

Ordinance Introduced by Councilor _____
on April 13, 2026

**Ordinance No. 1, 2026 Series
City of Caribou
County of Aroostook
State of Maine**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 13, THE LAND USE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CARIBOU, SECTION 13-204, THE CARIBOU LAND USE TABLE

Short Title: Amend Chapter 13 Section 13-204 Land Use Table

WHEREAS the City of Caribou is a Local Unit of Government under the State of Maine and is granted home rule authority under Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, §3001; and

WHEREAS the City of Caribou has adopted Section 13-204 “District Regulations” which includes the Land Use Table; and

WHEREAS the Caribou Planning Board was established to administer the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 13 of City Code; and

WHEREAS the Caribou Planning Board determined that amendments were made where necessary to Section 13-204 “District Regulations” which includes the Land Use Table to comply with Ordinance 3, 2025 Series, passed by the Caribou City Council; and

WHEREAS the Caribou Planning Board conducted a public meeting and hearing February 12, 2026, to receive comments on proposed changes to Chapter 13, the Land Use Ordinances of the City of Caribou, including Section 13-204 “District Regulations” which includes the Land Use Table, which hearing was preceded by the notification to the general public in accordance with City notification procedures; and

WHEREAS the Caribou Planning Board has forwarded a positive recommendation to the City Council for the proposed Section 13-204 “District Regulations” which includes the Land Use Table; and

WHEREAS the Caribou City Council and staff had a first read of the proposed ordinance changes at the February 23, 2026, City Council meeting and forwarded feedback to staff who made the adjustments which were reviewed by legal counsel who viewed the updates to not be substantive enough to remand back to the Planning Board; and

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Caribou, County of Aroostook, State of Maine, pursuant to the requirements of the City of Caribou Charter, Section 2.11, does ordain the following:

Section I. Chapter 13 Revision to Section 13-204, The Caribou Land Use Table

The Caribou Land Use Table, in Chapter 13, Section 13-204, is hereby amended as indicated in the attached Exhibit A.

Section II. Severability

If any part of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall, for any reason, be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance or the application thereof to other persons and circumstances, but shall be confined to its operation to the section, subdivision, sentence or part of the section and the persons and circumstances directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the City Council that this section would have been adopted if such invalid section, provisions, subdivision, sentence or part of a section or application had not been included.

Section III. Posting and Effective Date

This ordinance, being introduced on April 13, 2026, and a public hearing being held on May 11, 2026, was duly passed by the City Council of the City of Caribou, Maine, this _____ day of _____ 2026. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after adoption by the City Council.

Courtney Boma, Mayor

Jody Smith, Deputy Mayor

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Attest:

Danielle Brissette, City Clerk

