

## RESIDENTIAL ACCESSORY STRUCTURE AND ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU) DECLARATION

(Only required if proposed project is an accessory structure or an accessory structure that contains an ADU – Please Print)

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### DEFINITIONS

1. Accessory Structure. A structure located on the same lot as the principal building that is incidental and subordinate to the function of the principal building.
2. Dwelling - Accessory Unit (ADU). An additional dwelling unit associated with and incidental to a principal dwelling. An accessory dwelling unit (ADU) shall include separate cooking and sanitary facilities and is a complete, separate dwelling unit. ADUs are not permitted in manufactured homes, recreational vehicles, travel trailers, campers, or any other type of motor vehicle.
3. Dwelling Unit. A single unit providing complete, independent living facilities for no more than one family, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation

### STANDARDS

Accessory structures that **DO NOT CONTAIN** an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) must comply with the requirements of **Article 17** of the City of Charlotte Unified Development Ordinance. [Article 17. Accessory Structures](#)

Accessory structures that **DO CONTAIN** an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) must also comply with the requirements of **Section 15.6** of the City of Charlotte Unified Development Ordinance – please see below. An ADU within an accessory structure must meet both the accessory structure standards and the ADU standards. [Article 15. Uses](#)

*This document should not be used as a substitute for codes and regulations. The applicant is responsible for compliance with all applicable Unified Development Ordinance requirements, whether or not described in this document.*

### ADU DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT PLANS – PLEASE CHECK A BOX

- The proposed project is utilizing a City of Charlotte ADU Design & Development Plan.
- The proposed project is **not** utilizing a City of Charlotte ADU Design & Development Plan.

### DECLARATION – PLEASE CHECK A BOX

The proposed project is an accessory structure that **does not contain**  / **does contain**  an accessory dwelling unit (ADU), as defined above. By declaring that the accessory structure “does not contain” an ADU, you are confirming that the structure will not be used as a dwelling/residence whether for short-term or long-term durations throughout the year. I understand that failure to properly permit this project may result in a Notice of Violation and/or other enforcement actions as necessary to achieve compliance with all applicable codes and ordinances.

Print Applicant's Name:

Applicant's Signature:

Date: