



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

No appropriation is required.

Title

Amending Section 28.060(2)(d)1. of the Madison General Ordinances to allow spandrel glass on up to 20% of the required building opening in mixed-use and commercial districts.

Body

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: Spandrel glass is a non-transparent glass often used on buildings to provide the appearance of large glass windows while disguising unattractive structural elements of a building. In mixed-use and commercial districts, the zoning code allows spandrel glass only on service areas of buildings. This amendment will allow spandrel glass on all sides of a building in the mixed-use and commercial districts, so long as it covers no more than 20% of the required area for door, window, and other openings.

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

Paragraph 1. of Subdivision (d) entitled "Door and/or Window Openings" of Subsection (2) entitled "Design Standards" of Section 28.060 entitled "General Provisions for Mixed-Use and Commercial Districts" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"1. Glass on windows and doors shall be clear or slightly tinted, allowing views into and out of the interior. Spandrel glass that mimics the appearance of windows may be used on service areas of the building for up to twenty percent (20%) of the required area of the openings."