

**BY AUTHORITY**

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES OF 2021

COUNCIL BILL NO. CB20-0888  
COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:  
Land Use, Transportation & Infrastructure

**A BILL**

**For an ordinance relating to the Denver Zoning Code updating household regulations, consolidating residential care uses, and establishing a new congregate living use category.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to amend the Denver Zoning Code (the “Code”) updating the way the Code regulates households, consolidating residential care uses into a single system regulated by size rather than the population served, and establishing a new congregate living use category that allows for the evolution of residential uses that are not in conventional dwelling units; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined on the basis of evidence and testimony presented at the public hearing that amending the Denver Zoning Code as set forth herein is consistent with the City’s adopted plans, furthers the public health, safety and general welfare, and will result in regulations and restrictions that are uniform within all zone districts concerning households, residential care uses and congregate living, providing predictability to applicants and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council, Community Planning and Development, and other agencies will explore opportunities to improve neighborhood inspections with a focus on data, community voices, and achieving equitable outcomes for all.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:**

**Section 1.** The changes to the Denver Zoning Code as set forth in Clerk File No. 202100002 as filed with the Denver City Clerk on January 7, 2021, and available in the office and on the web page of City Council are hereby adopted and made an official part of the Denver Zoning Code. The changes amend certain provisions of the Denver Zoning Code to ensure and promote equitable access to housing for all Denver residents, address homelessness and reduce obstacles to affordability.

1 COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: December 22, 2020  
2 MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: December 29, 2020 by Consent  
3 PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: February 8, 2021  
4 *Steve Gilmore* - PRESIDENT  
5 APPROVED: *[Signature]* - MAYOR Feb 10, 2021  
6 ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ - CLERK AND RECORDER,  
7 EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE  
8 CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER  
9 NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY JOURNAL: \_\_\_\_\_;  
10 PREPARED BY: Nathan J. Lucero, Assistant City Attorney DATE: January 7, 2021  
11 Pursuant to Section 13-12, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the office of  
12 the City Attorney. We find no irregularity as to form, and have no legal objection to the proposed  
13 ordinance. The proposed ordinance is not submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to  
14 § 3.2.6 of the Charter.  
15 Kristin M. Bronson, Denver City Attorney  
16 BY: *Jonathan Griffin*, Assistant City Attorney DATE: Jan 7, 2021