

City moves forward on ordinance restricting Accessory Dwelling Units

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The city council voted unanimously to place on the September 5th agenda, approval of Ordinance 837, restricting accessory dwelling units to long-term use, only.

The proposed ordinance addresses the dire need for housing in Crescent City. “ Boy, we need housing,” stated Mayor Pro Tem Blake Inscore as he related a recent conversation with an individual has moved to Crescent City to take a professional position but could not find reasonable housing.

The proposed ordinance will essentially prohibit short-term tenancy. The accessory dwelling unit will address the dire need for suitable rental housing. The entire council cited this need for to meet the minimum 31 consecutive days. The only exemption would be Junior Accesory Dwelling Units defined as located within the primary residence, 150-500 square feet, contain an efficiency kitchen, and access to sanitation services. Deed restrictions on the property would be required reflecting the restriction.

The motion to waive full reading, read by title only and introduce the ordinance, adding Chapter 17.35 to Chapter 17 of the Crescent City Municipal Code, was unanimously passed.