



Chickens

October 10, 2016

Current Regulations

Municipal Code Section 618.15 specifically identifies “chickens” as a **prohibited** animal

- Exception: agricultural zoning districts on parcels of five acres

Plat Covenants

- Specifically Restricted in most of the Plat documents reviewed
- Belleview Plat – Section 4
 - “No horses, cattle, swine or any other live stock shall be kept or retained in any part of this plat.”

Regulations (if change is requested by Council)

- Definitions
- Register with City (no permit fee)
- **Minimum lot size** (for beekeeping it is 14,000 sq ft)
- Rear yard placement
 - Distance from **abutting property line** (beekeeping = 25 feet)
 - Distance from **neighboring house**

Regulations (if change is requested by Council)

- Owner of chickens must reside on property
- Single family lots only
- No more than **4** chickens per lot
- **Roosters** prohibited
- **Chicken coop** required which meets established criteria
- Identify **nuisance** restrictions (sound, smell, upkeep, etc.)