

ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK WITHIN CITY LIMITS:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1: Except as provided in section (2) of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person owning or keeping livestock (defined as any domesticated, exotic animal or reptiles raised for the consumption ,of itself or its biproducts, i.e. Bovine species, Swine, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, Reptiles, Horses, Roosters, Turkeys, Ducks, other Fowl, etc.) to keep the same within the city limits of Arcadia, Missouri, or maintain within the corporate limits of the city any livestock pen, sty lot, stable, or barn wherein livestock is being kept.

Section 2: The keeping of chickens shall be allowed as an accessory use in single family residential zoning pursuant to the following restrictions:

1. No more than five(5) hens shall be permitted for each single-family dwelling.
2. An approved application for the Permit to Keep Backyard Chickens is required. The application fee is \$25.
3. Roosters shall **NOT** be permitted.
4. Chickens shall be at all times confined within a fully enclosed tractor, coop or a fully enclosed pen. The coop or fully enclosed pen shall be of sufficient design to prevent escape of the chickens. This must be maintained and kept in a sanitary condition and good repair at all times.
 - A. Chicken tractors, coops or pens must be located at least thirty(30) feet from any neighboring residential dwelling, place of business or public sidewalk.
 - B. Chicken tractors, coops or pens must be located at least twenty(20) feet from any side yard lot line and twenty(20) feet from any rear yard lot line.
 - C. Chicken tractors, coops or pens must be located wholly within the rear yard.
 - D. Hen houses and chicken tractors shall be designed to provide safe and healthy living conditions for the chickens while minimizing adverse impacts to other residents in the neighborhood. A hen house or chicken tractor shall be enclosed on all sides and shall have a roof and doors. Access doors must be able to shut and be locked at night. Opening windows and vents must be covered with predator and bird proof wire or less than one-inch openings. The materials used in making a hen house or chicken tractor 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 are prohibited. Hen houses and chicken tractors shall be well maintained. Any enclosed chicken pen shall consist of sturdy wire or wooden fencing. The pen must be covered with wire, aviary netting, or solid roofing. Chickens cannot be contained to just a fenced in yard.
 - E. Any chicken out of its designated tractor, coop or pen running at large the owner will face a \$50 fine.
5. All manure and other discharges from the chickens shall be collected regularly and properly removed from the premises or tilled into the soil to prevent offensive odors or other public nuisances. No more than three(3) cubic feet of manure shall be stored.
6. All chicken tractors, coops, or pens shall be considered "accessory structures" and shall require a building permit of \$20.
7. It shall be unlawful to engage in chicken breeding, sales or fertilizer production for commercial purposes.
8. Perceptible noise from chickens shall not be loud enough at the property boundaries to disturb persons of reasonable sensitivity.

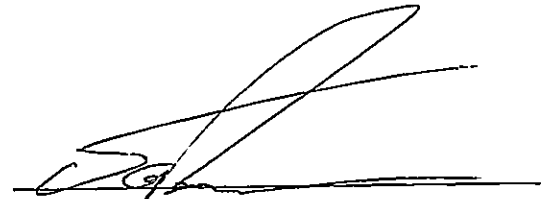
9. The chicken owner shall take necessary action to reduce the attraction of predators, rodents and the potential infestation of insects and parasites. Chickens found to be infested with insects and parasites that may result in unhealthy conditions to human habitation will be removed by owner within ten(10) days. If chickens have not been removed after ten(10) days, the owner will be fined \$50 per day until chickens are removed.
10. Chickens shall be provided with access to feed and clean water at all times. The feed and water shall be unavailable to rodents, wild birds and predators.
11. Chickens at large: No dog or cat which kills a chicken will , for that reason alone, be considered a dangerous or aggressive animal.
12. Any violation of this Article that constitutes a health hazard or that interferes with the use or enjoyment of neighboring property is a nuisance and may be abated under the general nuisance abatement provisions.
13. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep chickens in violation of any provision of this Article. It shall be unlawful for any owner, renter or leaseholder of property to allow chickens to be kept on the property in violation of the provisions of this Article.
14. The owner or owners of the real property upon which the chickens are placed shall be deemed the chicken owner and be responsible for the full and complete compliance with all requirements of this Article. In the event the owner of the property has a son, daughter or other person or family member who is raising the chickens in question, then the owner of said property shall still be deemed the chicken owner and responsible for any violations of this Article. If the property is being rented, then the landlord and adult renters shall be jointly and severally responsible for compliance with this Article.

Section 3: When any livestock(excluding chickens) shall be found to be restrained within any enclosure or running at large within city limits, it shall be the duty of the police department to contact the owner. The owner then will be given ten(10) days to remove the livestock from the property or face a daily fine of \$50 until animal is removed.

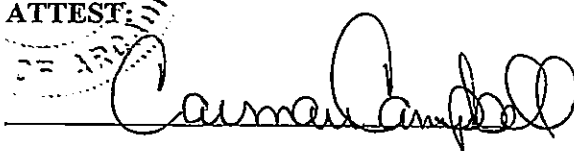
Section 4: Any and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, shall be, and the same are hereby repealed; and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Whereupon, this ordinance was read three times and approved by vote of the Board of Aldermen and the City of Arcadia, Missouri, on this 9th day of September, 2024.

First Reading: Alderman Robbs - Yea Alderwoman Hooper - Nay
Alderman Blann - Yea
Second Reading: Alderman Robbs - Yea Alderwoman Hooper - Nay
Alderman Blann - Yea
Third Reading: Alderman Robbs - Yea Alderwoman Hooper - Nay
Alderman Blann - Yea



Tony Richards, Mayor

ATTEST:


Arcadia City Clerk