

## City of Madison Fire Department Position Statement


<b>Owner:</b> Beta Building Assoc. of Madison, Inc Bart Kocha	<b>Project Name:</b> Beta House Fire Escape Replacement	<b>Contact:</b> Scott Kammer Potter Lawson
<b>Address:</b> 622 Mendota Court Madison, WI 53703	<b>Building Location:</b> 622 Mendota Court	<b>Address:</b> 749 University Row Suite 300
<b>Owner Phone:</b> 262-210-7035 <b>Email:</b> bkocha@wi.rr.com	<b>Building Occupancy or Use:</b> Group R-2 Fraternity House	<b>Phone:</b> 608-274-2741 <b>Email:</b> scottk@potterlawson.com

**Rule Being Petitioned: IBC 1027.5 Exterior exit stairs minimum fire separation**

**I have read the application for variance and recommend:** (check appropriate box)

Approval     
  **Conditional Approval**     
  Denial     
  No Comment

- The project is replacing an existing failing fire escape.
- The new exterior exit stair will be safer for occupants to traverse providing better egress from the building.
- The building is protected with automatic fire sprinklers.
- MFD supports the variance based on the noted conditions above and requests that the sprinkler system be capable of wetting the interior glass surfaces at locations that could impact egress along the proposed exterior stair.

Name of Fire Chief or Designee (type or print) <b>Bill Sullivan, Fire Protection Engineer</b>	
City of Madison Fire Department 	Telephone Number 608-261-9658
Signature of Fire Chief or Designee	Date Signed September 3, 2021