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1	CITY OF SEATTLE
2	ORDINANCE
3	COUNCIL BILL
4 5 6 7 8 9 10	title AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning, amending Sections 23.44.011, 23.44.014, 23.44.017, 23.44.020, 23.44.041, 23.45.545, 23.84A.002, 23.84A.032, 23.84A.038, and 23.86.007 of the Seattle Municipal Code to remove barriers to the creation of attached and detached accessory dwelling units and add a floor area ratio requirement in certain single-family zones. body
11	WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 31547 in September 2014, directing the
12	Department of Planning and Development to explore policy changes that would increase
13	the production of attached accessory dwelling units and detached accessory dwelling
14	units, including regulatory changes, incentives, marketing, and promotion; and
15	WHEREAS, the Housing Affordability and Livability Agenda (HALA) Advisory Committee
16	made recommendations in July 2015 to the Mayor and City Council, including
17	Recommendation SF.1a to remove code barriers to accessory dwelling units and
18	backyard cottages by removing the parking requirement, removing the owner-occupancy
19	requirement, allowing a single lot to have both an attached and detached accessory
20	dwelling unit, and making minor modifications to existing development standards for
21	detached accessory dwelling units; and
22	WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 31609 in September 2015, declaring its intent
23	to consider strategies to increase the availability of affordable housing in Seattle,
24	outlining an overarching policy framework and timeline for the Mayor's HALA
25	recommendations, and establishing the Council Work Plan for HALA Recommendations,
26	which included Strategy (h) to remove barriers to the development of detached and
27	attached accessory dwelling units; and

### 1 WHEREAS, attached accessory dwelling units have been allowed on single-family lots since 2 1994, and detached accessory dwelling units have been allowed on single-family lots 3 since 2010, subject to certain development standards; and 4 WHEREAS, since 2010 only approximately 700 detached accessory dwelling units have been 5 constructed, accounting for less than one percent of eligible single-family lots; 6 NOW, THEREFORE, 7 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:** 8 Section 1. Section 23.44.011 of the Seattle Municipal Code, enacted by Ordinance 9 125791, is amended as follows: 10 23.44.011 Floor area in ((RSL)) single-family zones Gross floor area. In ((RSL)) single-family zones, gross floor area includes exterior 11 A. 12 corridors, breezeways, and stairways that provide building circulation and access to dwelling 13 units or sleeping rooms. Balconies, patios, and decks that are associated with a single dwelling 14 unit or sleeping room and that are not used for common circulation, and ground-level walking paths, are not considered gross floor area. 15 B. 16 Floor area ratio (FAR) limits. 17 1. The FAR limit for single-family dwelling units in SF 5000, SF 7200, and 18 SF 9600 zones is 0.5, except that lots with less than 5,000 square feet of lot area can include up 19 to 2,500 square feet of total chargeable floor area. The applicable FAR limit applies to the total 20 chargeable floor area of all structures on the lot. 21 2. The FAR limit in RSL zones is 0.75. The applicable FAR limit applies to 22 the total chargeable floor area of all structures on the lot.

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1	C. The following floor area is exempt from FAR limits:							
2	1. All stories, or portions of stories, that are underground.							
3	2. All portions of a story that extend no more than 4 feet above existing or							
4	finished grade, whichever is lower, excluding access.							
5	3. In SF 5000, SF 7200, and SF 9600 zones, any floor area contained in an							
6	accessory dwelling unit and up to 500 additional square feet of floor area in any accessory							
7	structure.							
8	((3)) <u>4</u> . $((Fifty))$ <u>In RSL zones, 50</u> percent of floor area contained in							
9	structures built prior to January 1, 1982, as single-family dwelling units that will remain in							
10	residential use, regardless of the number of dwelling units within the existing structure, provided							
11	the exemption is limited to the gross square footage in the single-family dwelling unit as of							
12	January 1, 1982.							
13	D. In SF 5000, SF 7200, and SF 9600 zones additions to a single-family dwelling							
14	unit existing on the effective date of the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 119544 may							
15	exceed the FAR limit in subsection 23.44.011.B.1 if the addition adds floor area equal to or less							
16	than 20 percent of the floor area that existed on the effective date of the ordinance introduced as							
17	Council Bill 119544. Only one addition to any single-family dwelling unit may be exempted							
18	under this subsection 23.44.011.D.							
19	Section 2. Section 23.44.014 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance							
20	125791, is amended as follows:							
21	23.44.014 Yards and separations							
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C. Exceptions from standard yard requirements. No structure shall be placed in a
 required yard except as follows:

3 1. Garages. Garages may be located in required yard subject to the standards
4 of Section 23.44.016.

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2. Certain accessory structures in side and rear yards

a. Except for detached accessory dwelling units, any accessory
structure that complies with the requirements of Section 23.44.040 may be constructed in a side
yard that abuts the rear or side yard of another lot, or in that portion of the rear yard of a reversed
corner lot within 5 feet of the key lot and not abutting the front yard of the key lot, upon
recording with the King County Recorder's Office an agreement to this effect between the
owners of record of the abutting properties.

b. Except for detached accessory dwelling units, any detached
accessory structure that complies with the requirements of Section 23.44.040 may be located in a
rear yard, provided that on a reversed corner lot, no accessory structure shall be located in that
portion of the required rear yard that abuts the required front yard of the adjoining key lot, nor
shall the accessory structure be located closer than 5 feet from the key lot's side lot line unless
the provisions of subsections 23.44.014.C.2.a or 23.44.016.D.9 apply.

18 <u>c. A detached accessory dwelling unit may be located in a rear yard</u>
 19 <u>subject to the requirements of subsection 23.44.041.C.</u>

A principal residential structure <u>or a detached accessory dwelling unit</u> may
 extend into one side yard if an easement is provided along the side or rear lot line of the abutting
 lot, sufficient to leave a 10-foot separation between that structure and any principal structure <u>or</u>
 detached accessory dwelling unit on the abutting lot. The 10-foot separation shall be measured

1 from the wall of the principal structure or the wall of the detached accessory dwelling unit that is 2 proposed to extend into a side yard to the wall of the principal structure or detached accessory 3 dwelling unit on the abutting lot. 4 No structure or portion of a structure may be built on either lot a. 5 within the 10-foot separation, except as provided in this Section 23.44.014. 6 b. Accessory structures, other than detached accessory dwelling units, 7 and features of and projections from principal structures, such as porches, eaves, and chimneys, 8 are permitted in the 10-foot separation area required by this subsection 23.44.014.C.3 if 9 otherwise allowed in side yards by this subsection 23.44.014.C. For purposes of calculating the 10 distance a structure or feature may project into the 10-foot separation, assume the property line is 11 5 feet from the wall of the principal structure proposed to extend into a side yard and consider 12 the 5 feet between the wall and the assumed property line to be the required side yard. 13 No portion of any structure, including any projection, shall cross c. 14 the property line. 15 d. The easement shall be recorded with the King County Recorder's Office. The easement shall provide access for normal maintenance activities to the principal 16 17 structure on the lot with less than the required ((5 foot)) 5-foot side yard. 18 4. Certain additions. Certain additions to a single-family structure may extend into a required yard if the existing single-family structure is already nonconforming with 19 20 respect to that yard. The presently nonconforming portion must be at least 60 percent of the total 21 width of the respective facade of the structure prior to the addition. The line formed by the 22 existing nonconforming wall of the structure is the limit to which any additions may be built, 23 except as described in subsections 23.44.014.C.4.a through 23.44.014.C.4.e. Additions may

extend up to the height limit and may include basement additions. New additions to the
 nonconforming wall or walls shall comply with the following requirements (Exhibit A for
 23.44.014):

a. Side yard. If the addition is a side wall, the existing wall line may
be continued by the addition except that in no case shall the addition be closer than 3 feet to the
side lot line;

b. Rear yard. If the addition is a rear wall, the existing wall line may
be continued by the addition except that in no case shall the addition be closer than 20 feet to the
rear lot line or centerline of an alley abutting the rear lot line;

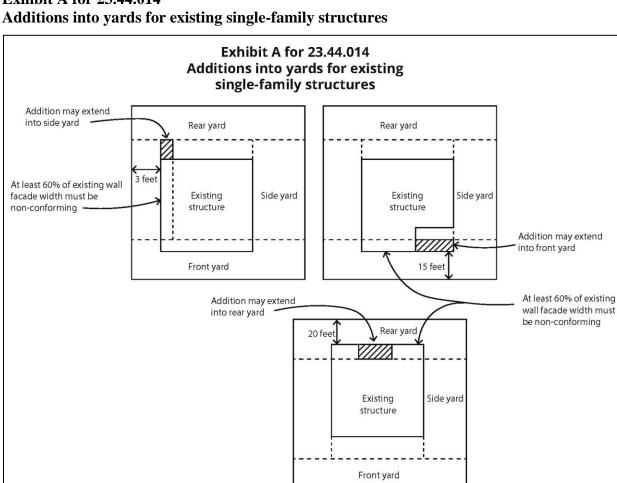
c. Front yard. If the addition is a front wall, the existing wall line may
be continued by the addition except that in no case shall the addition be closer than 15 feet to the
front lot line;

d. If the nonconforming wall of the single-family structure is not
parallel or is otherwise irregular, relative to the lot line, then the Director shall determine the
limit of the wall extension, except that the wall extension shall not be located closer than
specified in subsections 23.44.014.C.4.a, 23.44.014.C.4.b, and 23.44.014.C.4.c.

e. Roof eaves, gutters, and chimneys on such additions may extend
an additional 18 inches into a required yard, but in no case shall such features be closer than 2
feet to the side lot line.

### Exhibit A for 23.44.014





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5. Uncovered porches or steps. Uncovered, unenclosed porches ((,)) or steps may project into any required yard, if each component is no higher than 4 feet above existing grade, no closer than 3 feet to any side lot line, and has no horizontal distance greater than 6 feet within the required yard. For each entry to a principal structure, one uncovered, unenclosed porch and/or associated steps are permitted in the required yards.

6. Certain features of a structure. Unless otherwise provided elsewhere in
this Chapter 23.44, certain features of a principal or accessory structure, except for accessory
dwelling units, may extend into required yards if they comply with the following:

1	a. External architectural details with no living area, such as					
2	chimneys, eaves, cornices, and columns, may project no more than 18 inches into any required					
3	yard;					
4	b. Bay windows are limited to 8 feet in width and may project no					
5	more than 2 feet into a required front, rear, and street side yard;					
6	c. Other projections that include interior space, such as garden					
7	windows, may extend no more than 18 inches into any required yard, starting a minimum of 30					
8	inches above finished floor, and with maximum dimensions of 6 feet in height and 8 feet in					
9	width;					
10	d. The combined area of features permitted by subsections					
11	23.44.014.C.6.b and 23.44.014.C.6.c may comprise no more than 30 percent of the area of the					
12	facade.					
13	7. Covered unenclosed decks and roofs over patios. Covered, unenclosed					
14	decks and roofs over patios, if attached to a principal structure or a detached accessory dwelling					
15	unit, may extend into the required rear yard, but shall not be within 12 feet of the centerline of					
16	any alley, or within 12 feet of any rear lot line that is not an alley lot line, or closer to any side lo					
17	line in the required rear yard than the side yard requirement of the principal structure along that					
18	side, or closer than 5 feet to any accessory structure. The height of the roof over unenclosed					
19	decks and patios shall not exceed 12 feet. The roof over such decks or patios shall not be used as					
20	a deck.					
21	8. Access bridges. Uncovered, unenclosed access bridges are permitted as					
22	follows:					

a. Pedestrian bridges 5 feet or less in width, and of any height
 necessary for access, are permitted in required yards, except that in side yards an access bridge
 must be at least 3 feet from any side lot line.

b. A driveway access bridge is permitted in the required yard abutting
the street if necessary for access to parking. The vehicular access bridge shall be no wider than
12 feet for access to one parking space or 18 feet for access to two or more parking spaces and of
any height necessary for access. The driveway access bridge may not be located closer than 5
feet to an adjacent property line.

9 9. Barrier-free access. Access facilities for the disabled and elderly that
10 comply with Washington State Building Code ((,)) Chapter 11 are permitted in any required
11 yard.

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### 10. Freestanding structures and bulkheads

13 Fences, freestanding walls, bulkheads, signs, and similar structures a. 6 feet or less in height above existing or finished grade, whichever is lower, may be erected in 14 15 any required yard. The 6-foot height may be averaged along sloping grade for each 6-foot-long 16 segment of the fence, but in no case may any portion of the fence exceed 8 feet. Architectural 17 features may be added to the top of the fence or freestanding wall above the 6-foot height if the 18 features comply with the following: horizontal architectural feature(s), no more than 10 inches 19 high, and separated by a minimum of 6 inches of open area, measured vertically from the top of 20 the fence, are permitted if the overall height of all parts of the structure, including post caps, is 21 no more than 8 feet. Averaging the 8-foot height is not permitted. Structural supports for the 22 horizontal architectural feature(s) may be spaced no closer than 3 feet on center.

1	b. The Director may allow variation from the development standards						
2	listed in subsection 23.44.014.C.10.a, according to the following:						
3	1) No part of the structure may exceed 8 feet; and						
4	2) Any portion of the structure above 6 feet shall be						
5	predominately open, such that there is free circulation of light and air.						
6	c. Bulkheads and retaining walls used to raise grade may be placed in						
7	any required yard when limited to 6 feet in height, measured above existing grade. A guardrail						
8	no higher than 42 inches may be placed on top of a bulkhead or retaining wall existing as of						
9	February 20, 1982. If a fence is placed on top of a new bulkhead or retaining wall, the maximum						
10	combined height is limited to 9 1/2 feet.						
11	d. Bulkheads and retaining walls used to protect a cut into existing						
12	grade may be placed in any required yard when limited to the minimum height necessary to						
13	support the cut. If the bulkhead or retaining wall is measured from the low side and it exceeds 6						
14	feet, an open guardrail of no more than 42 inches meeting Building Code requirements may be						
15	placed on top of the bulkhead or retaining wall. If the bulkhead or retaining wall is 6 feet or less,						
16	a fence may be placed on top up to a maximum combined height of 9.5 feet for both fence and						
17	bulkhead or retaining wall.						
18	e. If located in shoreline setbacks or in view corridors in the						
19	Shoreline District as regulated in Chapter 23.60A, structures shall not obscure views protected						
20	by Chapter 23.60A, and the Director shall determine the permitted height.						
21	11. Decks in yards. Decks no higher than 18 inches above existing or finished						
22	grade, whichever is lower, may extend into required yards.						

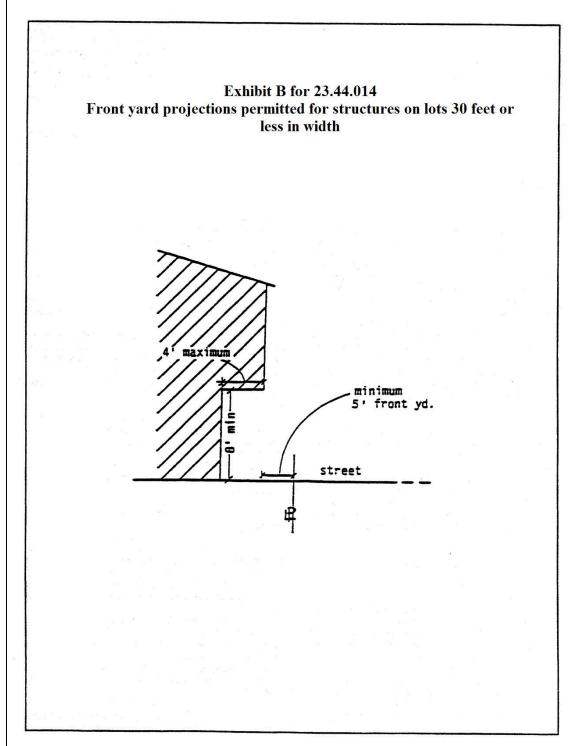
1	12. Mechanical equipment. Heat pumps and similar mechanical equipment,							
2	not including incinerators, are permitted in required yards if they comply with the requirements							
3	f Chapter 25.08. Any heat pump or similar equipment shall not be located within 3 feet of any							
4	lot line. Charging devices for electric cars are considered mechanical equipment and are							
5	permitted in required yards if not located within 3 feet of any lot line.							
6	13. Solar collectors. Solar collectors may be located in required yards, subject							
7	to the provisions of Section 23.44.046.							
8	14. Front yard projections for structures on lots 30 feet or less in width. For a							
9	structure on a lot in an SF 5000, SF 7200, or SF 9600 zone that is 30 feet or less in width,							
10	portions of the front facade that begin 8 feet or more above finished grade may project up to 4							
11	feet into the required front yard, provided that no portion of the facade, including eaves and							
12	gutters, shall be closer than 5 feet to the front lot line (Exhibit B for 23.44.014), and provided							
13	further that no portion of the facade of an existing structure that is less than 8 feet or more above							
14	finished grade already projects into the required front yard.							

#### Exhibit B for 23.44.014

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### Front yard projections permitted for structures on lots 30 feet or less in width



1	15. Front and rear yards may be reduced by 25 percent, but no more than 5						
2	feet, if the site contains a required environmentally critical area buffer or other area of the						
3	property that cannot be disturbed pursuant to subsection 25.09.280.A.						
4	16. Arbors. Arbors may be permitted in required yards under the following						
5	conditions:						
6	a. In any required yard, an arbor may be erected with no more than a						
7	40-square-foot footprint, measured on a horizontal roof plane inclusive of eaves, to a maximum						
8	height of 8 feet. Both the sides and the roof of the arbor shall be at least 50 percent open, or if						
9	latticework is used, there shall be a minimum opening of 2 inches between crosspieces.						
10	b. In each required yard abutting a street, an arbor over a private						
11	pedestrian walkway with no more than a 30-square-foot footprint, measured on the horizontal						
12	roof plane and inclusive of eaves, may be erected to a maximum height of 8 feet. The sides of the						
13	arbor shall be at least 50 percent open, or if latticework is used, there shall be a minimum						
14	opening of 2 inches between crosspieces.						
15	17. Stormwater management						
16	a. Above-grade green stormwater infrastructure (GSI) features are						
17	allowed without yard restrictions if:						
18	1) Each above-grade GSI feature is less than 4.5 feet tall,						
19	excluding piping;						
20	2) Each above-grade GSI feature is less than 4 feet wide; and						
21	3) The total storage capacity of all above-grade GSI features						
22	is no greater than 600 gallons.						

1	b. Above-grade GSI features larger than what is allowed in						
2	subsection 23.44.014.C.17.a are allowed within a required yard if:						
3	1) Above-grade GSI features do not exceed ten percent						
4	coverage of any one yard area;						
5	2) No portion of an above-grade GSI feature is located closer						
6	than 3 feet from a side lot line;						
7	3) No portion of an above-grade GSI feature is located closer						
8	than 20 feet from a rear lot line or centerline of an alley abutting the rear lot line; and						
9	4) No portion of an above-grade GSI feature is located closer						
10	than 15 feet from the front lot line.						
11	18. A structure may be permitted to extend into front and rear yards as						
12	necessary to protect exceptional trees and trees over 2 feet in diameter pursuant to Section						
13	25.11.060.						
14	D. Additional standards for structures if allowed in required yards. Structures in						
15	required yards shall comply with the following:						
16	1. Accessory structures, attached garages, and portions of a principal						
17	structure shall not exceed a maximum combined coverage of 40 percent of the required rear yard,						
18	except that a detached accessory dwelling unit 15 feet or less in height may cover an additional						
19	20 percent of the rear yard. In the case of a rear yard abutting an alley, rear yard coverage shall						
20	be calculated from the centerline of the alley.						
21	2. Any accessory structure located in a required yard shall be separated from						
22	its principal structure by a minimum of 5 feet. This requirement does not apply to terraced						
23	garages that comply with subsection 23.44.016.C.9.b.						

1		3.	Except	for detached accessory dwelling units, ((in subsection			
2	23.44.041.B,)) any accessory structure located in a required yard shall meet both the following						
3	standards:						
4			a.	A maximum height of 12 feet; and			
5			b.	A maximum size of 1,000 square feet in area.			
6		<u>4.</u>	Any de	etached accessory dwelling unit located in a required yard is subject			
7	to the requirem	to the requirements of subsection 23.44.041.C.					
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9	Section 3. Section 23.44.017 of the Seattle Municipal Code, enacted by Ordinance						
10	125791, is amended as follows						
11	23.44.017 Density limits						
12	A. In SF 5000, SF 7200, and SF 9600 zones, only one single-family dwelling unit is						
13	allowed per lot, except that ((an))up to two accessory dwelling units may also be approved						
14	pursuant to Section 23.44.041, and except as approved as part of an administrative conditional						
15	use permit under Section 25.09.260, a clustered housing planned development under Section						
16	23.44.024, or a planned residential development under Section 23.44.034.						
17	Section 4. Section 23.44.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code, enacted by Ordinance						
18	125791, is amended as follows:						
19	23.44.020 Tree	e requi	irement	S			
20	А.	Tree re	equirem	ents in SF 5000, SF 7200, and SF 9600 zones			
21		<u>1.</u>	Trees s	sufficient to meet the following requirements shall be provided			
22	when single-fa	mily dy	welling	units are constructed:			

1	a. For lots over 3,000 square feet, at least 2 caliper inches of tree per						
2	1,000 square feet of lot area.						
3	b. On lots that are 3,000 square feet or smaller, at least 3 caliper						
4	inches of tree.						
5	2. Trees sufficient to meet the following requirements shall be provided						
6	when a new structure, or an addition to an existing structure, containing an accessory dwelling						
7	unit is constructed:						
8	a. For lots that do not contain the minimum number of caliper inches						
9	of tree required by subsection 23.44.020.A.1 at the time a permit application is submitted for any						
10	number of accessory dwelling units, at least 2 caliper inches of tree shall be planted;						
11	b. For lots that contain the minimum number of caliper inches of tree						
12	required by subsection 23.44.020.A.1 at the time a permit application is submitted for any						
13	number of accessory dwelling units, no new trees are required.						
14	((2)) <u>3</u> . The minimum number of caliper inches of tree required may be						
15	met by preserving existing trees, planting new trees, or by a combination of preservation and						
16	planting. The preservation or planting of trees in the right-of-way may be counted, provided that						
17	they are approved by the Director of Transportation.						
18	((3)) <u>4</u> . Submerged land shall not be included in calculating lot area for						
19	purposes of either the tree preservation option or tree planting option.						
20	((4)) $5$ . Tree measurements. Trees planted to meet the requirements in this						
20 21	((4)) <u>5</u> . Tree measurements. Trees planted to meet the requirements in this subsection 23.44.020.A shall be at least 1.5 inches in diameter. The diameter of new trees shall						

1	1 inch toward meeting the tree requirements in this subsection 23.44.020.A. When an existing						
2	tree is more than 10 inches in diameter, each 1 inch of the tree that is over 10 inches shall count						
3	as 3 inches toward meeting the tree requirement.						
4	((5)) <u>6</u> . Tree preservation plans. If the tree preservation option is chosen, a						
5	tree preservation plan must be submitted by a certified arborist and approved. Tree preservation						
6	plans shall provide for protection of trees during construction according to standards						
7	promulgated by the Director.						
8	7. The owner of the subject lot shall ensure that the trees planted remain						
9	healthy for at least five years after inspection by the City and be responsible for replacing any						
10	trees that do not remain healthy after inspection by the City.						
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12	Section 5. Section 23.44.041 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance						
13	125791, is amended as follows:						
14	23.44.041 Accessory dwelling units						
15	A. ((Accessory dwelling units, general provisions)) General provisions. The Director						
16	may authorize an accessory dwelling unit, and that dwelling unit may be used as a residence,						
17	only under the following conditions:						
18	1. <u>Number of accessory dwelling units allowed on a lot.</u>						
19	<u>a.</u> In an SF 5000, SF 7200, or SF 9600 zone, a lot with or proposed						
20	for a <u>principal</u> single-family dwelling unit may have (( <del>no more than one</del> )) <u>up to two</u> accessory						
21	dwelling units, provided that the following conditions are met:						
22	1) Only one accessory dwelling unit may be a detached						
23	accessory dwelling unit; and						

1	2) A second accessory dwelling unit is allowed only if the							
2	applicant either: (1) makes a commitment that the new principal or the accessory structure							
3	containing a detached accessory dwelling unit will meet a green building standard and shall							
4	demonstrate compliance with that commitment, all in accordance with Chapter 23.58D. A							
5	second accessory dwelling unit that is proposed on a within an existing structure does not require							
6	the structure to be updated to meet the green building standard; or (2) if the second accessory							
7	dwelling unit is a rental unit affordable to and reserved solely for "income-eligible households,"							
8	as defined in Section 23.58A.004, and is subject to an agreement specifying the affordable							
9	housing requirements under this subsection approved by the Director of Housing that ensure that							
10	the housing shall serve only income-eligible households for a minimum period of fifty years. The							
11	monthly rent, including basic utilities, shall not exceed 30 percent of the income limit for the							
12	unit, all as determined by the Director of Housing, and the housing owner shall submit a report to							
13	the Office of Housing annually that documents how the affordable housing meets the terms of							
14	the recorded agreement.							
15	b. In an RSL zone, each principal dwelling unit may have no more							
16	than one accessory dwelling unit.							
17	2. In the Shoreline District, accessory dwelling units shall be as provided in							
18	Chapter 23.60A; where allowed in the Shoreline District, they are also subject to the provisions							
19	in this Section 23.44.041.							
20	((3. The owner(s) of the lot shall comply with the owner occupancy							
21	requirements of subsection 23.44.041.C.							
22	4)) <u>3</u> . Any number of related persons may occupy each unit (( $\frac{in a single - family}{a single - family}$							
23	dwelling unit)) on a lot with ((an)) one or more accessory dwelling units.((; provided that, if)) If							

1	unrelated persons oc	ccupy ((either-)) any	dwelling unit, the total	number of persons	occupying
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2 ((both)) <u>all dwelling</u> units may not altogether exceed eight <u>if there is none or one accessory</u>

- 3 dwelling unit on the lot. If there are two accessory dwelling units on the lot, the total number of
- 4 <u>unrelated persons occupying all units may not altogether exceed 12.</u>
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((5. All accessory dwelling units are required to meet the development

6 standards in Table A for 23.44.041, unless modified in subsection 23.44.041.B:

Table A for 23.44.041				
Development standards for all accessory dwelling units				
a. Maximum Attached accessory dwelling units are limited to 1,000 square feet,				
gross floor area including garage and storage area. <sup>4</sup> Detached accessory dwelling un				
limited to 800 square feet, including any garage and storage area provided				
	in the same structure as the accessory dwelling unit, but excluding areas			
	below grade, measured as set forth in Section 23.86.007.			
b. Entrances	In SF 5000, SF 7200, and SF 9600 zones, only one entrance to the structure			
	may be located on each street facing facade of the dwelling unit. <sup>2</sup>			
Footnotes to Tabl	e A for 23.44.041:			
<sup>1</sup> The gross floor a	area of an attached accessory dwelling unit may exceed 1,000 square feet			
only if the portion	the structure in which the accessory dwelling unit is located was in			
	ne 1, 1999, and if the entire accessory dwelling unit is located on one level,			
	ge for the accessory dwelling unit may be located on a different level.			
	ntrance may be allowed if: a) two entrances on the street facing facade			
existed on January 1, 1993; or b) the Director determines that topography, screening, or				
another design so	lution is effective in de-emphasizing the presence of a second entrance.))			
<u>4.</u>	In an SF 5000, SF 7200, or SF 9600 zone, accessory dwelling units are			
subject to the tree	requirements in subsection 23.44.020.A.2.			
((6)	) $5$ . ((Except on lots located within areas that are defined as either an			
urban center or urb	oan village in the City's Comprehensive Plan, one off-street parking space is			
required for the ac	cessory dwelling unit and may be provided as tandem parking with the parking			
space provided for the principal dwelling unit.)) No off-street parking is required for accessory				
dwelling units. An existing required parking space may not be eliminated to accommodate an				
accessory dwelling	g unit unless it is replaced elsewhere on the lot. ((Except for lots located in			

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1	either Map A for 23.54.015, University District Parking Impact Area, or Map B for 23.54.015,
2	Alki Area Parking Overlay, the Director may waive the off-street parking space requirement for
3	an accessory dwelling unit if:
4	a. The topography or location of existing principal or accessory
5	structures on the lot makes provision of an off-street parking space physically infeasible; or
6	b. The lot is located in a restricted parking zone (RPZ) and a current
7	parking study is submitted showing a utilization rate of less than 75 percent for on-street parking
8	within 400 feet of all property lines of the site.))
9	B. Attached accessory dwelling units. Attached accessory dwelling units are subject
10	to the following additional conditions:
11	1. The gross floor area of an attached accessory dwelling unit may not
12	exceed 1,000 square feet, excluding garage area, unless the portion of the structure in which the
13	attached accessory dwelling unit is located existed as of December 31, 2017.
14	2. In an SF 5000, SF 7200, or SF 9600 zone, only one entrance to the
15	structure may be located on each street-facing facade of the structure, unless multiple entrances
16	on the street-facing facade existed on January 1, 1993, or unless the Director determines that
17	topography, screening, or another design solution is effective in de-emphasizing the presence of
18	an additional entrance.
19	((B)) <u>C</u> . ((Accessory)) <u>Detached accessory</u> dwelling units. (( <del>, detached, additional</del>
20	provisions. The Director may authorize a detached)) Detached accessory dwelling units are ((,
21	and that unit may be used as a residence, only under the conditions set forth in subsection
22	23.44.041.A and)) subject to the following additional conditions:

1. Detached accessory dwelling units are required to meet the additional

# 2 development standards set forth in Table (( $\mathbf{B}$ )) <u>A</u> for 23.44.041.

Table ((B)) A for 23.44.041         Development standards for detached accessory dwelling units <sup>1,2</sup>				
a. Minimum lot size	((4,000)) <u>3,200</u> square feet			
b. Minimum lot width	25 feet			
c. Minimum lot depth	$70 \text{ feet}^{3((2))}$			
d. Maximum lot coverage	((The provisions of Section 23.44.010 apply.)) <u>Detached</u> accessory dwelling units are subject to the requirements governing maximum lot coverage and lot coverage exceptions in subsections 23.44.010.C and 23.44.010.D.			
e. Maximum rear yard coverage	((A detached)) <u>Detached</u> accessory dwelling unit <u>s</u> , together with any other accessory structures and other portions of the principal structure, ((is limited to a maximum combined coverage of 40 percent of the rear yard)) are subject to the requirements governing maximum rear yard lot coverage and lot coverage exceptions in subsections 23.44.014.D.			
f. Maximum (( <del>gross floor</del> <del>area</del> )) <u>size</u>	(( <del>800</del> )) <u>The gross floor area of a detached accessory dwelling unit</u> <u>may not exceed 1,000</u> square feet (( <del>including</del> )) <u>excluding</u> garage (( <del>and storage</del> )) area <u>s</u> , (( <del>but excluding covered</del> )) porches and covered decks that are less than 25 square feet in area, and (( <del>underground areas measured as set forth in Section 23.86.007</del> )) <u>gross floor area below grade</u> .			
g. Front yard	A detached accessory dwelling unit may not be located within the front yard required by subsection 23.44.014.B, except on a through lot pursuant to Section 23.40.030 or Section 23.40.035. ((and row i of this Table B for 23.44.041.))			
h. Minimum side yard	((The provisions of subsection 23.44.014.C apply. <sup>7</sup> )) <u>A detached</u> accessory dwelling unit may not be located within the side yard required by subsection 23.44.014.B except as provided in subsection 23.44.014.C.3. <sup>4</sup>			
i. Minimum rear yard	A detached accessory dwelling unit may be located within a required rear yard if it is not within 5 feet of any lot line, unless the lot line is adjacent to an alley, in which case a detached accessory dwelling unit may be located at that lot line. <sup>((3,)) 4, 5, 6</sup>			
j. Location of entry	<ul> <li>((Entrances to detached accessory dwelling units may not be located on facades)) If the entrance to a detached accessory dwelling unit is located on a facade facing ((the nearest)) a side lot line or ((the)) a rear lot line, the entrance may not be within 10 feet of that lot line unless ((the nearest side)) that lot line ((or rear lot line)) abuts an alley or other public right-of-way.</li> </ul>			

# Table (( $\mathbb{B}$ )) A for 23.44.041Development standards for detached accessory dwelling units<sup>1,2</sup>

Development standards for detached accessory dwelling units <sup>1,2</sup>					
	Lot width (feet)				
k. Maximum height limits <sup>7, 8, 9</sup> ( <sup>(6))</sup>	Less than 30	30 (( <del>or greater</del> )) up to (( <del>35</del> )) <u>40</u>	(( <del>Above 35</del> <del>up to 40</del> ))	Above 40 up to $50((^6))$	50 or greater
(1) Base structure height limit (in feet)	(( <del>12</del> )) <u>14</u>	(( <del>1</del> 4)) <u>16</u>	(( <del>15</del> ))	(( <del>16</del> )) <u>18</u>	(( <del>16</del> )) <u>18</u>
<ul><li>(2) Height allowed for pitched roof above base structure height limit (in feet)</li></ul>	3	7	((7))	(( <del>6</del> )) <u>5</u>	7
<ul><li>(3) Height allowed for shed or butterfly roof above base structure height limit (in feet); see Exhibit A for 23.44.041</li></ul>	3	4	((4))	4	4
1. Minimum separation from       5 feet         principal ((structure)) single-       5 feet         family dwelling unit       5 feet					
((m. Number per lot	Only one of	letached accessor	<del>y dwelling un</del>	it is allowed o	<del>n a lot.</del> ))
Footnotes to Table $((\mathbf{B}))$ <u>A</u> for	23.44.041				
<sup>1</sup> The Director may allow an ex		standards a throu	gh f $((,))$ and $[$	h (( <del>, i, and i</del> )) t	hrough k
pursuant to subsection ((23.44					
structures to a detached accessory dwelling unit, including additions to an existing accessory					
structure.	-			-	
<sup>2</sup> The Director may allow an e	xception to	standards e, i, and	d j if the excep	ption allows fo	or the
preservation of an exceptional	tree or a tre	ee over 2 feet in d	liameter meas	ured 4.5 feet a	bove the
<u>ground.</u> $((2)) \stackrel{3}{=}$ For lots that do not meet t	the lot dept	n requirement ((,	) but have a g	reater width th	an depth
and an area greater than 5,000					
provided the detached accesso	ry dwelling	unit is not locate	d in a require	d yard.	
(( <sup>3-</sup> The exceptions from standa	<del>ird yard req</del>	uirements in subs	section 23.44.	014.C.6.a shall	<del>l also</del>
apply.))					
<sup>4</sup> External architectural details with no living area, such as chimneys, eaves, cornices, and					
columns, may project no closer than 3 feet from any lot line. Bay windows are limited to 8 feet					
in width and may project no closer than 3 feet from any lot line. Other projections that include					
interior space, such as garden windows, must start a minimum of 30 inches above the finished					
floor, have a maximum dimension of 6 feet in height and 8 feet in width, and project no closer					
than 3 feet from any lot line.					
$^{((4))5}$ If the lot line is adjacent to an alley and a detached accessory dwelling unit includes a					
garage with a vehicle entrance that faces the alley, the garage portion of the structure may not be					
located within 12 feet of the centerline of the alley. $((5)) \stackrel{6}{=} On$ a reversed corner lot, no detached accessory dwelling unit shall be located in that					
portion of the required rear yard that abuts the required front yard of the adjoining key lot.					

## Table ((B)) <u>A</u> for 23.44.041

# Development standards for detached accessory dwelling units<sup>1,2</sup>

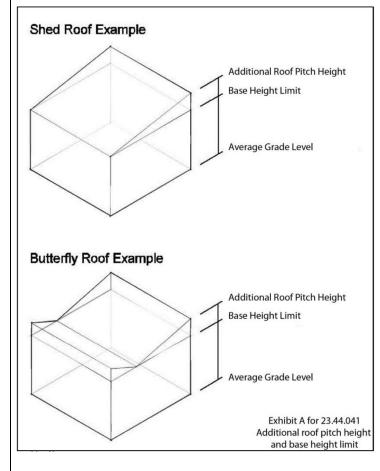
<sup>((6)) <u>7</u></sup> Features such as chimneys, antennas, and flagpoles may extend up to 4 feet above the maximum allowed height.

((<sup>7</sup>Detached accessory dwelling units on lots that have a width greater than 40 feet up to 50 feet may be built to the maximum height limit applicable in the column for lots greater than 50 feet when the detached accessory dwelling unit is located on a lot with a rear lot line that is adjacent to an alley.))

<sup>8</sup> Projections that accommodate windows and result in additional interior space, including dormers, clerestories, and skylights, may extend no higher than the ridge of a pitched roof permitted pursuant to row k if all of conditions of subsection 23.44.012.C.3 are satisfied.
<sup>9</sup> Any structure with a green roof or other features necessary to meet a green building standard as defined by the Director by rule, may extend up to 2 feet above the maximum allowed height.

# Exhibit A for 23.44.041

## Additional roof pitch height and base height limit



1 2. Conversion of accessory structures. An existing accessory structure that is 2 not located in a required front yard, or that is located in a front yard where Section 23.40.030 or 3 23.40.035 applies, may be converted into a detached accessory dwelling unit if the structure 4 complies with the minimum standards set forth in Sections 22.206.010 through 22.206.140 of the 5 Housing and Building Maintenance Code and with the Seattle Residential Code, if work 6 requiring a permit is performed on the structure or has previously been performed without a 7 permit. ((The)) To allow the conversion of an existing accessory structure, the Director may 8 allow an exception to one or more of the development standards for accessory dwelling units 9 contained in ((subsection 23.44.041.A.5 and)) standards a through f, and h (( $\frac{1}{1}$  and  $\frac{1}{1}$ )) through k, 10 listed in Table ( $(\mathbf{B})$ ) A for 23.44.041, provided the conversion does not increase the structure's 11 nonconformity with the standard. ((and)) An existing accessory structure may be converted if the 12 applicant can demonstrate that the accessory structure ((was constructed)) existed prior to ((June 1, 1999)) December 31, 2017, as an accessory structure. If an accessory structure ((constructed)) 13 14 existing prior to ((June 1, 1999)) December 31, 2017, was replaced to the same configuration in 15 accordance with the standards of Section 23.42.112, then the replacement structure also qualifies 16 for conversion under this subsection 23.44.041.C.2. For purposes of this subsection 17 23.44.041.C.2, the term "conversion" means either keeping the accessory structure intact or 18 removing and rebuilding the accessory structure, provided that any expansion or relocation of the 19 accessory structure complies with the development standards for detached accessory dwelling 20 units. 21 ((C. Owner occupancy 22 1. Requirement. An owner with at least a 50 percent interest in the property

23 must occupy either the principal dwelling unit or the accessory dwelling unit for six or more

months of each calendar year as the owner's permanent residence. The Director may waive this
 requirement for up to three years if a letter is submitted that provides evidence to the Director
 showing good cause why the requirement for owner occupancy should be waived. Good cause
 may include job dislocation, sabbatical leave, education, or illness.

2. Violation. If an owner is unable or unwilling to fulfill the requirements of
subsection 23.44.041.C.1, the owner shall remove those features of the accessory dwelling unit
that make it a dwelling unit. Failure to do so will constitute a violation of this Title 23 and the
owner will be subject to penalties pursuant to Sections 23.90.018, 23.90.019 and 23.90.020.

3. Covenant recording. Prior to issuance of a permit establishing an
accessory dwelling unit, the owner(s) shall sign under oath and record in the King County
Recorder a covenant by the owner(s) to the City of Seattle stating that the owner(s) agree to
restrict use of the principal and accessory dwelling units in compliance with the requirements of
this subsection 23.44.041.C and notify all prospective purchasers of those requirements. Falsely
certifying to the terms of the covenant or failure to comply with the terms of the covenant is
subject to penalties pursuant to Sections 23.90.018, 23.90.019 and 23.90.020.

16 The covenant shall run with the land and be binding upon the property owner,
17 his/her heirs and assigns, and upon any parties subsequently acquiring any right, title or interest
18 in the property. The covenant shall be in a form prescribed by the Director that includes the legal
19 description of the principal use lot. The property owner(s) shall return the original covenant with
20 recording stamp to the Department before the building permit for the accessory dwelling unit is
21 issued.

22 23 4. Covenant release. At the request of a property owner and after an inspection finding that an accessory dwelling unit has been removed from the owner's property,

1	the Department shall record a release of any previously recorded covenant for that accessory
2	dwelling unit.))
3	D. Single-family status unaffected. A single-family lot with any <u>number of</u> accessory
4	dwelling units shall be considered a single-family ((residence)) dwelling unit for purposes of
5	rezone criteria (Section 23.34.011).
6	Section 6. Section 23.45.545 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance
7	125791, is amended as follows:
8	23.45.545 Standards for certain accessory uses
9	***
10	I. In LR zones, accessory dwelling units are $allowed((,))$ in single-family, rowhouse and
11	townhouse units, as follows:
12	1. One accessory dwelling unit is allowed for each single-family, rowhouse, or
13	townhouse unit that is a "principal unit."((-)) A "principal unit" is a dwelling unit that is not an
14	accessory dwelling unit.
15	2. ((The owner of a principal unit shall comply with the owner occupancy
16	requirements of subsection 23.44.041.C.
17	3.))2. The height limit for a detached accessory dwelling unit is 20 feet, except
18	that the ridge of a pitched roof on a detached accessory dwelling unit may extend up to 3 feet
19	above the 20-foot height limit. All parts of the roof above the height limit shall be pitched at a
20	rate of not less than 4:12. No portion of a shed roof is permitted to extend beyond the 20-foot
21	height limit.
22	((4)) <u>3</u> . The maximum gross floor area of an accessory dwelling unit is 650 square
23	feet, provided that the total gross floor area of the accessory dwelling unit does not exceed 40

1	percent of the total gross floor area in residential use on the lot or unit lot, if present, exclusive of
2	garages, storage sheds, and other non-habitable spaces.
3	((5)) <u>4</u> . An accessory dwelling unit shall be located completely within the same
4	structure as the principal unit or in an accessory structure located between the single-family,
5	rowhouse, or townhouse unit and the rear lot line.
6	((6)) 5. The entrance to an accessory dwelling unit provided within the same
7	structure as the principal unit shall be provided through one of the following configurations:
8	a. Through the primary entry to the principal unit; or
9	b. Through a secondary entry on a different facade than the primary entry
10	to the principal unit; or
11	c. Through a secondary entry on the same facade as the primary entry to
12	the principal unit that is smaller and less visually prominent than the entry to the principal unit,
13	and does not have a prominent stoop, porch, portico or other entry feature.
14	((7)) <u>6</u> . Exterior stairs. Exterior stairs providing access to an accessory dwelling
15	unit may not exceed 4 feet in height, except for exterior stairs providing access to an accessory
16	dwelling unit located above a garage.
17	((8)) <u>7</u> . Parking. Parking is not required for an accessory dwelling unit.
18	((9)) <u>8</u> . In the Shoreline District, accessory dwelling units in single-family,
19	rowhouse, and townhouse units shall be as provided in Chapter 23.60A and where allowed in the
20	Shoreline District, they are also subject to the provisions in this subsection 23.45.545.I.
21	J. Urban farms are subject to the standards in Section 23.42.051 and the conditional use
22	requirement in subsection 23.45.504.C.8.

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1	Section 7. Section 23.84A.002 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance			
2	125791, is amended as follows:			
3	23.84A.002 "A"			
4	* * *			
5	"Atrium, shopping." See "Shopping atrium."			
6	"Attached accessory dwelling unit." See "Residential use."			
7	"Automobile wrecking yard." See "Solid waste management, Salvage yard," under			
8	"Utility."			
9	* * *			
10	Section 8. Section 23.84A.032 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance			
11	125603, is amended as follows:			
12	23.84A.032 "R"			
13	* * *			
14	"Residential use" means any one or more of the following:			
15	1. "Accessory dwelling unit" means one or more rooms that:			
16	a. ((are)) Are located within ((an owner occupied)) a principal single-			
17	<u>family</u> dwelling unit ( $(-)$ ) or within an accessory structure on the same lot as ((an owner-			
18	occupied)) a principal single-family dwelling unit;			
19	b. ((meet)) <u>Meet</u> the standards of Section 23.44.041, (( <del>or</del> )) <u>Section</u>			
20	23.45.545, or Chapter 23.47A, as applicable;			
20	c. ((are)) Are designed, arranged, and intended to be occupied by not			
22	more than one household as living accommodations independent from any other household; and			
23	d. (( <del>are</del> )) <u>Are</u> so occupied or vacant.			

1 2. "Attached accessory dwelling unit" means an accessory dwelling unit that 2 is within a principal single-family dwelling unit. "Adult family home" means an adult family home defined and 3 ((2)) 3. 4 licensed as such by ((The)) the State of Washington in a dwelling unit. 5 ((3)) 4. "Apartment" means a multifamily residential use that is not a 6 cottage housing development, rowhouse development, or townhouse development. 7 "Artist's studio/dwelling" means a combination working studio ((4)) 5.8 and dwelling unit for artists, consisting of a room or suite of rooms occupied by not more than 9 one household. 10 "Assisted living facility" means a use licensed by ((The)) the State ((5)) 6.11 of Washington as a boarding home pursuant to RCW Chapter 18.20, that contains at least two 12 assisted living units for people who have either a need for assistance with activities of daily 13 living (which are defined as eating, toileting, ambulation, transfer (({-)) (e.g., moving from bed to 14 chair or chair to bath),  $((\frac{1}{2}))$  and bathing) or some form of cognitive impairment but who do not 15 need the skilled critical care provided by nursing homes. See "Assisted living unit." 16 ((6)) 7. "Carriage house" means a dwelling unit in a carriage house 17 structure. 18 ((7)) 8. "Carriage house structure" means a structure within a cottage housing development, in which one or more dwelling units are located on the story above an 19 20 enclosed parking garage at ground level that either abuts an alley and has vehicle access from 21 that alley, or is located on a corner lot and has access to the parking in the structure from a 22 driveway that abuts and runs parallel to the rear lot line of the lot. See also "Carriage house."

((8)) 9. "Caretaker's quarters" means a use accessory to a non-residential
 use consisting of a dwelling unit not exceeding 800 square feet of living area and occupied by a
 caretaker or watchperson.

4 ((9)) <u>10</u>. "Congregate residence" means a use in which rooms or lodging,
5 with or without meals, are provided for nine or more non-transient persons not constituting a
6 single household, excluding single-family dwelling units for which special or reasonable
7 accommodation has been granted.

8 ((40)) <u>11</u>. "Cottage housing development" means a use consisting of cottages
9 arranged on at least two sides of a common open space or a common amenity area. A cottage
10 housing development may include a carriage house structure. See "Cottage," "Carriage house,"
11 and "Carriage house structure."

12 ((++)) <u>12</u>. "Detached accessory dwelling unit" means an accessory dwelling
13 unit in an accessory structure.

14 ((12)) <u>13</u>. "Domestic violence shelter" means a dwelling unit managed by a
15 nonprofit organization, which unit provides housing at a confidential location and support
16 services for victims of domestic violence.

17 ((13)) <u>14</u>. "Floating home" means a dwelling unit constructed on a float that
18 is moored, anchored, or otherwise secured in the water.

19 ((14)) <u>15</u>. "Mobile home park" means a tract of land that is rented for the use
20 of more than one mobile home occupied as a dwelling unit.

21 ((15)) <u>16</u>. "Multifamily residential use" means a use consisting of two or
 22 more dwelling units in a structure or portion of a structure, excluding accessory dwelling units.

((16)) <u>17</u>. "Multifamily residential use, low-income disabled" means a
 multifamily residential use in which at least 90 percent of the dwelling units are occupied by one
 or more persons who have a handicap as defined in the Federal Fair Housing Amendments Act
 and who constitute a low-income household.

5 ((17)) <u>18</u>. "Multifamily residential use, low-income elderly" means a
6 residential use in which at least 90 percent of the dwelling units are occupied by one or more
7 persons 62 or more years of age who constitute a low-income household.

8 ((18)) 19. "Multifamily residential use, low-income elderly/low-income
9 disabled" means a multifamily residential use in which at least 90 percent of the dwelling units
10 (not including vacant units) are occupied by a low-income household that includes a person who
11 has a handicap as defined in the Federal Fair Housing Amendment Act or a person 62 years of
12 age or older, as long as the housing qualifies for exemptions from prohibitions against
13 discrimination against families with children and against age discrimination under all applicable
14 fair housing laws and ordinances.

((19)) <u>20</u>. "Nursing home" means a use licensed by The State of Washington
as a nursing home, which provides full-time convalescent and/or chronic care for individuals
who, by reason of chronic illness or infirmity, are unable to care for themselves, but that does not
provide care for the acutely ill or surgical or obstetrical services. This definition excludes
hospitals or sanitariums.

20 ((20)) <u>21</u>. "Rowhouse development" means a multifamily residential use in
21 which all principal dwelling units on the lot meet the following conditions:

a. ((each)) Each dwelling unit occupies the space from the ground to
the roof of the structure in which it is located;

1	b. $((no))$ <u>No</u> portion of a dwelling unit, except for an accessory			
2	dwelling unit or shared parking garage, occupies space above or below another dwelling unit;			
3	c. ((each)) Each dwelling unit is attached along at least one common	1		
4	wall to at least one other dwelling unit, with habitable interior space on both sides of the			
5	common wall, or abuts another dwelling unit on a common lot line;			
6	d. ((the)) <u>The</u> front of each dwelling unit faces a street lot line;			
7	e. ((each)) <u>Each</u> dwelling unit provides pedestrian access directly to			
8	the street that it faces; and			
9	f. $((no))$ <u>No</u> portion of any other dwelling unit, except for an attached	ed		
10	accessory dwelling unit, is located between any dwelling unit and the street faced by the front of			
11	that unit.			
12	((21)) 22. "Single-family dwelling unit" means a detached <u>principal</u> structure	re		
13	having a permanent foundation, containing one dwelling unit, except that the structure may also			
14	contain ((an)) one or two attached accessory dwelling units where expressly authorized pursuan	ıt		
15	to this Title 23. A detached accessory dwelling unit is not considered a single-family dwelling			
16	unit for purposes of this Chapter 23.84A.			
17	((22)) 23. "Townhouse development" means a multifamily residential use			
18	that is not a rowhouse development, and in which:			
19	a. ((each)) Each dwelling unit occupies space from the ground to the	Э		
20	roof of the structure in which it is located;			
21	b. $((no))$ <u>No</u> portion of a dwelling unit occupies space above or below	W		
22	another dwelling unit, except for an attached accessory dwelling unit and except for dwelling			
23	units constructed over a shared parking garage; and			

1	c. ((each)) <u>Each</u> dwelling unit is attached along at least one common
2	wall to at least one other dwelling unit, with habitable interior space on both sides of the
3	common wall, or abuts another dwelling unit on a common lot line.
4	* * *
5	Section 9. Section 23.84A.038 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance
6	125792, is amended as follows:
7	23.84A.038 "T"
8	* * *
9	"Tree, exceptional" means a tree designated as such per Chapter 25.11.
10	"Triplex" means a single structure containing three (((3))) dwelling units, none of which
11	are accessory dwelling units authorized under Section 23.44.041.
12	Section 10. Section 23.86.007 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance
13	125791, is amended as follows:
14	23.86.007 Floor area and floor area ratio measurement
15	* * *
16	D. Pursuant to subsections 23.44.011.C, 23.45.510.D, and 23.47A.013.B, and
17	Section 23.48.020, for certain structures in ((RSL)) single-family, multifamily, commercial, and
18	Seattle Mixed zones, portions of a story that extend no more than 4 feet above existing or
19	finished grade, whichever is lower, are exempt from calculation of gross floor area. The exempt
20	gross floor area of such partially below-grade stories is measured as follows:
21	1. Determine the elevation 4 feet below the ceiling of the partially below-
22	grade story, or 4 feet below the roof surface if there is no next floor above the partially below-
23	grade story;

1	2. Determine the points along the exterior wall of the story where the			
2	elevation determined in subsection 23.86.007.D.1 ((above)) intersects the abutting corresponding			
3	existing or finished grade elevation, whichever is lower;			
4	3. Draw a straight line across the story connecting the two points on the			
5	exterior walls; and			
6	4. The gross floor area of the partially below-grade story or portion of a			
7	partially below-grade story is the area of the story that is at or below the straight line drawn in			
8	subsection 23.86.007.D.3, excluding openings required by the Building Code for egress. (See			
9	Exhibit B for 23.86.007.)			
10	* * *			
11	Section 11. The Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) shall report			
12	annually to the Planning, Land Use and Zoning Committee, or its successor committee, on			
13	Citywide accessory dwelling unit permit activity. The report shall be delivered to the City			
14	Council by no later than June 30 of the following calendar year, with the first report due on June			
15	30, 2021. This annual report shall include detailed information on all attached and detached			
16	accessory dwelling unit permits issued and all permits finalized, including:			
17	A. The number of permits issued to construct ADUs and the number of permits			
18	finaled over the previous five-year period. This should include the number of permits issued and			
19	finaled for a second ADU and details on whether the second ADU was constructed in a new			
20	structure or through conversion of or an addition to an existing structure,			
21	B. The number of permits issued for ADUs that were associated with the			
22	redevelopment of a single-family lot that included demolition of a principal single-family			
23	dwelling unit.			

1	C. A map that shows the location and dispersion of both attached and detached
2	accessory dwelling units, including the number and location of lots that have two ADUs; and
3	D. For each detached accessory dwelling unit permit issued, the report shall state the
4	height, gross floor area, total square footage of the lot where the detached accessory dwelling
5	unit is located, and total lot coverage of all structures on the lot.
6	E. By July 1, 2022, SDCI and the Office of Planning & Community Development
7	(OPCD) shall conduct a survey of ADU owners and occupants to collect descriptive statistics of
8	owners and occupants of ADUs. This shall include information on the use, size, financing,
9	ownership, design, and construction of ADUs built in Seattle. OPCD and SDCI shall provide a
10	report to the Planning, Land Use and Zoning Committee, or its successor committee, on the
11	survey results. In addition, OPCD and SDCI shall report on challenges to constructing ADUs
12	identified through the survey results and recommend changes to address identified challenges.
13	Section 12. Sections 1 this ordinance shall take effect and be in force 180 days after its
14	approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after
15	presentation, it shall take effect on March 1, 2020.

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1	Section 13. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by				
2	the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it				
3	shall take effect as provided by Seattle Mur	icipal Code Section 1.04.0	)20.		
4	Passed by the City Council the	day of	, 2019,		
5	and signed by me in open session in authen	tication of its passage this	day of		
6	, 2019.				
7					
8		President	of the City Council		
9	Approved by me this day	of	, 2019.		
10					
10		Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor			
		5			
12	Filed by me this day of		, 2019.		
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14		Monica Martinez Simmo	ons, City Clerk		
15	(Seal)				