

**Residential Use Group Subworkgroup
Code Change Subworkgroup Meeting Summary
9:30 A.M., April 12, 2019
Chesterfield Community Development Building
Chesterfield, Virginia**

No members of the Board of Housing and Community Development attended the workgroup meeting.

Meeting Overview

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss use groups for residential single-family dwellings. Two themes/discussion items emerged from the meeting: Attached Accessory Dwelling Units and Other Residential Applications including State Licensed Health and Mental Health Use groups.

Attached Accessory Dwelling Units

- Current code provisions classify accessory dwelling units within owner occupied dwellings as two family dwellings. This in turn, requires certain life safety measures. Localities are increasingly seeking to make this a viable option for seniors and for affordable housing in general. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of an additional use group designed to incorporate an Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit (AADU) to owner occupied single-family housing. Additional investigation will occur regarding this definition and tasks were assigned for the next meeting.

Other Residential Applications including State Licensed Health and Mental Health Use groups.

- There was discussion of use of unsold rental units as hotels as well short term rentals but no additional code issues were identified for these items. There was a discussion of state licensed care facilities and exemption allowances; it was noted that there is difficulty in understanding and applying different requirements for these facilities. These facilities include but are not limited to the following: ambulatory care, in-home hospice, recovery care, custodial care, and hospice care. Discussion of these issues will be continued at the next meeting with various details and action items identified for the different types of facility.

A detailed meeting summary can be found at the following link –

<https://www.dhcd.virginia.gov/sites/default/files/Docx/code-development/2018/residential-use-summary-notes.pdf>