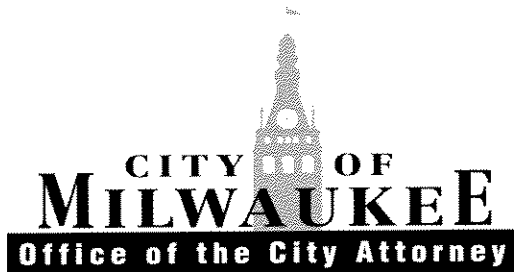


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Re: Proposed revision to Section 80-10, Milwaukee Code of Ordinances

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a draft of a proposed revision to Section 80-10 (Chronic Nuisance Premises), Milwaukee Code of Ordinances prepared by this office with considerable input from the Milwaukee Police Department and the Department of Neighborhood Services. We respectfully request that you consider this proposed revision.

The City Attorney's Office is proposing this revision to streamline the procedure, based on experience since its enactment, and to resolve certain ambiguities that have arisen at the Administrative Review Appeals Board. The revisions include:

- Modifying the definition of "nuisance activity" to include crimes of violence, crimes involving illegal possession of firearms, the possession of counterfeit items and the possession and delivery of drug paraphernalia.
- Modifying the definition of "a person associated with the premises" to specifically exclude a person present on the premises (e.g., a trespasser).
- Adding a definition of "Chief of Police."
- Permitting the use of the code for additional activities that occur more than twice within one year.
- Requiring the police department to include examples of nuisance abatement measures during the initial nuisance notice.
- Providing for appeal to the Administrative Review Board upon receipt of the initial nuisance notice letter.

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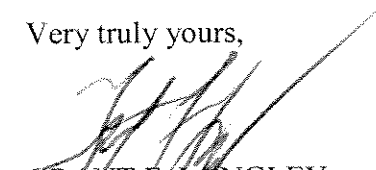
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- Creating a subsection outlining the owner's responsibilities for complying with the ordinance.
- Clarifying the police timeframe in which to respond to an owner's response or lack of response to the nuisance notice.
- Establishing a timeframe of one year in which the property owner and the police department may invoke the code.
- Streamlining the procedure for the issuance of the chronic nuisance premises citation.
- Permitting the issuance and re-issuance of nuisance notices without limitation.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact Assistant City Attorneys Adam B. Stephens or Eloisa DeLeón for clarification.

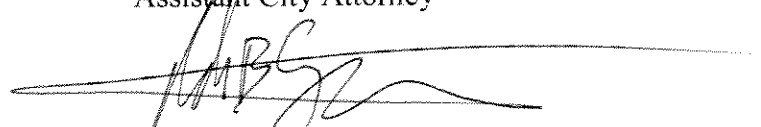
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