

The Bar Harbor Town Council will hold a public hearing August 19, 2025 to hear comments on the following proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance and consider placing the amendment on the November 4, 2025 Town Meeting Warrant.

WARRANT ARTICLE

Article **XX** LAND USE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – Two-Family Definition – Shall an ordinance, dated June 4, 2025, and entitled “An amendment to the definition of Two-Family Dwelling” be enacted?

SUMMARY

The amendment would clarify the definition of two-family dwelling.

GENERAL EXPLANATION

The amendment would clarify that the use known as two-family dwelling is intended to refer not to separate, detached single-family buildings on the same lot but to structures that contain two separate living units for residential use such as a duplex.

LUO Amendment #2025-06

Two-Family Definition

Town of Bar Harbor

An amendment to the Land Use Ordinance

Article XII

The Town of Bar Harbor hereby ordains that Chapter 125 of the Town Code is amended as follows:

[Please Note: Old language is ~~stricken~~. New language is underlined.]

Chapter 125 , LAND USE ORDINANCE

Article XII. Construction and Definitions

§125-109 Definitions

DWELLING, TWO-FAMILY

~~A detached or semidetached building used for residential occupancy by two families living independently of each other and doing their own cooking in the building in each of two separate and independent dwelling units.~~

A building designed or intended to be used exclusively for residential occupancy for two families living independently of each other and doing their own cooking in the building in each of the two separate and independent dwelling units.

[End of ordinance]