ORDINANCE NO. 2015-056

AN ORDINANCE OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA, (ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO.) AMENDING SARASOTA COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2003-052 (AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME) CODIFIED AS APPENDIX A OF THE SARASOTA COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO ZONING WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF SARASOTA COUNTY: PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS: AMENDING SECTION 5.1.2, RELATING TO USE TABLE; AMENDING SECTION 5.3.2.b., c., and l. RELATING TO COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL HOMES, GROUP HOMES, and LIVING STANDARDS TO MINIMUM **PREVENT** OVERCROWDING; AMENDING SECTION 6.5.6, RELATING TO RSF DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT INTENSITY; AMENDING **SECTION** 6.6.5. RELATING TO RMF DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT INTENSITY; AMENDING SECTION 10.2 RELATING TO DEFINITIONS: PROVIDING FOR EFFECT ON OTHER ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODING OF AMENDMENTS: AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA:

- **Section 1. Findings.** The Board of County Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as the "Board" hereby makes the following findings:
- A. The Board has held public hearings on the proposed amendments described herein in accordance with the requirements of the Sarasota County Zoning Ordinance and has considered the information received at said public hearings.
- B. The Board has waived the requirement for a Public Hearing before the Sarasota County Planning Commission to review the proposed amendments provided herein.
- C. The Board, sitting as the Sarasota County Land Development Regulation Commission, has reviewed the proposed amendments provided herein and has found that the amendments are consistent with the Sarasota County Comprehensive Plan.
- D. The Board finds that changes to the definition of "Community Residential Home" in section 419.001, Florida Statutes, require an update to its own standards and definition of the same term.
- Section 2. Amendment to Section 5. of Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, relating to Use Table.

hereby	Subsection amended a	n 5.1.2. of s follows:	Sarasota	County	Zoning	Ordinance	No.	2003-052,	as amended,	is

5.1.2. Use Table.

		OPEN U	SE				RESIDENT	ΓIAL			COMM	ERCIAL A	AND IND	USTRIAL							
USE CATEGORY	SPECIFIC USE	OUA	OUC	OUM	OUR	OUE	RE	RSF	RM F	RM H	CN	OPI	CG	PCD	СНІ	CI	CM	IR	ILW	GU	Standards
KEY: P = Permitte	d Use; L = Permitted Su	bject to Liı	nitations i	n Section 5	5.3; SE = S	pecial Exc	eption Use; E	Existing; Bla	nk = Use	Not Pern	nitted										
OPEN USES																					
Agriculture [see 5.2.2.a]	All agriculture, except as listed below	L		L	L	L	L														5.3.1.a
	Animal boarding	L/SE			L/SE	L/SE	L/SE														5.3.1.b
	Animal shelter	SE			SE	SE													SE	SE	5.3.1.c
	Aviary	L			L	SE															5.3.1.d
	Farm/produce stand	L/SE			L/SE	L/SE															5.3.1.f
	Keeping of ponies or horses	L			L	L	L														5.3.1.g
	Livestock auction, feeding pen, milk processing, packing house, stockyard	L			L																5.3.1.h
	Plant nursery	L			L	L															5.3.1.i
	Plant nursery with landscape supply	L/SE			L/SE	L/SE															5.3.1.j
	Retail or wholesale sales of agriculturally- related supplies and equipment	SE			SE	SE													P		5.3.1.1
Resource Extraction [see 5.2.2.b]	All resource extraction, except as listed below			L																	5.3.1.k
	Borrow pit	L		L	L	L															5.3.1.e
RESIDENTIAL US	SES OUA OUC O	UM OUR	OUE RI	E RSF	RMF	RMH CN	OPI CG	PCD CHI (CI CM	IR 1	ILW G	U	•	•		•	•	•		•	
Household Living [see 5.2.3.a]	Single-family detached	P	L	L	P	P	P	P	P												5.3.2.i 5.3.2.k
	Lot line, traditional,							L	P												5.3.2.e

	patio, villa or atrium house																	<u>5.3.2.k</u>
	Two-family house					L	P											5.3.2.e 5.3.2.k
	Townhouse (semi- attached, roof-deck, stacked)					L	P					P						5.3.2.e 5.3.2.k
	Multifamily (multiplex, apartment)						P					P						<u>5.3.2.k</u>
	Manufactured home							P										<u>5.3.2.k</u>
	Manufactured home park/subdivision							P										<u>5.3.2.k</u>
	Accessory dwelling unit				L	L												5.3.2.a 5.3.2.k
	Guest house	L	L	L	L	L												5.3.2.d 5.3.2.k
	Short term rental						L											5.3.2.g, 5.3.2.h 5.3.2.k
	Live-work unit								L	L	L	L	L		L	L		5.3.2.e 5.3.2.k
	Upper story/attached residential								L	L	L	P	L	L				5.3.2.j, <u>5.3.2.k</u> 5.3.4.aa
Group Living [see 5.2.3.b]	All group living except as listed below		SE	SE	L	L	L	SE	L	L	L	L					L	5.3.2.b 5.3.2.c 5.3.2.1
	Boarding house, rooming house, fraternity or sorority		SE	SE	SE	SE	F	SE	F	F	L	L						5.3.2.c
	Community residential home, 6 or fewer residents	L/SE	L	L	L	L	F	F										5.3.2.b
	Community residential home, 7 to 14 residents	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE											5.3.2.b

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	Group home, 15 or more residents						SE	}	SE		Ł														5.3.2.b
PUBLIC AND CIV	TC USES	•	•		•		•		•		•		•	•	•			•	•	•	•			•	•
Community Service	All community service				SE		SE	SE	SE	SE	SE		P	P	P	P			P					P	5.3.3.c
[see 5.2.4.a]	Rural retreat center	SE			SE		SE																		5.3.3.k
Day Care [see 5.2.4.b]	Family day care home	P			P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P			P			SE			
	Large family child care home	P			P		P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P			P			SE			
	Day care facility	L/SE			SE		SE	SE	SE	L	SE		L	L	L	L			L		SE	SE		L	5.3.3.e
	Adult day care home (up to 6)	P			P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P			P						
	Adult day care facility (7 or more)	SE			SE		SE	SE	SE	L	SE		P	P	P	P			P						5.3.3.d
Educational Facilities	College or university												SE	P	P	P			P		P			P	
[see 5.2.4.c]	Day facility				SE		SE	SE					P	P	P	P			P			P		P	5.3.3.d
	Elementary, middle or high school				SE		SE	SE	SE	SE				P		P								P	
	Vocational, trade or business school												P	P	P	P			P		P	P		P	
Government Facilities [see 5.2.4.d]	All government facilities, except as listed below																							P	
	Jail, prison or work camp																							SE	
Medical Facilities [see 5.2.4.e]	All medical facilities, except as listed below												L	P	P	P			P			P		SE	5.3.3.g
	Patient family accommodations													L	L	L								L	5.3.3.j
		OUA	OUC	OUM	OUR		OUE	RE	RSF	RMF	RM	1H	CN	OPI	CG	PC	D	СНІ	CI	СМ	IR	ILW	V	GU	
	Pain Management													SE	SE										5.3.4.cc

	Clinics																				
Parks and Open Areas [see 5.2.4.f]	All parks and open areas, except as listed below	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
	Cemetery, columbaria, mausoleum, memorial park	L/SE			L/SE	L/SE	SE	SE	SE											P	5.3.3.b
	Wild animal sanctuary	SE			SE	SE															5.3.3.n
Passenger Terminals [see 5.2.4.g]	All passenger terminals, except as listed below											P	P	P		P		P	P	P	
	Airport, heliport				L							L	L	L		L		L	L	L	5.3.3.a
Places of Worship [see 5.2.4.h]	All places of worship	SE			SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	L	P	P	P		P					5.3.3.j 5.3.3.k
Social Service Institutions [see 5.2.4.i]	All social service institutions, except as listed below											SE	SE	SE		SE				SE	5.3.3.1
	Neighborhood resource center								SE		L	L	P	P		P			P	P	5.3.3.h
Utilities [see 5.2.4.j]	Major utilities	L			L	L	L	L	L	L	L/S E	L/SE	L/SE	L/SE	L	L/SE	L	L	L	L	5.3.3.f
	Minor utilities	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
	Electric or gas generation plant																	SE	SE	SE	
	Stormwater facility in different zoning district than principal use					L/SE	L/S E	L/SE	L/SE	L/SE	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	5.3.3.m
	Transmission tower	See Chap	pter 188,	Article II, Sa	rasota County	y Code															
COMMERCIAL U	SES	OUA	OUC	OUM OU	R OUE F	RE RSF	RMF	RMH	CN C	OPI CG 1	PCD C	ні сі	CM	IR ILW	GU						
Adult Entertainment Uses	Adult entertainment establishments												SE								5.3.4.z
[see 5.2.5.k]	Adult movie theaters and motels												SE								5.3.4.z

	Adult bookstores and video stores												L								5.3.4.z
	Semi-nude model studios												L								5.3.4.z
	Other adult retail stores												L								5.3.4.z
Indoor Recreation [see 5.2.5.a]	All indoor recreation, except as listed below										L/S E		P	P		P					5.3.4.u
	Bar										L/S E		P/L	P/L	P/L	P/L			P/L		5.3.4.c, 5.3.4.u
	Clubs and lodges				SE	SE	SE	E	E	SE	P	P	P	P		P					
	Entertainment, indoor										L/S E		L/SE	L/SE	L	L	L/SE		L/SE		5.3.4.e, 5.3.4.u
	Extreme sports facility												P	P		P			P		
	Firing, or archery range, indoor												P	P		P			P		
	Gymnastics facility, indoor sports academy												P	P		P			SE		
Office [see 5.2.5.b]	All offices										L/S E	P	P	P	L	P		P	P	P	5.3.4.l, 5.3.4.u
Outdoor Recreation [see 5.2.5.c]	All outdoor recreation, except as listed below	SE			SE	SE							SE	SE		SE				L	5.3.4.m
	Circus grounds, winter quarters or training quarters	L/SE			SE	SE															5.3.4.d
	Community recreation facility					SE	SE	SE	P	SE	P	P	P	P		P				P	
		OUA	OUC	OUM	OUR	OUE	RE	RSF	RMF	FMH	CN	OPI	CG	PCD	СНІ	CI	CM	IR	ILW	GU	
	Dog or horse track, jai-alai fronton												SE	SE		SE					
	Entertainment, outdoor												L/SE	L/SE	L	L/SE	L/SE		L/SE		5.3.4.g
	Extreme sports facility	L/SE			SE	SE										P			SE	P	5.3.4.h

	Firing or archery range, outdoor	SE			SE											SE			SE	L	5.3.4.i
	Flea market, outdoor												SE			SE					
	Golf course, executive and par- three golf courses, clubhouse, yacht club, tennis club, country club	L/SE			SE	SE	SE	SE	SE	SE											5.3.4.j
	Hunting/fishing camp or dude ranch	L/SE			SE	SE	SE														5.3.4.k
	Recreational vehicle park/campground				SE	SE	SE			SE											5.3.4.n
	Riding academy or public stable	L/SE			L/SE	L/SE	L/S E														5.3.4.q
	Sports academy	L/SE			SE	SE															5.3.4.s
	Wilderness camping	L																			5.3.4.w
	Commercial hunting and trapping	L/SE																			5.3.4.e
	Polo club	L/SE			SE	SE							SE	SE		SE					5.3.4.m
	Special events in conjunction with an approved outdoor recreation use	SE			SE	SE	SE	SE	SE		SE	SE	SE	SE		SE					5.3.4.y
Parking, Commercial [see 5.2.5.d]	All commercial parking						SE	SE	SE			P	P	P	P	P			P	P/L	5.2.4.d.
		OUA	OUC	OUM	OUR	OUE	RE	RSF	RMF	FMH	CN	OPI	CG	PCD	СНІ	CI	CM	IR	ILW	GU	
Restaurants [see 5.2.5.e]	All restaurants, except as listed below								SE		L/S E		L	L	L	L	L		L		5.3.4.o, 5.3.4.u
	Drive-thru (drive in)												P	P	P	P			P		
Retail Sales and Service [see 5.2.5.f]	All retail sales and service, except as listed below										L/S E		P	P	L	P	P				5.3.4.p, 5.3.4.u

	Animal hospital, veterinary clinic, with or without animal boarding	L/SE			L/SE	L/SE	L/S E				L/S E		L	L		L					5.3.4.a, 5.3.4.t
	Convenience store with gas pumps, gas station with minimart										L/S E		L	L	L	L			L		5.3.4.t, 5.3.4.f
	Convenience store without gas pumps										L/S E		P	P	P	P			P		5.3.4.t
	Drive-thru retail sales or service										L		P	P	L	P					5.3.4.p
	Garden center/completely enclosed										L/S E		P	SE		P			SE		5.3.4.p
	Garden center/outside merchandise										SE		SE	SE		P			SE		5.3.4.p
	Package store												P	P		P					
	Vehicle parts and accessories										L/S E		P	P	L	P			P		5.3.4.p, 5.3.4.t
	Retail sales of lumber and building supplies up to 60,000 square feet gross floor area												P	P		P			P		
	Pawn shops												P								
		OUA	OUC	OUM	OUR	OUE	RE	RSF	RMF	RMH	CN	OPI	CG	PCD	СНІ	CI	CM	IR	ILW	GU	
	Retail sales, over 60,000 square feet gross floor area in a single occupant building												SE	SE		SE			SE		
Self-Service Storage [see 5.2.5.g]	All self-service storage											L	P	P		P			P		5.3.4.r
Transient Accommodations [see 5.2.5.h]	All transient accommodations, except as listed below										L/S E		SE	L	L	L	SE			L	5.3.4.p, 5.3.4.t, 5.3.4.u

	Bed and breakfast	L/SE			SE	SE	SE	SE	SE		L/S E		L		L		SE				5.3.4.c, 5.3.4.t
Vehicle Sales and Service	Car wash, full or self-service												P	P	P	P			P		
[see 5.2.5.i]	Truck stop												SE		SE	P			P		
	Vehicle sales, leasing or rental															P			P		
	Vehicle service, intensive															P			P		
	Vehicle service, general												L	L	L	L			L		5.3.4.u
Water-Oriented	Boat livery/marina												P			P	P		SE		
[see 5.2.5.j]	Boat sales accessory to boat livery or marina												P				P				
	Dock or pier (commercial)												E				P			P	
INDUSTRIAL USI	ES										•							•		•	
		OUA	OUC	OUM	OUR	OUE	RE	RSF	RMF	FMH	CN	OPI	CG	PCD	СНІ	CI	CM	IR	ILW	GU	
Light Industrial Service [see 5.2.6.a]	All light industrial service, except as listed below													P		P		P	P	P	
	Crematorium	L			L	L												SE	SE		5.3.5.e
	Research laboratory without manufacturing facility											P		P				P	P		
Warehouse and Freight Movement [see 5.2.6.b]	All warehouse and freight movement, except as listed below													P				P	P	P	
	Stockpiling of sand and gravel	L/SE			SE	SE												SE	SE		5.3.5.b
Waste-Related Service	All waste-related services																	SE	SE	SE	
[see 5.2.6.c]	Landfill																			SE	
	Recycling	SE			SE	SE												SE	SE	SE	5.3.5.b

	equipment and facilities																				
	Composting facility	SE																			5.3.5.c
Wholesale Trade [see 5.2.6.d]	All wholesale trade												P	P		P		P	P		
Heavy Industrial [see 5.2.6.e]	All heavy industrial, except as listed below																	SE	SE		
	Asphalt processing or manufacture, concrete batch plant	SE			SE	SE												L	L	L	5.3.5.a
	Heavy industrial within a completely enclosed building																	P	P	P	
	Slaughterhouse	SE			SE													SE	SE		5.3.5.d
		OUA	OUC	OUM	OUR	OUE	RE	RSF	RMF	RMH	CN	OPI	CG	PCD	СНІ	CI	CM	IR	ILW	GU	
	Warehouse, storage of flammable liquids																	SE	SE	SE	
	Wholesale trade of flammable liquids								•												

Section 3. Amendment to Section 5.3.2.b of Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, relating to Community Residential Homes.

Subsection 5.3.2.b. of Sarasota County Zoning Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

- b. *Community Residential Home*. Community residential homes are permitted in <u>the same manner as other residential uses in accordance with the use table in Section 5.1, subject to the following standards:</u>
 - 1. Community Residential Home, <u>Licensing Entity Notification</u> <u>Six or Fewer</u> <u>Residents</u>
 - i. Such homes shall not be located within a radius of 1,000 feet of another existing such home with six or fewer residents. ii. The sponsoring agency or department As specified in section 419.001, Florida Statutes, a licensing entity, shall notify the County at the time of home occupancy that the home is licensed by the Department of Children and Family Services licensing entity.
 - 2. Community Residential Home, <u>Operating as Functional Equivalent of Family Seven to 14 Residents</u>
 - i. Such homes shall not be located within a radius of 1,200 feet of another existing community residential home. Community Residential Homes operating as the functional equivalent of a family shall be treated as a family under these Zoning Regulations.
 - ii. Such homes shall not be located with a radius of 500 feet of an RSF District.
 - 3. Community Residential Homes in General
 - i. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to affect the authority of any community residential home established prior to October 1, 1989, to continue to operate.
 - ii. Nothing in this section shall permit persons to occupy a community residential home who could constitute a direct threat to the health and safety of other persons.
 - iii. All distances requirements in subsections 1. and 2., above, shall be measured from the nearest point of the existing community residential home or RSF District boundary to the nearest point of the proposed community residential home.

- iv. No-offstreet parking area shall be located closer than 25 feet to any boundary line of the property.
- **v.** <u>iii.</u> All other State and County regulations in regard to such establishment shall be met.
- vi. Community residential homes of all sizes shall be special exceptions within the Agricultural Reserve RMA, as described and depicted in the Sarasota County Comprehensive Plan, Figure RMA-1 Resource Management Area Map.
- l. Minimum Living Standards to Prevent Overcrowding. The following standards shall apply to all residential uses, including household or group living:
 - 1. For homes with five or more boarding rooms or sleeping areas, at least one communal living room will be provided.
 - 2. Each boarding room or sleeping area will have a gross floor area of at least 80 square feet.
 - 3. Where more than two persons occupy a boarding room or sleeping area, the required floor area shall be increased at the rate of 60 square feet for each occupant in excess of two.

Section 4. Amendment to Section 6.5.6 of Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, relating to RSF District Development Intensity.

Subsection 6.5.6 of the Sarasota County Zoning Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

6.5.6 Nonresidential_Development in the RSF Districts. Unless specified elsewhere in these zoning regulations, the following dimensional standards shall apply to all nonresidential development in the RSF Districts:

Nonresidential Development	RSF-1	RSF-2	RSF-3	RSF-4
Density				
Open Space (minimum)	20%	20%	20%	20%
Lot Dimensions				
Lot Area (minimum sq. ft.)	15,000	9,600	7,500	6,000
Lot Width (minimum feet)	100	80	70	50
Yards (minimum feet)				
Street Yard	20	20	20	20
Side Yard (single)	8	8	6	6
Side Yard (total)	18	18	15	15
Rear Yard	10	10	10	10

Waterfront Yard* (Nonresidential)	20/30†	20/30†	20/30†	20/30†
Waterfront Yard*** (Residential)	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
Bulk (maximum)				
Height (feet)	35**	35**	35**	35**
Building Coverage	30%	30%	30%	30%

- * See also Chapter 54, Article XXII, <u>Section 54-721</u> through <u>54-724</u>, Sarasota County Code, Gulf Beach Setback Line.
- ** Height in A- and V- flood zones may also subject to daylight plane provisions in Section 6.2.1
- *** Waterfront Yard Setbacks in residential areas shall be 20 feet unless otherwise specified based on housing type in Section 6.7 of this Appendix.
- † Intracoastal Waterway and bays: 30 feet. All other waterfront yards: 20 feet.

Section 5. Amendment to Section 6.6.5 of Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, relating to RMF District Development Intensity.

Subsection 6.6.5 of the Sarasota County Zoning Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

6.6.5 *Nonresidential-Development in the RMF Districts*. Unless specified elsewhere in these zoning regulations, the following dimensional standards shall apply to all nonresidential development in the RMF Districts.

Nonresidential Development	RMF-1 RMF-2	RMF-3
Density		
Open Space (minimum)	20%	20%
Lot Dimensions (minimum)		
Lot Area (sq. ft.)	7,500	7,500
Lot Width (feet)	75	75
Yards (minimum feet)		
Street Yard	20	20
Side Yard (single)	8	8
Side Yard (total)	18	18
Rear Yard	10	10
Waterfront Yard* (Nonresidential)	20/30 †	20/30†
Waterfront Yard** (Residential)	20	20
Bulk (maximum)		
Height (feet)	35	45
Building Coverage		

Up to 35 feet in height	30%	30%
36 to 45 feet in height	n/a	28%

^{*} See also Chapter 54, Article XXII. <u>Section 54-721</u> through <u>54-724</u>, Sarasota County Code, Gulf Beach Setback Line.

Section 6. Amendment to Section 10 of Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, relating to Definitions.

Subsection 10.2. of the Sarasota County Zoning Ordinance No. 2003-052, as amended, hereby restates and amends certain pertinent definitions. All other definitions in Section 10.2 shall remain unchanged.

ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY. Any building or buildings, section or distinct part of a building, private home, boarding home, home for the aged, or other residential facility, whether operated for profit or not, which undertakes through its ownership or management to provide housing, meals, and one or more personal services for a period exceeding 24 hours to one or more adults who are not relatives of the owner or administrator (see F.S. ch. 400). This includes nursing homes and convalescent homes.

BOARDING HOUSE. A boarding house is an establishment with lodging for one four or more persons in a group that does not constitute a single housekeeping unit, where meals are regularly prepared and served for compensation and where food is placed upon the table family style, without service or ordering of individual portions from a menu. A boarding house is intended to provide lodging accommodations for monthly periods or longer. Such accommodations are not considered transient.

COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL HOME. A dwelling unit licensed <u>under Chapter 419</u>, Florida Statutes, to serve clients of the <u>Department of Elder Affairs</u>, the Agency for Persons with <u>Disabilities</u>, the <u>Department of Juvenile Justice</u>, or the <u>Department of Children</u> and Family Services, which provides a living environment for up to 14 unrelated residents who operate as the functional equivalent of a family, including such supervision and care by supportive staff as may be necessary to meet the physical, emotional, and social needs of the residents. Resident means any of the following as defined in the Florida Statues: a frail elder <u>as defined in section 429.65</u>, Florida Statutes (§ 400.618); a <u>physically disabled or handicapped person who has a handicap as defined in section (§ 760.22(7)(a))</u>, Florida Statutes; a person who has a developmentally <u>disabled disability as defined in section person (§ 393.063(12))</u> Florida Statutes; a nondangerous <u>person who has a mental illness as defined in section mentally ill person (§ 394.455(18))</u>, Florida Statutes; or a child <u>who is found to be dependent as defined in sections</u> (§ 39.01(14), or 984.03(9), Florida Statutes, or a child in need of services as defined in sections (12) 984.03 or 985.03(8)), Florida Statutes.

FAMILY. One or more persons <u>living together as a single housekeeping unit and occupying a single dwelling unit, provided that, unless all members are related by law, blood, adoption,</u>

^{**} Waterfront Yard Setbacks in residential areas shall be 20 feet unless otherwise specified based on housing type in Section 6.7 of this Appendix.

[†] Intracoastal Waterway and bays: 30 feet. All other waterfront yards: 20 feet.

marriage, or are under a judicial order for foster care, no such family shall contain over four persons, except in the RMF District where no such family shall contain more than six persons. A family consisting of individuals protected by the Fair Housing Act shall not contain over six persons in any district. Domestic servants employed on the premises may be housed on the premises without being counted as a separate or additional family or families. The term "family" shall not be construed to mean a fraternity, sorority, club, monastery or convent, or institutional group. The term may include community residential homes where the group operates as a single housekeeping unit. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that no family exists if there are more than six persons and any are unrelated by law, blood, adoption, marriage, domestic partnership, or are under a judicial order for foster care living together in the same dwelling unit. This presumption may be rebutted by demonstrating the existence of a single housekeeping unit to the Zoning Administrator as part of an application for a Written Interpretation pursuant to Section 3.7 of this Appendix. Such demonstration may include a lease agreement, utility bills, and affidavits from the occupants. Any appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision shall be made to the Board of Zoning Appeals in the same manner as any other Written Interpretation.

COMMENTARY: "Family" is a term used to regulate types of housing protected by the Fair Housing Act, which includes a requirement that homes providing care for the disabled and similar functions with six or fewer individuals in a single housekeeping unit must be treated the same way as single-family residences. However, many other uses are regulated by this ordinance — see community residential home, group home, and social service institution, for example.

GROUP HOME. A facility licensed to serve clients of the Department of Elder Affairs, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the Department of Children and Family Services that provides a living environment for 15 or more unrelated residents, including such supervision and care by supportive staff as may be necessary to meet the physical, emotional, and social needs of the residents. Resident means any of the following as defined in the Florida Statues: a frail elder as defined in section 429.65, Florida Statutes (§ 400.618); a physically disabled or handicapped person who has a handicap as defined in section (§ 760.22(7)(a)), Florida Statutes; a person who has a developmentally disabled disability as defined in section person (§ 393.063(12)) Florida Statutes; a nondangerous person who has a mental illness as defined in section mentally ill person (§ 394.455(18)), Florida Statutes; or a child who is found to be dependent as defined in sections (§ 39.01(14), or 984.03(9), Florida Statutes, or a child in need of services as defined in sections (12) 984.03 or 985.03(8)), Florida Statutes. (See also Community Residential Home.)

GROUP LIVING. See Section 5.2.3.b. <u>All living arrangements where persons live in a group that is not a single housekeeping unit, including a group home, assisted living facility, nursing home, extended care facility, convalescent home, boarding house, or rooming house.</u>

ROOMING HOUSE. A rooming house is an establishment where lodging only is provided for compensation for one of more persons in a group that does not constitute a single housekeeping

unit. A rooming house is intended to provide lodging accommodations for monthly periods or longer. Such accommodations are not considered transient.

SINGLE HOUSEKEEPING UNIT. One person or two or more individuals living together sharing the entire dwelling unit and household responsibilities and activities which may include: (1) sharing expenses for food, rent, utilities or other household items; (2) sharing chores; (3) eating meals together; (4) participating in recreational activities together; and (5) having close social, economic, and psychological commitments to each other.

Section 7. Effect on Other Ordinances. The provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail in the event of conflict with the provisions of any existing ordinance.

Section 8. Severability. It is declared to be the intent of the Board of County Commissioners that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not be so construed as to render invalid or unconstitutional the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 9. Coding of Amendments. In this Ordinance, language added to an existing Ordinance is <u>underscored</u> and language deleted is typed in strike through type.

Section 10. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of the State of Florida.

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KAREN B. RUSHING, Clerk of the Circuit Court and		
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Sarasota County, Florida		
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Deputy Clerk