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Title: Amending Sections within Chapter 28 of the Madison General Ordinances to allow reduced rear setback if adjacent to publicly-owned multi-use path.

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Attachments: 1. 90908 Body, 2. Zoning Text Memo 12-15-25 Rear Setback Multi-Use and Setback Clarification Simplification.pdf, 3. Public Comment 12-14-25.pdf, 4. 011326_CC_public_comment.pdf

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1/13/2026	1	COMMON COUNCIL	Adopt and Close the Public Hearing	Pass
12/15/2025	1	PLAN COMMISSION	RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - PUBLIC HEARING	Pass
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11/17/2025	1	Attorney's Office	Referred for Introduction	

Fiscal Note

No City appropriation required.

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Body

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This proposed set of Zoning Code amendments changes several sections of Madison General Ordinances Chapter 28 to allow for a reduced rear setback when adjacent to a public multi-use path. In those cases, the rear setback is proposed to be five (5) feet. One example of a publicly-owned multi-use path is a bike path. In addition, the code is amended to clarify that "side yard setback" is "street side yard setback" to help with ordinance comprehension; no substantive change to setback distance or intent of the standard is proposed. A side yard setback of 5' where proposed buildings or abutting buildings have window openings inside wall(s) that are within 6 feet of lot line is removed to allow building code to control required setback in these circumstances.

Please see Legistar File No. 90908 Body in Attachments.