



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

No expenditure is required.

Title

Amending 10.056(4)(c), regarding the method of counting 75% of signatures of residents for purposes of a petition for certain street use permits, and clarifying which types of street closures require a petition.

Body

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: Currently, for certain types of Street Use Permits, the applicant must have a petition signed by 75% of all adults residing along the street to be closed. The petition requirement only applies to street closures for small events of 1-2 blocks, on streets of 25 mph or less. The current ordinance requires the applicant and the staff to know the exact number of adults living in each household to determine whether 75% has been reached. This ordinance changes that requirement so the applicant needs the signature of just one adult from each residential dwelling or non-residential occupancy. Only those with a street address on the portion of the street to be closed are counted. Each household or non-residential occupancy gets one "vote" in order to reach 75%. The amendment also removes the word "residential" to eliminate confusion over which types of street closures require a petition. The petition will only be required for events off the Mall/Concourse, held on "local" streets - which for purposes of this ordinance, are defined as a street with a speed limit of 25 mph or slower.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

Subdivision (c) entitled "Petition Required for Certain Events on Local, Residential Streets" of Subsection (4) entitled "Application" of Section 10.056 entitled "Street Use Permit" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"(c) Petition Required for Certain Events on Local, Residential Streets. It is in the public interest to dedicate and use non Mall/Concourse local, ~~residential~~ streets for neighborhood-centered activities. If the application is for the use of not more than two (2) blocks of a ~~residential~~ non Mall/Concourse local street (defined as a street with a speed limit of twenty-five (25) miles per hour or less), the application shall be accompanied by a petition designating the proposed area of the street to be used, the date and times of the proposed use, and the petition shall be signed by an adult resident or occupant over the age of eighteen (18) of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the residents over eighteen (18) years of age residing along all residential dwelling units and non-residential occupancies with a street address on that portion of the street designated for the proposed use. The petition form shall be included with the permit application and completed petitions shall be verified."