County of Los Angeles Housing Initiatives

A brief description of housing-related ordinances and projects currently in progress. April 2017

























Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance Update & Pilot Program

Accessory dwelling units, also known as ADUs, "backyard homes," or "granny flats," are an existing source of lower-cost housing in single-family neighborhoods. They can provide rental income for homeowners or additional living space for family members. The County is updating its regulations on ADUs to comply with State laws that encourage ADUs and provide more flexibility for homeowners.



Density Bonus Ordinance Update

The County's Density Bonus Ordinance encourages the provision of affordable housing and senior citizen housing. The ordinance allows additional housing units and other incentives for developments that provide affordable or senior housing units. The County is updating its existing ordinance to comply with State laws, provide incentives for special needs housing and deeper affordability, and preserve the affordability of existing units.



Compact Lots Subdivision Ordinance & Design Guidelines

The proposed Compact Lot Subdivision Ordinance allows the creation of smaller, fee-simple single family lots in non-single family zones. The ordinance is a tool to provide additional housing opportunities. The design guidelines will ensure that compact lots subdivisions retain character and form that exists currently in neighborhoods, and encourage livable site designs.



For more information please visit:

http://planning.lacounty.gov/housing/initiatives

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