

AGENDA

June 26, 2024

REGULAR MEETING PLAN/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

**Prospect Heights City Hall
8 North Elmhurst Road – 7 p.m.**

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Minutes

1. May 22, 2024 Regular Meeting

IV. Old Business - None

V. New Business

1. Review and adoption of rules for public hearings

2. PZBA - Case No. ZBA 24-01 PUD - Public Hearing Amendments and Variations

Applicant: City of Prospect Heights, Daniel A. Peterson, Director Building & Development
Address: 8 N. Elmhurst Rd., Prospect Heights, IL 60070

Description of Request:

A. The petitioner is seeking to amend Title 5 Chapter 2 Definitions and Title 5 Chapter General Provisions of Zoning Code to add definitions and regulations for allowing chickens as an accessory use in the R-1 Single Family Residential District per Section 5-6-1 of the City of Prospect Heights Zoning Code;

VI. Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items

VII. Previous Application Updates

VIII. Communications

IX. Adjournment



City of Prospect Heights

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 17, 2024

To: Maciej Kempa – Chairman
Plan/Zoning Board Commissioners

From: Daniel A. Peterson, Director of Building & Development

Subject: PZBA Case #24-01 TA – Text Amendments to Title 5 Chapter 2: Definitions and Chapter 3: General Provisions of the City of Prospect Heights Zoning Code regarding Keeping Chickens in the R-1 Single Family District

Please be advised that a public hearing has been scheduled for the next regularly scheduled Planning Zoning Board of Appeals (PZBA) meeting on Wednesday June 26, 2024 at 7:00 pm at City Hall.

The PZBA held two public information and comment meetings to discuss the issue of keeping chickens in the R-1 District. (January 24, 2024 and March 20, 2024) At the conclusion of the second public comment meeting on March 20, 2024 the PZBA directed staff to prepare an application for text amendments and schedule a public hearing.

Please refer to the following zoning code sections when reviewing the materials.

- Section 5-1-2 Intent
- Section 5-1-3 Purpose
- Section 5-2-3 Definitions
- Section 5-3-4 Lot Coverage
- Section 5-3-8 Number of Structures On A Zoning Lot
- Section 5-3-9 Accessory Buildings And Structures
- Section 5-6-1 R-1 Single Family Residential District
- Section 5-10-10 Amendments – Paragraph C: Standards for Map & Text Amendments

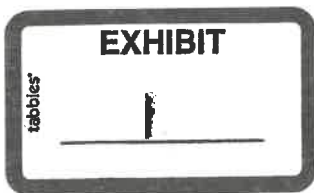
Thank you.

PZBA Public Hearing

PZBA Case #24-01 – TA

June 26, 2024

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CASE # _____
MEETING DATE _____

**PLAN/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
APPLICATION**

Special use (\$400)
Variation (\$150)
Text Amendment (\$300)

Map Amendment (Refer to Ord. 0-03-18)
Subdivision/PUD (Refer to Ord. 0-03-18)
Lot Consolidation (Refer to Ord. 0-03-18)
Appearance Review

In addition to the application fee a refundable deposit not <\$500 nor >\$5,000 shall be required for all zoning applications to offset the direct costs of the application incurred by the City. If costs exceed the available escrow balance applicant will be required to replenish account. If balance remains the money will be refunded or applied to any building permit cost. (Refer to Ord. O-18-06: 5-10-7(D))

APPLICANT: City of Prospect Heights – Daniel A. Peterson, Building & Development Director
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Prospect Heights, IL 60070

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ADDRESS OF SUBJECT PROPERTY: City Wide Text Amendment

PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN THE R-1 Single Family **ZONING DISTRICT.**

APPLICABLE SECTION OF ORDINANCE: Title 5 Chapter 2: Definitions; Title 5 Chapter 6 Section 1, Title 5 Chapter 3

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: Amend the Zoning Code to add definitions, regulations to regulate the keeping of Chickens in the R-1 Residential District.

Are there any covenants, conditions, restrictions or floodplain issues concerning type of improvements, setbacks, area or height requirements, occupancy or use limitations, etc. placed on the property and now of record: YES X NO _____

If yes, please describe: Various properties in the R-1 Residential District are located within regulated flood ways and flood plains that may impact their ability to keep chickens on their properties.

Has the property been the subject of previous or pending administrative legislative or court action:

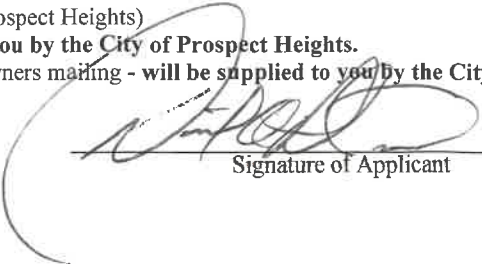
YES _____ NO X If yes, give details: _____

The follow items MUST be submitted at time of filing:

1. Application (12 copies)
2. Plat of Survey (12 copies) – must be drawn to scale and indicate the location of the proposed addition or construction and must contain the legal description of the property, along with additional information to support the application. (12 copies) *Note - please include one copy for file no longer than 11x17.
3. Proof of Ownership (1 copy)
4. Letter indicating Hardship (for variations only 12 copies)
5. Application Fee (cash or check made payable to: City of Prospect Heights)
6. Notice to Property Owners (1 copy) – will be supplied to you by the City of Prospect Heights.
7. List of Property Owners (1 copy) for Notice to Property Owners mailing - will be supplied to you by the City of Prospect Heights.

May 17, 2024

Date:


Signature of Applicant



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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 19, 2024

To: Maciej Kempa, Chairman and PZBA Member

Cc: Joe Wade, City Administrator
John O'Driscoll, City Attorney

From: Daniel A. Peterson, Director of Building & Development

Subject: Text Amendment Changes to Allow Keeping Chickens in the R-1 District

ISSUE: Consideration of Amending the City Code regarding the keeping of chickens in the R-1 District.

BACKGROUND:

At the direction of the City Council the PZBA held a public meeting on January 24, 2024 to discuss keeping chickens in the R-1 Residential District. Director Peterson provided background and history of the issue. He provided preliminary research regarding other municipalities that allow keeping of chickens. Information from the Illinois Department of Agriculture regarding registration of Livestock Premises.

After the public comment period and discussion, the PZBA directed staff to continue research of the topic and report back the PZBA. Director Peterson requested 60 days to provide a summary at the March 20, 2024 regular meeting.

On March 20, 2024 the PZBA held a public meeting to continue the discussion related to keeping chickens in the R-1 Single-Family Residential District. Director Peterson provided written summary and oral presentation the research conducted and results. (See staff memo dated March 14, 2024)

At the conclusion of the public meeting the PZBA directed staff to prepare an application and draft ordinance for a text amendments to Title 5, Chapter 6 related to the keeping of chickens in the R-1 Residential District. Director Peterson requested a minimum of 60 days to prepare the requested application due to this being the height of the construction season. The target date for the public hearing would be the June 26, 2024 regular meeting of the PZBA. The PZBA concurred.

REVIEW OF CITY OF PROSPECT HEIGHTS ORDINANCES:

Staff performed a thorough review of the city codes that relate to the keeping of chickens in the R-1 Single Family Residential District.

Title 9 Police Regulations Chapter 1 Animal Control

Title 9 Chapter 1 Animal Control is a Police regulation that primarily addresses animal welfare and nuisance ordinance enforcement. Police regulations are constructed to list those behaviors, actions activities that are prohibited by law and are silent on those activities that are not in violation of laws and ordinances. Title 9 Chapter 1, does not regulate zoning or land use associated with the keeping of various animals. The ordinance is silent on chickens except for the legitimate commerce and poultry for agriculture or food purposes.

Title 5 Zoning

Title 5 – Zoning: Regulates the use of land. The construction of the zoning code is that if a use is not specifically approved then it is prohibited. As the code is silent on the issue of keeping chickens in the R-1 District, then technically the use is prohibited. The only reference to this is the term “Agriculture” which is a permitted special use requiring a special use hearing in the R-1 Single Family Residential District. The minimum land area (farm) necessary to constitute an agricultural use is five (5) acres. However, the intent of the proposed text amendments are not to prohibit the keeping of chickens within the City, but in fact to allow this activity by creating reasonable rules that are in keeping with the stated purpose of the Zoning Code per Section 5-1-3 Purpose.

Title 5 Chapter 6 Section 1 Single Family Residential District: Staff has interpreted that the keeping of chicken in the R-1 District is an accessory use and with the adoption of the proposed amendments in Chapter 3 will allow the use as permitted in the district. The use will not require special use approval as an “Agricultural Uses”.

Title 5 Chapter 2 Definitions: As this section of the code is silent on the issue we are proposing definitions for clarification and understanding.

Title 5 Chapter 3 General Provisions: This chapter addresses the requirements for lot coverage, home occupations, number of structures on a zoning lot and accessory structures. The code provisions and regulations have been periodically amended since the inception of the zoning code in 1977. The provisions of this Chapter limit the amount of land to be covered by all structures to a total of, twenty-five (25) percent of a lot, accessory structures are limited to five (5) percent. There are limitations to the number of accessory structures three (3), placement on the lot and size of each structure. This section of the code applies to the structures used for the keeping of chickens and does required permits for the proper placement of the structures on the lot. All accessory structures will be required to meet the provisions of the code. The proposed amendments provide a time period of up to one year for property owners to bring their structures into compliance.

Title 4 Building Regulations

Title 4 Building Regulation: The International Family of Codes, National Electrical Code and Illinois Plumbing Code are the adopted building codes for the City. The construction and placement of accessory structures are required to meet the minimum requirements for safety and construction. Structures shall be structurally sound and meet the requirements for construction, sanitation and maintenance. Quality structures and the enforcement of the building codes not only protects the health safety and welfare of the citizens it protects the quality of life and value of the City.

Title 3 Health & Sanitation

Chapter 5 Noise Control Regulations: *Section 3-5-2 Noise Standards: F. Animals, Birds: The keeping of any animal or bird which by causing frequent or long continued noise shall disturb the comfort or repose of any persons in the vicinity.* This is the only reference to noise that is produced by animals and birds. It is vague and unenforceable as written. To be able to issue a formal warning or citation, building inspectors or police officers must witness the activity. This is difficult due to infrequent rooster crowing and hours that disturb others. Many residents don't want to complain against their neighbors or waste the resources of the police. Result is people being disturb by the keeping of roosters on the property. The proposed amendments to prohibit roosters will solve the issue of noise nuisance. The proposed amendments will eliminate a source of noise nuisance and enforcement. Both the police and the building department personnel have trouble enforcing

The adopted International Property Maintenance Code along with Title 3 address sanitation issues of keeping chickens. The proposed amendments will require a sanitation plan for the property.

Flood Zone Hazard Review

Prospect Heights is a community with considerable number of single family and multi-family properties that lie within federally regulated flood zones (floodplain/floodway). The City participates in the FEMA Community Rating System program. The City is a Class 6 CRS rated community. Being a Class 6 rated community provides for a 20% discount in the required flood insurance rate for the approximately 1,000 property owners that are required to have Flood Risk insurance in both the single and multi-family districts. The text amendment will address properties located within the floodplain and floodway. FEMA requires the City to review all applications for permits in regulated flood zones for compliance with FEMA rules and standards. These provisions are only restating already existing requirements of the City code and not creating new requirements. Maintaining the CSR rating provide a benefit to all properties within the City. FEMA Flood Zone Hazard Map is attached.

Summary of City Codes

In summary, the city codes are silent on the issue of keeping chickens in the R-1 District. The Animal Control Ordinance and Zoning Code are construct differently and both do not specifically address keeping chickens. Keeping of chickens in the R-1 Single Family District is a land use issue and the need exists to create reasonable amendments to the zoning code that will properly address the accessory use of keeping chickens in the district. Based upon the review the proposed text amendments meet the standards of Section 5-5-10 Amendments.

The following information was presented at the March 20, 2024 regular meeting of the PZBA second information and public comment meeting and highlights the research staff conducted.

Review of Other Municipal Ordinances:

The City reviewed municipal ordinances from 23 governmental entities that have ordinances allowing to keeping chickens. There were 20 local jurisdictions and 3 counties. The municipalities were suburban Chicago, collar areas, small and large municipalities. The counties included: Cook, Lake and Will County¹ The majority of municipalities within the area prohibit chickens. (See attached exhibit)

Summary:

- Twenty-two (22) municipalities prohibited roosters. Cook County does not have published guidelines for unincorporated residential districts.

- Ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea hens were prohibited
- Number of hens were limited by lot area. Number allowed between 2 and 12.
- Coop and runs determined by local zoning code requirements.
- Most municipalities restricted coop height to 7'
- Runs and areas ranged from 50 sq. ft. to 150 sq. ft. and based upon number of hens.
- 3 municipalities limited number of licensed properties for chicken keeping. (25, 25 & 20)
- Registration, licensing and permits were required
- Compliance with building and zoning regulations
- Examples of applications and educational material were reviewed.

- ¹ Lake and Will counties limited number of hens and prohibit roosters in their residential zoned districts.

Phone Research

Illinois Department of Agriculture

Staff contacted the Illinois Department of Agriculture program staff. According to staff in the Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare office, the Illinois Department of Agriculture does not have any best practice standards regarding keeping chickens in residential properties. The purpose of their program is to monitor productions farm operations and livestock properties for potential health and illness issues.

University of Illinois Extension

Did not return calls. The website does not reference residential chickens.

Teska Associates

Teska is the City's zoning consultant. They indicated that they have assisted in writing zoning ordinances for municipalities and based upon their experience client communities prohibited roosters due to the noise disturbance and the basis for the overwhelming number of complaints. They provided results of a community survey from the Village of Woodridge, IL, January 2024. Results indicated overwhelming support for keeping chickens, limiting the number of hens and prohibiting roosters.

Resident Interviews

Staff contacted a sampling of residents that provided comments and emails both in support of the keeping chickens and opposing residential chickens.

Opposition Comments: Overall, the respondents were not in opposition to keeping chickens, but there should be enforceable regulations.

- Restriction on roosters. (All respondents)
- Crowing disrupts sleep. Being awakened at 4 am.
- Crowing disruptions during the day.
- Registration of each chicken and property. Like dog and cat tags.
- Coops are located close to the property lines and close to my house.
- Noise complaints not enforceable by Police. Don't want to waste police resources on a rooster complaint.
- Owners should have a sanitation plan and schedule for cleaning. Odor problem.

- There should be a limit on the number of chickens on a property.
- Never complained because chickens were allowed, but the roosters were obnoxious.
- Concerned about selling eggs and birds.

Supporting Comments: Staff contacted residents that participated in the January 24, 2024, meeting who volunteered to discuss the issue with staff in further detail. Staff prepared the following questions for input.

1. Would you be opposed to registering/licensing of properties that want to keep chickens?

Responses:

- All the respondents indicated that they were not opposed to registering their properties.
 - Registration fee should be reasonable, not too expensive.
 - Should only be a one-time registration.
 - In favor of registration and inspection for compliance with zoning.
2. All researched ordinances appear to establish limitations based upon lot size and setbacks to neighboring properties of approximately 1 chicken per 1,000 sq. ft. of lot area. In Prospect Heights that would be approximately 20 per lot. Would this be a reasonable limit for Prospect Heights?
- This would be reasonable with a graduated scale for larger lots.
 - There should be no limitations on the number of chickens per lot.
 - 20 per lot is reasonable. Should there be allowance, a higher number for meat production chickens?
 - Does this also include ducks, geese and turkeys?
3. Should there be a restriction on roosters?
- All respondents stated that roosters should be allowed.
 - 1 rooster per lot is reasonable. Properties with more than one should be grandfathered and allowed to keep them.
 - No restriction if the neighbors agree.
 - If there are complaints the owner should be allowed to try crow collar to limit crowing.

Resident Contact Summary

The responses indicate support for registration and licensing of properties for owners wanting to keep chickens. There appears to be a method to determine a reasonable number of chickens to be allowed per lot. The question of keeping roosters is the point of disagreement.

CONCLUSION:

Keeping chickens is an appropriate use for property within the City of Prospect Heights R-1 Single-Family District. With a minimum of 20,000 sq. ft. (1/2 acre) lot in the R-1 District there is ample property for this type of managed use within the City and not be disruptive to neighboring property owners.

There is a necessity to revise the City's Municipal Code related to the keeping chickens in the single-family residential district. The current ordinances are outdated and unenforceable as currently written. There are no set standards or best practices for keeping chickens in residential

neighborhoods. Therefore, staff relies upon the ordinances enacted and enforced in the suburban Chicagoland area.

Based upon the information reviewed, comments made at the January 24, 2024 and the March 20, 2024 public meeting and interviews with residents from both sides of the issue agree there is a place for the keeping of chickens in the city.

The proposed text amendments establish reasonable regulations necessary to ensure the quality of life for all residents within Prospect Heights.

Recommendation

Recommend approval of the proposed text amendments and direct staff to prepare the necessary amendment ordinance for City Council review and action.

Zoning Review



Date: June 17, 2024
Reviewer: Daniel A. Peterson, Director of Building & Development
Applicant: City of Prospect Heights
Subject Property: R-1 Single Family Residential District
Application: ZBA #24-01 TA – Text Amendments

Project: Amend Zoning Code: Title 5, Chapter 2 Definitions
Title 5, Chapter 3 General Provisions

Amend Police Regulations: Title 9 Chapter 1 Animal Control

Documents Reviewed:

A. Application prepared by: Daniel A. Peterson, Director of Building & Development

Applicable Zoning Code Sections: Amendments: 5-10-10
R-1 Single-Family Residential District: 5-6-1A
General Provisions – Accessory Use: 5-3
Definitions: Title 5 Chapter 2

Applicable Police Regulations: Title 9 Chapter: Animal Control

Current Zoning: R-1

Proposed: R-1 with amendment adding Keeping Chickens as an accessory use,
adding definitions and code requirements

Current Use: Single-Family Residential

Proposed: Single-Family Residential – Add Section 5-3-21: Keeping Chickens
Creating accessory use requirements for Keeping Chickens in R-1 District;

Use Area ±: N/A

Parking: Class 1 = 2 per dwelling unit – No Changes

Proposed Parking: Per table of off street parking

5-10-10: AMENDMENTS:

A. Authorization: The regulations imposed and districts created by this title may be amended by ordinance from time to time in the manner provided by this title and the applicable Illinois statutes. (Ord. 0-77-27, 7-18-1977)

B. Initiation Of Map And Text Amendments: Text amendments may be proposed in writing by the city council, the plan/zoning board of appeals, by any person having proprietary interest in the property in the city, or by any interested citizen of the city.

Response: The City staff can initiate the public hearing to consider a text amendment.

Map amendments may be proposed by the owner of the property involved, by the city council, by the plan/zoning board of appeals, or by other city officials.

C. Standards For Map And Text Amendments: No map or text amendments shall be recommended by the plan/zoning board of appeals unless said board shall find: (Ord. 0-77-27, 7-18-1977; amd. Ord. 0-03-35, 9-15-2003)

1. That the net impact of the proposed amendment, if granted, will be beneficial to the entire community and will not be harmful to the local area in particular.

Response: The amendments will be beneficial to the community and not be harmful. The City is proposing the text amendments codifies keeping of chickens as an accessory use and provides regulations that will not be harmful to other property owners throughout the R-1 District.

The proposed text amendments eliminate conflicts between Title 5 - Zoning Code, Title 9-Police Regulation – Animal Control and Title 3 – Noise Control regulations of the City Code.

Title 9 – Animal Control is a Police regulation that primarily addresses animal welfare and nuisance ordinance. Does not regulate zoning or land use associated with the keeping of various animals. The ordinance is silent on chickens except for the legitimate commerce and poultry for agriculture or food purposes.

Title 5 – Zoning: Regulates the use of land. Additionally, the construction of the zoning code is that is a use is not specifically approved then it is prohibited. As the code is silent on the issue of keeping chickens in the R-1 District, then technically the use is prohibited. The ordinance is silent when it comes to keeping chickens. The only reference to this is the term “Agriculture” which is a permitted special use in the R-1 Single Family Residential District. Requires a zoning hearing to establish the use and requires a minimum of 5 acres of land area.

The proposed amendments will eliminate a source of noise nuisance and provide means for consistent application and enforcement. Both the police and the building department personnel have trouble enforcing Title 3 – Noise Control Regulations. “Section 5-6-2 Noise Standards: F. Animals, Birds: The keeping of any animal or bird which by causing frequent or long continued noise shall disturb the comfort or repose of any persons in the vicinity.” Rooster crowing is infrequent and at hours that disturb others it is difficult to enforce and issue citations.

2. That a need exists for the general type of use proposed and that the specific proposal will indeed satisfy it more closely than the other possible uses.

Response: The need exists for the general type of use. A small percentage of residents of the city have been keeping chickens on their properties since the city was incorporated in 1976. Amending the text of the zoning code will provide for reasonable rules that will ensure the accessory use of keeping chickens will not create conflicts, nuisances or negatively impact other properties within the R-1 Single Family Residential District.

3. That the use proposed is compatible with the current comprehensive land use plan of the city of Prospect Heights, in effect on the date of the application.

Response: The proposed text amendment is in keeping with the current 2014 Comprehensive Plan and purpose of the current zoning code to:

- **Promote and protect the public health, safety, comfort and general welfare of the City.**
- **Encourage the most appropriate use of land throughout the City.**
- **Prevent incompatible and non-conforming uses, eliminate non-conforming uses**

4. That the proposed use is compatible and harmonious with uses in the surrounding general area. (Ord. 0-77-27, 7-18-1977)

Response: Establishing the use and associated ordinance changes will insure that the use is compatible and harmonious with use in the general R-1 areas. The proposed text amendment will provide for reasonable consistent published rules and regulations that both those residents that want to keep chickens and those that don't can understand and know what the expectations are for the land use.

5. That the area described in the petition does not lie wholly or partly in the floodplain as defined by the Illinois department of transportation, division of water resources, or, if it does lie wholly or partly within the floodplain, that adequate provisions for storage, runoff control and floodwater retention, as appropriate, have been made or can be made. (Ord. 0-89-25, 6-5-1989)

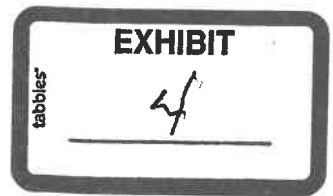
Response: The R-1 District does have property that lies within a regulated flood zone (floodplain/floodway). The text amendment will address properties located within the floodplain and floodway. Requiring permits for the construction and placement of accessory structures will be in compliance with local, state and federal regulations. The City has a FEMA Community Rating System (CRS) rating of 6. To maintain this rating the City is required to evaluate all construction within a regulated flood zone. FEMA Flood Zone Hazard Map is attached.

- D. Notice Of Hearing: Public notice of such hearing shall be published at least once, not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than thirty (30) days before such hearing, in a newspaper published within the city of Prospect Heights. Such notice shall contain the date, time and place of the hearing, the street address or common description of the property involved, legal description of the property involved, and a brief description of the proposed amendment. The board may give such additional notice as it may, from time to time, by rule provide. Any party in interest may appear and be heard at the hearing in person, by agent, or by attorney. (Ord. 0-77-27, 7-18-1977)

Response: Public Notice was properly made.

Recommendation: ,

Staff concurs and recommends approval of the requested Text Amendments.



Title 9 – Police Regulations. Amendments do not require a public hearing or text amendment.

Title 5 – Zoning. Require public hearings for text amendments.

Title 9 Chapter 1: Animal Control

9-1-15: PROHIBITED ANIMALS: (REVISE TO READ)

It shall be unlawful to house, keep, or maintain livestock or exotic animals, within the City, except in zoological parks, performing animal exhibitions, educational institutions, veterinary hospitals, animal shelters, or as otherwise provided in this chapter or within the City's Zoning Code. Livestock and exotic animals shall be defined as follows:

EXOTIC:	Meaning any animal that is not normally domesticated in the United States or is wild by nature, whether bred in the wild or captivity and also their hybrids with domestic species.
LIVESTOCK:	Meaning breeds of animals primarily raised for commercial purposes on agricultural property, in out-buildings or open spaces separate from residences. Typical animals include, but are not limited to fowl, poultry, bison, cattle, pigs, swine, sheep, goats, horses, donkeys, equidae, camelids, and ratites.
FOWL:	Refers to any larger domestic bird generally used for food, including but not limited to chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys, except for chicken hens (<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>) as provided for herein,

9-1-16: LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF ANIMALS: (AMEND TO ADD PARAGRAPH E)

- E. No person shall keep more than twenty (20) hens on any premise in the in the R-1 Residential District.**
- 1. Roosters are prohibited.**
 - 2. Fowl, except chicken hens, are prohibited.**

PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 5 ZONING CODE

5-2-3: DEFINITIONS

(A) Definitions: ADD THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS

CHICKEN(S):	The common domestic fowl. (<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>)
COOP:	A coop, building, pen or other enclosure, with or without an enclosed pen or hen yard, that is designed, constructed and maintained to confine fowl within the coop and to prevent access by predators and trespassers. Shall meet requirements of Accessory Structures. (Sec. 5-3-4 Lot Coverage)
FOWL:	Refers to any larger domestic bird generally used for food, including but not limited to chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys, except for chicken hens (<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>) as provided for herein,

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HEN:	A female chicken.
POULTRY:	Domestic fowl, such as, but not limited to chickens, turkeys, ducks, and geese which is raised for meat, eggs or feathers.
ROOSTER:	A male chicken.

Amend Title 5 Chapter 3 by adding the following as a new section.

5-3-21: KEEPING CHICKENS

(A) REQUIREMENTS and PERMITS:

1. Raising/keeping of hens shall be permitted on all single-family detached residential zoning lots (5-6-1 A) as an accessory use. Property shall comply with the requirements of Title 5 of the City of Prospect Heights Zoning Code and Municipal Codes & Ordinances and state and federal law.
2. No person shall house, keep, or maintain chickens on any property within the City, without first obtaining a permit from the City.
 - a. Property shall register with the Illinois Department of Agriculture as a Livestock Premise
 - b. Requires initial Building/Zoning Inspection
 - c. Annual Zoning inspection
 - d. Permit is required prior to buying chickens.
3. As a condition of the permit, the homeowner wishing to maintain a hen coop agrees to allow access to the property to the city for routine inspection purposes.
4. Maximum number of twenty (20) hens shall be permitted regardless of lot size. (Sec. 9-1-16)
5. All hens shall be kept within a coop consisting or a covered enclosure/structure with an attached covered/enclosed outdoor area to prevent the hens from encroaching onto neighboring properties.
6. An outdoor area a minimum of ten (10) square feet per hen will be required and a maximum of two hundred (200) square total square feet will be permitted for both the covered enclosure/structure and outdoor area, unless rear yard is enclosed with a solid six foot (6') high privacy fence.
7. All enclosures/structure shall comply with the requirements section 5-3-4: Lot Coverage and section 5-3-9: Accessory Buildings and Structures.
 - a. Located in rear yard
 - b. Maximum size is two hundred (200) square feet.
 - c. One hundred twenty (120) feet from front lot line
 - d. Minimum of five foot (5 ') setback from interior side lot line, ten foot (10') setback from rear lot line and fifteen feet (15') setback from rear lot line on reverse corner lots. No coops shall be placed in an easement.
 - e. Maximum Height of the coop shall be ten (10) feet.
 - f. Hens are allowed to roam out of a coop in the rear yard with an approved fence. Fence permits are separate from a hen coop/ accessory structure permit.
8. Roosters are prohibited. (Sec. 9-1-16)

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9. No other fowl/poultry, including but not limited to geese, ducks, and turkeys shall be kept on the property.
10. A building permit for a chicken coop enclosure/structure is required prior to construction of the coop. Shall comply with requirements of the City's Building and Property Maintenance Codes
11. All areas where hens are kept shall be clean and well maintained on a daily basis, with little to no accumulation of waste. In addition, all areas where hens are kept shall not produce or cause odors that are detectable to adjacent properties. All feed shall be kept in sealed metal containers.
12. Sale of egg(s) or hen(s) or anything related to chicken keeping is not allowed. Sec. 5-3-4 Home Occupation.
13. Slaughtering of hens on the property is prohibited.
14. All non-conforming properties must be brought into conformance with the keeping of chickens (hens) regulations of this article within 12 months from the date of adoption of this ordinance.

B. FEES⁺:

1. An initial hen permit shall be required for approval of quantity of hens, coops, and required fencing. Permit application shall be authorized by owner of property. Permit authorizes City staff to inspect property for compliance when deemed necessary. Permit approval is required prior to obtaining hens.
2. A hen permit issued by the City with an initial permit fee of ninety dollars (\$90) shall be required. A renewal permit/registration shall be required each year thereafter, with a renewal fee of forty dollars (\$40).⁺

C. REVOCATION:

1. A hen permit issued under this article shall be revoked upon the commission of three (3) violations within a period of twelve (12) months. If the permit is revoked, the property shall not be eligible for a permit for one year after revocation. Any enclosure/structure shall be required to be removed within fifteen (15) days of revocation.

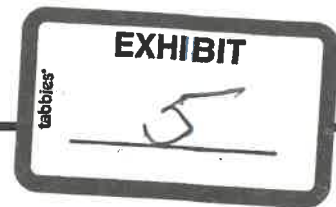
D. PENALTIES:

See Section 5-12-1 Fine:

5-12-1: FINE: Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this title shall be fined not less than twenty five dollars (\$25.00), nor more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00) for each offense. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 0-77-27, 7-18-1977; amd. Ord. 0-18-05, 3-12-2018; Ord. 0-18-21, 6-11-2018)

+ Initial Permit Fee = \$90.00 (Bldg. Fee: \$50 sect. 4-5-3 + Zoning Fee: \$40 sec. 5-10-14)
Renewal Fee = \$40.00 (Zoning Inspection 5-10-14)

Dan Peterson



From: William Caponigro
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2024 10:31 AM
To: Dan Peterson
Subject: Animal Control revision

As Chief of Police of the Prospect Heights Police Department,
I agree with the changes to Title 9, Chapter 1: Animal Control (revised language).

9-1-15 Prohibited animals (Chief Caponigro approves).

9-1-16 Limitation on the number of animals (Chief Caponigro approves).

Respectfully,

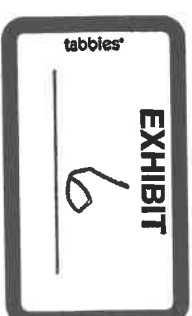
William Caponigro

William Caponigro
Chief of Police
City of Prospect Heights, IL
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Municipalities that Allow Chickens

June 19, 2024



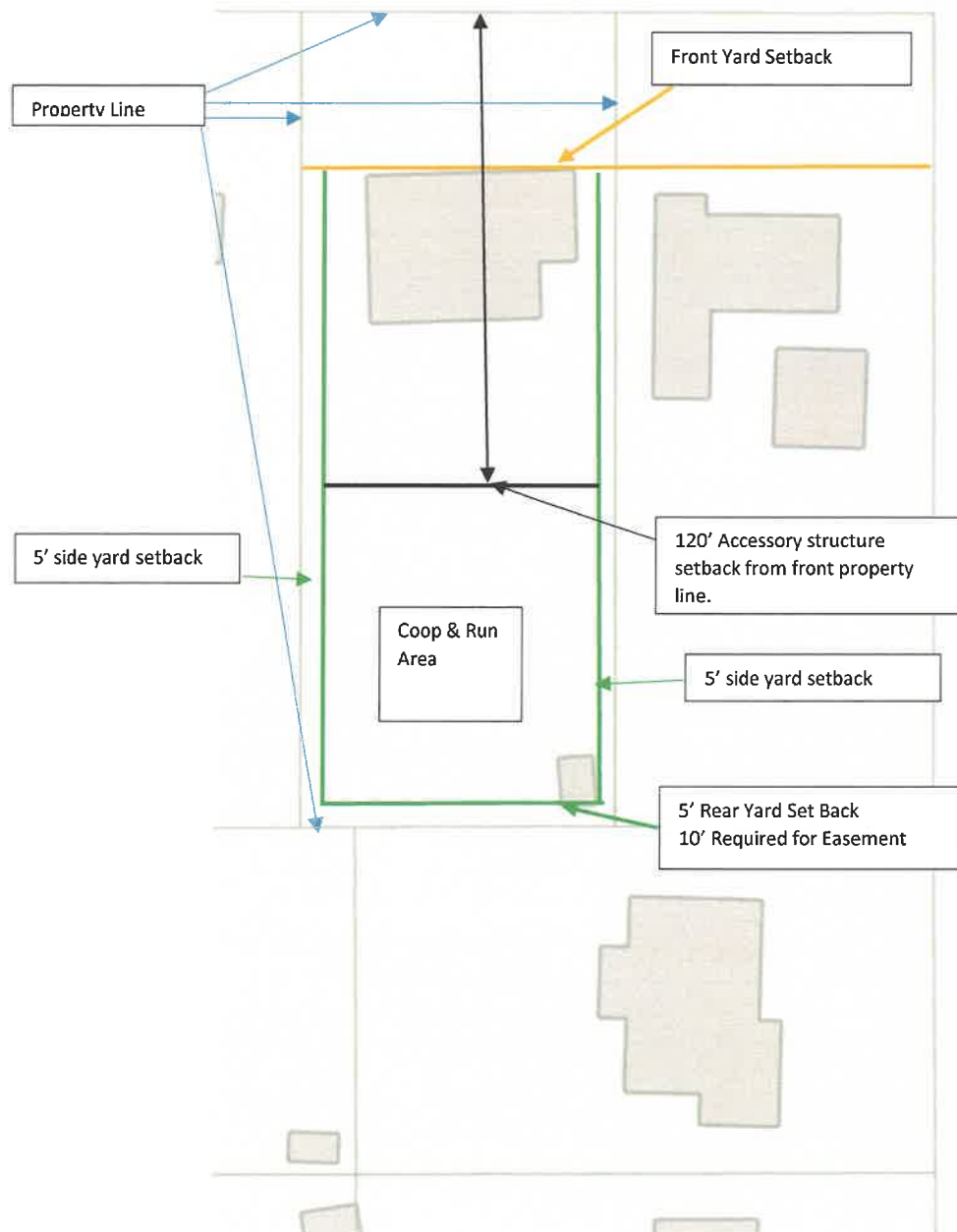
Municipality	IL Registrat	Municipa License	Fee	Prohibit Roosters	Maximum # of Hens	Max Size of Coop and	Zoning Restrictio	Permit/Inspe	Notes
Wheeling	Yes	Yes	\$25 annual	X	6	100 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes	
Palatine	Yes	Yes	\$75, \$50 renewal	X	6	Meet Building	Yes	Yes/Yes	
Des Plaines		Yes	\$35	X	6	100 sq. ft.	Yes	No/Yes	
Rolling Meadows	Yes	Yes	\$25, annual \$25 Renewal	X	Min. 2 Max. 6	100 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes	25 Licenses issued by City
Mundelien	Yes	Yes	\$100	X	2, 4, 6 Based on lot size	144 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes	20 Licenses issued by Village
Long Grove	Yes	Yes	\$90 Lic., \$50 Insp. Annual	X	0, 4, 6 based on lot size	Per Bldg Regs.	Yes	Yes/Yes	
Bartlett		Yes	\$25.00	X	4	100 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes	25 License issued by Village. Min. Lot area 6,000 sf. Must have license prior to purchasing hens.
Elgin		Yes	\$30 lic. \$80.00 permit	X	4	100 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes	
Champaign	Yes	Yes	\$25	X	6	120 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes	
Downers Grove	No	Yes	Permit Fee	X	4		Yes	Yes/Yes	Need to get concent from all adjacent properties

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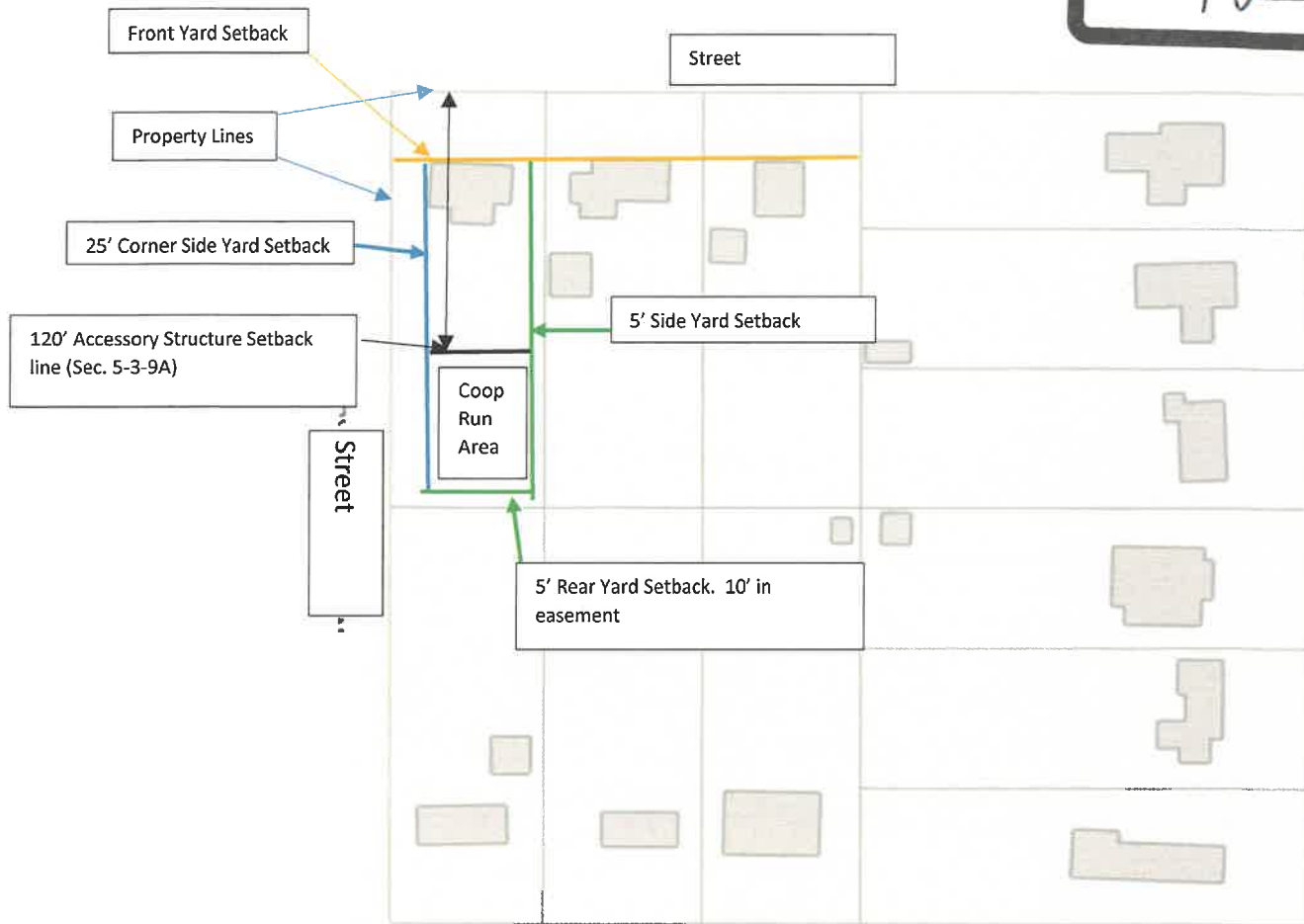
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Naperville	No	No	Permit Fee	X	8		Yes	Yes/Yes							
Darien	No	Yes	\$25 One time \$10 Renewal	X	6	150 sq. ft.	No	Yes/Yes							
Lombard	Yes	Yes	\$50 one time	X	6	150 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes							
Lisle	No	No	Permit Fee	X	4		No	Yes/Yes							
Westmont	No	No	Permit Fee	X	6	50 Sq. Ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes							
Wheaton	No	No	none	X	N/A	N/A	No	Yes/No						Only for 90 days and Educational prjocects from 4-H or similar	
Coal City	No	No	Permit Fee	X	5	Min 5 sq. ft. per hen	Yes	Yes/Yes							
Woodridge	No	Yes	\$50	X	6	50 sq. ft.	Yes	Yes/Yes						In a one year trial for this program	
Lake County	Yes	No	None	X	Sq. Ft. Requirement 4 for all Sq. Ft.	Min 3 sq. ft. per hen	No	No							
Will County	No	No	None	X	1 chicken per 2,500 square feet		Yes								

Example of Interior Lot

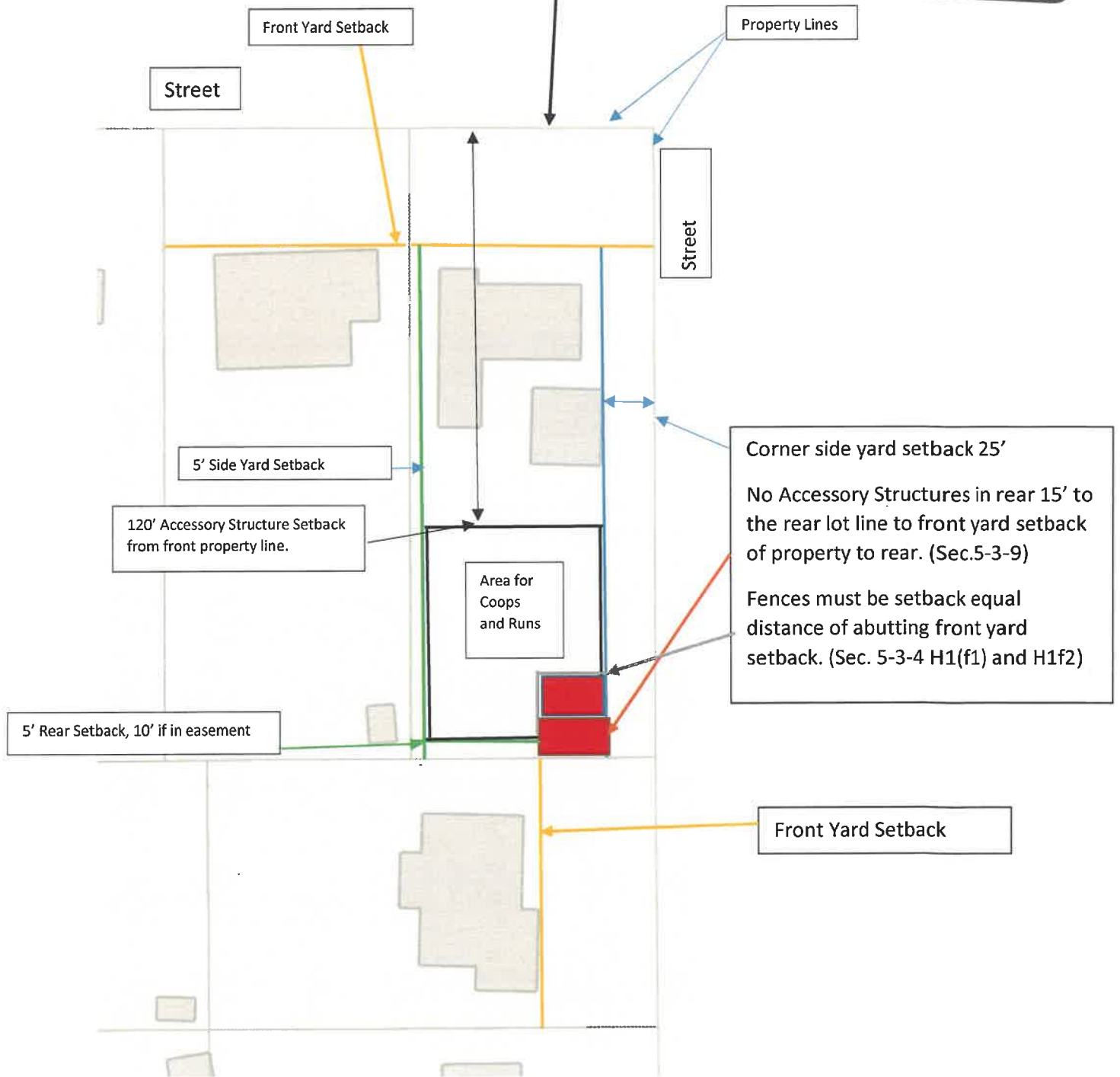


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Example of Corner Lot



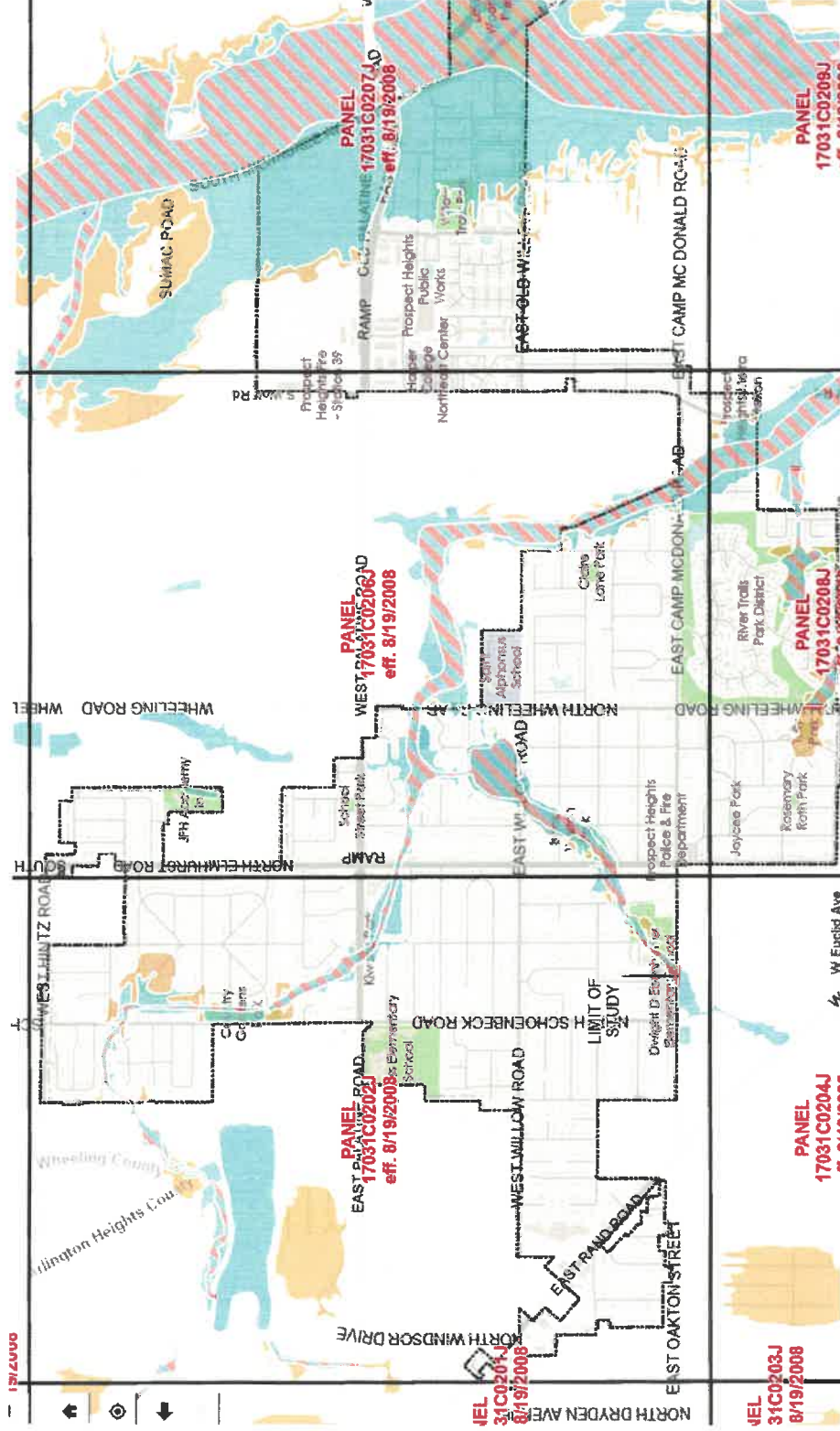
Example Reverse Corner Lot



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City of Prospect Heights

FEMA National Flood Hazard Map



Map Key



Regulated Floodway



Regulated Floodplain

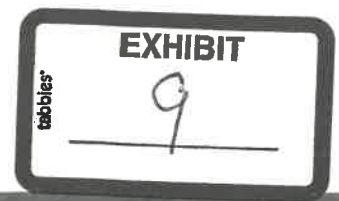


Not in Regulated Flood Zone



Prospect Heights Fire Station 39

Livestock Premises Registration



Premise registration is the first step you can take to protect your investment in Illinois' livestock industry. A database of locations where livestock are produced, raised and kept also aids animal health officials.

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Animal Disease Traceability

Animal Disease Traceability (ADT)

The Animal Disease Traceability Program is a national animal health program developed by the USDA and state animal health officials in cooperation with industry. This program includes individual official animal identification as well as premises identification.

Individual Official Animal Identification

An efficient and accurate traceability system reduces the number of animals and response time involved in a disease investigation; which, in turn, reduces the economic impact on owners and affected communities.

[USDA Animal Disease Traceability Home Site](#) - describes goals, resources and information on the animal disease traceability program and approved identification devices. On this website are listings of approved devices for animal identification. Below are some of the documents for your convenience.

- [USDA Approved AIN Devices](#)
- [USDA Approved NUES tags](#)
- [USDA Approved PIN tags for slaughter swine](#)

Cattle & Bison Identification Program for Producers - through an agreement with USDA, a limited supply of electronic "840" tags are being made available for producers for use on replacement cattle and bison. Links are below to the informational letter and order form.

- [Letter to Producers.pdf](#)
- [RFID 840 Tag Producer Order Form.pdf](#)

Cattle & Bison Identification Program Opportunity for Veterinarians - through an agreement with USDA, a limited supply of electronic "840" tags are being made available for veterinarians for use on replacement cattle and bison. Links are below to the veterinary letter, order and reporting forms.

- [Letter to Veterinarians.pdf](#)

- [Monthly Report of Tags Applied.xls](#)

Premises Identification

Premises Identification involves assigning a unique number to premises involved in animal agriculture. Allied agricultural operations and non-producer participants can also be assigned Premises Identification Numbers. Information required for a PIN is a 911 address, names of contacts, the type of premises, and a contact phone number. This information will be maintained by the Illinois Department of Agriculture and is protected. During an animal health emergency key pieces will be shared with the USDA for animal disease tracing purposes. Premises Identification is voluntary at this time and is offered at no cost to the producer.

Register your premises easily by [downloading the Registration Form](#) to submit by email, fax, (217/558-6033) or mail. Once registration is complete you will receive a premises ID certificate via mail or email.

Have more questions? Visit our [FAQ](#) to learn more. Our Illinois industry partners have compiled some basic information [here](#) as well.

Premises registration is the first step you can take to protect your investment in Illinois' livestock industry. We recommend that you provide updates to your account anytime your contact information or livestock species status changes to keep information as current as possible.

More information can be obtained by contacting the:

*Illinois Department of Agriculture
Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare
State Fairgrounds - P.O. Box 19281
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9281*

*Telephone 217/782-4944
Fax 217/558-6033*

USDA

Animal Disease Traceability

USDA

Animal disease traceability or knowing where diseased and at-risk animals are, where they've been, and when is important to ensuring a rapid response when animal disease events take place. Although animal disease traceability does not prevent disease, an efficient and accurate traceability system reduces the number of animals and response time involved in a disease investigation; which, in turn, reduces the economic impact on owners and affected communities.

Overarching Goals to Increase Traceability

A comprehensive animal disease traceability system is our best protection against a devastating disease outbreak. USDA is committed to implementing a modern system that tracks animals from birth to slaughter using affordable technology that allows for quick tracing of sick and exposed animals to stop disease spread. In September 2018, USDA established four overarching goals to increase traceability. These goals are:

- Advance the electronic sharing of data among federal and state animal health officials, veterinarians, and industry; including sharing basic animal disease traceability data with the federal animal health events repository (AHER).
- Use electronic identification tags for animals requiring individual identification in order to make the transmission of data more efficient;
- Enhance the ability to track animals from birth to slaughter through a system that allows tracking data points to be connected; and
- Elevate the discussion with States and industry to work toward a system where animal health certificates are electronically transmitted from private veterinarians to state animal health officials.

"Traceability for Livestock Moving Interstate"

On January 9, 2013, USDA published a final rule (9 CFR, part 86) titled "Traceability for Livestock Moving Interstate." The rule establishes requirements for the official identification of livestock and documentation for certain interstate movements of livestock.

Specifically, unless exempted, livestock belonging to species covered by the regulations that are moved interstate must:

- Be officially identified, and
- Be accompanied by an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) or other movement document.

Livestock species covered under this rule include cattle and bison, horses and other equine species, poultry, sheep and goats, swine, and captive cervids.

Official identification and movement documentation is essential to tracing livestock when disease is found. More information about this rule and exemptions can be found under the "Program Resources" section below.

Thank you for your interest in Animal Disease Traceability. If you would like more information on the Animal Disease Traceability Program, please email us at traceability@usda.gov. Additionally, you are encouraged to contact your [State Animal Health Official](#) for more information pertaining to your State's traceability activities and requirements.

Program Resources

- Commercial table egg laying premises with over 75,000 birds
- Commercial broiler premises that raise more than 100,000 broilers annually
- Commercial meat-type turkey premises that raise more than 30,000 turkeys annually
- Raised for release upland game bird/waterfowl premises that raise more than 25,000 birds annually

These biosecurity measures are intended to be the basic management practices needed to prevent the introduction and spread of infectious disease. These premises must have a written biosecurity plan in place as of 9/20/2020 which has been audited and rated as satisfactory. Producers without an audit will not be eligible for USDA AHPIS VS indemnity or compensation funds in the event HPAI is detected in poultry on any of their premises. To find out more information call the Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare at (217) 782-4944 or email us at agr.bahw@illinois.gov.

Biosecurity

Biosecurity is the process of protecting farms and livestock from infectious disease. Producers should create and carry out biosecurity plans specific to their farm and livestock. Diseases can be introduced in many ways and a good plan addresses all known routes of disease transmission. Biosecurity plans will look different depending on the size/type of flock you maintain (small/exhibition vs. commercial).

To learn more:

- [USDA Avian Biosecurity Main Page](#)
- USDA Defend the Flock - an education program to provide tools and resources you need to make sure that you are doing everything possible to keep your birds healthy and reduce the risk that an infectious disease will spread from your property to the other flocks.
 - [Defend the Flock Main Page](#)
 - [Defend the Flock Resource Center](#) - videos, checklists, guides and other tools for small and large flocks

Health and Disease Information

Avian Influenza

Ratites (ostriches, emus, kiwis, cassowaries and rhea) transported into Illinois must test negative for Avian Influenza within 10 days prior to entry into Illinois.

Avian influenza (AI) is caused by an influenza type A virus which can infect poultry (such as chickens, turkeys, pheasants, quail, domestic ducks, geese, and guinea fowl) and wild birds (especially waterfowl). The virus can be classified as low pathogenic (LPAI) and highly pathogenic (HPAI) forms based on the severity of illness they cause. Chickens and turkeys with LPAI may not show any signs of illness or they may show mild signs such as sneezing, coughing and discharge from their eyes or beak. HPAI virus strains are extremely infectious, often fatal to chickens and can spread rapidly from flock to flock.

LPAI strains occur naturally in wild migratory waterfowl such as ducks and geese, and shorebirds without causing illness. Symptoms of LPAI in domestic poultry include:

- Minor sneezing or coughing
- Minor discharge from eye or beak
- Decreased food and water intake
- Decreased egg production
- Deformed eggs

If chickens and turkeys come into contact with waterfowl that carry LPAI, they can become infected. Once infected, there is a chance that it can become more severe and change into HPAI. Symptoms are then much more severe:

- Severe lethargy
- Severe difficulty breathing
- Blood tinged discharge from eyes or beak
- Unfeathered skin appearing blue on the head, comb and wattle (and snood in turkeys)
- Swollen combs, wattle or shanks
- Decreased food and water intake
- Decreased egg production or deformed shell-less eggs
- Sudden death

Avian Influenza usually cannot be transmitted to people, however rare cases have been reported. Infected birds shed the virus in their secretions (saliva, mucous and feces). Human infections may occur when they are exposed to enough virus, or are sick with a human influenza virus and are working with birds who are shedding LPAI/HPAI. Virus is spread from sick birds to healthy birds by contact with the secretions of sick birds (feces and secretions from eyes/nose/mouth) or contaminated equipment and clothing. Ensure you are practicing good biosecurity when working with your flock.

Disease images can be found on the [Center for Food Security and Public Health Webpage about HPAI](#). **Avian influenza is a reportable disease.** Immediately report animals with any of these signs to state or federal animal health officials. For more information on LPAI/HPAI in poultry, visit the USDA APHIS website on [Avian Influenza](#). For more information on avian influenza in people, visit the [Illinois Department of Public Health](#).

Virulent Newcastle Disease (VND)

Formerly known as Exotic Newcastle Disease, **Virulent Newcastle Disease (VND)** is a serious, highly contagious viral disease that can affect poultry and other birds. Chickens can get very sick and die suddenly while other domestic poultry such as turkeys can also become ill. Waterfowl can naturally carry VND and usually don't show any signs of illness. VND poses a rare risk to humans as it may cause eye inflammation and mild fever-like symptoms. There is no food safety concern.

Virus is spread from sick birds to healthy birds by contact with the secretions of sick birds (feces and secretions from eyes/nose/mouth) or contaminated equipment and clothing. Ensure you are practicing good biosecurity when working with your flock.

Symptoms of VND include:

- Sneezing or coughing
- Discharge from eyes/beak
- Decreased food/water intake
- Decreased egg production
- Swelling of the skin around the eyes and in the neck
- Greenish, watery-diarrhea
- Severe neurologic signs (tremors, drooping wings, twisting of the head and neck, circling or complete stiffness)
- Sudden death and increased death loss

Disease images can be found on the [Center for Food Security and Public Health Webpage about VND](#). Virulent Newcastle Disease is a reportable disease. Immediately report animals with any of these signs to state or federal animal health officials. For more information on LPAI/HPAI in poultry, visit the USDA APHIS website on [Virulent Newcastle Disease](#).

More Information:



ILLINOIS PREMISES IDENTIFICATION REGISTRATION

Illinois Department of Agriculture
Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare
801 E. Sangamon Avenue
PO Box 19281
Springfield, IL 62794-9281
Telephone: 217-782-4944
Fax: 217-558-6033
Email: AGR.Premises@Illinois.gov

Instructions:

1. Please type or print legibly
2. Return forms to the above email or mailing address
3. For questions, contact the Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare at the above telephone number or e-mail address.

Purpose of this form (mark one)

☐ Register a premises for the first time ☒ Update information on a registered premises

If update, enter premise identification number
(if known)

Preferred method to receive premises registration card (check one) ☐ MAIL ☐ EMAIL

PART I – CONTACT/ACCOUNT HOLDER INFORMATION

This section specifies the contact information for the livestock premises. This information will be utilized during an animal health emergency for notification purposes. This process is essential for protecting the industry from the spread of disease. For corporations with contract growers, please list both a corporate and premise/grower contact.

Name of business/farm (optional)

Name of primary contact (first, middle, last)

Mailing address of primary contact (number and street, city, state and ZIP code)

County

Business telephone number

Home telephone number

Cellular telephone number

Fax Number

E-mail address

Name of secondary contact (first, middle, last)

Mailing address of secondary contact (number and street, city, state and ZIP code)

County

Business telephone number

Home telephone number

Cellular telephone number

Fax Number

E-mail address

PART II – PREMISES INFORMATION

Name/Description of premises (Example: "home," "heifer place," "farrow to finish")

Address same as
account ☐

Physical address of premises (No PO/RR – 911 address only)(number, street, city, and Zip code)

County

Geographic information System (GIS) coordinates (only required if no 911 address applies)

Latitude_____

Longitude:_____

Type of operation (check all that apply):

- | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| ☐ Farm/Production Unit/Stable | ☐ 4-H Participant Only | ☐ Clinic | ☐ Laboratory | ☐ Slaughter Plant | ☐ Port of Entry |
| ☐ Market/Collection Point | ☐ Exhibition/Show Site | ☐ Zoo | ☐ Research Facility | ☐ Rendering | ☐ Quarantine Facility |
| ☐ Feed Mill | ☐ Truck Wash | ☐ Other:_____ | | | |

Species at premises (check all that apply)

- | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ☐ Beef Cattle | ☐ Chickens | ☐ Swine | ☐ Sheep | ☐ Horses | ☐ Deer |
| ☐ Dairy Cattle | ☐ Turkeys | ☐ Waterfowl | ☐ Goats | ☐ Bison | ☐ Elk |
| ☐ Other:_____ | | | | | |

INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL PREMISES

If you have more than one premises (animal location), please complete page 2 of this form.

A unique premise identification number (PIN) is recommended for each non-contiguous location associated with the sale, purchase, and/or exhibition of livestock. Sites under the same management but separated by no more than ¼ mile may be considered contiguous and require only one premise identification number.

ADDITIONAL PREMISES INFORMATION	
Name/Description of premises (Example: "home," "heifer place," "farrow to finish")	
Physical address of premises (No PO/ RR – 911 address only)(number and street, city, and ZIP code)	County
Geographic information System (GIS) coordinates (only required if no 911 address applies)	
Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____	
Type of operation (check all that apply): ☐ Farm/Production Unit/Stable ☐ 4-H Participant Only ☐ Clinic ☐ Laboratory ☐ Slaughter Plant ☐ Port of Entry ☐ Market/Collection Point ☐ Exhibition/Show Site ☐ Zoo ☐ Research Facility ☐ Rendering ☐ Quarantine Facility ☐ Feed Mill ☐ Truck Wash ☐ Other: _____	
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If you have more premises (animal location) please complete additional sheets.

For large integrators/companies, please request a spreadsheet template at (217) 782-4944 or AGR.Premises@Illinois.gov

Dan Peterson



From: Lynn Schumacher [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2024 2:41 PM
To: Dan Peterson; Wendy Morgan-Adams; Pat Ludvigsen
Cc: Michelle Cameron; Terry Anderson; Danielle Dash; Matthew Dolick; Joanna Prisiajniouk; Gonsalo Sains; Richard Tibbits
Subject: Chickens in Prospect Heights - Support for Dan

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Regarding the current comments on Facebook about the plan to institute regulations on chickens in Prospect Heights and offering support for Dan Peterson after seeing the chicken owners rude comments about Dan.

This is a perfect example of why people don't come forward and complain about chickens and dogs and other situations with disrespectful neighbors. Dan Peterson is doing his job. It doesn't matter whether he is a resident or not. He is doing his job to make sure he is looking out for all residents and not just the bullies, as we are witnessing by the chicken owners. As the representatives of Prospect Heights, please support Dan and give him the respect of trying to do a very difficult job, especially with what is going on in the online chats by the chicken owners/bullies.

If you need background of my story, I have documented that before, so I won't go over it all again. I provided background before the last chicken meeting back in March. Top line is that I have dealt with my neighbors chickens, roosters and barking dog for years. We tried and failed to have good conversations about some of the constant disrespectful behavior, but the fact that we had to keep our house constantly closed up and were unable to enjoy our backyard for the last few years, finally was the breaking point.

I finally talked to Dan, and he was great about making me feel comfortable and safe about speaking up at the meeting in March. Many of the chicken owners were extremely rude and Dan handled the meeting with way more patience than I would have put up with running a meeting in a corporate setting. When I got up to speak, I was interrupted in the very beginning by one of the most rude and condescending chicken owners, telling me to speak for myself. This totally rattled me, because I was not only speaking for myself, but also for the people who are afraid to say anything or have no idea how their situation changes when the neighbors get chickens. I was so upset, that I just couldn't say what I wanted to say, and lost focus. Once I was done, the chicken owners continued to speak and most of them were just so "all knowing" with how I should have handled it or how the current rules in place would help. They made me feel like it was my fault I was having all the issues with our neighbors. The problem is that the current rules would not help, because they are not

specific enough. Our neighbor asked us to cut a limb off our tree because he was going to build a greenhouse and he was afraid any little branches would break the glass and the tree would block the sun. We are good people and allowed him to do that. Next thing that happened was he put up a fence and built a chicken coup and our back yard relaxation was totally gone. If there were rules and permits required, we would have known we were being duped. Maybe there would have been some rule to protect us, like not building a chicken coup on the same side of the house as your neighbors bedrooms. Also, maybe he would have gotten some type of rules and regulations given to him, so he knew what was expected of him as a chicken owner. He probably would not have cared anyway, but it would have been worth a try.

Prospect Heights needs to address the chicken situation and provide updated rules specific to chickens and any other farm animals these people in all their arrogance decide they need for pets. We have roosters crowing, dogs barking and roaming around without a leash. Yes, Prospect Heights does not require a leash, but the dog has to be within the owners control. However, people stretch that rule to have their dogs out roaming and the owner is no where close. On my street alone, we've had dogs going after other dogs, including the barking, mean dog next door, which I've seen twice so far. I've been chased by a dog twice as I walk through my neighborhood.

The chicken owners say there have only been a couple of complaints and that should not cause Prospect Heights to update and have rules about chickens. The problem is most people don't say anything because they don't want to cause any problems with their neighbors. If we don't fix this now, I am concerned we will have even more neighbor bad behavior and it will definitely have an impact on property value. I've lived in this neighborhood for over 35 years and yet selling our home has been on our radar the past few years because of the chicken neighbors. Although I would hate to leave because I have other wonderful neighbors around me, I am concerned about property values going down and I am tired of not being able to go outside. I can't see how I could show my home and use the backyard yard as a selling feature. There is no type of calm energy vibe anymore - just chickens clucking and squawking and a mean, loud dog barking throughout the day. I can't even walk through my Country Gardens neighborhood without having to listen to other peoples roosters in the neighborhood.

I won't be at the meeting June 26th. Frankly, my husband and I are concerned that some of the chicken bullies will target us for speaking up. Many of them are so arrogant and intimidating, that I don't feel safe. I know this is exactly what they want, but I don't know what else I could do at this point anyway.

I will reiterate that as the representatives of Prospect Heights, please support Dan and give him the respect of trying to do a very difficult job. He is looking out for all citizens of Prospect Heights and should get support from our elected officials so that the current

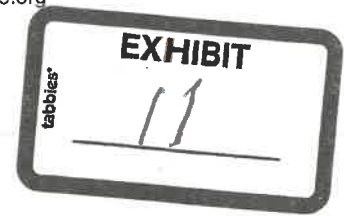
intimidation tactics on Facebook and during the meetings, does not get in the way. Wendy Morgan, I am also specifically calling you out to protect us, because we are in your ward. Make sure we get some permit rules on the books for chickens. Also, ban the roosters, because that is something that has to happen. If the roosters are not banned, there will be continued issues, no matter what other rules are in place. We are a suburban community. We are not farmland.

Thank you,

Jim & Lynn Schumacher
19 S Wildwood

847-347-7289

change.org



Petition details

Comments



Keep Ordinances the Same

Started

January 16, 2024

311

Signatures

500

Next Goal

121 people signed today

Sign this petition

Why this petition matters

Started by [Grace Martinez](#)

Name	City	State	Postal Code	Country	Signed On
Abbatiello Johnny	Prospect Heights	IL	60670	US	2024-01-17
Adam Rosenthal	Prospect Heights	IL	60070	US	2024-01-17
Adam Torres	Prospect heights	IL	60070	US	2024-01-19
Adan Torres	Prospect Heights	IL	60070	US	2024-01-19
Agata Kleszczewski	Prospect Heights	IL	60070	US	2024-01-17
Agnes Wojnarski	Prospect Heights	IL	60070	US	2024-01-17
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Taleen Aivazian	Arlinton Heights IL	60004	US	2024-01-18
Anthony Daransky	Atlanta ""	30315	US	2024-01-17
Conchita Campbell	Atlanta ""	30349	US	2024-01-23
Jayah Mobley	Atlanta ""	30318	US	2024-01-17
Mack Limon	Aurora ""	80017	US	2024-01-18
luke Almdarez	Austin TX	78749	US	2024-01-20

Mike Almendarez	Austin	TX	78735	US	2024-01-21
Lisa cox	Bainbridge	""	39817	US	2024-01-22
Cindy Pitti	Barrington	IL	60010	US	2024-01-24
Amber Neumann	Bartlett	IL	60103	US	2024-01-24
Derek Adamczyk	Bartlett	IL	60103	US	2024-01-20
Elizabeth Vega	Bellwood	IL	60104	US	2024-01-23
Thet Thet	Binghamton	""	13901	US	2024-01-23
Connie Krebs	Bolingbrook	IL	60440	US	2024-01-18
Kim Biske	Bolingbrook	IL	60490	US	2024-01-18
S Jelen	Breezy Point	""	11697	US	2024-01-17
Chakira Taylor	Brooklyn	""	11207	US	2024-01-24
Jon Inwood	Brooklyn	NY	11226	US	2024-01-17
Krystal Glassman	Buffalo Grove	IL	60089	US	2024-01-24
Myra Jasenof	Buffalo Grove	IL	60089	US	2024-01-17
Steve Fine	Buffalo Grove	IL	60089	US	2024-01-17
Jonathan Macedo	Burbank	IL	60459	US	2024-01-18
Adam Kaluba	Burleson	""	76028	US	2024-01-18
Jennifer Kellar	Caliente	""	89008	US	2024-01-24
Dawn Trodler	Cary	IL	60013	US	2024-01-18
Hanna Krokos	Cary	IL	60013	US	2024-01-17
Stephanie Wagner	Cary	IL	60013	US	2024-01-18
Sebastian Kleszczewski	Champaign	IL	61820	US	2024-01-17
jill angelichio	charlotte	""	28204	US	2024-01-17
Agnieszka Walawski	Chicago	IL	60651	US	2024-01-17
Alex Santos	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-18
Alexis Leon	Chicago	IL	60631	US	2024-01-20
Alyssa King	Chicago	IL	60609	US	2024-01-23
Amy Osterman	Chicago	IL	60608	US	2024-01-24
Amy Pecora	Chicago	IL	60639	US	2024-01-24
Ana Gutierrez	Chicago	IL	60638	US	2024-01-24
Aneta Niemiec	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-24
Anna Olvera	Chicago	IL	60638	US	2024-01-24
Barbara Wolf	Chicago	IL	60608	US	2024-01-24
Cara Ziegler	Chicago	IL	60608	US	2024-01-24
Cari Fine	Chicago	IL	60602	US	2024-01-17
Carissa M	Chicago	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Cassandra Weatherford	Chicago	IL	60608	US	2024-01-18
Catherine Woods	Chicago	IL	60651	US	2024-01-18
Chelsea Hawk	Chicago	IL	60048	US	2024-01-17
Colleen Bell	Chicago	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
corinne medina	Chicago	IL	60639	US	2024-01-24
Cynthia Ruez	Chicago	IL	60629	US	2024-01-18
Dana Sievertson	Chicago	IL	60632	US	2024-01-17
Darius Ardelean	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-24
Darrell Buchwald	Chicago	IL	60639	US	2024-01-18
David Kubica	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-17
Dmitriv Khomutov	Chicago	IL	60651	US	2024-01-17
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Edward Lapinski	Chicago	IL	60644	US	2024-01-24
Elenelletzin Balleza	Chicago	IL	60609	US	2024-01-24
Ellie Rose Sutrinaitis	Chicago	IL	60618	US	2024-01-18

Emily Kaitis	Chicago	IL	60632	US	2024-01-24
Erika De Leon	Chicago	IL	60630	US	2024-01-20
Erin Osterman	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-19
Evette Miranda	Chicago	IL	60641	US	2024-01-17
gabi cwikla	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-21
Gary Hyzny	Chicago	IL	60618	US	2024-01-17
Gina Lee	Chicago	IL	60605	US	2024-01-22
Griselda Soto	Chicago	IL	60654	US	2024-01-23
Harry Dav	Chicago	IL	60609	US	2024-01-24
Hubert Szmajda	Chicago	IL	60651	US	2024-01-23
Irma Herrera	Chicago	IL	60639	US	2024-01-24
Jane Jones	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-18
jariya chengcharoen	chicago	IL	60640	US	2024-01-20
Jason Slater	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-24
Jeanine Oconnell	Chicago	IL	60629	US	2024-01-17
Jenna Tinaglia	Chicago	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Jennifer Jedras	Chicago	IL	60608	US	2024-01-24
Jim Messer	Chicago	IL	60609	US	2024-01-17
Jimmy Rubino	Chicago	IL	600056	US	2024-01-24
Jordan Hubbard	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-18
Julie Boettcher	Chicago	IL	60644	US	2024-01-24
Karen Johnson	Chicago	IL	60608	US	2024-01-24
Karla Cruz	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-20
Karry Iatropoulos	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-17
Kathleen Ganch	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-24
Kelly Carey	Chicago	IL	60631	US	2024-01-18
Kevin Walsh	Chicago	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Krzysztof Grotowski	Chicago	IL	60609	US	2024-01-24
Lara Gutierrez	Chicago	IL	60641	US	2024-01-24
Lauri Camp	Chicago	IL	60634	US	2024-01-24
Lilla Holowieszko	Chicago	IL	60636	US	2024-01-24
Linnette Vargas	Chicago	IL	60630	US	2024-01-23
Lisette Herin	Chicago	IL	60641	US	2024-01-24
Maja Wojdalski	Chicago	IL	60651	US	2024-01-21
Margaret Graca	Chicago	IL	60618	US	2024-01-17
Maria MAJOCHA	Chicago	IL	60629	US	2024-01-18
Mary Bradbury	Chicago	IL	60638	US	2024-01-24
Mary Liberty	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-24
Mary Starkey	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-19
Marzena Mokrzycki	Chicago	IL	60619	US	2024-01-24
Michael Cyrwus	Chicago	IL	60641	US	2024-01-17
Michael Herin	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-24
Michaela Gavril	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-22
Miguel Marquez	Chicago	IL	60644	US	2024-01-20
Monty Monterroso	Chicago	IL	60641	US	2024-01-23
Olivia Menzia	Chicago	IL	60613	US	2024-01-18
Olympia Katsabanis	Chicago	IL	60638	US	2024-01-24
Patricia Orłowski	Chicago	IL	60641	US	2024-01-17
Paulina Plewa	Chicago	IL	60634	US	2024-01-24
Rachel Sophia	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-17
Rachna Soriano	Chicago	IL	60634	US	2024-01-24
Rebecca Wintczak	Chicago	IL	60618	US	2024-01-20

RON MATHIS	Chicago	IL	60659	US	2024-01-17
Ronda Shaykin a A	Chicago	IL	60647	US	2024-01-19
Sabine Corsentino	Chicago	IL	60629	US	2024-01-17
Samantha Aquino	Chicago	IL	60630	US	2024-01-22
Sheila Zavaleta	Chicago	IL	60611	US	2024-01-19
Susie Mufich Knauss	Chicago	IL	60070	US	2024-01-24
Suzette Massaccesi	Chicago	IL	60608	US	2024-01-23
Tabatha Cozza	Chicago	IL	60634	US	2024-01-19
Terry Cleal	Chicago	IL	60623	US	2024-01-24
victoria jazin	Chicago	IL	60639	US	2024-01-17
Vince Stack	Chicago	IL	60056	US	2024-01-18
Vukovic Julie	Chicago	IL	60651	US	2024-01-24
Zorica Radojcic	Chicago	IL	60634	US	2024-01-21
Nathan Baxter	Clarksville	""	37042	US	2024-01-24
Erika Rikhiram	Clermont	""	34711	US	2024-01-17
Martha Mendez	Coconut Creek	""	33073	US	2024-01-18
carl wilson	Danbury	""	06810	US	2024-01-18
Jackie Fabian	Darien	IL	60561	US	2024-01-18
Oberman Tobi	Deerfield	IL	60015	US	2024-01-17
vincent :3	Deltona	""	32738	US	2024-01-21
Andrea Smith	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-18
Angela Ninis	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-19
Gust Petratos	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-21
Ingrid martinez	Des Plaines	IL	60018	US	2024-01-18
Jillian Kent	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-17
Lisa Pozniak	Des plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-24
Malgorzata Plewa	Des Plaines	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Margaret Stagg	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-18
Polly Stearns	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-21
Sabrina Stearns	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-21
Steven George	Des Plaines	IL	60016	US	2024-01-19
Abraham Astorga	Downers Grove	IL	60516	US	2024-01-22
Kirt Christ	Downers Grove	IL	60515	US	2024-01-18
Sandra Garcia	Downers Grove	IL	60516	US	2024-01-22
Brittany Cupp	Durango	CO	81301	US	2024-01-17
Linda Sokol	East Dundee	IL	60118	US	2024-01-17
Anna Laidler	East Stroudsburg	""	18301	US	2024-01-18
Verona Teofilo	El Mirage	""	85335	US	2024-01-23
Alesha Santos	Elk grove village	IL	60007	US	2024-01-19
Ellyn Napoliello	Elk Grove Village	IL	60007	US	2024-01-24
Malgorzata Zatloukal	Elk Grove Village	IL	60007	US	2024-01-24
Suzy Popovic	Elk Grove Village	IL	60007	US	2024-01-18
Janet Bresch	Elmhurst	IL	60126	US	2024-01-23
Lucy Kasongo	Elmhurst	IL	60126	US	2024-01-20
Andrea Idelman	Evanston	""	60203	US	2024-01-20
Ela Fleetwood	Fishers	""	46038	US	2024-01-20
Jonathan Miller	Fort Wayne	""	46808	US	2024-01-19
ashley cortez	Gaithersburg	""	20879	US	2024-01-18
Michael Bruner	Gilbert	AZ	85233	US	2024-01-17
Setivia Dickinson	Gilbert	AZ	85233	US	2024-01-17
Abby Buckley	Glen Ellyn	IL	60137	US	2024-01-18
Carol Luft	Glenview	IL	60026	US	2024-01-17

Jackie Jasinski	Glenview	IL	60026	US	2024-01-24
joanna Kozyra	Glenview	IL	60025	US	2024-01-24
Karen Martin	Glenview	IL	60025	US	2024-01-17
Kasia Kamii	Glenview	IL	60025	US	2024-01-17
Michelle Cimpean	Glenview	IL	60025	US	2024-01-17
Stephanie Gorham	Gurnee	IL	60031	US	2024-01-21
Jade Alexander	Hartford	""	06112	US	2024-01-17
Jennifer Rossen	Highland Park	IL	60035	US	2024-01-24
Marlene Slavitt	Highland Park	IL	60035-4479	US	2024-01-17
Hemphill Natalie	Hoffman Estates	IL	60169	US	2024-01-24
Jade Drogos	Hoffman Estates	IL	60169	US	2024-01-17
Marci Lehnert	Hoffman Estates	IL	60169	US	2024-01-24
Riley Gallagher	Hoffman Estates	IL	60169	US	2024-01-17
Susan Pampinella	Holly Springs	NC	27540	US	2024-01-17
Janice Martin	Indianapolis	""	46241	US	2024-01-21
Tana Schwarz	Island Park	""	11558	US	2024-01-22
John Lenz	Itasca	IL	60143	US	2024-01-24
S Resner	Itasca	IL	60143	US	2024-01-20
Georgianna Thompson	Knoxville	""	37931	US	2024-01-21
Ann Chwal	Lake Forest	IL	60045	US	2024-01-24
Brittani Nitkiewicz	Lake Zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-23
Dawn Taylor	Lake Zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-23
Erica Herin	Lake Zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-24
Michael Aufmann	Lake Zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-17
Micheal Kirwan	Lake Zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-17
Mikayla Bloch	Lake zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-24
Nancy Lange	Lake Zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-17
Sylvia Thur	Lake Zurich	IL	60047	US	2024-01-18
Brian Boyle	Los Angeles	CA	90039	US	2024-01-18
Meghan Hasman	Manhattan	IL	60442	US	2024-01-18
jennifer valentine	Massapequa	""	11758	US	2024-01-23
Sarah Pfeiffer	McHenry	IL	60051	US	2024-01-23
Sue McGlew	Melrose Park	IL	60160	US	2024-01-24
Setivia Dickinson	Mesa	AZ	85233	US	2024-01-17
Bertha Fajardo	Miami	""	33127	US	2024-01-21
Debora Hojda	Miami	FL	33179	US	2024-01-22
Elizabeth Czarny	Milwaukee	WI	53213	US	2024-01-18
Kasia Ciborowski	Milwaukee	WI	53216	US	2024-01-23
Tim Day	Milwaukee	WI	53207	US	2024-01-17
Marisela Saenz	Mission	""	78574	US	2024-01-23
Crystal Lopez Leon	Morganton	""	28655	US	2024-01-19
Caiden Tricoci	Morton Grove	IL	60053	US	2024-01-17
Joann Smith	Morton Grove	IL	60053	US	2024-01-24
Katie Rosebrock	Morton Grove	IL	60053	US	2024-01-18
Magdalena Panek	Morton Grove	IL	60053	US	2024-01-24
Patricia Bruner	Morton Grove	IL	60053	US	2024-01-17
Julia Lacy	Mound	""	55368	US	2024-01-23
Agata Kempa	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-19
Agnieszka Lukawiecka	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Aleicia Pratt	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Aleksandra Arnold	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Amber Davis	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24

Amber Hartleroad	Mount prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
angel taques	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-19
Angela Bogust	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Angg Dias	Mount Prospect	IL	60714	US	2024-01-24
Anna Russo	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Anna W • • grzyn	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Barbara Farrell	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Barbara Sjodin	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-18
Beth Villeda	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Bruce Haerr	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-23
Carol Kuhn	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Carolyn Ruyle	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Cathleen Jacinto	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Christian Wayson	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
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Cindy Fine	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Cristina Scurtu	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-22
D • Ann Johnson	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-21
Dale Caravello	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Daniella Karras	Mount prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Dawn Hahn	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Des Pye	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Diana Slepowronski	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Diane Kledzinski	Mount prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Donna Plaza	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Elena DeAngelo	Mount Prospect	IL	60055	US	2024-01-24
Elizabeth Williamson	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Ewa Niedzwiecki	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Farah Rieker	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Giselle Zaia	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Grace Clarke	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Grace Listopad	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Graciela Franzwa	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Hannah Merrill	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
heather dymond	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Holly Leyden	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
i ordway	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Igor Materic	Mount prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Janet Dammstrom	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Janice Zemaitis	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Jeanne Gilligan	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Jennifer Lenius	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Jennifer Quinn	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Jessica Bragagnolo	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Jill Podlin	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-23
Joan Schwaba	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Jose Granados	Mount prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Joseph Alaimo	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Joshua Kotula	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Judy Balazs	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Julia Sommers	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-23
Julie Kapustka	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24

Justin Infanti	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Justyna Koscielniak	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Kaitlyn Head	Mount prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Katarzyna Parcheta	Mount prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Kate Gira	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-21
Katherine Molli	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Kathleen Brizuela	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Kathleen Kopp	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Katie King	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-23
Katie Mack	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Kevin Braunsdorf	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Kim Menczywor	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Kristopher Amari	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Laura Lewison	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Lauren S	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
LAURIE NETOLICKY	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Lidia Smaga	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Linda numani	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Lindsay Stonecipher	Mount Prospect IL	60059	US	2024-01-24
Madalina Matei	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Maher MARY	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Maria Melesio	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
MARIA ROMERO	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Marian Sangalang	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Martin Coen	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Mary Ziebell	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Matylda W • grzyn	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Maureen Harty	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Meaghan Espinoza	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Megan Eicher	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Melanie Anderson	mount prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Meliisa Saiki	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Michelle Kotula	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Milica Stojcev	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Molly Bubb	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Monica Janiczek	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Natalie Kronforst	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Neha Patel	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Nicole Peterson	Mount prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
norah knight	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-18
norma shilkus	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-18
OLEG ZHUNDRIKOV	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Olga Mazur	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-23
Pat Dolan	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-18
Patty Mavrogianis	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
rachael jones	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Rebecca Napoleon	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Ronda Thomas	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Rory Fidler	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Sandra Day	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Sara Breeden	Mount Prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Sarah Reinhart	Mount prospect IL	60056	US	2024-01-24

Stephanny Colon	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Susan Villarreal	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Sylwia Dziekan	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Tara Legleiter	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Terese Christianson	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Tina Famularo	Mount prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Tomas Zubek	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Wendy Dewar	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Wyett Hernandez	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Zuzanna Wegrzyn	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-17
Beth Belcastro	Mt Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
David Wagner	Mt Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Debbie Hendricks	Mt Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Jacqueline BRUNNER	Mt Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Krissy Rodrian	Mt prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Meghan Wimberly	Mt prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Robyn macnab	Mt prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Urszula Salwin-rolkowski	Mt prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Dee Parks	Mt. Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Katya Mischenko	Mt. Prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Dede Levine	Mundelein	IL	60060	US	2024-01-17
Patricia Mika	Murfreesboro	TN	37130	US	2024-01-17
Maria Martinez	Muscle Shoals	""	35661	US	2024-01-19
Susan Horton	My prospect	IL	60056	US	2024-01-24
Colleen Adams	Naperville	IL	60540	US	2024-01-24
David Smreczak	Naperville	IL	60565	US	2024-01-17
Katie Smreczak	Naperville	IL	60540	US	2024-01-17
Janet Cascella	Naples	FL	34113	US	2024-01-24
Judi Levine	Naples	FL	34119	US	2024-01-17
Maureen Peterson	new lenox	IL	60451	US	2024-01-17
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Hello-

My name is Christine Shiel. I'm here on the 25th anniversary of the purchase of our home here in Prospect Heights. We've raised three children here who went to PH schools and are fully grown and launched into the world and doing great.

I want you to know that I work in the field of agriculture. I have over the years of my career overseen the care of hundreds of chickens on farms and been hired by the ASPCA as a consultant on multiple animal rescue events involving livestock, including thousands of chickens. I have significant expertise in the care and keeping of chickens.

We came to Prospect Heights because we wanted to escape the crowds and excessive regulation of city life. Prospect Heights promised a rural feel. Big lots, limited sidewalks and bright streetlights at night, lots of lighting bugs, and the ability to raise chickens as pets and for their eggs. Those who know me know that for many years we raised domesticated ducks in our yard here for their eggs. Currently, we have 14 chickens. We don't have a rooster at the moment but we have had one in the past. So many years of raising poultry in our yard and we have never had one complaint from a neighbor. Not one.

Chickens make wonderful pets. They are fun, funny, curious, smart animals capable of returning affection to each other and their owners. They are an emotionally fulfilling option for people who crave the companionship of animals but cannot have house pets due to allergies. On top of that, they provide eggs. For people that wish to source their protein from well cared for chickens, there is no better way to ensure properly cared for animals than to do it yourself. For those who wish to engage in homesteading as a hobby, our big lots are perfect for raising your own food and providing your own eggs to your family. I imagine it's why people choose this community. It's why we did. To interfere with that ability would surely negatively affect our property values.

Let me be clear on this point: properly raised chickens do not smell or attract rodents. They don't attract any more predators than those already here, preying on your rabbits, squirrels and chipmunks.

It's my understanding, based on many conversations with the city over the years, that we already have laws in place to deal with nuisance situations such as improperly cared for pets, including dogs and chickens. In fact, it's astounding to me that I can be surrounded on three sides by neighbors who leave their dogs outside unattended for hours and I have to listen to endless hours of multiple barking dogs that the city won't do anything about. But I am here tonight defending my chickens, who have never had a complaint, because of one or two isolated neighbor disputes. I'm told that if a dog barks non-stop, the owner can get a nuisance ticket. The same should apply to any other animal. Roosters who crow excessively can be fitted with a collar to reduce the frequency and pitch of their crowing. We don't need a new law for that. We just need the city to enforce the laws we already have to all improperly cared for animals.


Hello, friends and neighbors,

I'm Genevieve Charet, and I live in Prospect Heights with my husband, Michael, my baby, Alice, and our 13 hens, whom we fondly call "The Girls". We fondly refer to ourselves as "Chicken Tenders".

We volunteer with the Prospect Heights Natural Resources Commission and daily enjoy the natural beauty and diversity of plants and animals, both wild and domestic, that call our town and our own yard home.

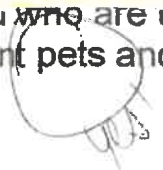
When we searched for a home, we knew we wanted a different way of life and specifically chose Prospect Heights because of its openness to that—specifically, its unrestricted chicken keeping. Prospect Heights people value their freedom and independence, and my family is no different. If that goes away, we would have to leave, too.

I do believe all our residents deserve to be protected from any behaviors that create a serious nuisance, hazard, or abuse. And for that reason, I'm glad we already have ordinances that cover:

- clean and humane animal care
- noxious and pervasive odors
- extreme and prolonged noise disruptions
- animals running loose
- and the allowable distance from property lines for accessory structures such as chicken coops and runs.

To take things further than this with a chicken ban, rooster ban, or limit on the number of chickens is unnecessary, wrong, and contrary to the spirit of Prospect Heights. It's also ineffective and will paint us as a backwards and reactionary town that plans to move in the opposite direction of cities everywhere. By and large, towns are moving toward loosening or dropping any chicken restrictions they have historically had so that residents can produce healthy food in a humane way.


Those of you who are unfamiliar with chickens may be surprised to learn what excellent pets and family they make. Ours play with Baby Alice, knock



on our back door when they're bored, beg for treats, and climb into our laps for snuggles and neck rubs. They nested on my belly throughout my pregnancy and take naps on a picnic blanket snuggled up next to my daughter. The most dangerous thing they've ever done is steal my husband's frozen yogurt.

I share all this not to convey that we're some special woodland fantasy (though we absolutely ARE)—but rather to say, our flock is the rule, not the exception. Ask around, and you'll find that most backyard chicken keepers enjoy the same kind of loving and peaceful relationship with their chickens.

I have become very knowledgeable about poultry medicine and animal husbandry and can tell you that chickens do not work the same as cats or dogs. So let me address some hot topics so that we can all come at this from an informed place:

FIRST: **Chickens are flock animals**, naturally doing well in large groups and requiring plenty of flockmates to feel secure, protected, and happy. They need only 10 square feet each to be happy, and they're naturally tidy animals—even very large numbers of chickens will not produce a nuisance smell when cared for properly. In fact, people on a one-acre lot could easily use rotational grazing to raise 500 hens in a sanitary free-range way. But let's be real, if you're not inclined to take care of your pets, whether they're dogs, cats, chickens, or anything else, it only takes one to create a disturbance.

If you're trying to feed your family, you also need to be realistic about how many you'll need. Our neighbors have three boys, and they go through a dozen eggs a day. You need about 20 birds to guarantee that many. Limit us to a low and arbitrary number like six and you make it impossible for a flock to feed its people.

SECOND: **It takes 10 chickens to produce the same amount of droppings as just one 40 lb. dog**, and chicken droppings are nontoxic and can turn into safe and valuable compost in as little as 3 to 4 weeks. I love dogs, but their waste is unsafe to compost and is classified as a toxic biohazard by the EPA.

selling eggs to become is addressed. They DO NOT lay every day.

THIRD: Chickens don't attract rodents--in fact, chickens eat mice and other rodents, in addition to ticks and other disease-causing pests. Unsecured food, whether it be for cats, dogs, chickens, or people, is what attracts rodents, and that is a problem that is easily solved.

FOUR. Roosters perform valuable and irreplaceable services, including:

- protecting hens and other pets from predators
- finding food for hens
- keeping the flock together and on the property
- maintaining harmony within the flock
- fertilizing eggs so that keepers can breed and hatch their own healthy chicks.

We have numerous rooster-owning neighbors (including one that borders our property) and they aren't a nuisance, make zero noise before sunrise or after sunset, and are a pleasant, welcome addition to the neighborhood.

FIVE. Laying hens at their loudest only get up to 60 to 70 decibels—the same as normal human conversation. A rooster crow can get up to 90 decibels—the same volume as a barking dog. A dog can bark a lot longer than a rooster can crow, though, and unlike dogs, a rooster will only crow during daylight hours. Things that are louder than a rooster's crow? A gas-powered lawn tractor. A truck. A hammer pounding a nail. An ambulance, a leaf blower, a car horn, a screaming baby. Crows. Geese. Part of choosing to live in a neighborhood is accepting the sounds of natural life, both human and animal.

Laws are made to solve widespread problems, not isolated issues. The vast majority of chicken keepers in Prospect Heights are competent, compassionate, responsible, and accommodating. For any who might be the exception, we already have ordinances we can enforce. Clearly backyard chicken keeping in Prospect Heights works, and is a practice that is dear to the hearts of residents and the spirit of our town as a whole.

Yes, there are certainly sights, sounds, and scents in my neighborhood that I could do without. But I recognize that everybody here has their own space

and is free to carve out their own little American dream here, whatever that means to them. So let's not waste city time and resources. Let's not push out valuable members of our community, or resort to stripping one another of our rights and way of life. Instead, let's keep our government (and our rule book) nice and small. Let's come together over our common ground and accept that we will have differences, but we will work them out. That sense of cooperation and compromise is the spirit of Prospect Heights, and it's what has made it the magical little town that could—the one I'm proud to call home.

Thank you!

Good evening, neighbors. My name is Niki Moylan. I'm a Prospect Heights resident and chicken owner along with my husband and soon to be 4 children. I was disheartened and dismayed after hearing the 3 complaints about chickens from residents at the October meeting. I disagree with their requests to ban or limit chickens in Prospect Heights, and I urge city council to keep our ordinances the same, but enforce the existing ordinances on behalf a code enforcement officer, not a police officer.

I'd like to point out a few key items to help city council make their decision:

1) the 3 residents complaining all have issues with one house in particular. As the mayor stated, the city only receives a few complaints a year, yet we're wasting time and resources going over this topic of which we already have ordinances in place. I would like to ensure that steps were taken to rectify the concerns raised in October. If we are not able to enforce existing ordinances, then at this point we should not be discussing adding additional regulations.

2) the main things these residents complained about were vermin, number of chickens, smell, and noise. Prospect Heights already has ordinances in place to address each of these complaints if there is truly an issue, (all under Title 9 Police Regulations, Chapter 1 Animal Control) Some of my fellow neighbors and chicken owners are addressing each of these issues as well tonight, so the one I would like to focus on for the sake of time is the complaint about smell.

I have been to numerous homes and farms that have 25 to 100s of chickens and when properly cared for, they do not smell when visiting close by let alone at a separate property next door.

In fact, chicken manure should not be seen as a negative part of chicken ownership, but instead recognized for the helpful and effective by-product that it is. Composted chicken manure is a wonderful soil amendment and helps plants grow and thrive. It also reduces the need to apply additional fertilizers, thus is a healthy and effective addition to gardening. Plus, with private wells, it's better for our health to not use pesticides on our grass. If there is an issue with smell, animal control may need to investigate to determine if there is an animal welfare issue.

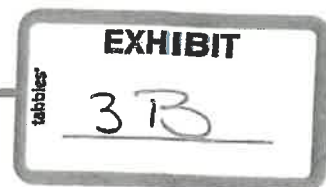
We moved here because of the allowance of chickens and because over 70% of the homes in our community are on a half acre or more (unlike many of our surrounding communities without these allowances or space). More people are becoming urban

homesteaders and chicken owners for many reasons, which in turn brings more benefits to our city.

Thank you for taking the time to hear from us tonight. We urge you to recognize the importance of having backyard chickens and as residents, we appreciate the current ordinances in place. We do not need more ordinances, regulations, or waste of city resources. We need enforcement of current regulations as necessary situations arise to ensure a peaceful community and to ensure animal welfare. The only change needed to current ordinances is that enforcement should be conducted by a code enforcement officer, not a police officer whose job is to keep our community safe.

Please recognize the 3 complaints for what they are: a few voices that do not represent the majority. And while there may be an issue at the one residence they referred to, it is not the reality for the numerous chicken owners in our community. Thank you!

Gonsalo Sains



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Gonsalo Sains
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io has a chicken coop down near the creek. Please let me say this: I am totally for it and why not let the home owners have chicken? This particular neighbor also had a rooster for some time which I loved to hear at 4:30 in the morning during the summer. Too bad he got rid of him and I miss the rooster very much because it reminded me of my growing up on our farm in Austria in the 40s and 50s.

Please consider my letter,

Karl Landl

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***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hi,

I am resident of Prospect Heights, and while I don't own chickens, I wholeheartedly support people who do. One of the many reasons Prospect Heights was appealing to our family, is that it retains some of its rural charm.

We live close to neighbors who do have chickens. The chickens are clean and quiet. We have large lots here and plenty of space. If I do hear a rooster, it is a pleasant sound, and only lasts a few moments.

Additionally, with the rise and food prices and growing concerns about food safety, people should have the right to maintain their own food sources. If chickens and their eggs are a part of keeping their families healthy, I am all for it.

Individuals who own chickens in our community have been doing so in a way that follows the guidelines the city has set. I think the rules we have are pretty clear, that chickens do not become a nuisance. I have not felt that they were troublesome in any way and I hope that this can be resolved in a positive way for the chickens and their families.

Thank you,
Theresa Eisinger

Gonsalo Sains

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Chickens in Prospect Heights

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am a non-chicken owner living a [REDACTED]. I am unable to attend the public hearing on Wed Jan 24, 2024. Thus, I am submitting a written statement:

I frequently take long walks throughout the city and I find it delightful when I hear and see chickens being raised in back yards. It reminds my why I choose to live in Prospect Heights: because it feels like a semi-rural oasis in the metropolitan sprawl. Further, the current city animal laws include the provision that animals kept by residents not create a nuisance, so there is recourse if one's neighbor isn't caring properly for their animals. I do not support any further laws specifically regarding the ownership of chickens in Prospect Heights.

Thank you,

Judith Zawojewski

ent from my iPhone

Gonsalo Sains

From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 10:43 AM

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***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Thank you for accepting this email in lieu of my attendance.

I watched the Oct 23 council meeting and observed the following:

- several apparently false arguments were presented
- the council did not challenge to determine if arguments were indeed false or just poorly stated and valid
- no inquiry was made as to efforts to communicate concerns to offending property owner
- no mention was made of proper path to resolution under existing ordinance

The decision to escalate without due diligence at the council meeting, presents the outward appearance of potential ulterior motive. This is unfortunate PR.

Disregarding the above, and hoping that the PZBoA will take a more prudent approach, I offer the following facts to consider:

- existing ordinance provides that chickens cannot create a nuisance, noise, odor, sanitation and must be controlled on the property
- proper application of this ordinance would completely resolve all the issues raised at the Oct 23 council meeting
- surrounding communities have smaller properties in general
- chickens do not produce odor unless improperly maintained, which is also a hazard to the chickens
- chickens are territorial and will generally not cross clear property borders even if not penned
- not all roosters produce the same volume or frequency of sound
- rodents are not influenced by chickens but are attracted to improperly maintained food and water for any pet
- chickens are very smart and make good pets
- chickens are social; limiting to small number is harmful to their health
- we have chickens; all our neighbors are happy about that; many told us they were sad when our rooster left as they enjoyed him
- just as many people have gardens for better produce, so do many people raise chickens for better eggs
- chickens reduce need for waste to be disposed or processed externally as they are

➤ excellent at composting

Searching online for "benefits of raising chickens", "myths about backyard chickens", etc. will produce plenty of well researched and reliable information to support the desirability of raising chickens in residential settings.

Finally, I would ask the PZBoA to consider using the existing ordinance to address any issues and avoid expanding government regulations, and expense, beyond what is needed.

Thank you for reading this and considering my input.

John,

Gonsalo Sains

From:

Sent:

Thursday, January 18, 2024 1:35 PM

To:

Gonsalo Sains

Subject:

We don't have any issues with the chickens! In fact, their eggs are delicious!!!

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Sent from my mini-iPad.

Gonsalo Sains

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2024 12:25 PM
To: Gonsalo Sains
Subject: Regarding chickens in Prospect Heights

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hi -

I am generally OK with people wanting to have chickens on our large 3/4 acre properties. However, I do object to roosters.

I live [REDACTED] For several years the renters at 304 had chickens and roosters. The chickens were almost cute....the roosters obnoxious. We never complained since it was allowed; but we were ecstatic when those renters left. I don't think its possible to have roosters outdoors and have the noise level not be objectionable. I am also quite surprised that the city would allow breeding farm animals.

Anyway...that's my input to the upcoming discussion on Jan 24th. Please let me know if I can clarify anything and thank you for considering my input.

Regards,
Bob Kuntz
847-962-8645

Gonsalo Sains

From:
Sent:
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Subject:

Friday, January 19, 2024 11:02 AM
Gonsalo Sains
Chickens

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

I live down the street from two residences that have chickens. First off, neither one of them impact me. There's one on Willow and the other on Camp McDonald. Only issue I have is that there isn't anything on the books saying how many one can have and that could be a problem. I feel that there needs or should be a limit to how many chickens one household can have.

Otherwise there's really not much from stopping anyone from literally having an entire chicken farm on their property.

I understand this entire area was once all farm land, but we're not living 60-70 years ago.

Thank you.

Dale Ave Resident.

Sent from my iPhone

Gonsalo Sains

From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Sunday, January 21, 2024 9:11 AM

Gonsalo Sains

Chickens

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Dear Mr. Sains,

Thanks again for your help last fall with our tree project.

I'm writing to you today in response to the recent announcement of the meeting on January 24 regarding chicken-keeping ordinances in Prospect Heights. I'm not sure that I'll be able to attend that meeting, so I hope this message will stand as my voice as a resident of our city.

I believe that the current ordinances are sufficient. I believe that keepers who follow the current rules contribute only positively to the neighborhood. Furthermore, I believe that increased restrictions on chicken-keeping would endanger the animals and would also make our city less comfortable and less free.

The current ordinances are fully sufficient to maintain the cleanliness of our city. One of my neighbors keeps chickens and they have contributed no problems whatsoever. On the contrary, the chickens not only provide healthy food, they also are attractive to children in the neighborhood and thus provide education and joy.

In sum, I am in favor of maintaining the status quo on chickens and I am against increased restrictions.

Sincerely,
Jeff

[Sent from Yahoo Mail - Shop Smart, Shop Organized](#)

Gonsalo Sains

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2024 9:00 AM
To: Gonsalo Sains
Cc: Dan Peterson
Subject: PZBA meeting January 24, 2024

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****
Gonsalo Sains,

I wanted to reach out to you to make a comment on the current situation regarding the keeping of chickens within Prospect Heights. I am a current resident of Prospect Heights and have lived here since 2015. I am also a building code official for the Village of Lincolnwood so I have some background at enforcing and adjudicating such zoning issues. Lincolnwood does not allow its residents to keep chickens but does allow for the keeping of bees and carrier pigeons. While I have had to have my code enforcement officer address these types of situations it is primarily an issue of lot sizes vs. any sort of a true nuisance.

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Joseph Wallace III
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Gonsalo Sains

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2024 2:52 PM
To: Dan Peterson
Cc: Gonsalo Sains
Subject: RE: PZBA meeting January 24, 2024

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Dan,

Thanks for the information. I can see that you have your hands full with this issue. Out of curiosity though, how many chicken keepers do you have in Prospect Heights? I am only aware of three including mine. The large lots (about half acre) found in Prospect Heights are a major reason many of us have moved here. I would tend to agree that roosters can get quite noisy having grown up in Glenview two blocks from Peter Wagner's farm. Wake up time in the summer, when we had our windows open, was crack of dawn. Well, the roosters call and the mooing from the cows. Since I did not want any issues with the morning wake up call, I had no desire to have a rooster along with the original six chickens we bought (now four) although I never did see any information on the Prospect Heights website for maximum number allowed. I do hope that if changes are to be made in your zoning ordinance that I could have a heads up. I have no plans on buying any more chickens, and technically they were bought for my daughter to raise and keep, although I have appreciated the fresh eggs. A petition regarding this issue has been started and I have signed it. Last count they were closing in on 500 signatures. Not sure if that will make any differences with this.

Thank you,

Joseph Wallace III

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Good Morning Joe,

Thanks for your comments. Every year we have a handful of calls for service regarding keeping of chickens. However, In the last two years we have had a slight increase in complaints about chickens ranging from rooster noise, large numbers of chickens, overly large coops and there placement and unpenned birds. We have had good success in dealing with these cases on an individual basis. However, the issue was brought to City Council, therefore, we are having a public meeting to determine if the issue needs further code updates to address the concerns. The main complaints we receive regarding chickens are:

Noise by roosters
Number of chickens, upwards of 20
Coops and runs to close to property lines and exceeding our accessory structure requirements
Unpenned chicken (free range)

Have a good day.

Dan Peterson

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Sent: Monday, January 22, 2024 9:00 AM
To: Gonsalo Sains <gsains@prospect-heights.org>
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Gonsalo Sains

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 9:25 AM
To: Gonsalo Sains
Subject: Chickens

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hello,

I'm unable to attend tonight's meeting but I wanted to share comment that I am FOR residents keeping and raising chickens in Prospect Heights, as long as they do so responsibly and reasonably.

I find value in being able to raise chickens at home. It widens the doors to education, sustainability, and compassion within our small community.

While I don't support a complete ban on chickens/roosters, It would be a disservice to ourselves if we can't find ways to mitigate potential physical harm to ourselves and the animals.

Thank you,
Theresa

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Dan Peterson

From: Danielle Dash
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 9:56 AM
To: Genevieve Charet
Cc: Dan Peterson
Subject: Re: PLEASE no new chicken ordinances!

Thank you for taking the time to message me Genevieve.

Danielle Dash
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From: [REDACTED] net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 2:27 PM
To: Michelle Cameron; Terry Anderson; Wendy Morgan-Adams; Danielle Dash; Matthew Dolick
Subject: PLEASE no new chicken ordinances!

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hello,

I'm a Ward 2 PH resident and volunteer with the PH Natural Resources Commission. I learned about tomorrow's zoning meeting to discuss chickens and I'm asking that you **please prevent adding any new ordinances or restrictions on chicken keeping.**

We already have ordinances in place to protect citizens against the kinds of issues being raised by only a couple vocal and uninformed residents against one chicken keeper.

Our 13 hens are our family, and unrestricted chicken keeping, along with the other freedoms that embody Prospect Heights, is the whole reason my family moved here several years ago. If that goes away, we would have to leave, too.

I have become very knowledgeable about poultry medicine and animal husbandry and can tell you that chickens do not work the same as cats or dogs. A few things to note:

1. **Chickens are flock animals**, naturally doing well and producing no nuisance smells, even in large numbers, when cared for properly. If you are not inclined to take care of your pets, whether they're dogs, cats, chickens, or anything else, it only takes one to create a disturbance. Conversely, it is actually quite doable to care for hundreds of birds on lots our size without creating a disturbance. Many who advocate putting limits on chicken numbers are not informed about poultry keeping practices and challenges, and do not understand this.

2. **It takes 8 to 10 chickens to produce the same amount of droppings as just one dog**, and chicken droppings can turn into safe and valuable compost in as little as 3 to 4 weeks. I love dogs, but their waste is unsafe to compost and is classified as a toxic biohazard by the EPA.

3. **Chickens don't attract rodents**--in fact, chickens eat mice and other rodents, in addition to ticks and other disease-causing pests. Unsecured food, whether it be for cats, dogs, chickens, or people, is what attracts rodents, and that is a problem that is easily solved.

4. **Roosters perform valuable and irreplaceable services**, including protecting hens and other pets from predators, finding food for hens, keeping the flock together and on the property, and fertilizing eggs so that keepers can breed and hatch their own healthy chicks. We have numerous rooster-owning neighbors (one borders our property) and they aren't a nuisance, make zero noise before sunrise or after sunset, and are a pleasant, welcome addition to the neighborhood.

Here's the bottom line: the vast majority of chicken keepers in Prospect Heights are competent, compassionate, responsible, and accommodating. For any who might be the exception, we already have ordinances we can enforce.

[500-plus \(and counting\) PH residents](#) agree with me.

So let's not waste city time and resources. Let's not push out valuable members of our community, or abandon the values that have always worked well for Prospect Heights.

Please advocate for our rights, and keep our government (and our rule book) nice and small.

Thank you,

Genevieve Charet

Gonsalo Sains

From:

Sent:

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 11:31 AM

To:

Gonsalo Sains

Subject:

Save the chickens

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

I am writing to you with regards to the upcoming meeting regarding chicken ownership in Prospect Heights. I am in favor of keeping the existing ordinances in place and enforcing them accordingly. Why should up-standing citizens of our city be punished for 1-2 bad neighbors?

Resident of prospect heights

Jennifer Myzia

From:

Sent:

To:

Cc:

Subject:

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 12:55 PM

Pat Ludvigsen; Danielle Dash; Mark Roscoe; Peter Falcone; Dan Peterson

Jennifer Myzia

"CHICKEN" MEETING

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Everyone:

Please **SAVE** the **REAL "CHICKENS"** 🐔🐔🐔🐔 tonight at our meeting!

I have now lived in town for over 40 years.....AND we have always had **REAL CHICKENS**..unfortunately now we have **complaining "buffoons" as residents!**

Tell these "new" resident **"buffoons"**, who have moved into our beautiful Prospect Heights town... to **LEAVE OUR "CHICKENS"** 🐔🐔🐔🐔 alone!

"Thank you" to all of you for doing your best with these complaining resident **"buffoons"** who have nothing better in their pitiful lives to complain about!

SAVE THE REAL CHICKENS! 🐔🐔🐔🐔

GOOD GRIEF!

Get a life folks!

We have far more urgent issues in our town!

P.s. I can't be there tonight...I am sick or I would be there for the REAL "CHICKENS"!

Please feel free to use my message at your meeting tonight, if appropriate!

Best regards,
Judy McCurdy

Gonsalo Sains

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 3:11 PM
To: Gonsalo Sains
Subject: Save the Chickens!!!

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hello!

I hear there have been complaints about the chickens people keep. I am NOT a chicken owner, but one of the reasons we moved to Prospect Heights is because we knew others in the neighborhood might. Prospect Heights is this unique little pocket around Chicago with large lots and a rural feel while still benefiting from all of the commerce, transportation, and educational opportunities afforded to a metropolitan region. Those few who object to chickens have plenty of other cities in the area they could relocate to.

As a resident, I'm asking that you please keep the existing regulations as is in regards to chicken keeping. I love that my sons could see chickens in people's yards as we walk through the neighborhood. A neighbor has chickens down the street and we never hear them. This rodent complaint seems just absurd. With these large lots there is a diverse population of wildlife anyway, which would include rodents.

Please do not make a decision on something that will affect the culture of this city based on the complaints of a few misguided people. Some will always find something to complain about, but those people shouldn't win at the expense of so many others.

Thanks,

Jessica Saler, NCIDQ

[REDACTED]

Sent after meeting
1/24/24
- pro / no regulation

Gonsalo Sains

From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Tuesday, January 30, 2024 8:10 PM

Gonsalo Sains

Written comment regarding chickens

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hi,

I am new resident and would like to add my comment regarding chickens. I currently don't have chickens but would be in favor of having/raising backyard chickens. I feel that all people should be allowed to have pets. Some people like dogs, some people like cats, some people like birds, some people like fishes and some people like chickens. If noise, sanitation or other things are an issue then these issues are also with dogs and cats. So we should not discriminate regarding these things. However, clear rules should be made if someone wants to have/raise backyard chickens, same as we have rules about dogs and cats.

Thanks.

Ali.

Sent after meeting
11/24/24
-pro/regulation

Dan Peterson

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 12:39 PM
To: Dan Peterson
Subject: Chicken follow up.

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hi Dan!

I just wanted to touch base again since our last conversation.

I have a few concerns regarding the proposed restrictions.

As I mentioned, I don't have an issue with needing an initial permit to ensure proper coop placement, however, we need to make sure the inspection keep our birds safe. Visiting multiple coops can lead to transfer of disease and pests that can be detrimental to our personal flocks. For future chicken owners, this shouldn't be an issue given that they should be getting this inspected prior to getting birds, but implementing this for those of us with current flocks will be more complicated. Your main reasoning for permitting is to be able to have a resource should an outbreak take place and to ensure coop location. But by having inspectors visit various coops, they could be the cause of such an outbreak.

Here's some great information on protecting flocks.

<https://link.edgepilot.com/s/302d6ff0/ZdsGWW6j9kSmsx7DeyCTyw?u=https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/avian/defend-the-flock-program/dtf-biosecurity>

So this is just another point in favor of not having continued inspections/fees unless there's complaints filed.

Roosters... you mentioned about the morning crowing, which can be understandable, but you also spoke about complaints during the day. As per the ordinance.

F. Animals, Birds: The keeping of any animal or bird which by causing frequent or long continued noise shall disturb the comfort or repose of any persons in the vicinity.

We proved at the last meeting and in my last email that roosters are not any louder than dogs. So while yes a rooster can crow throughout the day, so can dogs bark all day. We don't even come close to ever discussing banning dogs. When there's multiple roosters, yes they can crow back and forth, just like multiple (or neighboring) dogs do. Not all dogs bark all day nor do all roosters crow all day.

And gotta love physics cause science proves that the further away something is, the quieter it becomes. So the gentleman complaining about the rooster yet living over an acre away holds no merit.

I again, implore you to take each complaint individually vs an all out restriction on all roosters. If there's a valid complaint (by a direct neighbor) allow the roosters owner to decide to rid or collar him.

If roosters are banned, are we allowed to bill the city/ complainants for losses since our protection is gone?

Will they be buying us more birds when it's time to hatch and we can no longer hatch our own and are forced to buy?

Maximum birds...

You said that you were having trouble finding recommended numbers of chickens per area. Yet you were going to use 1/1000 ft² so 20 on a .5 acre, as some of the neighboring towns use this figure. So if there's no data to back up this info, why are we using it? I checked and couldn't find anything either. Why are we going to limit families a way to provide food security especially with the way the pricing is rapidly increasing.

We spoke about potential smell and yes, more birds=more poop, but if properly taken care of, there's no smell. You used the phrase "when the wind blows just right" but that could be true for any smell. A poorly maintained compost pile and/or pond, uncleaned dog poop, spreading manure in our gardens, BBQing, smoking substances or meats.... the list goes on. This possibility of a smell is not a good enough reason to limit. Let's address the continued presence of a foul odor as this would be indicative of an issue. Occasionally smells "when the wind blows just right" it's not fair to us who properly care for our animals.

We make these changes today for the handful of complaints a year and it'll be almost impossible to change for us in the future and for the generations that follow. And again, we have protections in place already to deal with those who cannot properly care for their animals.

Thanks for reading and I'll see you there tomorrow!

Grace Martinez

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Dan Peterson

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2024 11:28 AM
To: Dan Peterson
Subject: A Brilliant Idea re: Chicken Rules :)

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****
Hi, Dan,

I know you've been busy doing your chicken due diligence and heard that you were having trouble finding reliable space requirement numbers for chicken keeping.

While I continue to believe that we already have all the rules we need to ensure peaceful conditions, I understand that you are wanting to propose some numbers that make sense.

Here's one to consider:

The most spacious set up there is is HFAC's Certified Humane® "Pasture Raised" designation, at 1,000 birds per 2.5 acres (108 sq. ft. per bird). That's about 200 birds per half acre.

This is a government regulated term. These are the happiest hens there are, ensured sunlight, fresh air, and lots of room to roam. It's a strict measuring stick that minimizes odor, noise, and mistreatment, and for that reason it could be a great standard for backyard flocks in rural suburban settings.

Birds that do not get pastured ("indoor"/confined hens) would need to conform to the traditional limit of 10 ft.² per bird.

Note that meat birds are generally raised in high numbers for short periods of time (usually 7-9 weeks), and do not produce much noise or require much space. They may need to be an exception to this rule.

I'd urge you *not to use* the 1000 square-foot number that Lake County is using. That is a number chosen at random without any basis in veterinary or poultry keeping data. If you do use it, I know you'll have a real fight on your hands and I'm afraid the whole conversation is going to shut down. Most chicken keepers I know already have well over 20 hens. Imposing that number would force people to execute laying hens that have gone into menopause, prevent people from raising meat birds, and put a halt to the animal rescue work many residents are doing.

Here are a few other ideas that could help address the issues we're facing:

- I liked your idea of one time registration as a chicken owner for the purposes of communications should an outbreak occur.
- How about adding a chicken section to the new resident packet? it could include a registration form, the requirements around chicken keeping, the size and setback numbers for a coop, the contact information for zoning, and a write-up on the existing ordinances to which they are held accountable: that means the noise, odor, animal at large ordinances, etc. This sets expectations for chicken keepers and also informs non-keepers of their rights.

- How about a volunteer-run poultry advisory group to help troubleshoot any reported chicken issues that the city feels need extra attention? This group could include a zoning commissioner, local chicken keepers who are especially informed, and even a consulting veterinarian. This group would help to evaluate and recommend corrections and improvement plans in cases where the city is unable to easily resolve a complaint.
- Inspectors who need to visit homes that already have chickens will practice biosecurity measures to prevent spreading disease to healthy birds. In fact, the department of agriculture is only allowed to visit one flock/property every few days and must wear disinfected clothing and shoes when they go. You may want to make shoe covers available to all inspectors.

Thank you for your time and consideration, Dan. I appreciate that you're in a tough spot and I want to support you in navigating that and making sure both the "rural" and "suburban" aspects of our great rural suburban town are respected.

See you later,
Genevieve

Sent from my iPhone

Gonsalo Sains

From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:



Morgan-Adams; Danielle Dash; Matthew

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Good day! I hope everyone is staying warm!

I'm including all the ward members even though I'm technically in ward 3, so that everyone has this information. I plan on attending the meeting as well to discuss.

There are complaints from a handful of citizens that want to limit and/or abolish our rights to raise chickens in our city.

Complaints included the following:

1. Bad odors. A properly maintained coop does not smell. If there is an odor, then the chickens are not being properly cared for and are in violation of city regulations 9-1-12.H and 9-1-14.H.
2. Noise, specifically towards roosters. Dogs and roosters both have a sound decibel around 90, however dogs have the capability to bark longer than a rooster can crow. Look at the size difference of a rooster vs most dogs. It takes a Roo so much more energy to produce that crow and cannot physically do so for extended periods of time. We do have a noise violation 3-5-2.F
3. Chickens running loose. As with any animal, we are responsible for their well-being and care. Loose animals are more likely to be hurt or killed. In addition to potentially defecating on private property. Chickens should be confined to a fenced in yard or run. 9-1-4.1A
4. Increase in vermin. Predators and rodents are already living in all urban areas. Wild bird feeders, pet food, gardens, fish ponds, bird baths, trash waiting to be collected all attract raccoons, coyotes, foxes, rodents and flies. Chickens are voracious carnivores and will eat ticks, fleas, mosquitoes, stink bugs, Japanese beetles, grubs, slugs, and even mice, baby rats and small snakes. Quick Google search shows an increase in rodents across the country attributed to global warming which creates longer reproduction time as a result of warmer winters. The cities of Niles & Evanston has had such an increase in rodents that they have recently adopted a feral cat program to combat them. Do we then have to limit bird feeders, gardens, ponds...? This could be a slippery slope we are headed down. An increase in vermin in a coop could be due to improper food storage (but really we don't want mice eating the food we are paying for nor do we want to invite predators like raccoons who will kill entire flocks just for fun.) This would also fall under code 9-1-12.H.

The complainants want to limit the number of chickens we have by comparing us to neighboring cities of Wheeling, Des Plaines & Palatine (I took it a step further and included Rolling Meadows). Our city has allowed chickens since we have been incorporated, whereas these cities have only started allowing chickens within the last 5 years (Rolling Meadows in 2019, Wheeling in 2021, Palatine in 2023 & Des Plaines in 2020) These are all new programs to uphold the growing number of urban homesteading and as such, are taking baby steps. In fact, Des Plaines increased the amount you can have in 2023 after the trial period. In addition, Prospect Heights properties are almost all on a minimum of half an acre whereas neighboring towns have much smaller lots.

Prospect Heights has 4013 homes with a minimum of .5 acres out of 5627 homes in total, averaging 71% of the homes on more than .5 acres.

DP has 5520 .5+acre homes out of 21,334, or 26%

Wheeling has 7128 .5+acre homes out of 11,862, or 60%

Rolling Meadows has 3393 .5+ acre homes out of 8732, or 39%

(these numbers provided by Realtor and PH resident using Remine)

Chickens live up to ten years, however lay the majority of eggs in the first 3 years. By limiting the quantity of chickens allowed, we are condemning them to an early death or re-homing if we can find someone willing to care for a low/ non producing bird. Most chicken caregivers, add young hens every year or two to maintain a steady egg production.

By banning roosters, we would be condemning them to an almost certain death. Even if it's not done by the resident, it's very difficult to re-home roosters. This could lead to an increase of dumping. Roosters provide protection for the hens and often sacrifice themselves to do so. As such, they have a vital role in the flock. Even the city of Chicago allows roosters and their lots are extremely small. All roosters are not loud nor do they crow at sunrise or all day. Some do, but not all. Most dogs are louder than my Roo. While he does crow, you are unable to hear him inside (we still have almost all original windows from the 60s) we've had zero complaints filed on my Roo. We check in with our neighbors regularly, and they have confirmed they rarely hear him unless they are outside.

By creating more and limiting restrictions, I'm concerned we will have to pay for employees/staff to oversee & enforce the extra regulations.

Benefits of having chickens outweigh the negatives.

- The obvious- fresh eggs that are free of added hormones and chemicals.
- Vermin/ pest control. Chickens eat bugs, mice, etc. Since getting chickens, we personally no longer have mice. They also control the Japanese beetle population as they not only eat the beetles, reducing the population available to reproduce, but they LOVE digging and eating their grubs. We have been able to harvest more of the fruit we

grow and since there are less grubs, there are less skunks in our yard! They don't like sharing their food and will chase off chipmunks and squirrels.

- less food waste. Chickens eat pretty much anything. Food about to spoil or leftovers uneaten go to them vs the trash. Neighbors drop off food regularly for my flock and the Kid's Pantry will let me know when there's food available that can't be given away. Chicken owners produce less waste than homes without chickens.

- free natural fertilizer. Chicken excrement is an excellent fertilizer for gardens and yards. There are sites that actually sell it for people who do not have chickens! Since incorporating their manure into my gardens, I have had larger, healthier plants which have been producing more and larger fruits and vegetables.

- expert gardeners. Chickens scratch the ground, looking for bugs/ grubs, loosing up the soil, making it easier for plants to grow. They also eat most weeds, including dandelion, clover and nettles.

- companionship. Who knew Chickens have a wide variety of personalities?! We got chickens initially for eggs, but they have evolved into pets. Each having a name and yes, we have our favorites. Several enjoy jumping onto our laps while we relax in the backyard. They all come running to us and follow us around the yard like puppies.

- Health benefits. Studies show that they reduce stress, anxiety and lepression. Chickens are naturally empathetic and understand our moods. The UK has started numerous programs installing coops in senior centers to combat loneliness in residents! In addition, caring for them requires more activity, reducing high blood pressure, cholesterol, and diabetes. Outdoor exposure gives us more vitamin D to increase mood, concentration and mental health. My friend has a 5yo autistic child with limited vocabulary. Since he's met my flock, he's constantly asking to come see them and when he can't come by, we video call and I send pictures so he can see they are ok. He's made a connection to these birds that he is unable to do with most things in his life!

- building a better future & community. Chickens are used in education for our children and community. Most people are excited to hear and learn about our birds. We are teaching a more self-sustainable future for generations by sharing our knowledge and experience with others. I work at Lurie Children's Hospital and on a weekly basis, I share my chickens with my scared patients. When you are running tests on a child so scared, it's really hard to break through that fear. The chickens do that. They are used to hearing about dogs and cats so when they hear chickens, the brain refocuses (the "wait, what" factor) and I'm able to calm them down enough to perform the exams.

As stated in the October meeting, there are 3 complaints a year regarding chickens. Let's address the few complaints (or bad eggs) instead of adding all these additional rules when they are not needed. I am not alone in this opinion, and it's not just other chicken owning residents that feel this way.

There is a petition that I've created to show the council we are happy the way we are. Please feel free to review it and see how many chicken loving families are in Prospect Heights. <https://link.edgepilot.com/s/a471ef25/Q-gmPzM1Z0iuiLML-STR0g?u=https://chng.it/9v6WrmL7fK>

I do not know much about the families who are complaining about the chickens. I do however recognize many names of the people in support of keeping chicken rights the same. These are families heavily invested in our community. They are volunteers for the D23, Wheeling, St. Alphonsus, & Hersey PTOs. Volunteers from boy, girl & cub scouts. Volunteers from sports, police, park district & library. Our very own Santa signed the petition (who is also a volunteer at the police station). Volunteers from the Lions club & Kid's Pantry. Just to name a few that I recognize. We are the ones making our community better for us all!

Personally, I have helped raise more than \$200K for the schools. I've been on the D23 PTO for 15 years, vice president for 3 years and chairing the largest fundraiser, Family Fun Night, for over 5. Now current treasurer for the Wheeling PTO. When the Wheeling PTO almost ran out of money due to covid/ canceled fundraisers, I alone, raised over \$10K so we had money for scholarships. I've been Popcorn Kernel for the Cub Scouts, cookie mom for the Girl scouts, & Head coach for travel softball (where I met Danielle). When not head coach, I've helped baseball & softball practices for the park district and PHWYBA/AHYBA, announced the games and ran the scoreboard. I've been a volunteer for the Kid's Pantry for over 5 years. I also am a current volunteer for the Wheeling Spur club and instrumental league.

I don't bring this up to pat myself on the back, rather demonstrate the impact of the individual volunteers have on our community. We are the ones making a difference and creating community. We want to be able to continue to do so in our city and our chickens are just as important to us.

We have 13 chickens currently (at the most, we had 15), 12 hens and a rooster. We've had them since 2020. They are allowed to free range my fenced in back yard and have never escaped (wings are clipped to ensure they are unable to fly over). We have not had mice since getting chickens (we had some issues when I was Popcorn Kernel and had my garage full of popcorn! Prior to chickens) Our coop does not smell. Our coop is mobile and is moved around our yard when weather allows (it's stationary in winter since the snow prevents us from moving it) which allows distribution of waste, fertilizing our yard naturally. We do not sell eggs. The eggs we receive are eaten by our family, my 85yo father and 82yo aunt. If there are any extra, they are given to neighbors and friends. We have had zero calls to the city or police regarding our chickens.

I thank you kindly for your time in reading all this information and for your consideration of keeping the ordinances the same while addressing and enforcing the current complaints/violations. Truly, we all should not be punished for a single bad egg.

Sincerely,
Grace Martinez
PH resident since 2004

Gonsalo Sains

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From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 2:56 PM

Gonsalo Sains

Chickens in the City - January 24 Meeting - PLEASE BAN THE CHICKENS

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

This letter is in response to the October 23 city council meeting that included the added item of chickens in Prospect Heights. We stand with the residents who brought this issue up at the meeting and would fully support NO CHICKENS IN PROSPECT HEIGHTS. We also want to especially thank the resident at the October 23 meeting that did the work to verify the communities around us that are actually trying to protect their residents against the chicken issues. We don't understand why this has not been done by our city.

We have neighbors that live at ~~1234 W. Main St.~~, who have turned their backyard into a farm, with chickens, roosters, constant power tools from morning to darkness, burning whatever materials they need to dispose of, with dark, thick smoke and flames so high, they are above the 6 foot fence. Additionally, they have a barking, mean dog that they make no effort to control. We note all of this, even though we are specifically talking about chickens, because we believe that since Prospect Heights allows chickens, this attracts people to our residential neighborhood, that should be living elsewhere in a more rural area, like Iowa.

Let's talk about the chickens and our neighbors selfishness:

- First they built a chicken coop on the side of their yard that is on the same side as our bedrooms, clearly with no regard for us.
- They originally had roosters. Roosters crow very loud all day.
- The second year we asked them to not have roosters. They ignored our request. We finally started calling the police because of the noise and they eventually got rid of the roosters.
- They kept the chickens and here is what we still deal with to this day.
- Loud clucking and squawking chickens throughout the day.
- Stench when they clean the coop, that is so bad we cannot even be out in our backyard because the smell it's unbearable.
- Coyotes come into our yard and head towards the coop, and get stopped by the neighbors fence, so they hang in our yard.
- Animals digging under the fence to get to the chickens.
- Chickens in our yard, when they get out - many chickens, as they travel together.
- Bright lights shining into our house at night and scaring us when they are searching for their chickens that got out.

- These selfish people with their chickens and untrained dog, have a total disregard for us as neighbors, and this has caused us to become prisoners in our own house. We never have our windows open anymore, so we can't enjoy fresh air and have to pay higher costs to constantly have the air conditioning on in the spring, summer and fall. We used to love to be outside, but now, even sitting on our deck to enjoy a summer day or evening is usually interrupted by chickens squawking, coop stench and the barking dog, so we stay inside most of the time. Even inside, we still have to listen to the farm animals from our kitchen and bedroom.
- This is extremely disrespectful to us and all residents who have lived in these homes for decades and have been good neighbors as part of a respectful community. This has totally impacted our quality of life.

What is Prospects Heights going to do to protect the residents who respect our community and neighbors? This chicken situation is only going to get worse, especially as it draws in the type of people who really should be in a rural area.

Ban the chickens in Prospect Heights, or at the very least, show respect for residents that are disrespected by the chicken owners, by doing the following:

- Ban roosters - no exceptions!
- License chicken coops and limit placement to what is most respectful to the neighbors!
- Confine chickens to the chicken coop to lessen the loud, all-day clucking and squawking noise!
- Limit number of chickens!
- Require proper protocol to clean the chicken coops without the smell!

Please use this letter as a formal plea to the city to stop the disrespect that is occurring by these chicken owners and add this to the request to get rid of chickens in Prospect Heights, that was brought up by residents in the October 23 city council meeting. Please also use this letter in the January 24 meeting regarding chickens.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions.

Thank you,

Jim & Lynn Schumacher

Gonsalo Sains

From: 
Sent: Sunday, January 21, 2024 7:08 PM
To: Gonsalo Sains
Subject: Chicken coop issues

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hello,

There seems to have been an explosion of chicken coops around our city. While I understand the motivations behind raising chickens, I think there should be common sense regulations around this issue.

When my neighbor approached me to inform they were going to be raising chickens in their backyard, I didn't voice objections. They said they wouldn't have a rooster so there wouldn't be any noise issues. Initially that was the case, but a few weeks later I started being awakened by rooster crowing loudly every morning around 4am. At some point there were two of them. Then there was the odor. It was unpleasant to sit on the deck at times, the smell coming from the coop was awful. I saw at least one other resident in our neighborhood raising larger birds and selling the eggs. I don't think agricultural businesses should be allowed in Prospect Heights.

We are thinking of selling our house and are concerned that having a neighbor with a chicken coop might make it more difficult to sell or would lower the value.

While these issues affect us personally, I think there are other consequences of allowing chickens in urban areas. The spread of diseases, increased wild animals presence, or sanitation should be taken into account.

I hope that my comments will be taken into consideration and help with crafting regulations limiting chicken coops or banning them altogether.

Best regards,
Concerned Resident

Dan Peterson

From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 3:37 PM

Dan Peterson

Chicken Meeting 3/20/24

***** THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL, PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WITH LINKS *****

Hi Dan,

Thank you for taking the time with me this morning regarding the chickens. I am going to make an attempt again, to come to the meeting. However, I am seeing posts online from Grace Martinez to "pack the house again" so if it's a zoo of bullies like it was last time, I won't stay. Just in case I have to leave or decide not to come in, below are my talking points for the record.

Thank you, again for your time and your careful consideration of all residents.

Jim & Lynn Schumacher

Talking points for chicken meeting 3/20/24

We have lived in our home in Prospect Heights for over 35 years. We have been fortunate to have had wonderful neighbors and many great years enjoying the spacious backyard we love. However, all that changed in 2017, when we got new neighbors who have chickens.

This is our experience with our neighbors who have chickens, and why it is important for you to understand that all neighbors have the right to a peaceful existence in this community.

First our neighbors built a chicken coop on the side of their yard that is on the same side as our bedrooms, clearly with no regard for us.

*We asked them to not have roosters, and they lied and said they would not. However, they had roosters. Roosters crow very loud all day. We finally had no choice but to start calling the police because of the noise, but this is not something we wanted to do. Police are there to protect us from the bad guys, not deal with disrespectful neighbors. Eventually, they got rid of the roosters, but now we have very loud squawking chickens, which might be squawk collars on the roosters, just not sure on that.

*Along with the chickens clucking and squawking all day, they also have an untrained and mean dog that constantly barks when they are home, and farmland with lots of building and hammers and saws from morning until dusk.

*Coyotes come into our yard and head towards the coop, and get stopped by the neighbors fence, so they hang in our yard.

*Animals digging under the fence to get to the chickens. Then the chickens come in our yard.

*On several occasions, we've had bright flash lights shining into our house at night and scaring us, when they are searching for their chickens that got out.

*These selfish people with their chickens and untrained dog, have a total disregard for us as neighbors, and this has caused us to become prisoners in our own house. We never have our windows open anymore, so we can't enjoy fresh air and have to pay higher costs to constantly have the air conditioning on in the spring, summer and fall. We used to love to be outside, but now, even sitting on our deck to enjoy a summer day or evening is usually interrupted by chickens squawking, coop stench and the barking dog, so we stay inside most of the time. Even inside, we still have to listen to the farm animals from our kitchen and bedroom. This has totally impacted our quality of life and should not be acceptable in our community.

The only thing we can do is call the police under the noise ordinance, but this just seems like a waste that ties up the police time and all it really does is make us the annoying ones. That is not fair to us or the police resources.

*Our property value has certainly gone down since these neighbors moved in. If we decide to sell our house to get away from the bad neighbors, we have to be concerned about the noise and ugly view that any potential buyer would see. So our spacious backyard is no longer an asset. Also, while our neighbors were building their farmland in their backyard, we were cutting their front lawn to keep the street view nice, because they are really not interested in how the front looks.

In closing, we are asking Prospect Heights to protect all the residents who respect our community, including those who don't want chickens.

Ban roosters - no exceptions!

License chicken coops and limit placement to what is most respectful to the neighbors!

Limit number of chickens!

Offer a better solution to calling the police due to noise and unkept property by making these people accountable from the start and add a city person that will be responsible to follow up on complaints instead of the police.

Remember that Prospect Heights is a suburb and the majority of its residents did not move here to live next door to a farm. There are far more less expensive places to live if you want to live on or next to a farm.