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Subject: Zning Code Rewrite

Hi Dan,

Given your comment about the importance of including landmarks in the zoning code I'm concerned about the staff recommendation to remove reference to it from the draft zoning code.

While the zoning code we saw in the ZCRAC meetings and which we commented on includes a "Historic Preservation Landmark and District Overlays", and "Urban Design Overlay Districts" (28.106 and 28.107 in the new zoning code), staff are recommending that both the "Historic Preservation Landmark and District Overlays", and "Urban Design Overlay Districts" not be included in the zoning code. I think this weakens these districts. See page 19 of Memorandum 2:

<http://legistar.cityofmadison.com/attachments/64b74a53-9b8e-41ea-84d8-a098197fc0c8.pdf>

The draft zoning code we saw references back to chapter 33.19 while still specifically addressing both historic districts and landmarks as zoning overlays.

In addition, to date, the R6H zoning classification is not carried over into the new zoning code. As you know, the consultant and city staff said since downtown was not being addressed yet, they would not look at R6H. If it is not included in the code that will cause additional problems for MH. I am very concerned that, given the current climate, it will not be included in order to further weaken the district.

I request that the Landmarks Commission recommend that the "Historic Preservation Landmark and District Overlays" (28.106 of the draft code) remain in the new zoning code.

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