

PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS – CHICKENS

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ARTICLE 2: DEFINITIONS

§ 2.2. Terms Defined.

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CHICKEN shall mean a female chicken (hen), and not a rooster.

CHICKEN RUN shall mean a wire enclosure connected to a henhouse for the purpose of allowing chickens to leave the henhouse while remaining in an enclosed, predator-safe environment.

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HENHOUSE shall mean a structure for the sheltering of female chickens.

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§ 4.1 Single Family Districts.

A. Purpose and uses:

District Purpose	Main Permitted Uses	Special Exception	Accessory Uses
These districts are designed to protect the character of the single family neighborhoods.	Single family detached dwelling.	Educational facilities Places of worship, meeting halls and similar nonprofit uses and ham radio antennas (See Section 4.1.G).	<u>Limited Agricultural Use*</u> Those uses customarily associated with single family homes (See Section 4.1.E).

*Only up to 6 female chickens permitted per lot. Henhouses/runs are subject to standards in **§ 4.23.18**

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E. Permitted accessory uses.

- a. Those uses which are customarily associated with single family homes, such as but not limited to: decks, swimming pools, spas, sheds, ornamental features and tennis courts (See [§ 4.23](#) for setbacks). The Director may approve other accessory uses if the Director finds that the proposed use is consistent with the following criteria:

1. It is located on the same lot as the permitted use.
2. It shall be incidental and subordinate to and customarily associated with single family homes.
3. That the necessary safeguards are provided for the protection of surrounding property, persons and neighborhood values.
4. That the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community will not be adversely affected.
5. It is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and Neighborhood Plan if one exists.
6. In making the above determinations, the Director shall require the applicant to provide evidence that the proposed use meets the criteria. The Director may also require the applicant to provide planning reports, studies and other evidence to support the applicant's request. Appeal of the Director's decision is to the Planning and and Development Board as an appeal of an Administrative Decision....

b. Any person keeping chickens shall be subject to the following restrictions:

1. Up to six (6) chickens may be kept at an occupied residence in a single-family zone.
2. Ducks, geese, turkeys, peafowl, roosters, pigeons, or any other poultry or fowl are not permitted.
3. Chickens must be kept for personal use only. Selling chickens, meat, eggs, feathers, or chicken manure, or the breeding of chickens is prohibited.
4. This section does not authorize persons to violate applicable restrictive covenants and homeowners' association rules and regulations. The city does not police or enforce private restrictive covenants and homeowners' association rules and regulations. Persons keeping backyard chickens are solely responsible for compliance with all applicable restrictive covenants and homeowners' association rules and regulations.

§ 4.23. Supplemental Setback Regulations for Allowable Encroachments in Front, Side and Rear Yards.

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B. Allowable encroachments in front, side and rear yards:

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18. Henhouses and Chicken Runs:

- a. Not permitted in the front yard.
- b. A henhouse shall be located a minimum of 7.5 feet from side property lines, and a minimum of 5 feet from a rear property line.
- c. A maximum of one henhouse shall be permitted per property.
- d. The henhouse must be located at least 5 feet from any dwelling.

- e. The combined henhouse/run structure must not exceed 100 square feet.
- f. An outdoor pervious chicken run with a minimum of 6 square feet of space per bird shall be provided with no setback required. However, a rear yard that is fully fenced with a predator-safe fence may also serve as a chicken run.