



CITY OF CHICO OFFICIAL PLANNING DIRECTOR INTERPRETATION

Authority: **Chico Municipal Code Section 19.02.030 (Procedures for interpretations)**

Applicable Code Sections: **Section 19.20.060(G) "Operating Standards"**

Discussion: The referenced Code Section is part of the operating standards for home occupations. Currently, employment with the home occupation is limited to persons residing on the premises, and one additional person. The limitation on non-resident employees is to address potential parking issues and to help ensure an intensity of use compatible with a residential setting. In some cases, those who operate businesses from their residences may wish to employ others on a part-time basis. This interpretation would maintain the intent of the non-resident employee limitation while providing flexibility in the use of part-time employees, and would thereby advance the goals set forth in City Council Resolution No. 135-07, which supports strengthening the economic base of the City.

Interpretation:

19.20.060(G) is to be interpreted as follows:

"Employment shall be limited to persons residing on the premises, and one additional person *on the premises at any given time.*"

This Official Interpretation is effective immediately and will require an amendment to Title 19 Land Use and Development Regulations.



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