ACCESSORY STRUCTURES & DWELLING UNITS

Ordinance Update - Orange County Code Chapter 38

Orange County
Board of County Commissioners
Adoption Public Hearing



October 22, 2019

ORANGE COUNTY PLANNING DIVISION

PLANNING, ENVIRONMENTAL & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Presentation Outline

- Purpose & Background
- PZC Recommendations
- Board-Directed Changes
- Additional Staff Cleanup
- Requested Action



Purpose & Background

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Accessory Structure & ADU Standards Update

- 1. To consolidate Accessory Structure and Accessory Dwelling Unit provisions
- 2. To refine associated performance standards
- 3. To reduce ADU code barriers countywide and increase housing options with more diverse product types

Background

Meetings Timeline

2019

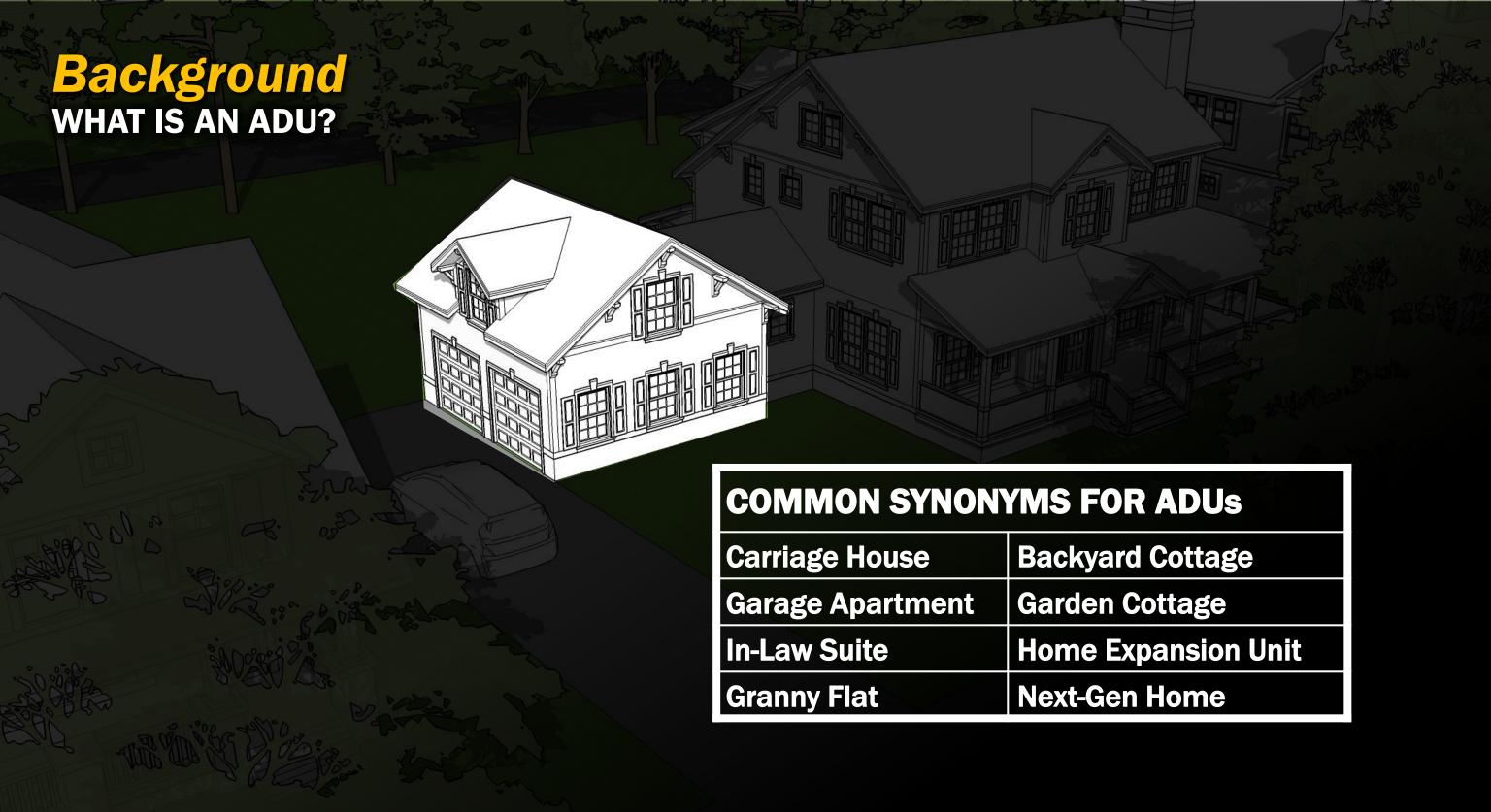
June 18 BCC Work Session

August 15 Planning & Zoning Commission

September 24 1st BCC Public Hearing

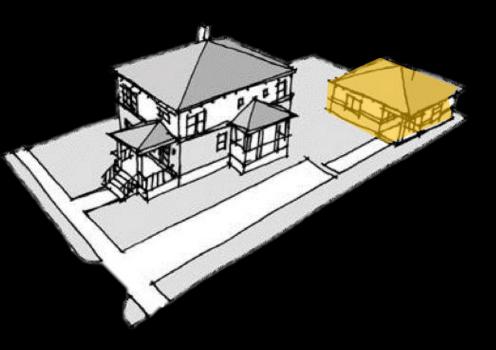
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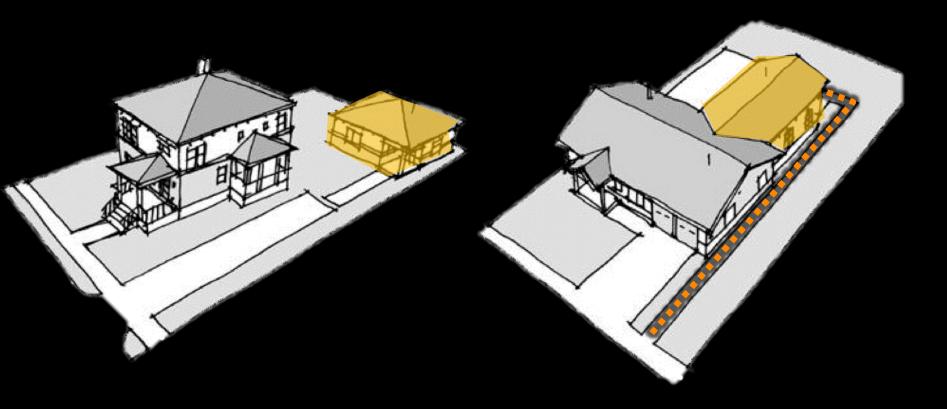
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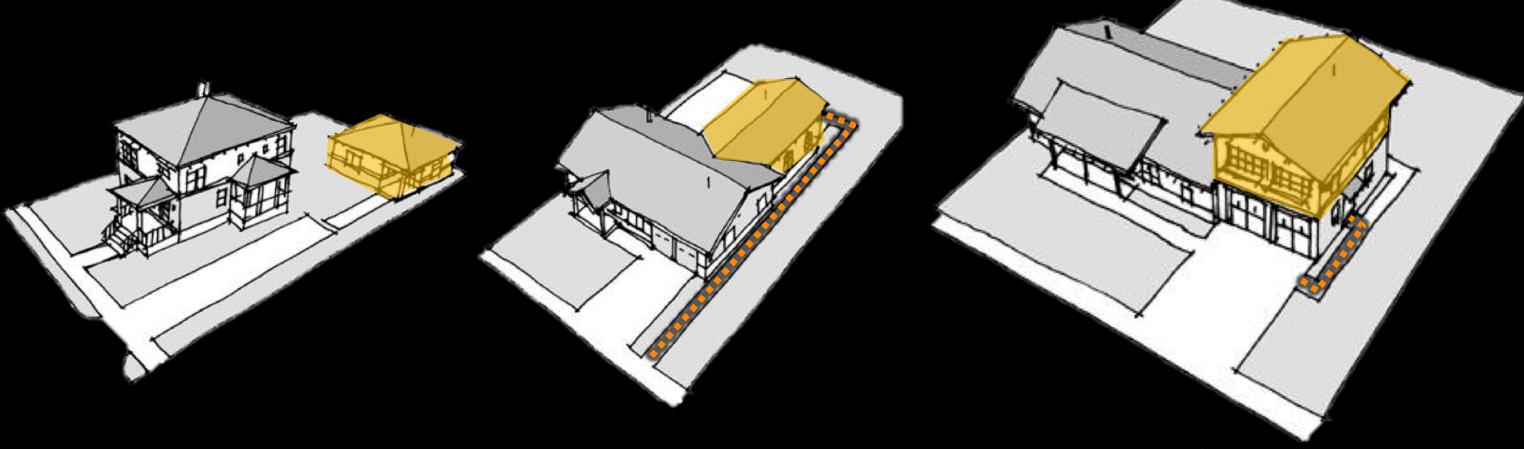
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- Direct Access from Driveway

Background EXISTING ADU CODE

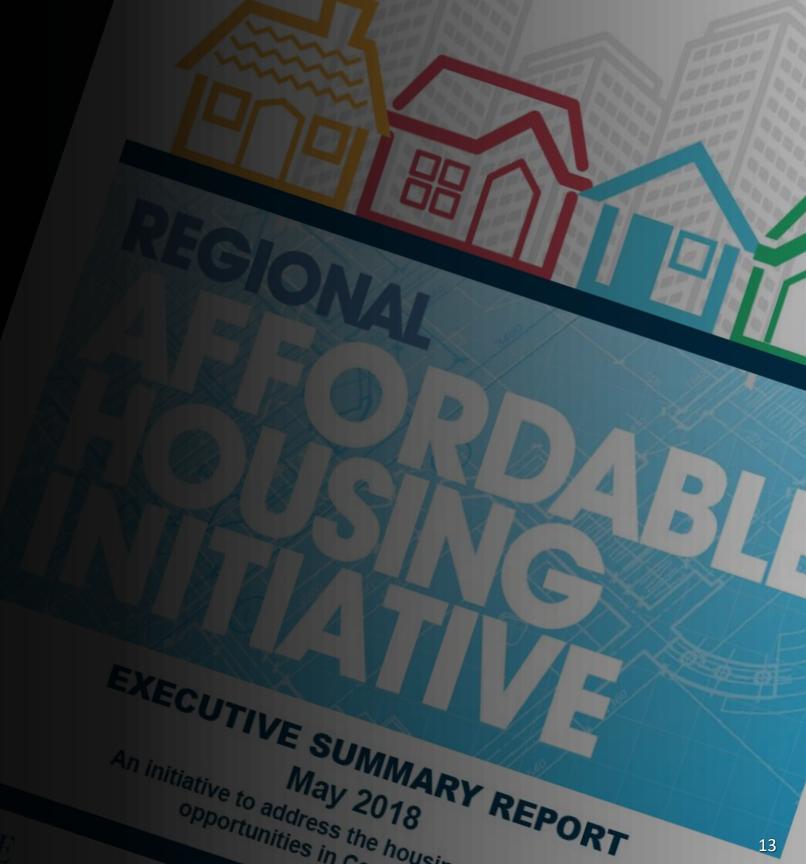
Application Process / Requirements (Sec. 38-1426):

- Special Exception approval by the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA):
 - Considered in 19 residential / mixed-use zoning districts
 - Includes submittal of site plan, floor plan, elevations, etc., and \$652 fee
 - 2 ½ 3 month review process
- Subject to multi-family impact fees (~\$9,000)
- Detached ADUs require lots to be 50% larger than District minimum
- Lots must be homesteaded
- Primary residence or the ADU required to be owner-occupied at all times
- Often limited to family members only (for first 3 years)
- Subject to 1 additional parking space
- Only 1 ADU allowed per single family residential lot

BackgroundRAHI and HOUSING for ALL

1. Regional Affordable Housing Initiative (RAHI)
Executive Summary Report
2016 - 2018

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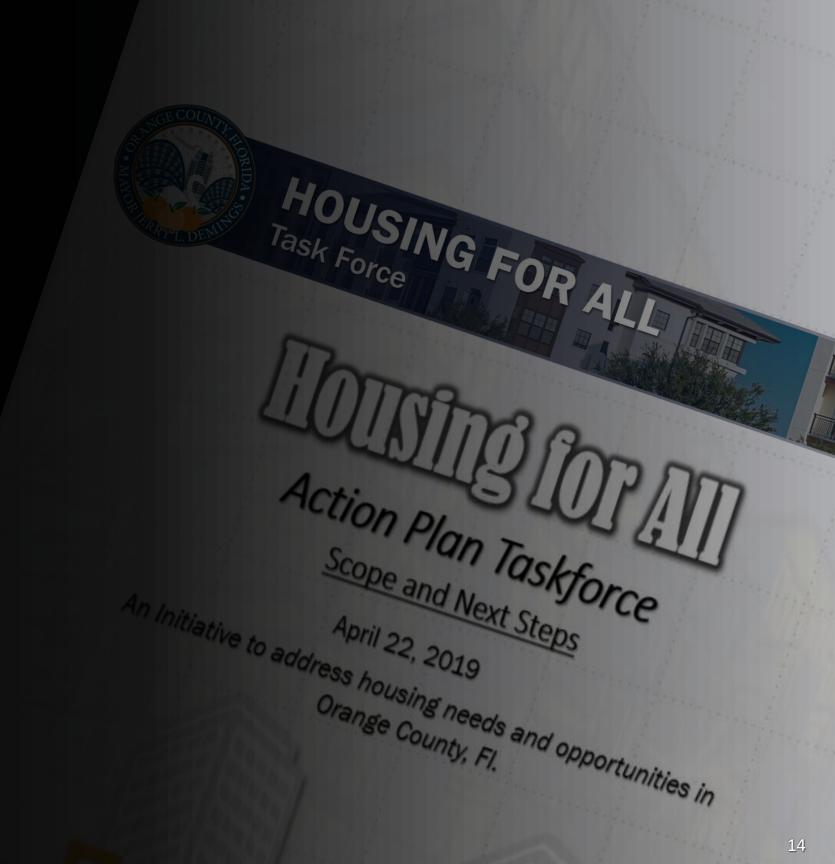
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- 2. Housing for All Task Force April 2019 Present
 - Comprised of 3 Subcommittees
 - Prioritize & Define Action Items
 - Forward Recommendations to BCC



PZC Recommendations

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PROPOSED CHANGES

1. Consolidate Accessory Structure and ADU Standards

- 2. Revise, Delete, or Add Definitions (Sec. 38-1) Pages 1 2
 - Accessory Structure (Page 1 Line 28)
 - Accessory Dwelling Unit (Page 2 Line 40)
 - Guest House (Page 2 Line 56)
 - Kitchen (Page 2 Line 63)
 - Wet Bar (Page 2 Line 73)

3. Accessory Structure Standards

Cumulative Size Limits

500 sf or 10% of net land area, not to exceed 3,000 sf Parcels >2 acres may exceed 3,000 sf through Special Exception

Note: Essentially tying sq. ft. to the size of the lot,

as opposed to zoning district designation or size of the primary unit

Maximum Heights

15' (no change) or 25' when a 2:12 or greater sloped roof is provided

Minimum Setbacks

- ≤ 15' high structures: All setbacks reduced from 10-ft. to 5-ft.
- > 15' high structures: 10-ft. rear (no change) / District min. side

4. ADU Standards

- Permit ADUs by right in agricultural, residential, mixed-use and PD zoning districts, in conjunction with a single-family dwelling unit (Including Rural Settlements & Rural Residential Enclaves)
- Eliminate "family-member only" reference to ADUs
- Eliminate requirement that the property be homesteaded, and that primary unit or ADU be "owner-occupied"
- Eliminate minimum living area (sq. ft.) requirement, and increase maximum living area allowance from 45% to 50% of primary unit (not to exceed 1,000 sf / or 1,500 sf with parcels >2 acres)

4. ADU Standards

- Modify side setbacks for detached ADUs in most single-family districts from 10' to that allowed by District
- Reduce rear setbacks for 1-story detached ADUs from 10' to 5'; and increase rear setbacks for 2-story detached ADUs from 10' to 15'
- Increase maximum building heights for detached ADUs from 15' – 20' to that allowed by District

11. Revise Use Table (Sec. 38-77): "Exhibit A"

Uses Per Zoning Code	SIC Group	Land Use	Λ-1	A-2	A-R	RCE-5	RCE-2	RCE	R-1AAAA	R-1AAA	R-1AA	R-1A	R-1	R-2	R-3	RCECluster	RT	RT-1	RT-2	P-O	C.I	G2	క్రప	F-1, F-5	F.2, F.3	I-4	U-V (see 29)	R-L-D	UR-3	NC	NAC	NR	Conditions
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Board - Directed Changes

Board Directed Changes OWNER OCCUPANCY

Page 17 - Line #633

Ownership. The primary single-family dwelling unit and the accessory dwelling unit shall remain under single ownership at all times, the subject lot or parcel shall qualify as homestead property, and the primary dwelling unit or the accessory dwelling unit shall be occupied by the owner of the lot or parcel at all times. Approval of an accessory dwelling unit shall not and does not constitute approval for separate ownership or the division of the lot or parcel. Any request to divide the lot or parcel shall comply with and be subject to all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations, including zoning regulations and access requirements.

Board Directed Changes IMPACT FEES

Page 19 - Line #710

(K) Impact Fees and Capital Fees. The accessory dwelling unit shall be subject to all other applicable laws, ordinances and regulations regarding water and wastewater capital fees. The impact fees for an accessory dwelling unit shall be assessed at the multi-family rate, until and unless the rate is modified in Orange County Code Chapter 23. Water and wastewater capital fees for the accessory dwelling unit shall be subject to all other applicable laws, ordinances and regulations.

Board Directed Changes TRANSIENT RENTALS

Page 19 – Line #722

(N) Transient Rental. Transient rental or leasing (a period of 30 days or less) of an ADU shall be prohibited, except as provided in Section 38-77 related to the R-3 zoning district.

Board Directed Changes TRANSIENT RENTALS

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(0) Electrical. A detached accessory dwelling unit may apply for and obtain a separate power meter, subject to the approval of the utility company and complying with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations. An attached accessory dwelling unit shall not have or obtain a separate power meter.

Background **OWNER OCCUPANCY**

Housing for All (Sep. 30, 2019)

Design & Infrastructure Subcommittee

Two separate motions:

- 1. "Eliminate requirement that ADUs be located on homestead property."
- 2. "Eliminate the requirement that the property owner reside in either the primary unit or ADU."

Subject:

FW: Housing For All Task Force Design & Infrastructure Subcommittee Actions - 9/3

To: Allen Keen and Terry Prather, Co-Chairs of the Housing for All Task Force Dear Co-Chairs:

This message is to advise you of actions taken by the Design and Infrastructure Subcommittee at our meeting on September 30, 2019 relative to the Board of County Commissioners upcoming consideration of the Accessory Dwelling

After a discussion of the first public hearing on September 24*, the Design and Infrastructure Subcommittee passed two separate motions to encourage the BCC to support Staff recommendations 4 and 5 as previously presented.

Recommendation 4 was to "Eliminate requirement that ADUs be located on homestead property." This is a significant item in that this recommendation removes an unnecessary barrier to the construction of additional housing stock. The construction of ADUs is viewed as a positive without regard to the ownership status. This recommendation was adopted

Recommendation 5 was to "Eliminate the requirement that the property owner reside in either the primary unit or ADU." This recommendation goes hand in hand with the prior recommendation. We do not see any advantage to creating what could become a largely unenforceable requirement and this recommendation works in conjunction with

The Design and Infrastructure Subcommittee considers these recommendations to be critical part of the recommended reforms to encourage the construction of more ADUs thus increasing the quantity of available units.

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Additional Staff Cleanup

Additional Staff Cleanup ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

Page 12 - Line #448

(3) The following standards shall apply to all accessory structures within those residential and agricultural zoning districts only where accessory structures are permitted pursuant to Section 38 -77, Orange County Code:

Additional Staff Cleanup ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

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(i) A detached accessory structure shall be limited to a maximum height of fifteen (15) feet above grade and one-story, or a maximum height of two stories, not to exceed twenty-five (25) feet above grade and one-story when a roof slope greater than 2:12 is provided;

Additional Staff Cleanup ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

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to ten (10) percent of the net land area, or 500 square feet, whichever is greater, and in no case shall the cumulative total exceed 3,000 square feet; however, detached accessory structures located within residential and agriculturally zoned parcels with greater than 2 developable acres may exceed 3,000 cumulative square feet, subject to obtaining a special exception and complying with all of the following standards

Additional Staff Cleanup ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

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(1) A maximum of one (1) accessory dwelling unit may be permitted by right on a lot or parcel in any residential or agricultural the zoning districts indicated in Section 38-77, Orange County Code, including a Planned Development (PD), NC, or NAC zoning district, in conjunction with a single family dwelling unit. In all cases, the accessory dwelling unit shall be subordinate to the primary dwelling unit, and shall not be constructed prior to the construction and occupation of the primary dwelling unit.

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Recommended Action

Accessory Structure & ADU Standards ORDINANCE UPDATE - ORANGE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 38

Recommended Action:

- Make a finding of consistency with the Comprehensive Plan;
- Allow staff to correct any grammatical and/or scrivener's errors; and
- Approve the Ordinance to amend Orange County Code Chapter 38 pertaining to accessory structures and accessory dwelling units, as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission on August 15, 2019, as modified with changes today, with an effective date of November 1, 2019

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2nd (Final) Adoption Public Hearing October 22, 2019 – 2:00 PM



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