

**VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO
ORDINANCE 2018-41**

**REPEALING SECTION 1260.04 “USES” OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE
VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO AND ADOPTING NEW SECTION 1260.04
“USES”**

Whereas, Codified Ordinance Section 1260.04 of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio establishes guidelines and regulations for the acceptable and prohibited uses of accessory buildings and structures situated in the Village; and

Whereas, the Village Council has determined that it would be in the best interest of the Village to adopt a new Section 1260.04 entitled “Uses” of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio to include regulations regarding tiny homes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO
HEREBY ORDAINS THAT:**

Section 1. Section 1260.04 entitled “Uses” of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio be repealed.

Section 2. A new Section 1260.04 entitled “Uses” of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio be enacted to read as set forth on Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, with the new language underlined and **bolded**.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force at the earliest date permitted by law.

Brian Housh, President of Council

Passed: 11-5-2018

Attest: _____
Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council

ROLL CALL

Brian Housh __Y__ Marianne MacQueen __Y__ Judith Hempfling __Y__

Kevin Stokes __Y__ Lisa Kreeger __Y__

EXHIBIT A

1260.04 USES.

(a) Accessory Buildings and Structures.

(1) Accessory buildings or garages shall be considered to be part of the principal building and subject to all setback requirements of the principal building, if structurally and architecturally integrated into the building or if attached by an enclosed breezeway or similar enclosed structure not greater than ten feet in length. Detached accessory buildings shall be located at least ten feet from any principal building.

(2) Accessory buildings and structures shall not be erected in any front yard.

(3) Accessory buildings and structures may be erected in a rear yard if set back at least ten feet from the rear and five feet from the side property lines.

(4) An accessory building or structure designed for and containing a vehicle entrance to be accessed from an existing publicly dedicated and commonly used alley may be located on the rear lot line, if parking space plans have been approved by the Zoning Administrator.

(5) The height of an accessory structure shall not exceed 18 feet when a hip or gable roof is used, 15 feet when a mansard or gambrel roof is used and 12 feet when a flat or shed roof is used, except when a dwelling unit is included in the structure, in which case the height shall not exceed 24 feet.

(6) Accessory structures shall not exceed 66% of the principal building floor area or 800 square feet, whichever is less.

(7) An accessory building or accessory structure shall not be constructed or occupied on a lot before the principal building or use on the lot is constructed.

(8) Accessory buildings and structures in planned unit developments shall be subject to the same requirements as in the Residential Districts.

(9) Accessory structures located in a designated flood hazard area shall comply with the additional provisions set forth in [Chapter 1282](#).

(10) Swing sets, playground equipment, garden trellises, well-head covers, portable or temporary pools less than 24 inches in depth, and similar above-ground yard equipment accessory to a residential use shall be exempt from the provisions of this zoning code, except for height limitations, or unless specific provision is made for such equipment by Village ordinance.

(11) Buildings and structures accessory to nonresidential uses shall meet the minimum setback requirements and height limitations for principal buildings in the respective zoning district.

(12) Accessory structures and buildings shall share all public utilities (water/ sewer/electric) with the principal building. Accessory structures and buildings will not be separately metered.

~~(13) Residential access driveways shall be at least three feet from side property lines and construction shall ensure that drainage is sloped away from adjacent properties.~~

(13 14) Private swimming pools and spas. All private swimming pools and spas shall be considered accessory structures and may be constructed in any rear yard not closer than five feet from any property line or building, excluding zoning districts Conservation and I-2 (Industrial) and must meet the following criteria:

A. Every person owning land on which there is situated a swimming pool or spa shall erect an adequate enclosure or fence surrounding either the property or pool area, sufficient to make such body of water inaccessible to small children. Such enclosure or fence, including gates therein, shall not be less than four feet above the outside underlying ground and shall be of a type of construction which cannot be easily climbed by small children. All gates shall be self-closing and self-latching with latches placed at least 42 inches above the outside underlying ground or otherwise made inaccessible from the outside to small children. A dwelling structure, garage or accessory building of at least four feet in height may constitute a portion of such enclosure. A natural barrier, hedge, removable ladder or other protective device may be used so long as the degree of protection afforded by the substituted devices or structures is not less than the protection afforded by the enclosure, fence, gate, and latch described herein.

B. A hot tub or spa secured by means of a rigid and locking cover shall not require a fence.

C. Any lighting used to illuminate the pool shall be so arranged and shaded as to reflect light away from adjoining properties and public streets.

D. All swimming pools and spas shall be maintained in good condition so as to prevent the growth of organisms which constitute a health hazard and to prevent the breeding of insects.

(b) Essential Services. The installation and maintenance of essential service equipment is exempt from this zoning code.

(c) Illegal Dwellings. The use of any basement for dwelling purposes is prohibited in any zoning district, unless the basement meets the appropriate Village building codes. Buildings erected as garages or accessory buildings shall not be occupied for dwelling purposes, except in conformance with the requirements of Section [1262.08\(e\)\(1\)](#) for accessory dwellings.

(d) Principal Use per Lot. A lot or parcel shall not be devoted to more than one principal use, or contain more than one principal building, except for groups of multiple family dwellings, agricultural buildings, approved mixed use developments, planned unit developments (PUDs), pocket neighborhood developments (PNDs), or commercial or industrial buildings determined by the Planning Commission to be a principal use collectively.

(e) Prohibited Uses. Uses not specifically permitted by right or conditional approval by this zoning code shall be prohibited.

(f) Uses in Conformance. No building, structure or land shall be used or occupied, and no building, structure or part thereof shall be erected, constructed, reconstructed, moved, enlarged or structurally altered, unless in conformity with the provisions of this code.

(g) Uses on a Lot. Every building, structure or use erected or established within the Village shall be located on a legally recorded lot or parcel and shall conform to all applicable requirements of this code.

(h) Tiny Home. A structure built on a permanent chassis with or without wheels which must receive a certificate of occupancy from Greene County Building Regulations in order to be used as a dwelling unit or accessory dwelling unit on a single-family zoned lot. Greene County Building Regulations will only issue a certificate of occupancy with proof of the following:

- 1) **Built as a manufactured home, proof of certification with a HUD seal is required.**
- 2) **Built as an industrialized unit, proof of the industrialized home compliance certificate is required.**
- 3) **Built in another state, proof of their former certificate of occupancy is required.**
- 4) **Built/constructed in another manner, proof of certification by a registered Ohio design professional.**