

CHAPTER 311 SECURE STRUCTURE PLANS

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311-1. Purpose. By reason of the existing and increasing possibility of the occurrence of disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from enemy attacks, sabotage or other hostile action, it is the intent of the common council by enactment of this chapter to protect lives and property and to preserve the peace, health, safety, and general welfare of the public.

311-3. Definitions. In this chapter:

1. **DEPARTMENT** means the department in which the plans were originally submitted or are currently retained.

2. **PLANS** means construction plans, designs, specifications and related materials filed with a city department concerning a structure.

3. **SECURE STRUCTURE** means a building or other structure of a type, which the department, city, county or state determines to have extraordinary security requirements, including but not limited to structures used:

a. For the safekeeping of large sums of money, negotiable instruments, securities or other valuables.

b. As a jail, correctional facility or other secure facility for persons in detention.

c. For the safekeeping or evaluation of evidence in criminal proceedings or investigations.

d. For the safekeeping of weapons, ordnance or explosives.

e. In the generation, transmission or distribution of electric power, fuels or communication.

f. As a fire department or hospital facility.

g. For the purposes of municipal government, including but not limited to water distribution pumping stations.

h. For the purposes of state or federal government.

i. For the facilitating of a large number of people, including but not limited to museums and sports venues.

j. As transportation facilities.

311-5. Inspection or Copying of Plans.

1. **APPLICATION.** Pursuant to s. 101.12 (5)(b), Wis. Stats., as amended, a person requesting to inspect or copy plans shall submit a written application identifying the structure or proposed structure whose plans are sought to be inspected or copied, providing the full name and address of the requestor and stating that any information obtained from the inspection or copying will not be used for any unlawful or unfair competitive purposes and that the information set forth in the application is true and accurate.

2. **RESTRICTION.** Pursuant to s. 101.12 (5)(c), Wis. Stats., as amended, if a submitted application requests inspection or copying of plans for any secure structure or proposed secure structure, the department shall consider the information supplied in the application and weigh the possible harm to the public interest which may result from permitting inspection and copying of the plans against the benefits of allowing such inspection or copying. If the department determines that the possible harm to the public interest outweighs the benefit to the requestor and to the public interest of allowing such inspection or copying, it may deny the application or grant it upon such conditions as it determines are necessary to protect the public interest.

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