



# Grand Lake Planning Commission

Discussion of ADU code

Definition:  
MC 12-2-26

Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) – One additional dwelling unit within, and not legally subdivided from, the principal structure. The dwelling unit must be in a continuous enclosure. The entire dwelling unit must function as a unit without any permanent physical separation such as wall or floor with no means of connection.

Accessory Uses and Structures - A use naturally and normally incidental to a use by a right, and complying with all of the following conditions:

- (a) Clearly incidental and customary to and commonly associated with the operation on the use by right;
- (b) Is operated and maintained under the same ownership as the use by right;
- (c) Includes only those structures or structural features consistent with the use by right;
- (d) The gross land area utilized by all accessory uses of all uses by right on the same property shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the Building Area of the property and the gross land area utilized by all accessory uses of all uses by right shall not exceed the gross land area utilized by all uses by right;
- (e) May include home occupations, as defined by this Article or;
- (f) Overnight camping on private residential property, by the owner or guest, for a period not exceeding seven (7) consecutive days.

Dwelling Unit - Any room or group of rooms in a multi-family building designed for or used as a dwelling by one family as an independent housekeeping unit including toilet and kitchen facilities, but not including hotels, motels, clubs, boarding houses, or any institution such as an asylum, hospital, or jail where human beings are housed by reason of illness or under legal restraint. The term dwelling unit shall also include a modular or manufactured home which has been attached to a permanent foundation; and which has been added to the ad valorem tax rolls to be considered as a taxable property. The arrangement of rooms in each dwelling unit shall be such as to prohibit the division of one dwelling unit into two or more dwelling units.

Nightly Rental – A structure, dwelling or dwelling unit that is rented for periods of time of less than thirty (30) consecutive days. The term “Nightly rental” shall not include hotel, motel, or bed and breakfast establishments.

One example of a zone:

12-2-12 Regulations for Single Family Residential – High Density – RSH

The regulations set forth in this Section, or set forth elsewhere in this Article, when referred to in this Section, are the District Regulations in the RSH - Single Family Residential District - High Density.

(A) Uses Permitted by Right

1. Single Family and Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs).
2. Home occupations
3. Domestic animals, provided such animals are household pets and that kennels are not maintained.
4. Fences, hedges, and walls, provided such uses are located where they will not obstruct motorists' vision at street intersections.
5. Accessory buildings and uses customarily incident to the uses permitted in this district.
6. Nightly Rentals in the Single Family Residence only. Nightly Rentals will not be permitted in Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs).
7. Historic structures.

(B) Conditional Uses

1. Public Utilities.
2. Fire stations, police stations and telephone exchanges.
3. Water reservoirs, water storage tanks, water pumping stations, sewer lift stations and wireless towers.
4. The Commission may in addition prescribe any additional conditions regarding intensity or limitation of use, appearance, hours of operation, setbacks or required open space, or other such conditions which may be deemed necessary by the Planning Commission.
5. Nightly Rentals will be treated as a conditional use when an objection has been raised as to the use by right. See 12-2-31(B)4 Nightly Rental Conditional Use Permits.
6. Bed and Breakfasts

(C) Zoning Standards: Except as provided in Section 12-2-27, the area regulations are as follows:

Standard Type	Measurement		
Minimum Lot Area	5,000 sq. ft. per single family home	5,000 sq. ft. for all conditional uses	
Minimum Lot Frontage	50'		
Minimum Floor Area	800 sq. ft per single family home	500 sq. ft. per accessory dwelling unit	
Maximum Floor Area	Governed by zoning standards	800 sq. ft. per accessory dwelling unit	
Minimum Setback	Front 25'	Side 10'	Rear 10'
Maximum Height	32'		
Density	One single family home and one accessory dwelling unit per parcel		

10-1-6 Service Line:

(B) Separate Service Lines Required

Each water using unit shall have a separate 3/4 inch (minimum) service line to the water system, a meter and a curb stop. No connection with the water system shall be made by extending the service line from one water using unit to another. When two or more water using units are contiguous and owned by the same person, the Town may authorize an exception.

10-1-7 Meters

(A) Meters Required

Each and every water using unit connected to the water system shall be required to have a meter of a type, size and configuration designated by the Town. All meters will be furnished to the customer by the Town. Each water meter shall be installed with service valves both upstream and downstream from the meter. The purchase and installation costs for meters will be borne by the customer, but in all cases, the meter shall be owned by the Town. Meters shall be installed either by Town personnel or by a plumber licensed by the State of Colorado. All meters shall be installed in accordance with applicable governmental and plumbing codes and such additional specifications as may be approved by the Town Board of Trustees.