



Legislation Text

File #: 70641, Version: 1

Fiscal Note

No City appropriation required.

Title

Amending Sections 41.02, 41.03(5), 41.05, 41.11, 41.14(2)(b) and (c), 41.14(3), 41.15(1), 41.18(3); and Repealing and Recreating Subchapter 41G of the Madison General Ordinances.

Body

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance constitutes the second phase of a comprehensive revision of the landmarks ordinance. The Common Council created the Landmarks Ordinance Review Committee (LORC) in 2014 for the sole purpose of reviewing and drafting the first comprehensive revision to the ordinance. The work of LORC consisted of two phases (LORC 1 and LORC 2). LORC 1 restructured the ordinance, updated administrative provisions, introduced the demolition by neglect process, and specified how to review proposed work affected the 182 designated landmarks. That work was completed and adopted by Council in 2015. LORC 2 was tasked with updating the process for how the Landmarks Commission conducts project reviews in the City's five historic districts.

Under this proposed ordinance, consistent standards and procedures are proposed across the City's five historic districts. The individual historic district sections are repealed and a subchapter on historic districts standards is created. Instead of geographically individualized preservation practices, the standards for maintenance, repairs, alterations, additions, and new structures will be universal. A section on the safe management of lead paint is added to address community concerns about the prevalence of lead paint in historic structures. Finally, this ordinance contains other edits including gender neutral pronouns and consistent definitions between zoning and historic preservation.

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

See file 70641 Body in Attachments