Adding an ADU to Your Lot

What is an ADU?
An ADU is a separate living unit that is built on the same lot as a principal structure. ADU’s have their own kitchen, bathroom, and living areas separate from the main house.

Who are they for?
• Families with special needs, such as caring for a senior parent
• Homeowners who want to offset the cost of their mortgage
• Homeowners who wish to have space for guests
• Single individuals or couples that want to live in a single-family neighborhood more affordably
• Help older homeowners remain in their community and “age in place”

What Does an ADU Look Like?
An ADU can come in many different forms, as seen in Image 1 and Image 2.

All single household lots are eligible, including RE, R1, R1A, R2, R3, and PUD

Refer to Chapter 18.28.240 of the Municipal Code for all of the requirements for building an ADU on your lot.

Zoning Information
- RE, R1, and R1A minimum lot size is 5000sqft
- R2 and R3 minimum lot size is 7000sqft

Use our EzMaps tool to find out your zoning

NEED MORE INFO?
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