July 20, 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 July 18, 2007, reviewed Common Council File Number 070453, an ordinance relating to regulations for home occupations.

Based on this review, the Committee found as follows:

- With respect to legality and enforceability, the City Attorney's
 representative on the Committee indicated certain legal issues in the
 original version of the proposed ordinance. However, the ordinance could
 meet this standard if it were revised and a sufficient legislative record
 were developed at the Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development
 Committee meeting to establish the need for this ordinance.
- With respect to administration efficiency, the proposed ordinance meets this standard.
- With respect to consistency with the format of the zoning code, the proposed ordinance meets this standard.

The Committee, including the requestor of the proposed ordinance (Department of Neighborhood Services), also agreed that a new proposed ordinance should be developed to address the City Attorney's concerns and reflect comments and suggestions from other Committee members. Attached is a copy of the new proposed substitute ordinance for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

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