

CADDO PARISH PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

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23-8-CTAP AMENDMENT DETAILS

The Caddo Parish Unified Development Code (UDC) undergoes regular review to ensure that the Code promotes sound, stable, and desirable development to correct errors in the text or to accommodate changed or changing conditions in a particular area. Periodically, revisions are required to reflect the changing nature of business in our community. These proposed amendments will be intended to be more user-friendly, concerning various housekeeping and corrective changes due to oversight, contradictions, or missing items.

Staff is requesting the Caddo Parish UDC be amended as follows: [strikeout indicates deleted text, underline indicates added text].

 Amend the existing definition of "Dwelling—Accessory Dwelling Unit" in ARTICLE 5. USES, SECTION 5.3. USE DEFINITIONS in the Caddo Parish UDC.

5.3 USE DEFINITIONS

Dwelling—Accessory Dwelling Unit. An additional dwelling unit associated with and incidental to a principal single family - detached or attached or two-family dwelling on the same lot. An accessory dwelling unit must include separate cooking and sanitary facilities, with its own legal means of ingress and egress, and is a complete, separate dwelling unit. The accessory dwelling unit must be within or attached to the principal dwelling unit structure or within a detached accessory structure such as a garage or carriage house, and designed so that the appearance of the principal structure remains that of a single-family residence. A dwelling unit is considered detached despite an intervening attached structure or shelter that is not enclosed.

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Amend use standard "Dwelling—Accessory Dwelling Unit" in ARTICLE 6. USE STANDARDS, SECTION 6.1. PRINCIPAL USE STANDARDS in the Caddo Parish UDC. Re-number all subsequent provisions within the use standard accordingly.

6.1 USE STANDARDS

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O. Dwelling—Accessory Dwelling Unit

- 1. Accessory dwelling units shall have their own legal means of ingress and egress and function as a complete separate dwelling unit.
- 2. Accessory dwelling units shall include permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking (i.e., stove, refrigerator, and sink) and sanitation (i.e., bathroom that includes sink, toilet and shower or bathtub).
- 3. Accessory dwelling units may be attached to or added within the principal dwelling unit or an existing accessory structure such as a detached garage or carriage house.
- 4. Accessory dwelling units may be completely detached from the principal dwelling unit. A dwelling unit is considered detached despite an intervening attached structure or shelter that is not enclosed.
- Detached accessory dwelling units may be constructed from freight containers or other prefabricated structures and shall be compliant with all applicable building codes including but not limited to the International Residential Code.
- 6. Accessory dwelling units shall be visually subordinate to the principal dwelling unit. If the unit is located within an existing dwelling unit, there may be only one main entrance located on the primary street facing façade unless the façade already incorporated more than one entrance before the accessory dwelling unit was proposed.
- 7. Manufactured Homes may be used as accessory dwelling units provided that they are allowed in the zoning district or special approval is obtained to allow the use.



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- 8. Detached accessory dwelling units that are visible from a public right-of-way shall contain windows, doors, or other significant architectural features on the visible façade.
- 4.9. No more than one accessory dwelling unit is allowed per lot. Where permitted, the accessory dwelling unit does not count toward the maximum number of dwelling units on a lot, including when the accessory dwelling unit is located in a detached structure.
- 2-10. A detached accessory dwelling unit may not exceed the height of the principal dwelling, may not exceed a gross floor area of 60% of the gross floor area of the principal dwelling or 1,800 square feet, whichever is less.
- 3-11. Detached accessory dwelling units may only be located in the rear yard. Detached accessory dwelling units must be located five feet from any lot line and shall be at least ten (10) feet from any principal building.
- **4.12.** No additional parking is required for an accessory dwelling unit. Required parking for the principal structure must be maintained.