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Meeting Date: 11/26/91

C o u n t y C o u n c i l

Requester: WI

Item Title: An Ordinance to permit a catering business
as a home occupation under certain
circumstances

Sponsors WI

Date Presented 10/15/91 **Executive Action** ___/___/___
Committee Referral (1) 10/15/91 P&Z **Effective Date** 12/31/91 —
Committee Action (1) 10/28/91 NR(A)
Date Introduced 11/5/91
Pub. Hearing Date (1) 11/26/91 1:30 PM

Council Action (1) 11/26/91 Enacted
Council Votes CA: N_, B_: N_, C_: A_, D_: N_, F_: A_, MC: N_,
M_: A_, P_: A_, WI: A_, ___: ___, ___: ___, ___: ___
Pass/Fail P

Remarks _____

Joyce B. Nichols, Prin. **Resource**
Drafter: Cnsl. to Dist. Council **Personnel:**

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 10/28/91

Committee Vote: No recommendation as amended, 5-3 (In favor: Council Members Bell, Casula, Fletcher, Mills and Wineland; in opposition: Council Members Castaldi, Del Giudice and MacKinnon).

The sponsor explained the purpose of this legislation, which is to allow a small catering operation within a home and an accessory building on a large tract of land. The Planning Board supports the legislation, with amendments that would limit the operation to the confines of the dwelling unit and restrict it to inhabitants of the dwelling only. These amendments were not acceptable to the sponsor.

Bill Thornton, representing the Southlawn Citizen's Association, spoke in opposition to the legislation, citing loss of property values,

parking problems, and the negative impact of this type of use on surrounding residences. He requested that a Special Exception provision be considered.

Several amendments were considered and defeated, and the legislation was reported out with no recommendation with an amendment requiring that the property be located on at least ten contiguous acres.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

Currently, the Zoning Ordinance does not permit a catering business to operate as a home occupation. This bill would permit the operation of a catering business, under certain circumstances, to be classified as a home occupation. The catering business may operate either in the primary residence or in an accessory structure.