

ORDINANCE NO.: 5274

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 6-16(2)(a) and (e) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding the keeping of chickens.

THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of La Crosse do ordain as follows:

SECTION I: Section 6-16(2)(a) and (e) is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (2) *Use conditions.* Any owner, occupier, or user of property within the City of La Crosse who chooses to own, keep or harbor chickens and any chicken coop permitted under this section shall be limited to the following conditions:
- a. One property is limited to the keeping or harboring of up to ~~five~~ eight chickens.
  - e. The chickens shall be provided with a covered enclosure that measures a minimum of 3 square foot per bird, and all chickens must be kept in the covered enclosure or a fenced enclosure within the backyard of the property at all times.

SECTION II: Should any portion of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this division shall not be affected.

SECTION III: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mitch Reynolds, Mayor

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Nikki M. Elsen, City Clerk

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