

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SALINE**
Washtenaw County, Michigan

ORDINANCE 853

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW
THE KEEPING OF CHICKENS IN SALINE.**

The City of Saline Ordains:

Section 1. Amendment. Section 5.13 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Saline (Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances) is amended to read as follows:

- (1) Pet ownership of certain animals expressly owned by any residents shall be permitted in residential districts and shall include:
 - A. Small animals (legal, nonprotected species) confined solely within the dwelling proper (e.g. rodents, birds and reptiles);
 - B. Chickens confined solely within the rear yard area as defined in Section 2.08 of the City of Saline Zoning Ordinance;
 - C. Marine (fish) species except those prohibited by protective law;
 - D. Domesticated dogs and household cats as single pets providing they are in compliance with chapter 14 of the City Code;
- (2) Keeping, possession, or harboring of live hogs, cows, sheep, goats, or any species of equines (except as exempted in City Code, section 14-4) is prohibited.
- (3) Keeping, possession, or harboring of protected species, except as federally approved, is prohibited. Keeping, possession, or harboring undomesticated animals of a wild or feral nature, or larger than a house cat, is prohibited.
- (4) Any person keeping chickens in a residential district must comply with the following
 - A. No keeping of roosters;
 - B. Up to twelve (12) hens per parcel;
 - C. No slaughter of chickens on the premise;
 - D. Waste materials (feed, manure, litter) shall be disposed of in a sanitary manner (which may include bagging or composting) and not piled or otherwise stored on the property;
 - E. Chicken feed must be stored in a manner that is impervious to rodents;
 - F. Chickens shall be provided with a secure, well-ventilated, roofed, and lockable enclosure subject to the height, dimensional, and setback requirements of detached accessory buildings in Section 5.03 of the City of Saline Zoning Ordinance. The floors and walls of the structure shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition. All enclosures for the keeping of chickens shall be so constructed as to prevent rats, mice, or other rodents from being harbored underneath, within, or within the walls of the enclosure; and
 - G. Chickens must be kept in their covered enclosure or in a fenced area at all times. During daylight hours, chickens may be allowed outside their covered enclosures in a securely fenced yard subject to the requirements of Section 7.03 of the City of Saline Zoning Ordinance. Chickens shall be secured within their covered enclosure during non-daylight hours.
- (5) Any resident who keeps more than three (3) dogs and/or cats shall be required to first obtain a special use permit from the city council after a public hearing held in the manner required for special use permits under the provisions of the zoning ordinance of the city.

Any resident who keeps more than three dogs and/or cats shall annually, on or before the first day of January, apply for and obtain from the city zoning official a zoning compliance permit, which application shall certify under oath that the applicant is in full compliance with all the provisions of this ordinance and all other ordinances pertaining to the keeping of dogs and cats in the city. The fee for such permit shall be as established by resolution of the city council.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 10 days after its publication.

YEAS: _____
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

CERTIFICATION

This is a true and complete copy of Ordinance No. ____ adopted at a regular meeting of the Saline City Council held on _____, 2023.

Brian Marl, Mayor

Terri Royal, City Clerk

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