

# ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU) FACT SHEET

WHERE ARE ADU'S PERMITTED? Within Sandpoint city limits, ADUs are allowed under certain conditions in the Residential Single-Family, Residential Multi-Family, and Rural Residential RR1 zones.

WHAT IF I HAVE AN ADU ALREADY ON MY PROPERTY THE CITY DOES NOT RECOGNIZE AS LEGAL? If the unit was in existence prior to November 19, 2008, the following fees/requirements must be met: Contact Don Carter in the Building Department regarding questions with updating current non-recognized ADU's at 263-3423.

#### WHAT FEES WILL BE REQUIRED:

- An existing ADU must be brought up to current structural, electrical and plumbing codes.
- ½ sewer fee must be paid on all existing and new ADUs (\$2206.71)
- ½ impact fee must be paid on all existing and new ADUs (\$1947.50)
- Alley improvements may be required

WHAT IS THE SQUARE FOOTAGE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ADU? An ADU may be no more than 90% of the living area of the primary dwelling unit **OR** 650 sq. ft whichever is less.

#### WHAT ARE THE SETBACKS FOR A DETACHED ADU?

Front setback = 50 feet from front lot line **OR** 6' behind the primary dwelling unit Side and Rear setbacks = 10' minimum. Note: Property that abuts an alley may have a rear setback of 5'. However, improvements to the alley may be required.

**ARE THERE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR AN ADU?** Yes! (see Ord 1196 for specific requirements)

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### Attached ADU's must meet the following conditions:

- Exterior finish materials must be the same or visually match the type, size and placement of the exterior finish material of the primary dwelling.
- Roof pitch must be the same as the predominant roof pitch of the primary dwelling unit.
- Trim on edges must be the same in type, size, and location as trim on the primary dwelling unit.
- Windows must match those in proportion of width, height, and orientation on the primary dwelling unit.
- Second floor fenestrations shall be orientated to protect the privacy of neighboring property owners.
- Eaves must project from the building walls the same distance as the primary dwelling unit.

## **Detached ADU's** must meet the following conditions: (see Ord 1196 for specific requirements)

- The height shall be in scale with the primary dwelling unit.
- The ADU may not have a larger footprint than the primary dwelling unit. The total combined coverage shall not exceed 35% of the total area.
- The ADU shall only have one bedroom.
- Exterior finish materials must be the same or visually match the type, size and placement of the exterior finish material of the primary dwelling
- Roof pitch must be the same as the predominant roof pitch of the primary dwelling unit.
- Trim on edges must be the same in type, size, and location as trim on the primary dwelling unit.
- Windows must match those in proportion of width, height, and orientation on the primary dwelling unit.
- Eaves must project from the building walls the same distance as the primary dwelling unit.
- ADU's are allowed only one entrance.

For specific questions please contact the City of Sandpoint Planning Department at 263-3370.