

July 13, 2009

To the Honorable Common Council
Zoning, Neighborhoods and
Development Committee
City of Milwaukee

Dear Committee Members:

File No. 081661 relates to off-street parking requirements for day care centers. Proposed Substitute A requires a day care center to provide one off-street parking space for every 2 peak-shift employees, as well as one space for every 15 persons for which the facility is licensed to provide care. This requirement shall not apply to:

1. A licensed day care facility in a dwelling unit where care is provided to 8 or fewer children per shift.
2. A day care center located in a building containing an elementary or secondary school, religious assembly, community center, cultural institution or library as a principal use.
3. A day care center in operation on the effective date of this ordinance.

The Zoning Code Technical Committee (ZCTC) met on April 22, 2009 and reviewed the original ordinance. ZCTC moved that the original ordinance be re-drafted to address several conditions. The above text was redrafted as a result of ZCTC's comments.

On July 13, 2009, a public hearing was held, and at that time the Dept. of Public Works requested that credits be given for on-street parking spaces and for van service offered by the day cares. However, based on Alderman Bohl's testimony, the City Plan Commission decided to keep Proposed Substitute A as it is currently written.

Since the proposed Substitute A meets the standards of legality, enforceability, administrative efficiency, and consistency with the zoning code, the City Plan Commission at its regular meeting on July 13, 2009, recommended approval of the file.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux
Executive Secretary
City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

c: E. Richardson