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On Monday, July 18, the County Commission approved a series of amendments to the Platte County Zoning Order and Subdivision Regulations. These amendments provide more flexibility in development codes for family owned property.

The amendments grant more flexibility in setbacks, road frontage and other area requirements for family subdivisions, and allow Accessory Dwellings (i.e. mother-in-law quarters or guest homes) on larger rural and agricultural tracts. These changes apply to unincorporated portions of Platte County. **“I support these common sense, family friendly changes.”** said **Presiding Commissioner Jason Brown.**

The amendments are consistent with the Platte County Future Land Use Plan. **“We want kids that grow up in Platte County, to start their family here as well. These amendments help eliminate some of the regulatory barriers that may have made family subdivisions difficult in the past.”** stated **2nd District Commissioner Jim Plunkett.**

Current regulations require a mother-in-law quarters or guest homes to be attached to the primary dwelling or be constructed in a manner that it cannot be lived in independently. The changes will allow for a detached second dwelling in rural and agricultural areas that are five acres or greater. **“Platte County has a significant senior population. The Accessory Dwelling amendment gives seniors and their families more housing options.”** said **1st District Commissioner Kathy Dusenbery.**

All amendments were recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission and unanimously approved by the County Commission. **“I would like to thank the Planning and Commission for their time and input that they provided developing these amendments.”** said **Presiding Commissioner Jason Brown.**

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