

Project Title: Definition of Family in Zoning Code

Petition No.: PLNPCM2026-00244

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<p>APPROVED AS TO FORM Salt Lake City Attorney's Office</p> <p>Date: _____</p> <p>By: _____ Attorney Name, <i>Senior City</i></p>
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Planning Commission Action:

This proposed ordinance makes the following amendments (for summary purposes only):

- Modifies Subsection 21A.62.040 to amend the definition of family and dwelling and add the definition of household.
- Deletes Section 12.56.515 to remove unenforceable language related to the definition of family from the parking enforcement chapter.

Underlined text is new; text with strikethrough is proposed to be deleted. Modifications made as part of the Planning Commission recommendation are highlighted in yellow. All other text is existing with no proposed change.

If adopted by the City Council, the Salt Lake City Council ordains the following, in substantial compliance with the following:

1 *Amends Section 21A.62.040 as follows:*

2 FAMILY:

3 A. One or more persons related by blood, marriage, adoption, or legal guardianship,
4 including foster children, living together as a single housekeeping unit in the a dwelling.
5 unit; or

6 B. A group of not more than three (3) persons not related by blood, marriage, adoption, or
7 legal guardianship living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit; or
8 Occupancy Limits:

9 1. No more than two persons per bedroom, plus one additional person per dwelling unit.
10 +2. Bedroom means a room that qualifies as a bedroom under adopted building code,
11 including minimum floor area, minimum dimensions, required ceiling height,
12 required ventilation and heating, and compliant emergency egress.

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~~—C. Two (2) unrelated persons and their children living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit.~~

~~The term "family" shall not be construed to mean a club, group home, residential support dwelling, a lodge or a fraternity/sorority house.~~

~~DWELLING: A building or portion thereof, which is designated allocated for residential purposes use where each unit contains at a minimum, sleeping facilities, a kitchen, and bathroom intended for occupancies greater than 30 consecutive days. of a family for occupancy on a monthly basis and which is a self-contained unit with kitchen and bathroom facilities.~~ The term "dwelling" excludes living space within hotels, bed and breakfast establishments, shared housing developments and boarding houses. and lodging houses.

DWELLING UNIT: See definition of dwelling.

1. Deletes Section 12.56.515 as follows:

A. Definitions: For purposes of this section the following terms shall have the meanings herein prescribed:

~~—EXCESSIVE VEHICLES: More than one registered vehicle per licensed driver in a household.~~

~~—HOUSEHOLD:~~

~~— 1. One or more persons related by blood, marriage, adoption, or legal guardianship, including foster children, living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit; or~~

~~— 2. A group of not more than three (3) persons not related by blood, marriage, adoption, or legal guardianship living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit; or~~

~~— 3. Two (2) unrelated persons and their children living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit.~~

Effective Date: This ordinance, if passed, shall become effective on the date of its first publication and shall be recorded with the Salt Lake City Recorder.

Is there a penalty for violating this ordinance? If so, please state penalty or reference another ordinance that prescribes the penalty here. _____
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If penalty for violation includes possibility of imprisonment, include the following statement:

Per Section 78B-22-301 of the Utah Code, Salt Lake City shall provide for indigent defense services, as that term is defined in 78B-22-102 of the Utah Code.

ATTEST:

CITY RECORDER

Transmitted to the Mayor on _____.

Mayor's Action: ____ Approved. ____ Vetoed.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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