

ORDINANCE NO. 24-289

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

The public welfare requiring it, and under authority granted by Section 11-52-78 of the 1975 Code of Alabama, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council for the City of Huntsville, Alabama, that the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, as adopted on the 21st day of March 1963, as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

Section 1. Amend Zoning Ordinance ARTICLE 3 - DEFINITIONS, Section 3.1 – Interpretation, to modify the following definitions:

Dwelling - Any building or portion thereof which is used for residential purposes.

Dwelling, Multiple Family - A residence occupied by three (3) or more families, with separate housekeeping and cooking facilities for each.

Dwelling, Single Family - A detached residence occupied by one (1) family.

Dwelling, Two Family - A residence occupied by two (2) families only, with separate housekeeping and cooking facilities for each.

Dwelling Unit - Any portion of a building used as a separate abode for a family having its own cooking facilities.

Family - Any number of individuals living together as a single housekeeping unit and doing their cooking on the premises. May include domestic servants and gratuitous guests.

to read as follows:

Dwelling - Any building or portion thereof which is principally used solely as a residence for a family.

Dwelling, Multiple Family – Three or more dwelling units on a single lot.

Dwelling, Single Family – One detached or semi-detached dwelling unit on a single lot.

Dwelling, Two Family – Two dwelling units on a single lot.

Dwelling Unit – A dwelling used as a separate residence for one family with its own permanent facilities for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation.

Family – One or more individuals living together as a single housekeeping unit and sharing common access to and common use of all living, cooking, and eating areas. May include domestic servants, caregivers, and gratuitous guests. The term does not include transients, occupants of a boarding house or rooming house, or occupants that act as separate roomers or boarders.

Section 2. Amend Zoning Ordinance ARTICLE 3 - DEFINITIONS, Section 3.1 – Interpretation, to add the following definitions:

Domicile – A family’s true, fixed, sole, and permanent home and place of habitation.

Residence – A residence is (1) a domicile; or (2) a family’s place of habitation for a period of 180 continuous days or more. This term does not include transient occupancy. Related terms, including, but not limited to, the terms reside, residing, resident, and residential, shall have meanings consistent with the term residence.

Transient – An individual or family who is temporarily boarding, rooming, lodging, or otherwise staying in a place for a period of less than 180 continuous days.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its publication.

ADOPTED this the 23rd day of May 2024.

/s/ David Little
President of the City Council of
the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 23rd day of May 2024.

/s/ Tommy Battle
Mayor of the City of Huntsville,
Alabama