

ZONING PERMIT

Town of Pulaski
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URBAN AGRICULTURE PERMIT APPLICATION

Date of Application: _____

Review period of all permit applications is a minimum of 3 business days.

TYPE OF PERMIT

New Permit Renewal Permit

If Renewal Permit:

Are you using the same management plan? Yes No
Are you using the same sketch/pen location? Yes No

SITE INFORMATION

911 Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Use: _____ (Note: Single Family Residence Only)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City/State/ZIP _____
Phone # _____ Cell # _____

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION (If Different Than Applicant)

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City/State/ZIP _____
Phone # _____ Cell # _____

FOR CHICKENS

1. Number of chicken hens or chicks (No more than 6 total)
2. Proposed pen dimensions _____ ft. (length) x _____ ft. (width)
3. Proposed pen square footage _____ sq. ft.
4. Proposed pen weight: _____ lbs
5. Proposed pen material: _____
6. Proposed coop dimensions _____ ft. (length) x _____ ft. (width)
7. Proposed coop square footage _____ sq. ft.
8. Proposed coop weight: _____ lbs
9. Proposed coop material: _____
10. Is the proposed coop portable? Yes No
11. Total height above grade: _____ ft.

FOR BEEHIVE STANDS

1. Number of Beehive stands (No more than 2) _____
2. Proposed beehive stand dimensions _____ ft. (L) x _____ ft. (W)
3. Proposed beehive stand square footage _____ sq. ft.
4. Proposed beehive stand weight: _____ lbs
5. Proposed beehive stand material: _____
6. Number of supports: _____
7. Dimensions of supports _____ in. (L) x _____ in. (W) x _____ in. (H)
8. Material of supports: _____
9. Total height above grade: _____ ft.

All Urban Agriculture Permit Applications must be accompanied by the following items:

1. A sketch of the property (and adjoining properties, if necessary) showing:
 - a. A fully enclosed, secure area (pen) not to exceed a total of 128 square feet
 - b. Location, dimensions, and materials of the pen and coop. An enclosed coop with a minimum of two (2) square feet per hen and an open run area containing a minimum of eight (8) square feet per hen is required. It should be noted if the pen and/or coop are portable.
 - c. Setbacks: 15 feet from all property lines; 50 feet from any adjacent residential dwelling or any other building used for residential purposes other than the owner of the chicken hens or bees.
2. Management plan addressing protection from predators, the use of feeding and bedding materials, management and disposal of waste, and other factors deemed relevant to the protection of public health. **Renewal applications do not need to resubmit sketch and maintenance plan if no changes have been made to these documents from the granting of the original permit.**
3. Annual fee of \$25.00

I hereby certify that I have authority to make this application and to the truthfulness of the information in the application and that if any of the information provided is incorrect, the Permit may be revoked. I certify that in accordance with Section 507 of the Town of Pulaski Code, regarding Urban Agriculture, that I am responsible for any and all complacency. If the permit is issued wrongfully, whether based on misinformation or an improper application of the Code, the Permit may be revoked. By signing this application I am hereby certifying that I am responsible for conveying all information relevant to this application including Building, Zoning, E&S Control Codes and all other applicable codes to the property owner and/or applicant

Signature of Applicant _____ Printed Name of Applicant _____ Contact Phone # _____ Date _____

For Office Use Only

Tax Map# _____ Parcel ID: _____ Zone: _____ Acreage: _____
Zoning Statement: _____
Provided Site Drawings _____ Provided Management Plan _____ Call for Inspection _____
Front: _____ Rear: _____ Left: _____ Right: _____ Height: _____
Remarks: _____

Approved by: C.Z.A. _____ Approval date: _____



URBAN AGRICULTURE PERMIT APPLICATION ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The limited keeping of chickens and beehives may be permitted in association with one single family residence, per parcel subject to the following conditions:

1. No more than two beehive stands shall be allowed.
2. No more than 6 chicken hens or chicks shall be allowed.
3. Chickens are defined herein as domestic female chicken hens. Roosters are prohibited.
4. Chickens shall be kept for the household's personal consumption only. Commercial use such as selling eggs or chickens for meat shall be prohibited.
5. There shall be no slaughtering or processing of chickens.
6. Adequate shelter, care and control of the chickens is required. Any person permitted to keep chickens shall comply with all the provisions and requirements of the Town and State Code regarding care, shelter, sanitation, health, rodent control, cruelty, neglect, noise, reasonable care and another requirements pertaining to, but not limited to, the adequate care and control of animals in the Town.
7. The owner of the chickens shall take necessary action to reduce the attraction of predators and rodents and the potential infestation of insects and parasites. Chickens found to be infested with insects and parasites that may result in unhealthy conditions may be removed by an animal control officer.
8. Chickens shall not be allowed to roam free. They shall be kept in an enclosed secure area not to exceed a total of 128 square feet hereinafter known as a pen. Pens shall include a coop (enclosed structure) containing a minimum of two square foot per hen and an open run area containing a minimum of eight square feet per hen.
9. The materials used for pens shall be uniform and kept in good condition in order to protect the safety of the chickens.
10. Pens may be portable and shall meet setbacks at all times.
11. Pens and beehive stands shall have setbacks of 15 feet from all property lines and 50 feet from dwellings on adjacent properties and be no closer to the street right-of-way than the primary dwelling.
12. All pens shall be located away from any drainage areas that could allow fecal matter to enter a storm drainage system or stream.

13. All pens shall be constructed and maintained so as to be impermeable to rodents, wild birds, and predators, including dogs and cats, and to prevent such animals or other pests from being harbored underneath, inside, or within the walls of the enclosure. All pens must be kept dry, well-ventilated, and in a sanitary condition at all times, and must be cleaned on a regular basis to prevent offensive odors. All manure not used for composting or fertilizing shall be removed promptly. Odors from chickens, manure, or other chicken related substances shall not be detectable at the property boundaries.
14. All approved urban agriculture uses shall maintain the premises in a clean and sanitary manner and are required to present measures for food storage and containment and disposal of waste prior to approval and shall maintain compliance with all presented measures.
15. No dog or cat that kills a chicken or chick will, for that reason alone, be considered a vicious animal.

ORDINANCE 2021-04

ORDINANCE TO PERMIT URBAN AGRICULTURE

CHAPTER 14 - ANIMALS

ARTICLE IV - URBAN AGRICULTURE

Sec. 14-50. - GENERAL

- (a) *Application required for Urban Agriculture:* Persons wishing to keep and maintain permitted animals under the Urban Agriculture Article must file an application with the Town Manager's office, which application shall include:
- (1) A sketch showing the area where the permitted animals will be housed and the types and size of units in which the animals shall be housed. The sketch must show all dimensions and setbacks.
 - (2) A twenty five dollar (\$25.00) application fee.
 - (3) If the property is owner occupied, the application shall be in the name of the owners of the property. If the property is a rental, the application by a tenant must have an endorsement of the property owner authorizing and consenting to the use on the property.
 - (4) Once the application has been reviewed and approved, the Town Manager's office shall issue a registration, which shall be valid for one (1) year.
 - (5) Each existing registration will be renewed on an annual basis by procedures developed by the Town Manager's office.
- (b) *No Commercial Uses:* Animals under this Article shall only be permitted for domestic personal purposes, and shall not be for commercial use which includes, but is not limited to, selling eggs, selling meat and selling honey.
- (c) *Permitted Properties:* Subject to the provisions of this Article, it is lawful for a person to maintain permitted animals within the corporate limits of the town on residential district property containing only single-family detached dwellings. No animals pursuant to this Article shall be allowed on townhouse, duplex, apartment or manufactured housing park properties.
- (d) *Permitted Enclosure Locations:* All pens, coops or hives must be at least 15 feet from all property lines and 50 feet from any adjacent residential dwelling or to any other building used for residential purposes, other than that of the owner of the permitted animals. No enclosures shall be located in the front yard, required street side yard, required side yard, nor shall be located within 20 feet of in any drainage area that would allow fecal matter to enter any storm drainage system or stream.

Sec. 14-52. - URBAN AGRICULTURE - BEES

- (a) *Generally:* Keeping bees in approved areas, which may be described as keeping "urban bees", is subject to the terms of this Article as well as the following terms and conditions.
- (b) *Limitations:* No more than two (2) beehives shall be allowed for each single family dwelling.
- (c) *Shelter, Care, Control and Compliance:* Adequate shelter, care, and control of the beehives is required. Any person allowed to keep bees under this section shall comply with all of the provisions and definitions of the Code of Ordinances regarding care, shelter, sanitation, health, rodent control, cruelty, neglect, noise, reasonable control and any other requirements pertaining to the adequate care and control of animals in town.