
MEMORANDUM



TO: Mayor & City Council
FROM: Mary Lou DeWitt, Comm. Dev. Zoning Specialist
SUBJECT: Ordinance #820 Amendment for Zoning Code Definition for Accessory Structure in the Zoning Ordinance – FINAL READING
DATE: June 1st, 2022

Background: Staff has received request from property owners with wanting to add accessory structures to their property. The Zoning Ordinance states accessory building up to 800 square feet, but does not distinguish if more than one accessory structure or multiple structures, totaling up to 800 sq. ft. No changes have been made to the proposed Ordinance amendment since the first reading on May 26, 2022.

Analysis:

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on May 16th, 2022 for Ordinance #820 to amend the Accessory Structure definition in the Zoning Ordinance. A summary of the Ordinance Amendment is as follows:

Accessory Structure: The Definition section in the Zoning Ordinance amended as follows (underline indicates additions; ~~striketrough~~ indicates deletions):

~~A subordinate building or a portion of the main building, the use of which is incidental to that of the main building or to the use of the premises.~~ structure which is on the same parcel of property as a principal structure and the use of which is related to the use of the principal structure. The permitted square footage for accessory structures will be a total of the combined accessory structures on the parcel in that Zoning District.

Conclusion / Recommendation: The Planning Commission held a public hearing and the City Council held a first reading to introduce Ordinance #820, to add language to the Accessory Structure Definition in the Zoning Ordinance #538 where the permitted square footage for accessory structure will be a total of the combined accessory structures on the parcel in that Zoning District.

ORDINANCE #820
CITY OF PRINCETON, MINNESOTA
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER II, DEFINITIONS OF THE CITY OF
PRINCETON ZONING ORDINANCE #538 TO ADD ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE FOR
ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

SECTION 1. Definitions of Chapter II of the Zoning Ordinance is amended as follows (underline indicates additions; ~~strikethrough~~ indicates deletions):

Accessory Use:

A ~~subordinate building or a portion of the main building, the use of which is incidental to that of the main building or to the use of the premises.~~ structure which is on the same parcel of property as a principal structure and the use of which is related to the use of the principal structure. The permitted square footage for accessory structures will be a total of the combined accessory structures on the parcel in that Zoning District.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon its summary publication in the City's official newspaper. Said publication shall read as follows:

Ordinance #820 amends the Chapter II, Definitions of the City of Princeton Zoning Ordinance #538 to add additional language for accessory structures.

ADOPTED by the Princeton City Council this 7th day of June, 2022.

This instrument was drafted by:

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Thom Walker, Mayor

Attest:

Shawna Jenkins Tadych, City Clerk