

What were the proposed changes?

Accessory structures: Proposed ordinance changes included removing the maximum square footage cap of 900 square feet, and allowing unlimited detached accessory structure square footage.

Removing the requirement to have a driveway to access accessory structures greater than 220 square feet in foundation size.

Allowing greenhouses.

Building Type and Construction: Proposed ordinance changes included allowing residential neighborhood dwellings to have any type of metal siding and roofing, and allow shed houses/barndominiums. Metals included galvanized, galvalume, corrugated, ribbed and unpainted types.

It was stated in the meeting documents that if approved, Belle Plaine would be the only city in Scott County to allow shouses/barndos in residential districts by finding them compatible with adjacent properties.

Pole Buildings: The proposed ordinance change was to allow unattached garages and sheds in residential areas to be built as pole buildings without needing a CUP.