

## TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO LOBBY LAW COMPROMISE

The sponsors (Mayor Cieslewicz, Alders Van Rooy and Radomski) and supporters (Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Madison, Inc., and Small Business Advisory Council) of the Lobby Law compromise have agreed on the following technical amendments to the compromise. These amendments are meant to clarify certain issues raised in recent testimony before the Common Council Organizational Committee. The compromise is now pending before the CCOC as the Third Substitute Amendment, and is to be taken up by the CCOC on September 6, 2005.

1. Purpose: Solve the so-called “Wal-Mart” issue by restricting the employee exemption to employees of the Madison location of a multi-location business.

Proposed subsection (2) (d) is amended by adding the following at the end:

, provided, however, that for any business owner with business locations both within and without the City of Madison, any employee qualifying for the above exemption must be employed at the Madison location.

2. Purpose: Extend the exemption for single-family homeowners or duplex owners to hire experts if need to get variances, conditional uses or other zoning changes to improve the property, so it applies to initial construction on lots as well as other improvements.

Proposed subsection (3) (i) 2. c., would be modified to read as follows:

By a representative of the owner of an owner/occupied single family home or duplex, or of the owner of a lot on which the owner is to build an owner/occupied single family home or duplex, requesting a variance or other zoning change for improvements to the single family home or duplex or lot; or

3. Purpose: Clarify that CDBG or other city funds given in response to an RFP are subject to the lobbying registration and reporting requirements.

Proposed subsection (3) (k) 1. is amended to read as follows:

In seeking direct cash assistance from the City in the form of a loan, grant, TIF ~~assistance~~funding, or similar assistance (not including for this purpose the provision of goods or services directly to the City or a City agency) contracts for the purchase of goods or services by the City (except in response to City Requests for Proposals or Public Works contracts) in an amount greater than \$10,000 in a calendar year, or

4. Purpose: Clarify the commercial development that triggers a reporting requirement.

Proposed subsection (3) (k) 2. is amended to read as follows:

In seeking approval of any development or redevelopment as defined in MGO Sec. 20.04(8), located within the City of Madison, that is reasonably expected to include over 10,000 gross square feet in a non-residential building or buildings ~~commercial establishment~~, or ten (10) dwelling units.

These amendments drafted by Michael P. May, August 25, 2005.