

ORDINANCE NO.: 4909

AN AMENDED ORDINANCE to amend Section 6-16(1)b, 6-16(1)g and 6-16(2)b 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(1)b is hereby amended to read as follows:

- b. In the event a complaint has been filed with the City ~~before prior to~~ renewal of said license within the calendar year prior to renewal and in order to have license approval by a simple majority of those present and voting, applicants must receive written approval from not less than 50 percent of the owner-occupied neighboring property owners whose property is within 100 feet of the applicant's property lines exclusive of street right-of-way prior to approval of said license by the Common Council. If said written approval is not obtained, then the license can only be approved by the Common Council by a two-thirds super-majority vote of the entire council those present and voting. If no complaint has been received, the license application shall be sent to the Judiciary and Administration Committee only for consideration.

SECTION II: Section 6-16(1)g is hereby amended to read as follows

- g. All applicants must notify the owner or operator of the property if the applicant is not the owner or operator. Additionally, all applicants must notify the other occupant of a two-family dwelling if the occupant is not the owner. Notification is not required for renewal of a permit.

SECTION III: Section 6-16(2)b is hereby amended to read as follows:

- b. A person may only own, keep or harbor chickens on property being used as a ~~single family residential~~ one-family dwelling or two-family dwelling as defined in Section 115-1.

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

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Timothy Kabat, Mayor

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Teri Lehrke, City Clerk

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