

ORDINANCE NO. 7-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND, CALIFORNIA AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE MCFARLAND MUNICIPAL CODE TO REMOVE OBSOLETE REFERENCES TO SECONDARY UNITS AND SECONDARY RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND TO CONFORM TERMINOLOGY TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

Section 1. Recitals

WHEREAS, the City of McFarland maintains zoning regulations in Title 17 of the McFarland Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, state law and local zoning practice now generally refer to additional residential units accessory to a primary dwelling as “Accessory Dwelling Units”; and

WHEREAS, the McFarland Municipal Code contains certain outdated references to “secondary units” and “secondary residential units”; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to update Title 17 of the McFarland Municipal Code to remove obsolete terminology, repeal duplicative or outdated provisions, and conform related code references to the term “Accessory Dwelling Units”; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed amendments will improve clarity and consistency within the City’s zoning regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Repeal of section 17.12.090. Section 17.12.090, entitled “Secondary Units,” is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 3. Repeal of section 17.040.625. Section 17.040.625, entitled “Secondary Residential Unit,” is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 4. Amendment to section 17.136.150. The title of Section 17.136.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17.136.150 Accessory Dwelling Units

Section 5. Conforming amendments to section 17.152.030. The following amendments are hereby made to Section 17.152.030:

A. In subsection (4), the term “Secondary Residential Units” is replaced with “Accessory Dwelling Units.”

B. In subsection (11), the term “Secondary Residential Units” is replaced with “Accessory Dwelling Units.”

C. In subsection (12), the term “Secondary Residential Units” is replaced with “Accessory Dwelling Units.”

Section 6. CEQA. The City Council finds that this Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the adoption of this Ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment. The Ordinance consists solely of technical and conforming amendments to the McFarland Municipal Code.

Section 7. Codification. The City Clerk is directed to transmit this Ordinance to the City’s codifier. The codifier may make minor, nonsubstantive changes to formatting, numbering, and cross-references as necessary to properly integrate these amendments into the McFarland Municipal Code.

Section 8. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each portion thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more portions may be declared invalid.

Section 9. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

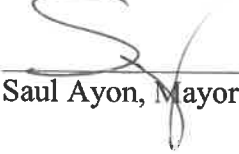
Section 10. Certification; Publication. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause it to be published in the manner required by law.

INTRODUCED, at a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of McFarland, California on 8/12/2026, by the following vote:

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of McFarland on by the following vote:

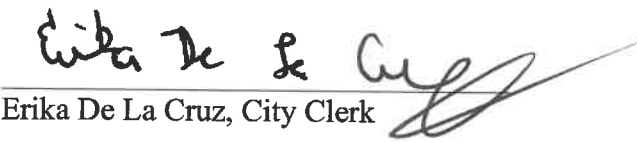
	Aye	Nae	Abstain	Absent
Saul Ayon	✓			
Ricardo Cano				✓
Anita Gonzalez	✓			
María T. Pérez	✓			
Martin Gutierrez	✓			

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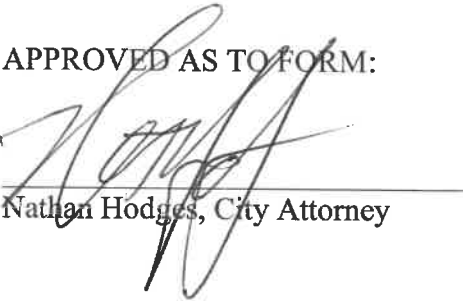

Saul Ayon, Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of McFarland by a Regular meeting thereof held on August 26, 2026.

ATTEST:


Erika De La Cruz, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Nathan Hodges, City Attorney



