



# City of Titusville

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## BACKYARD CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different from property address): \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name, address & phone of Property Owner (if different than applicant): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of chickens: \_\_\_\_\_ (No more than 4 backyard chickens may be kept on any one property)

Provide proof and completion date of backyard chicken training class: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### A permit to allow backyard chickens is subject to the following conditions and standards:

1. Applications shall include a site sketch demonstrating compliance with all conditions and standards including the location of the proposed coop within the parcel.
2. Backyard chickens shall only be kept upon single family properties.
3. The keeping of roosters(male chickens) is prohibited.
4. Chickens shall not be slaughtered on site.
5. Chicken feed must be kept indoors or in a pest-proof container.
6. Chickens shall be kept for personal, non-commercial use only. No person shall sell eggs, feathers, or manure; nor engage in chicken breeding for commercial purposes.
7. Backyard chickens must be kept in a coop or enclosure and may not roam free unless confined to the fenced rear yard of the property.
8. Chickens and chicken coops and enclosures shall only be located in rear yard and shall be setback a minimum 10 feet from adjacent property lines. Side corner setbacks shall meet the principal structure setbacks. Newly constructed coops over 120sf in area require a building permit.
9. Chicken coops and enclosures must be screened from neighboring properties with either an opaque fence and/or landscaping.
10. Chicken coops shall be kept clean, dry, free of noticeable odors, and in good repair.

**I hereby certify that all conditions will be continually met, and that I will abide by all restrictions, administrative rules and applicable City Ordinances.**

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Property Owner Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* PERMIT REVOCATION\*\***

Failure to comply with the above statement will result in the revocation of the permit and possible further action including fines. Requirements established by City of Titusville Ordinance No. 21-2017.

### FINAL PERMIT APPROVAL

Permit Fee Paid    Site Sketch Approved    Class Attendance Verified

**APPROVED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
City Manager or designee

## ORDINANCE NO. 21-2017

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 5 "ANIMALS", ARTICLE V "LIVESTOCK AND FOWL", BY AMENDING SECTION 5-86 "CERTAIN ANIMALS RESTRICTED; PERMITS FOR CERTAIN ANIMALS REQUIRED" BY PERMITTING BACKYARD CHICKENS SUBJECT TO REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE.**

**WHEREAS**, on April 25, 2017, the Titusville City Council approved advisability to amend Chapter 5, Article V of the City of Titusville Code of Ordinances related to Livestock and Fowl, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Titusville City Council recognizes the increasingly supportive attitude of its residents towards the keeping of backyard chickens as pets and as a source of eggs for personal consumption, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Titusville City Council desires to allow for no more than four (4) backyard chickens on a lot or parcel occupied by a single family detached residence in a single family zoning district, subject to the sections of this ordinance, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Titusville City Council recognizes the desire of its residents to live in a clean, safe and pleasant environment free of excessive odor, noise, pests and disease;

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA** as follows:

**SECTION 1.** That Chapter 5, Article V "Livestock and Fowl", Division 1, Section 5-86 "Certain animals restricted; permits for certain animals required" of the Code of Ordinances, City of Titusville is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5-86. – Certain animals restricted; permits for certain animals required.

**(a)** It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or permit to be kept within the city any horses, hogs, sheep, goats, cattle, chickens or other farm animals, and any domestic animal from the wild, except:

- (1) The aforementioned animals shall be allowed in any GU-zoned district, provided the regulations as provided in section 65.11 et seq., Land Development Regulations, Volume II, are complied with.
- (2) Animals as aforescribed shall be permitted in other districts, provided they are an incidental or necessary part of a licensed business, i.e., veterinarian, pet shop, etc.

- (3) Horses or ponies may be allowed in any district in the city provided a permit as provided for in section 5-101 has been secured.
- (4) Seamless banded homing pigeons for sporting and/or exhibition purposes shall be permitted as accessory uses in any residential use district.
- (5) Backyard chickens shall be permitted on single family properties subject to all regulations described below:
  - a. For the purposes of this section, the terms “backyard chicken” or “chicken” refers to hens, or female chickens, only. It shall be unlawful to keep ducks, geese, turkeys, peafowl, roosters or male chickens, or any other fowl.
  - b. No more than four (4) chickens shall be permitted on any lot or parcel.
  - c. Chickens may only be kept for personal use. Selling chickens, eggs, feathers or chicken manure, or the breeding of chickens for commercial purposes shall be prohibited.
  - d. Chickens shall not be slaughtered on site.
  - e. All stored feed must be kept in a pest-proof container or be kept inside a secured structure.
  - f. Chicken coops and enclosures must be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all time including dry bedding material. Activities permitted by this section must be conducted in a manner that does not create a public nuisance such as odor, noise, or the attraction of pests.
  - g. Chickens must be kept within a coop or enclosure and may not be released or set free to roam unless such roaming is confined to the fenced rear yard of the subject property.
  - h. Chicken coops and enclosures must be screened from neighboring properties with either an opaque fence and/or landscaping.
  - i. Chicken coops and enclosures shall be located in the rear yard only. No chicken coop or enclosure shall be closer than ten (10) feet from any rear or side property line. Side corner setbacks shall meet the principal structure setbacks.
  - j. A permit is required. Applications shall be filed with the City Clerk’s Office together with a filing fee to be set by resolution of Council. The application must include a site sketch that demonstrates compliance with the regulations in the subsections above. The applicant must also provide proof of successful completion of a University of Florida/IFAS

Backyard Chicken Training class or an equivalent class approved by the City Manager or designee. The City Manager or designee is authorized to revoke an issued permit if the property is no longer in compliance or is creating a public nuisance.

**SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.** If any provisions of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances, and all resolutions and parts of resolutions, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption by the City Council in accordance with the Charter of the City of Titusville, Florida.

**SECTION 5. INCORPORATION INTO CODE.** This Ordinance shall be incorporated into the City of Titusville Code of Ordinances and any section or paragraph, number or letter, and any heading may be changed or modified as necessary to effectuate the foregoing. Grammatical, typographical, and like errors may be corrected and additions, alterations, and omissions, not affecting the construction or meaning of this ordinance and the Code may be made.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2017

**ATTEST:**

Wanda F. Wells  
Wanda F. Wells, City Clerk

Walt Johnson  
Walt Johnson, Mayor



**RESOLUTION NO. 12-2017**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES RELATED TO BACKYARD CHICKEN PERMITS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Titusville offers a number of significant services to its residents, businesses owners and visitors for which it charges fees that should be commensurate with the cost incurred by the City to perform the services, and

**WHEREAS**, these fees have been established by the City and are more particularly described in the Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, the Titusville City Council desires to adopt fees for the processing of a permit to keep backyard chickens, as set forth in Ordinance 21-2017.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE:**

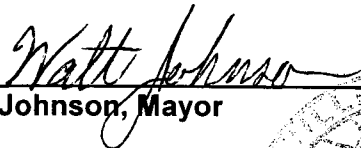
**Section 1.** The Titusville City Council establishes the following fees related to a permit for backyard chickens


(a) *Permit to maintain backyard chickens*:.....\$10.00

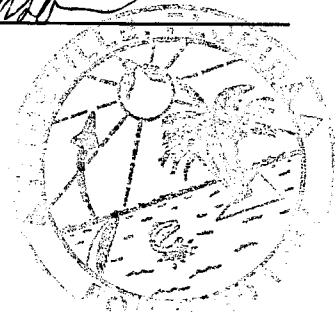
**Section 2.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2017.

**ATTEST:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Walt Johnson, Mayor

  
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Wanda F. Wells, City Clerk




## Backyard Chicken Training Classes

Per the UF/IFAS website in Brevard County at <http://brevard.ifas.ufl.edu/> (August 2017), "The University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) Extension in Brevard County is a partnership between UF/IFAS, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and Brevard County government. We provide educational programs based on the latest research and technology on a variety of topics".

Contact in Brevard County is Joe Walter: Email [jwalter@ufl.edu](mailto:jwalter@ufl.edu). Office phone 321-633-1702. Cell phone 407-948-8810.

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