in Indianapolis, IN (Region 4); and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 ERYMC was held in Miami, FL (Region 5); and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2016 ERYMC was held in Pittsburgh, PA (Region 2); and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2017 ERYMC was held in Newark, NJ (Region 1); and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2018 ERYMC was held in Buffalo, NY (Region 1); and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 ERYMC was held in Orlando, FL (Region 5); and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 ERYMC was held in Philadelphia, PA (Region 2); and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 ERYMC will be held virtually; and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 ERYMC will be held in Hartford, CT (Region 1); and,

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina - Eastern Branch has expressed interest in hosting the MRLC and ERYMC meetings, respectively.

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the ERYMC recommends the location of the 2023 ERYMC meetings to be held in Charlotte, NC (Region 4); and

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED** that the ERYMC requests that, if a location other than the recommended location is selected, it shall be where there is an active YMG willing and able to host.

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Secunder:

YES – XX, NO – XX, ABSTAIN – XX

Adopted on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021

Signed,

Katie Klose  
Business Meeting Chair, 2021 Eastern Regional Younger Member Council



**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS  
EASTERN REGIONAL YOUNGER MEMBER COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION 2021-02  
RECOMMENDATION FOR HOST YMG INVOLVEMENT IN MRLC HOTEL SELECTION**

**WHEREAS**, delegates from the ASCE Younger Member groups vote for a Section/Branch Younger Member group to host the regional conference; and,

**WHEREAS**, the local Younger Member group develops their bid and fundraising strategy to host with technical projects and local attractions preliminarily selected; and,

**WHEREAS**, the hotel selected by Society is frequently located at a distance from these technical projects and local attractions that increases travel time and costs, and,

**WHEREAS**, the local Younger Member group may be required to select different technical projects or local attractions from pre-planning discussions ultimately changing the conference as advertised to other Younger Member groups; and,

**WHEREAS**, ASCE values sustainability as an organization as shown through the development of Future World Vision and prioritizes sustainability for engineers within the ASCE Code of Ethics;

**WHEREAS**, increasing travel duration decreases conference sustainability, and,

**WHEREAS**, the local Younger Member group holds local knowledge of transportation limitations and public transportation options and feasibility, and,

**WHEREAS**, the selection of the location of the hotel disproportionately affects the conference activities of the younger member portion of the MRLCs which host more off-site excursions, and,

**WHEREAS**, the host Section/Branch Younger Member group currently has no part in the selection process for hotel, or hotel location;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Member Communities Committee (MCC) include the host Section/Branch Younger Member group in the preferred hotel selection process

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Secunder:

YES – XX, NO – XX, ABSTAIN – XX

Adopted on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021

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Business Meeting Chair, 2021 Eastern Regional Younger Member Council

**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS  
EASTERN REGIONAL YOUNGER MEMBER COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION 2021-03  
REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF VIRTUAL TOOLS**

**WHEREAS**, ASCE operations including meetings and events transitioned to virtual spaces during the COVID pandemic; and,

**WHEREAS**, virtual tools for successful implementation of ASCE activities, including, but not limited to, Zoom, Slack, Canva, Gather, Mural, and others, require paid subscriptions to provide the most value to our members and volunteers; and,

**WHEREAS**, budgets available to YMFs/YMGs, Students, and Committees vary greatly depending on the size of the group; and,

**WHEREAS**, these groups frequently depend on personal, educational, or corporate accounts to host and advertise events and meetings; and,

**WHEREAS**, purchasing individual subscriptions for each ASCE group and committee is not cost effective;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the ASCE Board of Direction evaluate organization-wide subscriptions or provide support to local groups to purchase subscriptions to virtual platforms crucial for continued member engagement.

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**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS  
EASTERN REGIONAL YOUNGER MEMBER COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION 2021-04  
RESOLUTION FOR RESPONSE TO MAJOR EVENTS**

**WHEREAS**, major events such as natural disasters and public health crises directly impact Society level and local events and member engagement; and,

**WHEREAS**, ASCE's guidance or decision to cancel or postpone events have been issued in a delayed timeline from the timing of events or not at all; and,

**WHEREAS**, this delay directly impacts attendee travel or local and committee decision making and event planning; and,

**WHEREAS**, local Younger Member groups, Sections, Branches, and Student Chapters recognize that the response to major events may be region-specific, but want to ensure the wellbeing of their members while maintaining engagement, but do not currently have clear guidance for decision making or planning in response to a major event;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the ASCE Board of Direction develop protocols and guidance to respond to major events impacting our members within a timely manner on a Society level and instruct Sections, Branches, Younger Member groups, Student Chapters, and committees on the appropriate protocol for making decisions regarding hosting events with or without existing statements from Society, if any.

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**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS  
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RESOLUTION 2021-05  
RESOLUTION FOR RESPONSE TO RACIAL INJUSTICE**

**WHEREAS**, the previous year has seen an increased number of actions garnering national attention perpetuating racial injustice; and,

**WHEREAS**, ASCE prioritizes diversity, equity, and inclusion of members as shown through Members of Society Advancing an Inclusive Culture (MOSAIC) as a Standing Board Committee; and,

**WHEREAS**, ASCE's updated Code of Ethics states that Engineers "treat all persons with respect, dignity, and fairness, and rejects all forms of discrimination and harassment"; and,

**WHEREAS**, ASCE's public statements supporting our communities have been issued in a delayed timeline from the timing of events or the widespread media condemnation or not at all; and,

**WHEREAS**, local Younger Member groups, Sections, Branches, and Student Chapters want to support their communities and condemn acts of discrimination, but do not currently have clear guidance for issuing these statements; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the ASCE Board of Direction develop protocols and guidance to respond to acts of racial injustice or major events impacting our communities within a timely manner on a Society level and instruct Sections, Branches, Younger Member Groups, and Student Chapters on the appropriate protocol for issuing statements on a local level with or without existing statements from Society, if any.

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