Urban Design Commission who is employed by, or has any ownership interest in, an entity which has entered into a contract with the City of Madison for any work on a building being built or expanded by the City, or has any other private pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in any such contract, shall be authorized to participate in any capacity in any official function in regard to that contract or to perform in regard to that contract any official function requiring the exercise of discretion on her/his part. (Cr. by ORD-09-00091, 8-1-09)

(Sec. 33.02(3) Am. by Ord. 10,281, 7-1-91)

(4) Powers And Duties.

- (a) General Powers and Duties. In addition to other duties specifically enumerated herein, in Chapter 31 (Sign Control Ordinance), and elsewhere in these ordinances, the Urban Design Commission (UDC) shall make recommendations to the City Plan Commission, Common Council and any other concerned commission on all matters referred or assigned to it under the provisions of this ordinance and other City ordinances. In addition, the Commission may provide advice and make recommendations concerning urban design problems at the request of any City department, agency, commission or division. (R. & Recr. by Ord. 5114, 9-3-75; Am. by Ord. 12,685, 9-25-00; ORD-09-00091, 8-1-09)
- (b) Planned Developments. The Urban Design Commission shall review the design of all proposed developments that are considered planned developments under provisions of the Zoning Ordinance (i.e., Secs. 28.07(4), (5), (6) and 28.12(11)(k)). In exercising this power, the commission shall be bound by the provisions of Secs. 28.07(4), (5) and (6) and Sec. 28.12(11)(k) and shall report its findings to the City Plan Commission and Common Council. (R. & Recr. by Ord. 5114, 9-3-75; Am. by ORD-05-00167, 11-8-05; ORD-09-00091, 8-1-09)
- (c) Rowhouses. The Urban Design Commission shall review the design of all proposed rowhouses. It shall ensure compliance with the requirements established in Section 28.08(5)(c)10. of the Madison General Ordinances and shall review the exterior design and appearance of all principal buildings or structures and the landscape plans of all rowhouses in relation to the standards established in Sec. 33.02(7) of these ordinances. It shall report its findings and recommendations to the City Plan Commission. (Cr. by Ord. 8516, 2-4-85)
- Review of Public Projects. The Urban Design Commission shall approve plans for all (d) buildings proposed to be built or expanded in the City by the State of Wisconsin, the University of Wisconsin, the City of Madison, Dane County, the Federal Government or any other local governmental entity which has the power to levy taxes on property located within the City. At least annually, the head of every City department, agency, commission or division responsible for major exterior alteration of new or existing public buildings and their related spaces (excluding any subterranean portions of such buildings), parks, or open spaces shall report to the Urban Design Commission those projects proposed for consideration in the capital budget and shall periodically report consideration of such additional projects that subsequently appear during the year. The Urban Design Commission shall provide advice and make recommendations to the responsible department, agency, commission or division on the design, appearance and aesthetics of each proposed project. All plans reviewed by the Urban Design Commission which are submitted to the Common Council for approval shall be accompanied by the report of the commission on the project. The commission shall report in writing to the City Plan Commission and the Common Council at least annually a summary of its recommendations on those projects it has reviewed. The commission need not prepare a detailed design analysis on such minor projects as it deems to have negligible effect on residual environment of the City, including but not limited to the design characteristics of street pavement. (Am. by Ord. 9978, 3-14-90; ORD-09-00091, 8-1-09)