



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."