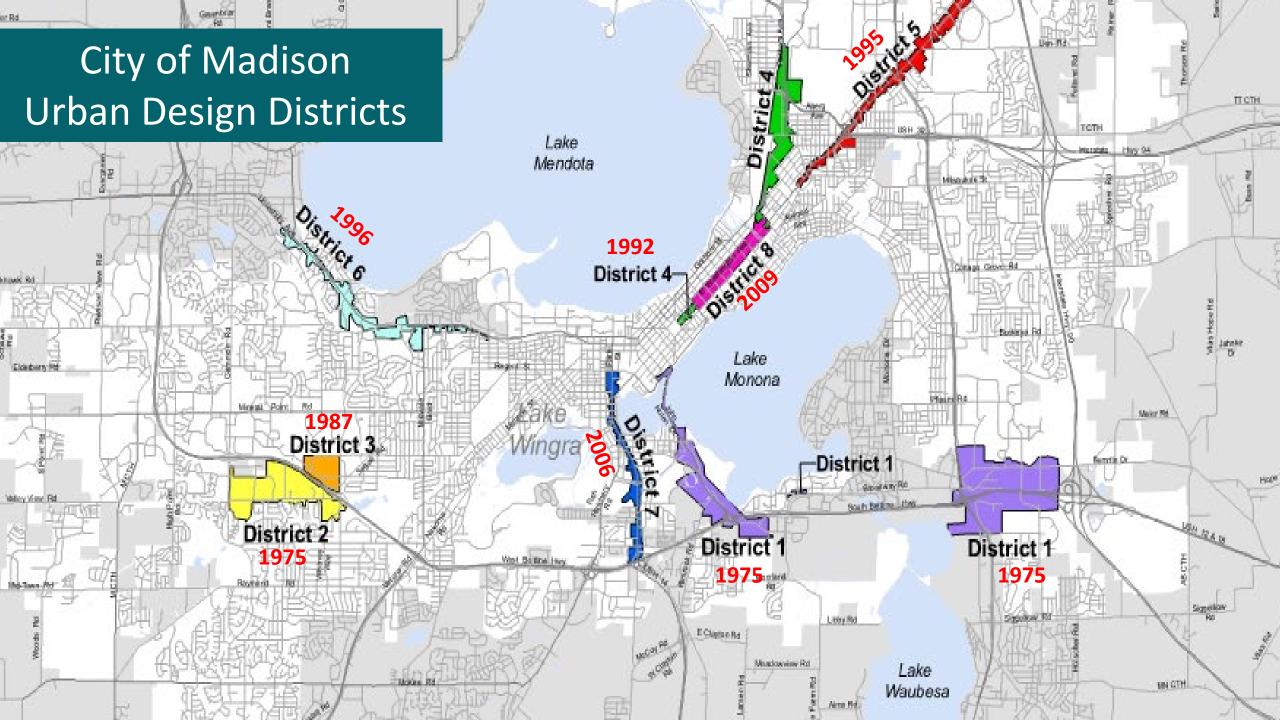


# Secretary's Update UDC Code Update Project 2.0

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## Project Refresher - Overall Project Goals

- Create clarity, consistency, transparency and flexibility in process
  - Remove barriers to housing
  - Incorporate flexibility into process
  - Clarify/expand administrative roles, procedures, and purview
  - Codify UDC review/approval process
  - <sup>-</sup> Clarify UDC's purview, especially when they are approving vs. advisory
  - Update policy and procedure manual

## Project Refresher - Overall Project Goals

- Align with current city policies, Zoning & Sign Codes, adopted plans
  - Remove redundancies, update antiquated language, incorporate current best practices, etc.
  - Update guidelines and requirements to align with current policies, including Complete Green Streets, TOD Overlay, Area Plans recommendations, Inclusiveness and Diversity, etc.
  - Analysis of district boundaries

## Retooling the Project - Identifying Key Urban Design Concepts

#### What are the city's urban design goals?

- What matters to you when you are walking down the street or enjoying a public space?
- Identification of key concepts are there other design aspects we want to influence?
- Are there design aspects that we <u>don't want</u> to influence?
- Should certain design concepts be required vs. guided?

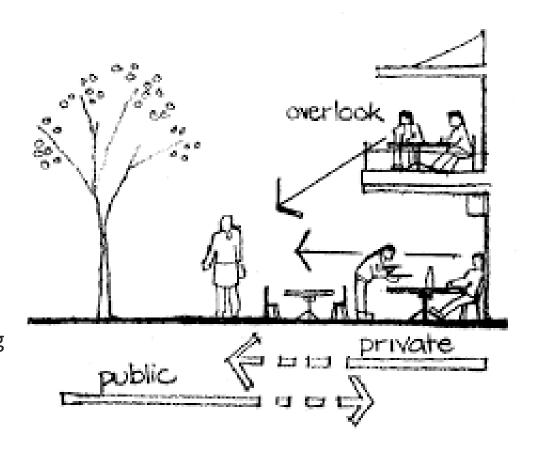
#### What areas of the city do we want to influence?

- City-wide?
- Targeted areas If so, how do we identify them?
- Are there different/unique key concepts for specific areas?
- Are there specific areas that we <u>do not</u> want to influence?
- Public spaces?

## What should we, as a city, be looking at?

#### **Key Urban Design Concepts**

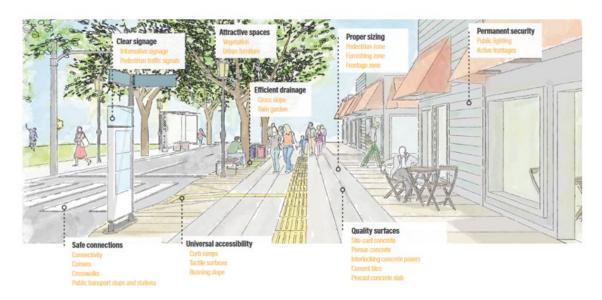
- Public/Private Interface
  - How buildings meet the street
  - Front porches/walk-up units
  - Opacity/transparency
  - Landscape
  - Site amenities
  - Connectivity
  - How the spaces between buildings are being used



## What should we, as a city, be looking at?

#### **Key Urban Design Concepts**

- Further Complete Green Streets Design Principles
  - Designing public/private interface for all users
  - Designing public/private interface to be flexible
  - Designing public/private interface to be contextually appropriate





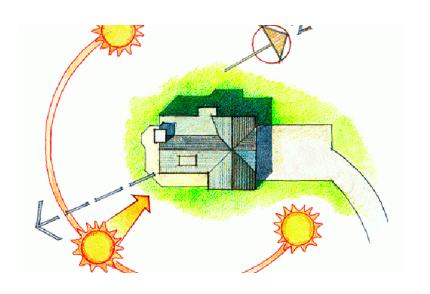


- Design quality in the built environment
  - First three stories
  - Pedestrian scale
  - Contextually appropriate mass and scale
  - Texture, color and articulation
  - Landscape
    - Encourage diversity in building design and type

## What should we, as a city, be looking at?

#### **Key Urban Design Concepts**

- Durable materials
  - Climate appropriate weather resistant
  - Style and form appropriate
  - Yes Metal, masonry, fiber cement/composite, wood
  - No Stucco, clay tile, reflective metal





- Sustainability
  - Siting of buildings on a site solar gain
  - Roof orientation
  - Shadow impacts to surrounding properties
  - Green infrastructure
  - Designing for the future heat and rain events, growth (i.e., popping tops and building additions)

### Retooling the Project - Questions & Topics

## How do the design goals (key urban design concepts) impact the project process?

- How do we build internal consensus on key concepts staff steering committee?
- How do we build external consensus on key concepts?
- Additional public outreach/engagement

#### Who needs to be involved in the continued discussion/project process?

- Other city agencies (i.e., Engineering, Transportation, Sustainability, BI, Zoning, etc.)
- Property owners
- Development partners
- Plan Commission and UDC

## Retooling – Project Timeline

#### **Summer 2025**

- Internal engagement to explore relationship between UDC Code and other city codes and processes
- Develop stakeholder/public engagement plan

#### Fall 2025

- Begin discussion about how and what to regulate, and
- Explore how those items relate to the UDC process/process refinements

#### Winter 2025 – Year End Deliverable

- Summary of input received (i.e., design goals, process)
- Staff recommendations for code changes (i.e., design standards, process, other opportunities)

#### First Quarter 2026

Introduce ordinance for legislative process

## Questions?