ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU) & JUNIOR ADU
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Napa, CA 94559 1600 First Street
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PURPOSE
An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) is a small, accessory dwelling not intended for sale on the same lot as a single-family dwelling, meeting standards identified in Section 17.52.015 of this Code.

A Junior ADU is an accessory dwelling contained entirely within an existing single-family structure, meeting standards identified in Section 17.52.015(F) of this code.

PLAN REQUIREMENTS
1. **Size**: 24”x36” trimmed and folded to 9”x12” maximum size.
2. **Scale**: Acceptable site plan scales are 1”=10’, 1”=20’, 1”=30’, or 1”=40’ Acceptable architectural plan scales are 1/4”=1’, or 1/8”=1’.
3. **Other**: Include north arrow, date prepared, the scale, bar scale, and legend identifying symbols and abbreviations.
4. **Preparer**: Name, address, phone number, and email of person preparing the plan(s). In many cases, plans must be prepared and signed by a licensed civil engineer, surveyor, licensed architect, landscape architect, and/or building designer. Submit application materials in PDF format to planningdepartment@cityofnapa.org The fee be mailed or dropped off at the counter with the Planning Division address listed at the top of this application.

SUBMITTAL MATERIALS

Some submittal requirements may be waived depending on the type of project. Unless waived on this form with a cross-out/staff initial, all submittal information shall be provided before the application is accepted as complete.

If another City permit or Project entitlement is also required, the materials supporting the added permit or entitlement must also be submitted.

If your application requires multiple permits or entitlements, submit the number of plan sets for the permit or entitlement that requires the largest number of plans sets.

☐ 1 **Planning Application Form** - Completed and signed by all property owners holding a title interest.

☐ 2 **Fee/Initial Deposit** - City Fee Schedule charges staff time and materials. Please refer to the Master Fee Schedule regarding our fees. Please make checks payable to City of Napa; we do not accept cash or credit card payments for applications.

☐ 3 **Written Project Description** - shall describe the architectural and site design intent, how the proposed structures and site development fit with the surrounding area and meet applicable design guideline objectives. Projects also need to fill out the attached Design Guidelines checklist.

☐ 4 **Identification of other professionals** whose services were required in the preparation of the tentative map including the names and addresses of engineer and surveyor.

☐ 5 **Development Summary Table** - a completed development summary table.

☐ 6 **Site context board analysis** – to help analyze how the project will fit its surroundings (See Attachment 3). Include a map of the (typically several block) area where the site is located. Site photos to show existing structures and site features (trees, creeks, views to/from the site, slopes, etc.). Site photos to show existing structures and site features (trees, creeks, views to/from the site, slopes, etc.).

☐ 7 **Preliminary Title Report** - not more than 90 days old.

☐ 8 **Statement of Consideration** – in accordance with Appendix A-4 of the California Green Building Standards Code the application shall include a Statement of Consideration indicating that the project design includes, but is not limited, to the specified voluntary features whenever possible. See the website of the California Building Standards Commission for more information.
SITE PLAN DRAWINGS— fully dimensioned and accurately drawn. Use as many sheets as necessary. Information may be combined as long as the plans are easy to read. Site plan shall include the following basic information:

☐ a **Vicinity map** – Show site in relationship to local and major cross streets, named; include a north arrow.

☐ b **Site and adjacent properties** - Location of all existing structures identified by type and indicating which are proposed to be removed and which will remain. Include the project site and adjacent property at least 100 feet beyond site, adjacent building footprints and approximate height, and streets (labeled) leading to the site.

☐ c **Boundaries** – All existing and proposed property lines, tract name, easements (size and type called out), rights-of-way, trails, and the like. Approximate dimensions of all lots, radii of all curves and central angles.

☐ d **Parking, Traffic Safety, Access and Circulation Plan** – Location/dimensions of existing and proposed: on-site parking/ on street parking spaces and backup/turnaround areas.

☐ e **Trees** – All trees over 6” in diameter measured 54” above existing grade. Provide their common name, size, condition, drip line and location onsite. Note whether any are “Significant Trees” designated by the City that are strictly protected. Any trees proposed to be removed shall be identified along with the reasons why they are proposed for removal. In addition, show trees in the adjacent public right-of-way within 30 feet of the area proposed for development, and on adjacent properties with drip lines over the project site. An arborist report and photographs may be required.

☐ f **Natural features and constraints** - Site features including creeks and adjacent riparian vegetation, wetlands, major rock outcroppings, landslides, flood zones, earthquake faults and related setbacks.

☐ g **Other site development** – All decks; fences and walls including retaining walls; monument signs; bicycle racks; refuse disposal and outdoor storage areas with proposed screening, etc. The project will need to include detail design and materials.

☐ h **Utilities Plan** (extending 100+ feet beyond site boundaries) - Location and size of existing and proposed: water-related facilities including but not limited to water mains with valve locations, water services to each parcel, water meter locations, fire sprinkler risers, backflow devices, fire hydrants within 300 feet, blow-offs and water wells; sewers; existing and proposed overheadutilities and poles; and all existing and proposed easements for these facilities. For sewer systems, top of structures and invert elevations shall be shown along with sewer laterals pipe size, slope and tie-in elevations at the existing downstream system. Slopes and elevations of proposed sewers and storm drains shall be indicated. The plan will need to identify all utility poles that will be removed and the line segments to be undergrounded. Existing gas mains, fiber optic lines, electrical lines, and other utilities shall be shown on plan.

10 **BUILDING PLANS** – Plans shall be submitted with the application and shall include the following:

☐ a **Building elevations** – Show all elevations of the proposed project with materials, colors, and dimensions specified. Height is measured from grade to top of roof. The purpose of such drawings is to show how the building is architecturally compatible with its surroundings, and, in hillside areas, how it also fits with the site. The drawings shall include door and window details.

☐ b **Floor and roof plan** – A floor plan for all existing and proposed structures or alterations, clearly labeled and prepared to scale, indicating the use of each room, exterior doors and windows. The roof plan shall indicate direction of slope, roof pitch, location and screening of rooftop mechanical equipment.

11 **Materials** – A materials list including a material and color board shall accompany the application. If materials are unclear, material samples may be requested.

12 **Storm Drainage Analysis** - Unless waived by the City Engineer, the project shall provide a storm drainage study/hydrologic analysis and/or onsite detention; check with Public Works Engineering Division and/or follow the City Drainage Standards which may be obtained at Public Works Department website.

ADDITIONAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES

If the project proposes conversion of an existing accessory structure (non-habitable) to a habitable structure, the following must be completed PRIOR TO submittal of this application:

- a. Provide the distance from finished grade to finished floor. A minimum clearance of six inches (6"") is required per the California Building Code.
- b. You must provide evidence that the structure’s foundation meets the requirements of the California Residential Code in effect at the time of submittal.
- c. You must provide evidence that the building materials used in the construction of the existing accessory structure (non-habitable) are suitable for a habitable accessory dwelling structure.

If the project proposes a habitable structure, a Soils and/or Geotechnical Report – Unless waived by the Chief Building Official, a soils investigation and/or geotechnical report shall be provided to identify any building or access siting concerns. The report shall include a comprehensive geologic investigation that shows the impact that faults and fault trances will pose to a proposed structure.

IF GRADING AND DRAINAGE ARE PROPOSED - SITE PLAN DRAWINGS— (6 full size copies and a reduced set of all plan and map sheets at 8.5” X 11”) - fully dimensioned and accurately drawn. Use as many sheets as necessary. Information may be combined as long as the plans are easy to read. Site plan shall include the following basic information:

- a. Topography – Existing topography and proposed changes of the site extending a sufficient distance beyond its boundaries to show drainage patterns and impacts on neighboring properties (including the fronting street right of way) with one-foot contours for land with a ground slope up to 5%, two-foot contours for ground slope over 5 to 10% and five foot contours for ground slope over 10% and spot elevations. The date, elevation datum and City of Napa benchmark (assumed benchmark are not acceptable) shall be indicated on the map, and source shall be identified.

- b. Grading and Drainage Plan – Preliminary grading and drainage plan clearly showing existing and proposed ground contours, finished floor elevations of existing and proposed buildings, and existing or proposed top of curb elevations for both sides of adjacent streets (extending a sufficient distance beyond the project site boundaries to show drainage patterns and impacts on neighboring properties, including the fronting street right of way area). Show existing and proposed on-site and off-site storm drains and other flood control facilities (including detention required to limit post-development flow rate to pre-development levels and detention sizing calculations) with pipe sizes, rim and invert elevations and tie-in’s to the existing downstream system. Back of lot elevations, lot drainage pattern and an overland path-of-flow must be shown. Indicate any existing or proposed retaining walls (with top and bottom of wall elevations and materials specified). Provide grading cut and fill quantities on plan.

- c. Stormwater Control Plan – To meet Federal, State and Local stormwater quality requirements a Stormwater Control Plan needs to be prepared and submitted based on the current Bay Area Stormwater Association Agency (BASMAA) Post Construction Design Manual and submitted with application. A copy of the manual may be obtained from the BASMAA website at: http://www.basmaa.org/.

If site is in Soscol Corridor Overlay District, applicants need to review the Soscol Corridor/Downtown Corridor Development Design Guidelines to assure project compatibility with these Guidelines.

If site is in M U- T Mixed Use Tannery Bend District, applicants need to review the Tannery Bend Development & Design Guidelines to assure project compatibility with these Guidelines.

If site is affected by the Napa River/Napa Creek Flood Protection Project, the Community Development Director must first determine that the project is exempt pursuant to 17.52.300 after consultation with the Flood Project Manager before the application can be submitted.

If site is on a major street or adjacent to the Napa River or in another visually sensitive area, as discussed with staff, the Soscol Design Guidelines are used as a General Design Review tool, and applicants are to review them for applicable design principles. (Resolution 2001-72)
If site is in **Floodplain Overlay District**, floodway analysis (if applicable) and other materials must be provided to address Floodplain (17.38.050), and potentially floodway (17.38.090) and/or Flood Evacuation Area (17.38.070) requirements. For properties in the floodway area, a detailed development plan and floodway development analysis showing all elements of Title 17 of the Napa Municipal Code. For properties in the flood hazard areas, a development plan indicating the amount of fill required and/or flood proofing measures required by Title 17 of the Napa Municipal Code. The site plan will need to show the approximate location of all areas subject to inundation of storm water overflow and the location, width and direction of flow of all watercourses, including tidewaters. For residential subdivisions in the flood evacuation area, a flood evacuation plan will be required.

If site contains or is adjacent to a **creek or other watercourse**, the applicant shall establish the streambank stabilization setback and riparian setbacks per 17.52.110 on the site plan. The setbacks will also be shown on cross sections of the water course. The site plan will need to show the location of all building setback line for each stream or river on the site.

If site contains a **wetland**, plans shall be referred to the US Army Corps of Engineers and the State Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for comment, and a wetland delineation, wetland restoration or management plan may be required. (17.52.530). The site plan will need to show the location of all building setback line for each wetland area on the site.

If the project includes **work in waterways or wetlands**, plans shall be referred to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the US Army Corps of Engineers (COE), and Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) who may require a DFG Streambed Alteration Permit, a RWQCB 401 permit, and/or a COE 404 permit.

If site is in the **HS Hillside Overlay District**, a slope analysis shall be prepared consistent with the requirements of 17.30.040(H) in order to determine site density. The plans will need to identify any building or access siting concerns and applicants will need to review and provide plans consistent with the city's **Hillside Development Guidelines**. Application submittals must include (unless waived) a site plan with the precise location of existing topography and proposed changes and natural site features; a precise grading and drainage plan; a preliminary landscape plan, construction drawings, and a scale model or visual simulations (17.40.070.B).

If site is in the **HS Hillside Overlay District** it can be characterized as a **Hazardous Fire Area** and the project shall include the submission of a Fire Hazard Reduction Plan (17.52.180). Before application submittal, verify with the Fire Prevention Division of the Fire Department whether analysis is necessary.

If site is in the **West Napa Fault Zone** (see map in 17.52.420) and involves a subdivision or critical facility as described in 17.52.420, a soils investigation and/or geotechnical report shall be provided to identify any building or access siting concerns. The report shall include a comprehensive geologic investigation that shows the impact that faults and fault trances will pose to a proposed structure.

If any lot(s) proposed for development are **above elevation 300 feet in Zone 4 or Zone 5, or above 150 feet in Zone 3**, the applicant shall provide an engineering report to show how water service will be provided to the lot(s). The report shall verify adequate flow, pressure and redundancy to satisfy both the Water Division and Fire Department. Fire flow requirements for buildings, location and distribution of fire hydrants shall be in accordance with Appendix B and C of the California Fire Code (2007 Edition). In all cases, minimum fire flow shall not be less than 500 gallons per minute at 20-psi residual pressure. Before application submittal, verify with the Water Division (257-9521) the level of analysis required.

If site is on the **Rural Urban Limit** line, an agricultural buffer plan is required per Zoning Ordinance Section 17.52.040.

If site is on the City’s **Historic Resources List**, the structure is subject to the City’s Historic Preservation Ordinance. (NMC Chapter 15.52). A Certificate of Appropriateness may be required, and city “Rehabilitation Guidelines for Historic Properties” apply. Check with Planning staff.

If site is in a **TL, Traffic Impact Overlay District** (City Crucial Corridor), a daily trip generation analysis is required. See Public Works Department Policy Guidelines: Traffic Impact Analysis for Private Development Review to guide the trip generation analysis. The daily trip generation analysis results shall be submitted with the application. Consultation with the City’s Transportation Engineering Division is recommended.

If project is estimated to generate **new traffic in excess of 50 vehicle-trips for residential developments and 100 vehicle trips for non-residential developments in a critical peak hour**, a traffic impact study is required. See Public Works Department’s Policy Guidelines: Traffic Impact Analysis for Private Development Review to determine peak trip generation and the scope of the traffic study. The traffic study scope of work shall be submitted with the application. Consultation with the City’s Transportation Engineering Division is recommended before conducting the traffic impact study. If the proposed project is adjacent to a planned street connection in the City’s
General Plan, the traffic study for the project shall address traffic issues related to the future street connection around the project site. *Example projects generating fewer than 50 peak trips include any residential project with fewer than 50 units; light industrial less than 50,000 sq. ft.; general office less than 30,000 sq. ft.; shopping centers less than 13,000 sq. ft.* A traffic operations, access and circulation analysis may be required. Consultation with the City’s Transportation Engineering Division is recommended.

- □ 33 If the proposal is for the conversion of a mobile home park to another use, the report prescribed by Government Code Section 66427.4 on the impact of the conversion upon displaced residents of the park.

- □ 34 If development involves hazardous materials, complete Napa County Department of Environmental Management CUPA Form for Business Activities.

- □ 35 Where private ownership of infrastructure is proposed, the applicant shall provide information regarding the mechanism for maintaining the private facilities. Include a description of the funding sources for both annual and long-term maintenance and replacement of facilities and/or equipment.

- □ 36 If new ground mounted mechanical equipment is needed for the proposed use (i.e. transformers & backflow prevention devices) a plan showing equipment screening shall be required.

- □ 37 Identification and justification for requested exemptions to the requirements of the Napa Municipal Code, the Public Works Standard Specifications or the City of Napa Design Guidelines.

- □ 38 If the Administrative Permit is appealed, the applicant shall provide a mailing list and mailing labels of property owners within a 500-foot radius of project site for public hearing notice per 17.68.070.

- □ 39 Environmental Information Form - To help determine whether any supplemental environmental studies are required, such as a parking, traffic or noise study.

- □ 40 Other data or information necessary to complete processing of the map and environmental documents.

- □ 41 Other -

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**PLANNING APPLICATION FORM**

**Mailing Address:**
PO Box 660  
Napa, CA 94559

**Planning Division**
1600 First Street  
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**APPLICATION TYPE – check all applicable items**

- □ Administrative Permit  
- □ *Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) / Junior ADU*  
- □ Extensions / Project Modification  
- □ General Plan Amendment

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**CONDITIONS OF APPLICATION**

5. All materials and representations submitted in conjunction with this form shall be considered a part of this application.

6. The Applicant shall inform the Planning Division in writing of any changes.

7. **Indemnification.** The Applicant(s) agree(s) to defend, indemnify and hold the City, its agents, officers, and employees harmless from any claim, action or proceeding to attack, set aside, void or annul an approval of the City concerning the project, as long as the City promptly notifies the applicant of any such claim, action or proceedings and the City cooperates fully in the defense.

8. **Fees.** The Applicant(s) hereby agree(s) that he/they shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of all processing fees imposed by the Napa Municipal Code Chapter 15.92, "Development Project Processing Fees," and Policy Resolution 16. The applicant(s) hereby represent(s) and warrant(s) that he/she understands that fees include but are not limited to: staff time billed at an hourly rate; production or reproduction of materials and exhibits; and postage. Failure to pay all accumulated fees by the time of public hearing will result in a continuance.

9. I hereby authorize employees of the City of Napa to enter upon the subject property, as necessary, to inspect the premises and process this application.
I have read and agree with all of the above. The above information and attached documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant ___________________________ Date ________________

Authorized Agent _______________________ Date ________________

Property Owner* ________________________ Date ________________

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*All property owners holding a title interest must sign the application form. If there are more than two, list name, address, phone number, and signature on a separate sheet.

**CONTACT INFORMATION INSTRUCTIONS**

An “Applicant” is any person, firm, partnership, association, joint venture, corporation or any entity, combination of entities or consortium who seeks approval of a City permit or other Project entitlement for the use of property. The Applicant shall be the primary billing contact for all processing and development fees associated with the application. The Applicant may additionally identify an “Authorized Agent.” An Authorized Agent is any person, firm, partnership, association, joint venture, corporation or any entity, combination of entities or consortium authorized by the Applicant to represent and act on behalf of the Applicant. If identified in this application, the Authorized Agent shall receive all written correspondence from the City regarding the application and any hearings or proceedings scheduled before the Planning Commission, City Council or other appointive City Boards and Commissions, but shall not be responsible for the payment of development or processing fees. The Applicant shall receive all billing invoices for the project, and under the “Conditions” set forth below, shall be liable for the payment of all development and processing fees associated with the application.

The “Property Owner” of property means a person, persons or corporation holding fee title to the real property within the City as shown on the most recent assessor’s roll in the County of Napa upon which the Project is proposed. Property Owner and Applicant may be the same person or legal entity or may be different. For example, in the case of a person or entity holding an option on the land, or other contractual relationship with the property owner, the fee owner(s) of the property would be the Property Owner, and the person or entity seeking the approvals or permits and holding an option to purchase the property would be the Applicant. If Applicant and Property Owner are the same person or entity, please enter “Same as Applicant” in the area provided for Property Owner information. In the event that Applicant and Property Owner are different, all Property Owners must sign on the following page to authorize the Applicant to file an Application for the City permit or Project entitlement on his or her property.

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