



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Draft HOUSING POLICY COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 26, 2025

4:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Room 215
Madison Municipal Building

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Heather Allen called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm

Staff present: Planning Division Director Meagan Tuttle, Deputy Mayor for Housing and Sustainability Christie Baumel, Assistant Zoning Administrators Jenny Kirchgatter and Jacob Moskowitz, Heather Stouder, and Lauren Heiser-Ertel

Also present: Ald. Bill Tishler, District 11

Present: 6 - Will Ochowicz; Jillian B. Hayes; Michael P. Tarby; Laurel C. Noack; Heather Allen and Hannah L. Renfro

Excused: 2 - Julia Matthews and Paul R. Aylesworth

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ochowicz, seconded by Tarby, to Approve the May 22, 2025 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [88484](#) Public Comment June 26, 2025

Two public comments submitted via email regarding items 3-5.
Three registrants spoke in support of items 3-5.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2. [88311](#) Housing Policy Committee Role - Staff Presentation

Heather Stouder provided an overview of the role of the committee.

Note: Items 3, 4, and 5 were discussed together. Following a staff presentation and public comment, the Housing Policy Committee made separate motions and recommendations to the Plan Commission for each of the three items

3. [88736](#) Amending various tables within Chapter 28 of the Madison General Ordinances to permit two-family twin and two-unit buildings in all districts

where single-family dwellings are also allowed.

On a motion by Ochowicz, seconded by Noack, the Housing Policy Committee voted to return the zoning text amendment to the Plan Commission with a recommendation for approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Ochowicz, seconded by Noack, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the PLAN COMMISSION. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. [88735](#)

Amending Sections 28.135 and 16.23(6)(d) of the Madison General Ordinances related to Deep Residential Lots to facilitate easier development.

On a motion by Ochowicz, seconded by Tarby, the Housing Policy Committee voted to return the zoning text amendment to the Plan Commission with a recommendation for approval with the following amendments:

- change the minimum lot depth from 80' to 75'
- establish a standard 15' front yard setback for a backyard lot

The motion to recommend approval of the zoning text amendment with the above amendments passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Ochowicz, seconded by Tarby, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the PLAN COMMISSION. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5. [88737](#)

Amending Sections in Chapter 28 of the Madison General Ordinances related to Downtown and Urban Districts to allow more permitted uses within the districts.

On a motion by Tarby, seconded by Ochowicz, the Housing Policy Committee voted to return the zoning text amendment to the Plan Commission with a recommendation for approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Tarby, seconded by Ochowicz, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the PLAN COMMISSION. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ochowicz, seconded by Tarby, to Adjourn at 5:43 pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.