



City of Prospect Heights

8 North Elmhurst Road, Prospect Heights Illinois, 60070-6070

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Backyard Chicken Keeping License Application Process

A building permit is required for the construction and placement of a chicken coop.

License Application Requirements:

- Owner occupied detached single-family homes (R-1 District) are allowed to have a chicken coop.
 - Complete a Backyard Chicken Keeping application (page 3) along with the following information.
 - Provide a Copy of a Plat of Survey of the property with the proposed location of the coop shown, including proposed dimensions. The coop must be located entirely on the owner's property and comply with Section 5-3-4 Lot Coverage Accessory Structures.
 - Provide Proof of registration with the Illinois Department of Agriculture Livestock Premise Registration. Visit the following link to complete <https://agr.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/agr/animals/animalhealth/documents/fillable-premiseform-2019.pdf>
 - Payment of \$90.00 fee at time of application. Non-refundable.
- City will schedule inspection after review of applications.

Building Permit Requirements

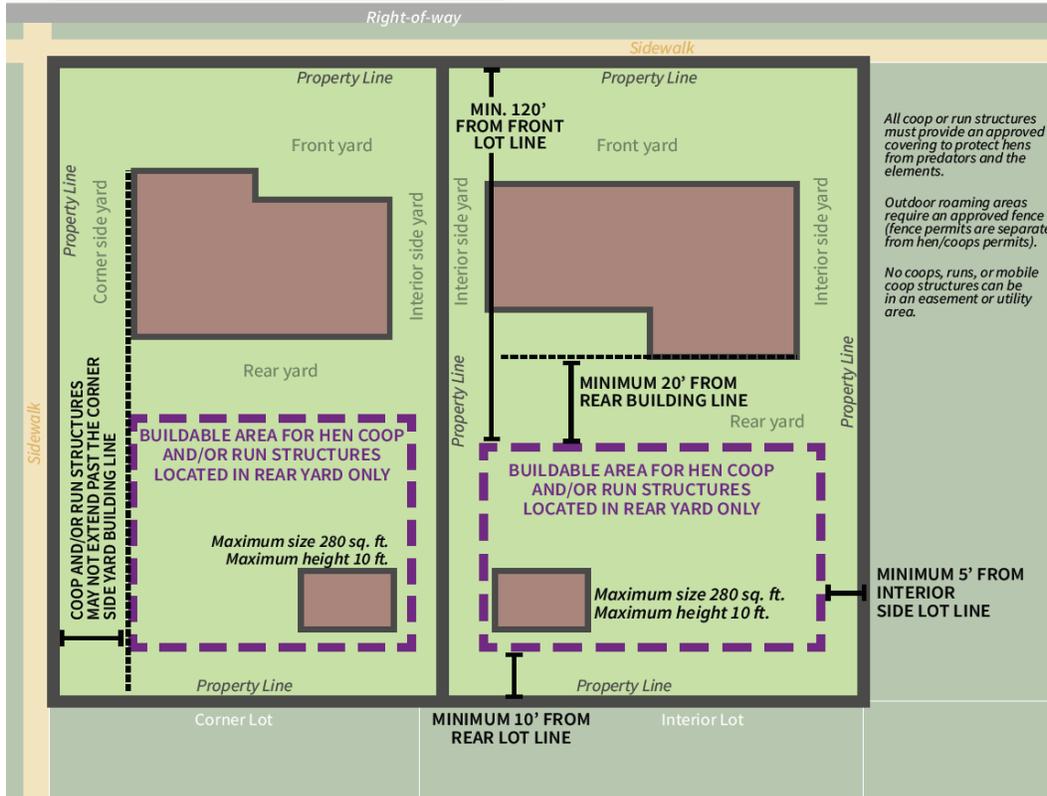
- A building permit application is required for coop/runs as an accessory structure.
 - Complete building permit application form. (Page 4)
 - Provide a copy of detailed drawings of the coop dimensions and building materials. If coop is store purchased, provide any brochures, specifications, and details from the manufacturer or seller.
 - Identify any electrical, plumbing or fencing being installed on the drawings.
- Building permit fees are separate from the license fee.

Zoning Requirements for Keeping Chickens

- Max number of approved fowl 20 in aggregate. (chicken hens, domesticated ducks and quail).
- Roosters are prohibited.
- All coop/run structures shall meet the requirements of Section 5-3-4 Lot Coverage.
 - Located in the rear yard.
 - One-hundred twenty feet (120') from the front property line.
 - Twenty (20') feet away from adjacent residential structures.
 - Minimum of five (5') feet from interior side yard lot line.
 - Minimum of ten (10') feet from rear lot line and in an easement.
 - Corner and reverse corner lots have special requirements.
- The maximum height is ten feet (10'), measured from ground to top of coop.
- The maximum size of the coop/run structure shall be two hundred eighty (280) square feet.
Please note, the maximum size of coop structure will be determined by other accessory structures existing on the property.
- The coop must be constructed of quality durable materials and must be weather-proof.

- A final building permit inspection is required and a completed Backyard Chicken Keeping License application approved prior to any chickens being permitted on the property. (New owners)
- Exhibits of typical lots where chicken coop/run structures may be placed. Reverse Corner Lots have additional setback requirements per Section 5-3-4 Lot Coverage.

Typical Yard Setback Requirements



Management Practices

- Coop/run structures shall be covered with an approved covering to protect approved fowl from predators and protection from elements.
- Coops and enclosures shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, such that they do not produce or cause odors that are detectable to adjacent properties.
- Feed shall be kept in sealed pest-proof containers.
- Use of extension cords is prohibited for supplying electrical service to coop/run structures.
- Hens are allowed to roam out of a coop in the rear yard with an approved fence.
- Plan for winter chicken keeping, health & disease related issues and waste control and removal.

Additional Resources:

Centers for Disease Control:

<https://www.cdc.gov/healthy-pets/about/backyard-poultry.html>

National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA):

<https://www.nfpa.org/news-blogs-and-articles/blogs/2023/02/08/diy-chicken-coop-fire-and-electrical-safety>

U of Illinois Champaign-Urbana Extension Winter Care:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/blogs/know-how-know-more/2020-12-12-how-care-backyard-chickens-winter#:~:text=Chickens%20need%20a%20dry%2C%20draft,roosts%20and%20nesting%20boxes%20clean.>



BACKYARD CHICKEN KEEPING LICENSE APPLICATION

Building & Development Department
8 N Elmhurst Rd, Prospect Heights, IL, 60004

Phone (847) 398-6070 X211

www.prospect-heights.il

The Building and Development Department has the authority to grant approval or denial of chicken keeping license applications based on the requirements put forth in the City Code Section 9-1-18.

Initial Application Period August 18 – October 17, 2025

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Permit #	
Initial Fee \$90:	Renewal Fee \$40:
Fee Total:	
Date Received:	Flood Zone: YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

PROPERTY OWNER	
Name	Do you currently own chickens? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Address	How long have you owned chickens?
City/State/Zip	Number of chickens on property:
Phone #:	Proof of IL DEPT of AG Registration: YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Email	Livestock Premises PIN:

MATERIALS REQUIRED WHEN APPLYING FOR PERMIT:

- Site Plan/Plat of Survey – A Scaled Dimensional Drawing showing all adjoining structures and property lines and the proposed chicken coop/run structure.
- Proof of registration with the IL Department of Agriculture. “Livestock Property”
- I have read and will comply with all ordinances & inspections related to Backyard Chicken Keeping
- I certify that I have no code enforcement actions against my property, and I am in good standing with the Codes and Ordinances of the City of Prospect Heights

OFFICE USE ONLY

Inspection:	Date:
Permit Status: _____ APPROVED	_____ DENIAL
Reason for Denial (if applicable):	

Owner/Applicant Name: (Print) _____

Owner/Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____



City of Prospect Heights

Department of Building & Development
8 North Elmhurst Rd. Prospect Heights, Illinois 60070
Office: 847/398-6070 x 211 Fax: 847/590-1854

Application for Permit

Permittee (Owner) _____ E-mail _____ Date _____
 Address of Property _____ Construction Value \$ _____
 Property of located in 100 year floodplain Yes No Zoning District _____
 Owner's Phone (H) _____ (W) _____ (C) _____
 Real Estate Index No. _____ Lot _____ Subdivision _____
 Purpose of Permit _____
 Dimensions of Bldg. _____ Stories _____ Height _____ Sq. Ft. 1st Floor _____ 2nd Floor _____
 Total Sq. Ft. of Bldg. _____ No. of Bedrooms _____ Type of Construction _____
 Fence: Height _____ Length _____ Type of Construction _____
 Sign: Dimension of Sign _____ Sq. ft. of Sign _____ Wall Sign _____ Ground Sign _____
 Other information: _____

CONTRACTORS

Gen'l Contr. _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Architect _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Excavator _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Carpenter _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Cement Contr. _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Mason _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Roofing Contr. _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Mechanical _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Sprinkler _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Plumber _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 State License No. _____ # Fixtures _____ # Cleanouts _____ # Floor Drains _____ # Sump Pumps _____
 Electrical _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Registration No. _____ Where Registered _____

Conditions of Permit: In consideration of this application and attached forms being made a part thereof and the issuance of permit, I will conform to the regulations set forth in the City of Prospect Heights codes and ordinances. I also agree that all work performed under said permit it will be in accordance with the plans and speciatiions which accompany this application, except for such changes as may be authorized or required by the Building Official.

Permit is Valid for 6 Months from Date of Issue

PERMIT FEES		
Bldg. Permit Fee.....	\$ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signature of Owner or Agent _____ Print Name of Owner or Agent _____ Address _____ _____ Phone _____ Date _____
Zoning Exam Fee	\$ _____	
Plumbing Permit Fee	\$ _____	
Electrical Permit Fee	\$ _____	
Engineer Fee.....	\$ _____	
Plan Review Fee	\$ _____	
Bond	\$ _____	
Other.....	\$ _____	
Total Fees	\$ _____	

We accept all forms of payment:
-Checks make payable to City of Prospect Heights
-Credit Cards we charge a 2% fee for any payments over \$300
-Bonds are refundable, must write a separate check

(24 Hour Notice is Required for All Inspections)

PERMIT APPROVED Permit No. _____
 By: _____ Date _____
 Title: _____
 Date Paid _____ Payment _____

ORDINANCE NO. O-25-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 (DEFINITIONS), CHAPTER 3 (GENERAL PROVISIONS) OF TITLE 5 (ZONING) AND AMENDING CHAPTER 1 (ANIMAL CONTROL) OF TITLE 9 (POLICE REGULATIONS) OF THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO BACKYARD CHICKEN KEEPING IN THE R-1 SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT

(PZBA CASE #24-01 TA)

WHEREAS, the City of Prospect Heights, Illinois, (the “City”) has enacted City Code regulations for the purpose of improving and protecting the public health, safety, comfort, convenience and general welfare of the people; and

WHEREAS, the City Municipal Code does not currently have regulations for keeping chickens in the R-1 Single-family residential district and has determined it is in the best interests of public safety, health and general welfare to enact reasonable regulations, standards and restrictions to alleviate any potential adverse impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council directed City staff and the Planning Zoning Board of Appeals (PZBA) to review the issue of keeping chickens within the City and to make recommendations with respect thereto to the Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS. The Planning Zoning Board of Appeals (PZBA) held a public hearing, duly noticed, on June 26, 2024, and continued to September 25, 2024, to consider text amendments to Title 5, Zoning, of the City of Prospect Heights Municipal Code, regarding definitions, accessory structures, and regulations for keeping chickens; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Zoning Board of Appeals has reported its Findings of Fact and Recommendation to the Mayor and City Council, with a motion to approve the text amendments to Title 5 by a vote of 6 ayes and 0 nays, one absent; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council desire to amend Title 9, Animal Control, to establish procedures for licensing, regulating and keeping chickens; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council find it in the best interest of the City to allow the keeping of chickens within the City in a manner set forth in this Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Prospect Heights as follows:

SECTION 1: The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2: Title 5 (Zoning) Chapter 2 (Rules and Definitions) of the City of Prospect Heights Municipal Ordinance is hereby amended by adding the bold underlined language as follows:

5-2-3: DEFINITIONS:

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A. DEFINITIONS:

CHICKEN(S): The common domestic fowl. (Gallus gallus domesticus)

COOP/RUN: An accessory building or other enclosure, with or without a roof, an enclosed pen or hen yard, constructed and maintained to provide indoor space for hens to sleep and lay eggs where they are safe and secure as licensed pursuant to Title 9 Animal Control section 9-1-18. Shall meet requirements of Accessory Structures. (Sec. 5-3-4 Lot Coverage)

DUCK: Domestic ducks raised for egg production and meat. (Not Federally regulated waterfowl.)

FOWL, APPROVED: Refers to chicken hens (Gallus gallus domesticus), domesticated ducks and quail.

HEN: A female chicken.

MOBILE COOP: A mobile chicken coop, also known as a chicken tractor, is a movable chicken house that allows you to move your chickens around your property. Shall have an approved method of containing fowl to the property.

POULTRY: Domestic fowl, such as, but not limited to roosters, turkeys, ducks, and geese which is raised for meat, eggs or feathers.

ROOSTER: A male chicken.

Quail shall mean a member of the small species of fowl and may be domesticated fowl.

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SECTION 3: Chapter 3 (General Provision) Section 4: Lot Coverage Table G is hereby amended to read as follows:

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Section 5-3-4 G: Permitted Accessory Buildings, Structures and Uses:

No detached garage, nor carport attached or detached, shall exceed 720 square feet. No accessory building, other than a garage, may exceed 200 square feet, **except for COOP/RUN structure may be no larger than 280 square feet**. If 2 or more accessory buildings are constructed, in addition to a detached garage, the first building may not exceed 200 square feet and the other building(s) may not exceed 80 square feet, **except a coop/run structure**, with a combined total square footage for all garages and accessory structures not to exceed 1,000 square feet.

The following examples of structures and/or uses are not defined as accessory buildings and shall not be included in the square foot calculations: decks, patios, outdoor fireplaces, child's tree house, sundial, dog run, **MOBILE CHICKEN COOP. OPEN AIR FOWL RUN**, lawn furniture, light standards, screening fence for RV/boat, arbors, trellises, fence, swimming pool, flagpole, statues, sidewalk, stepping stones, tennis/badminton/volleyball court.”

Add new Section 5-3-4 I; Regulations for Enclosures and Runs to read as follows. (Same as 9-1-18 N)

1. Chicken Coops, Coop/Run Structures and Mobile Coops shall be allowed in the R-1 District subject to the following:
 1. All coop/run structures and mobile coops shall comply with the requirements section 5-3-4 Lot Coverage Accessory Structure and these requirements.
 2. Located in rear yard
 3. Maximum size is two hundred eighty (280) square feet.
 4. Minimum of one hundred twenty (120) feet from front lot line and shall be twenty feet (20') away from any adjacent residential structure.
 5. Minimum of five-foot (5') setback from interior side lot line and ten-foot (10') setback from rear lot line. No coops, coop/run structures or mobile coops shall be placed in an easement.
 6. Maximum Height of the coop shall be ten feet (10).
 7. Coops and runs shall be covered with an approved covering to protect hens from predators and provide protection from the elements.
 8. Hens are allowed to roam out of a coop in the rear yard with an approved fence. Fence permits are separate from a hen coop/ accessory structure permit.
 9. Coops/runs and/or other structures for housing hens shall not be located beyond the corner side yard building line, or beyond such line as it extends in either direction to the front and rear lot lines. On reverse corner lots, said shelters shall not extend beyond the required front setback line of the first lot to the rear of said reverse lot for a distance equal to the rear yard of the reverse corner lot.

SECTION 4: Chapter 6 (Residential Districts) of Title 5 (Zoning) of the City of Prospect Heights Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding the bold and underlined language as follows:

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A. Permitted Uses: The following uses are permitted:

Accessory uses, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 3 of this title.

Family community residences, provided, an application for occupancy is filed with the City Administrator or his designee. An occupancy permit will be granted, provided the following conditions are met:

1. The sponsoring agency is certified and licensed by the State under the Community Living Facilities Licensing Act, 210 Illinois Compiled Statutes 35/1 et seq., and the Community-

Integrated Living Arrangements Licensure and Certification Act, 210 Illinois Compiled Statutes 135/1 et seq., or other similar statutes as may be required.

2. The family community residence is not located closer than one thousand five hundred feet (1,500') to another licensed family community residence or group community residence.

3. All other applicable codes and ordinances are met.

Fences, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 3 of this title.

Home occupations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 3 of this title.

Off street parking facilities, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 8 of this title.

Keeping Backyard Chickens in accordance with license requirement provisions of title 9 chapter 1 of the City Code.

SECTION 5: Title 9 (Police) Chapter 1 (Animal Control) of the City of Prospect Heights Municipal Ordinance is hereby amended by adding the bold underlined language as follows:

9-1-15: PROHIBITED ANIMALS:

A. It shall be unlawful to keep any lion, tiger, leopard, ocelot, jaguar, cheetah, margay, mountain lion, Canada lynx, bobcat, jaguarundi, hyena or coyote, or any poisonous reptile in any place other than a properly maintained zoological park, circus, scientific or educational institution, research laboratory, veterinary hospital or animal shelter. (Ord. 0-77-26, 10-17-1977)

B. It shall be unlawful to keep any poultry except Approved Fowl, including but not limited to roosters, geese, and turkeys shall be kept on any property.

9-1-18: ~~RESERVED:~~ **Keeping Backyard Chickens** is hereby amended by adding the bold and underlined language to read as follows.

(~~Ord. 0-08-38, 9-2-2008~~)

A. No person may keep chickens, domesticated ducks and quail within the city other than provided by this section.

B. Definitions:

CHICKEN(S): The common domestic fowl. (Gallus gallus domesticus)

COOP/RUN: An accessory building or other enclosure, with or without a roof, an enclosed pen or hen yard, constructed and maintained to provide indoor space for hens to sleep and lay eggs where they are safe and secure as licensed pursuant to

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ROOSTER: A male chicken.

Quail shall mean a member of the small species of fowl and may be domesticated fowl.

C. License required.

- (1) No person shall raise, harbor or keep approved fowl within the city without first obtaining a license issued by the city (“Backyard Chicken Keeping License”).
- (2) The number of available licenses is limited to 75 properties.
 - a. Chicken licenses shall be issued on a first come, first serve basis and no more than one license shall be allowed per residential lot in the R-1 District. If the city receives valid chicken license applications that exceed the maximum number of available licenses, all exceeding applications will be placed on a waiting list in the order that they were received, which waiting list will be maintained by the city administrator or city administrator designee.
- (3) Application. In order to obtain a license, an applicant must submit a completed application on forms provided, either on-line or in paper form and paying all fees required by Title 12 Fine & Fee Schedule of the City Ordinance.
- (4) Requirements:
 - a. All requirements of this chapter are met;
 - b. All fees, as may be provided for from time to time by the city council, are paid in full.
 - c. All outstanding fees and judgements in the city’s favor and against the applicant are paid in full.

- d. The property to be permitted shall be owner occupied and is occupied as a single-family residential property.
- e. Proof of premise registration with the Illinois Department of Agriculture "Livestock Property" program.
- f. Pre-license property inspection.
- g. Licenses are not transferable.
- h. No more than 2 licensed chicken premises may adjoin a non-licensed chicken premise. (Non-Compliant conditions on or before the effective date of this ordinance -to be allowed until a licensed premise does not renew their license or the license is revoked.)

D. Issuance of license. If the licensing officer concludes as a result of the information contained in the application that the requirements for a license have been met, then the officer shall issue the license for the calendar year.

E. License Renewal. Backyard Chicken Keeping licenses are valid for one calendar year and shall be renewed prior to January 1.

(1) Applications for license A renewal of the chicken license will be required each year after the issuance of the initial chicken license.

- a. Complete renewal of application form shall be submitted to the city at least 30 days prior to January 1 of each year.
- b. If a Chicken Keeping license expires without timely renewal, the next applicant on the waiting list will be contacted by the city to confirm participation and processing of the chicken license application. The waiting list applicant will have 30 days to resubmit the application for a Chicken Keeping license if changes are necessary to the original application.
- c. Annual inspections will be required for annual license renewal.
- d. Payment of an annual backyard chicken keeping license fee as required by Title 12 Fine & Fee Schedule of the City Ordinance.

F. Denial, suspension, revocation, non-renewal. The licensing officer may deny, suspend, revoke, or decline to renew any license issued for any of the following grounds.

- (1) False statement on any application or other information or report required by this section given by the applicant.
- (2) Failure to correct deficiencies noted in any notices of violation int the time specified in the notice.
- (3) Failure to comply with the provisions of an approved mitigation plan/remediation plan by the licensing officer or designee.
- (4) Failure to comply with any provision of this chapter.
- (5) Owe the City any money for water/sewer, vehicle stickers, adjudication or other fees.

G. Notification. A decision to revoke, suspend, deny or not renew a license shall be in writing, delivered by ordinary mail or in person to the address indicated on the application. The notification shall specify reasons for the action.

H. Effect of revocation/denial of permit. When an application for a permit is denied, or when a permit is revoked, the applicant may not re-apply for a new permit for a period of one year from the date of the denial or revocation. Upon revocation of a Backyard Chicken Keeping license, all chickens, ducks, and quail, coop/run, mobile coops and enclosures shall be removed from the property within fifteen (15) days. The licensee and property shall not be eligible for a license for one year after revocation.

I. Appeals. No permit may be denied, suspended, revoked, or not renewed without notice and an opportunity to be heard is given the applicant or holder of the license. In any instance where the permitting officer has denied, revoked, suspended, or not renewed a license, the applicant may appeal the decision to the city administrator within ten business days of the receipt by the applicant or holder of the license of the notice of the decision. The applicant or holder of the license will be given an opportunity for a hearing. The decision of the licensing officer which is not appealed in accordance with the terms of this section shall be deemed final action.

J. Number of chickens or domesticated ducks or quail allowed. The maximum number of approved fowls is 20 regardless of lot size.

K. Zoning Districts. Licenses will only be issued to properties located in the R-1 Single-Family Residential District as defined on the current official zoning map for the City of Prospect Heights, Illinois.

L. Noncommercial use only. A license shall not allow the licensee to engage in chicken, duck or quail breeding or fertilizer production for commercial purposes.

(1) Sale of egg(s) shall comply with the Illinois Egg and Egg Products Act 410/ILCS/615. Advertising the sale of eggs is prohibited.

M. Enclosures and Containment.

- (1) Chickens, ducks and quail must be kept and secured within an enclosure at all times. Such enclosures may be referred to as henhouses, coops, tractors, cages, pens, etc.
- (2) Enclosures must be kept in a clean, dry, odor-free, neat and sanitary condition at all times.
- (3) Enclosures must provide adequate ventilation and adequate sun and shade and must be impermeable to rodents, wild birds and predators, including dogs and cats.
- (4) Enclosures. Shall meet the requirements of 5-3-4 Lot Coverage.
 - a. An enclosed structure shall be designed to provide safe and healthy living conditions for the chickens, ducks and quail while minimizing adverse impacts to other residents in the neighborhood.
 - b. Enclosed structures shall be enclosed on all sides and shall have a roof and doors. Access doors must be able to be shut and locked at night. Opening windows and vents must be covered with predator and bird proof wire of less than one-inch openings.

- c. The materials used in making an enclosure shall be uniform for each element of the structure such that the walls are made of the same material, the roof has the same shingles or other covering, and any windows or openings are constructed using the same materials. The use of scrap, waste board, sheet metal, or similar materials is prohibited. Enclosures shall be well maintained. Building permit required. Any chicken coop/run structures, mobile coops, and fences used for housing hens may be erected, constructed, or maintained, only after obtaining a building permit provided herein.
- (5) Completed application on forms provided by the city.
- (6) A completed building permit application form, including 2 copies of a plat of survey accurately depicting the proposed location, setbacks and size of the coop, run and/or enclosure used for housing fowl on the applicant's property. 2 copies of construction plans or product specifications if a store purchased coop/run.
- (7) The building permit fee for the coop, run and/or other enclosure used for housing fowl will be the same fee as a shed and shall be paid prior to the issuance of said permit.

N. Zoning Requirements for enclosures and runs

- (1) All coop/run structures and mobile coops shall comply with the requirements section 5-3-4 Lot Coverage Accessory Structure and these requirements.
- (2) Located in the rear yard
- (3) Maximum size is two hundred eighty (280) square feet.
- (4) Minimum one hundred twenty (120) feet from the front lot line and shall be twenty feet (20') away from the rear building line of an adjacent residential structure.
- (5) Minimum five-foot (5') setback from interior side lot line and ten-foot (10') setback from rear lot line. No coops, coop/run structures or mobile coops shall be placed in any easement or utility area.
- (6) Maximum Height of the coop shall be ten feet (10).
- (7) Coops and runs shall be covered with an approved covering to protect hens from predators and provide protection from the elements.
- (8) Hens are allowed to roam out of a coop in the rear yard with an approved fence. Fence permits are separate from a hen coop/ accessory structure permit.
- (9) Coops/runs and/or other structures for housing hens shall not be located beyond the corner side yard building line, or beyond such line as it extends in either direction to the front and rear lot lines. On reverse corner lots, said shelters shall not extend beyond the required front setback line of the first lot

to the rear of said reverse lot for a distance equal to the rear yard of the reverse corner lot.

O. Regulations for the keeping of chickens, ducks and quail. The following regulations shall apply to any person licensed to keep approved fowl and to maintain any outdoor fowl shelter on a residential lot within the city:

- (1) The keeping or harboring of any rooster is prohibited.
- (2) No other poultry(fowl) including but not limited to geese, and turkeys shall be kept on the property.
- (3) Coops and enclosures shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, such that they do not produce or cause odors that are detectable to adjacent properties.
- (4) Fowl shall not be permitted to run at large in the city. Fowl must be kept within a permitted coop with an attached run, mobile coop to protect the hens from predators and to prevent hens from encroaching onto neighboring properties.
- (5) Feed shall be kept in sealed/pest-proof containers.
- (6) Slaughtering of chickens on the property is prohibited.
- (7) All existing non-conforming properties must be brought into conformance with the approved regulations of this article within 12 months from the date of issuance of Keeping Chicken License.

P. Fees: A Backyard Chicken Keeping License the City with an initial non-refundable license fee at the time of application shall be required. A renewal fee shall be required each year thereafter as required by Title 12 Fine & Fee Schedule of the City Ordinance. All licensed properties are subject to annual inspection.

9-1-21: PENALTY:

Any person found guilty of violating any provision of this chapter shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than ~~five hundred (\$500.00)~~ **seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00)** for each offense. A separate offense shall be held to have been committed on each day that such violation shall occur or continue. (Ord. 0-03-05, 2-3-2003, eff. 2-13-203)

SECTION 6: Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstances is ruled unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not

affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this Ordinance is severable.

SECTION 7: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as required by law.

PASSED and APPROVED this 23rd day of June, 2025


Patrick Ludvigsen, Mayor

ATTEST:


Joanna Prisiajnikouk, City Clerk

AYES: Cameron, Anderson, Dash, Dolick

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Morgan-Adams

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