

BILL 1336

ORDINANCE 1336

AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE CITY OF LATHROP, MISSOURI MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE KEEPING AND RAISING OF CHICKENS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS

Be it ordained by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lathrop, Missouri, as follows:

1. Section 205 of the Lathrop Municipal Code is revised by adding a new section 205.045, to read as follows:

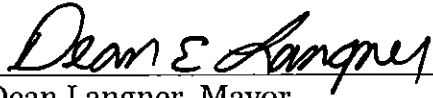
Section 205.045. Chickens Allowed in City Limits.

- A. The keeping of chickens on a detached, single family lot shall be allowed in the City of Lathrop in conformity with the provisions of this Section 205.045.
- B. The property on which the chickens are to be housed must be at least 6000 sq. feet in size, and no more than six hens may be kept on such property. No roosters are permitted within the City.
- C. All hens kept herein shall be confined on the property where they are kept, and shall not be permitted to run at-large within the City.
- D. Chicken coops shall be constructed and maintained in a manner to prevent rodents from being harbored underneath or within the walls of the enclosures. Coops shall be built of solid weatherproof material such as wood, metal, or plastic. Wood shall be able to withstand outdoor weather conditions. Coop floors shall be made of wood or cement set a minimum of one foot above ground level and sloped to prevent puddling. Coops shall have at least one solid door and window that can be opened for ventilation. Feces shall be removed and disposed of or composted in a manner to avoid odor.
- E. Any coop and/or outdoor run must be situated at least ten feet from the property line. Coops cannot be within ten feet of the property owner's residence, nor within 50 feet of any adjacent dwelling, church, school, place of business, or occupied structure.
- F. Chicken feed must be stored in containers sufficient to keep out mice, rats, and other vermin.
- G. Neither breeding of chickens nor slaughtering is allowed within city limits.

H. Any person who violates the provisions of this Section shall be subject to prosecution in the municipal court. Said person shall be subject to a fine of up to \$500 and/or 90 days imprisonment in the county jail.

2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon approval by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lathrop.

Read twice and passed by a majority vote of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lathrop, Missouri, this 21st day of April, 2020.



Dean Langner, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susie Freece, City Clerk