

May 18, 2007

The Honorable
Members of the Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to s. 295-307-7-b of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, the Zoning Code Technical Committee, on May 16, 2007, reviewed Common Council File Number 070160, an ordinance relating to required board of zoning appeals findings for the granting of special use permits.

Based on this review, the committee found as follows:

With respect to legality and enforceability, the City Attorney's representative on the Committee stated that the proposed ordinance faces significant difficulty and that, if the proposal is referred to his office, additional research will be needed for issuance of a legal opinion.

With respect to administration efficiency, although the proposed ordinance may not necessarily increase the Board of Zoning Appeals' caseload, it might potentially increase the processing time due to additional staff time and longer hearings.

With respect to consistency with the format of the zoning code, the proposed ordinance meets this standard.

Respectfully Submitted,

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