

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

ORDINANCE NO. 08-177

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAKE ELMO CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY
AMENDING THE CITY'S PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE KEEPING OF
CHICKENS**

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Lake Elmo hereby amends Section 95.111 of the City Code by adding the underlined language and deleting the ~~stricken~~ language as follows:

§ 95.111 PERMIT CONDITIONS.

Each person keeping chickens within the City of Lake Elmo shall comply with the following:

- (A) No person may keep a rooster or crowing hen.
- (B) No person may allow chickens to range freely without fencing or without a mobile pen.
- (C) No person may keep chickens inside the house or attached garage.
- (D) Chickens must be provided a secure and well ventilated roofed structure ("chicken coop").
- (E) The roofed structure and required fencing for the chickens may only be located in a rear yard and must meet setback and building separations as established in city zoning and building codes, except that the roofed structure and fencing must maintain a 20 foot separation from dwellings on adjacent properties.
- (F) The roofed structure shall be fully enclosed, wind proof, and have sufficient windows for natural light.
- (G) Chickens, coops, and/or runs shall not be kept in such a manner as to constitute a nuisance.
- (H) The chicken coop and run shall be kept in good repair as to be in compliance with the property maintenance regulations elsewhere in the code.
- (I) All chicken coops must have a minimum size of 4 square feet per bird and must be at least ~~6 feet in height to allow access for cleaning and maintenance.~~ 4 feet in height.
- (J) Fenced in chicken runs must have a minimum of 10 square feet per bird and must be at least ~~6 feet in height to allow access for cleaning and maintenance.~~ 4 feet in height.
- (K) All butchering waste shall be disposed of in a sanitary manner.
- (L) Dead chickens must be disposed of according to the Minnesota Board of Animal Health rules which require chicken carcasses to be disposed of as soon as possible after death, usually

within 48 to 72 hours. Legal forms of chicken carcass disposal include burial, off-site incineration or rendering, or composting.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption and publication in the official newspaper of the City of Lake Elmo.

SECTION 3. Adoption Date. This Ordinance No. 08-177 was adopted on this 20th day of June 2017.

LAKE ELMO CITY COUNCIL



Mike Pearson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Julie Johnson, City Clerk

This Ordinance 08-177 was published on the 28th day of June, 2017.