

**ORDINANCE NO. 3858
ZONING CASE ZC24-0101**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE BY APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A PERMANENT ACCESSORY BUILDING TO BE LOCATED AT 6909 LITTLE RANCH ROAD; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of North Richland Hills, Texas is a home-rule municipality located in Tarrant County, Texas acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of North Richland Hills regulates and restricts the location and use of buildings, structures, and land for trade, industry, residence, and other purposes, and provides for the establishment of zoning districts of such number, shape, and area as may be best suited to carry out these regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has previously passed an ordinance adopting the Vision2030 Land Use Plan as the primary document on which to base all zoning, platting, and other land use decisions; and

WHEREAS, the Vision2030 Land Use Plan map provides guidance for future development in conformance with the adopted Vision2030 Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of North Richland Hills requires the issuance of a special use permit for an accessory building for the purpose of varying from specific development standards on lots 40,000 square feet or greater in area; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of North Richland Hills requires the issuance of a special use permit for an accessory dwelling unit for the purpose of varying from specific development standards; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 6909 Little Ranch Road (the “Property”) has filed an application for a special use permit for a permanent accessory building; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas held public hearings on July 18 and August 1, 2024, and the City Council of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas, held a public hearing on August 12, 2024, with respect to the special use permit described herein; and

WHEREAS, the City has complied with all requirements of Chapter 211 of the Local Government Code, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of North Richland Hills, and all other laws dealing with notice, publication, and procedural requirements for rezoning the Property; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the application, and after such public hearing, the City Council finds that granting the request herein furthers the purpose of zoning as set forth in the Zoning Ordinance of the City of North Richland Hills and that the zoning change should be granted, subject to the conditions imposed herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That the Zoning Ordinance of the City of North Richland Hills is hereby amended by approving a special use permit to authorize a permanent accessory building Lot 3, Block 1, Morgan Meadows, commonly referred to as 6909 Little Ranch Road, as described and shown on **Exhibit “A,”** attached hereto and incorporated for all purposes.

SECTION 2: The City Council finds that the information submitted by the applicant pursuant to the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance is sufficient to approve the special use permit in accordance with the Land Use and Development Regulations, set forth in **Exhibit “B,”** and the Site Plan Exhibits, set forth in **Exhibit “C,”** both of which are attached hereto and incorporated for all purposes.

SECTION 3: That the official map of the City of North Richland Hills is amended and the Managing Director of Development Services is directed to revise the official zoning map to reflect the approved special use permit, as set forth above.

- SECTION 4:** The use of the property described above shall be subject to all applicable regulations contained in the Building and Land Use Regulations and all other applicable and pertinent ordinances of the City of North Richland Hills.
- SECTION 5:** This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of Ordinances of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas, as amended, except when the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such code, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such code are hereby repealed.
- SECTION 6:** It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase.
- SECTION 7:** Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of the Zoning Ordinance and the zoning map of the City of North Richland Hills as amended hereby shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon final conviction thereof fined in an amount not to exceed Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00). Each day any such violation shall be allowed to continue shall constitute a separate violation and punishable hereunder.
- SECTION 8:** All rights and remedies of the City of North Richland Hills are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any ordinances governing zoning that have accrued at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, same shall not be affected by this Ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.
- SECTION 9:** The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause the publication of the descriptive caption and penalty clause of this ordinance as required by law, if applicable.
- SECTION 10:** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

AND IT IS SO ORDAINED.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 12th day of August, 2024.

CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS

By: _____
Jack McCarty, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alicia Richardson
City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Cara Leahy White, Interim City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Clayton Comstock
Managing Director of Development Services