

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

AN ORDINANCE _____

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Amending Section 28.03(2) to add a definition of demolition and creating Section 28.12(12)(d)2. of the Madison General Ordinances to add an exemption for demolition permits.

RULES SUSPENSION
PUBLIC HEARING

NEEDS PUBLIC HEARING DATES

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Date: October 15, 2008

SPONSORS:

DRAFTER’S ANALYSIS: This amendment adds a definition of demolition to the zoning code and adds an exemption for a demolition permit where a building is damaged by natural disaster.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

1. Subsection (2) entitled “Definitions” of Section 28.03 entitled “Rules and Definitions” of the Madison General Ordinances is amended by amending or adding therein the following:

“Demolition. Demolition is an act or process that removes, pulls down, tears down, razes, or destroys seventy-five percent (75%) or more of the area of the exterior walls, or more than fifty percent (50%) of the area of the exterior walls if more than fifty percent (50%) of the existing square footage of the building will be added.”

2. Paragraph 2. of Subdivision (d) entitled “Exemptions” of Subsection (12) entitled “Approval of Demolition (Razing, Wrecking) and Removal” of Section 28.12 entitled “Administration and Enforcement” of the Madison General Ordinances is created to read as follows:

“2. Demolition or removal permits may be issued without the approval required in Subdivision (c) above whenever the subject building is being demolished due to damage by fire or other natural disaster and reconstructed to its previous condition.”

Approved as to form:

Michael P. May, City Attorney