



Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** Amending Section 28.084(3) of the Madison General Ordinances to reduce the usable open space in the Traditional Employment (TE) district from 160 sq. ft./ unit to 20 sq. ft./ bedroom.

**Sponsors:** Ledell Zellers, Scott J. Resnick

**Indexes:**

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**Attachments:** 1. BODY, 2. Staff Comments.pdf

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
1/7/2014	1	COMMON COUNCIL	Adopt and Close the Public Hearing	Pass
12/16/2013	1	PLAN COMMISSION	RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - PUBLIC HEARING	
12/3/2013	1	COMMON COUNCIL	Referred for Public Hearing	
11/22/2013	1	Attorney's Office/Approval Group	Referred for Introduction	

**Fiscal Note**

No appropriation is required.

**Title**

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**Body**

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: In the TE district the high usable open space requirement of 160 square feet per unit prevents adaptive re-use of existing buildings in urban areas with limited setback. In addition, it is difficult to create quality usable open space above grade in such areas, meaning that the letter of the ordinance might be met, but the intent is not. This amendment reduces the usable open space requirement in the TE District to 20 square feet per bedroom.

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The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:  
The "BODY" can be found in Attachments.