City of Raymore Unified Development Code

Lot Splits

Section 470.140 Lot Splits

A. Applicability (*Amendment 2 – Ordinance 29073 7.27.2009*) A lot may be divided as a lot split provided the following conditions are met:

- 1. no nonconforming lot shall be created as a result of the lot split.
- **2.** a previously platted lot zoned "R-2"; "R-3" or "R-3A" may be divided as a lot split by either metes and bounds description or by replatting provided the following conditions are met:
 - **a.** for a two-family dwelling in an "R-2" district, a lot split may only occur where the common wall between the two units exist. The lot split must, as closely as possible, divide the property into equal halves.
 - **b.** for an attached single-family dwelling in an "R-3" or "R-3A" district, a lot split may only occur where the common wall between the units exist. The lot split will only be permitted within a building area identified on a recorded final plat. The lot split process permits the units to be surveyed and individually sold.
 - **c.** two-family residential and attached single family lot splits are only permitted on lots contained within an approved final plat.

B. Application

An application for a lot split shall be obtained from the Development Services Director. The application must be completed in its entirety in accordance with Section 470.010C.

C. Development Services Director Action

- **1.** The Development Services Director has the authority to approve or disapprove lot splits.
- **2.** Upon approval, the Development Services Director must sign and date the survey or plat.

NOTE: If a townhome building is to be subdivided into individual lots for each unit, then the following code provision applies:

Section 420.010 Use Specific Standards, Residential Uses

A. Single-Family Attached and Multiple-Family Dwellings

5. Private Yards for Attached Single-Family Dwellings

All attached single-family dwelling unit developments must include private yards space in accordance with the following:

- a. attached single-family dwellings must have private yards consisting of a minimum of 200 square feet in area for each attached single-family dwelling unit;
- **b.** a private yard may be located next to a front wall, rear wall or end wall, provided that it is immediately adjacent to the attached single-family dwelling unit it serves and is directly accessible from the unit by way of a door or steps;
- c. required private yards must be landscaped with turf, groundcover, shrubs, trees or other landscape improvements, such as walkways or patios; and
- d. private yards may be enclosed with fences.