

Nichole Messner

From: Jessica Kaisk <kaisk.jessica@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2025 8:16 AM
To: City Council
Subject: Chickens

To Whom it May Concern,

I am pleased to learn that the city is reconsidering its ordinance regarding the keeping of chickens. In the United States, individuals have the right to pursue self-sustainability without undue government interference. While these ordinances are understandably implemented to safeguard against negligent ownership, a simple system of oversight can effectively mitigate potential issues.

I do not believe homeowners' associations (HOAs) should be exempt from this ordinance, except in the case of 55+ communities. Most HOAs in Green primarily address street lighting and should not dictate how individuals manage their properties, provided that safety and health standards are maintained. I believe that implementing a permit mandate is excessive, as it undermines the principle of self-sustainability, particularly for individuals facing financial constraints. Furthermore, it represents an unnecessary overreach by local government aimed at generating additional revenue, which is neither essential nor warranted.

In an era where self-sufficiency is increasingly important, it is vital to encourage individuals to provide for themselves and their families without undue overreach of local, state, and federal government oversight. Therefore, the proposed revisions to the ordinance, particularly the removal of existing exceptions, would be a welcome change.

Blessings,

Mrs. Jessica Kaisk

Meadow Wood Estates

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“Our toddlers speak of plants and animals as if they were people, extending to them self and intention and compassion---until we teach them not to.”

— Robin Wall Kimmerer, Braiding Sweetgrass

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From: Lindsay Walters <lindsay.rae.walters@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2025 6:21 AM
To: City Council
Subject: Petition for chickens

Hello,

I am writing in regards to allowing more residents in the city to acquire chickens. Many of us would like to be able to provide for ourselves and be able to use our land as we see fit, as long as we are able to care, properly, for the animals. I also feel, small structures, such as a coop, should be allowed in front-yards, as some have more front-yard space than backyard. We, as residents, want more rights, as far as animals and structures, as long as we take care of them. We feel it is our right to be able to provide for our families, as opposed to relying on expensive eggs from chickens that are not cage free from stores. We want to get back to the days of having more natural, safe, food, that we maintain ourselves. I know I am not the only one in this city that feels this way. Thank you for your time.

Lindsay Walters

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From: Sonya <fearzero@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 10:12 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Chicken ordinance

Dear Council:

If rules are adhered, we are all for the allowance of chickens!

Allan and Sonya DeBerte

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From: marissa johnson <mnj110293@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 7:00 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Chickens

Good afternoon,

I saw the Facebook post regarding the chicken ordinance. We would be in favor of changing it to allow less acreage to have them. We are just shy of an acre and would love to have a few hens.

Thank you for considering this change.

Marissa Dario

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From: ryan etapa <ryanetapa@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 6:53 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Chicken ordinance

Hello council members,

My name is Ryan Etapa, I reside at 747 September Dr. In the city of Green. I have been a resident for 13 years.

I am writing to strongly support changing the ordinance to allow residents to keep small flocks of chickens. We currently have a large garden, because we see the value in being able to grow fresh food without preservatives. We can our harvest to make low sugar, preservative free sauces, salsas, pickles, jams etc. We also share our extra bounty with neighbors.

We would love to be able to have access to fresh eggs for the same reasons. In addition, we believe it is important to teach our girls where food actually comes from and how to produce it. Our girls are very interested in animals.

We currently have 1.25 acres with a large backyard and would love to be able to responsibly raise a small flock for our needs and to share with freinds and neighbors. Please strongly consider our request.

Respectfully, Ryan P. Etapa

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From: Jessi Hamilton <jessi.hamilton@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 6:09 PM
To: City Council
Subject: We support the chicken amendment

Hello,

I am writing to share that my family and I are in support of amending the chicken ordinance to allow people with less than 2 acres to responsibly raise hens on their property.

Thank you,
Jessi Hamilton
Jessi.hamilton@icloud.com

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From: Bryan T <tessanne_bryan@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 5:46 PM
To: City Council
Subject: We Need Chickens!

Hello,

I am writing in support of the chicken ordinance for Green.

I believe it will give responsible owners a chance to have a healthy and sustainable food source and some of us have enough room for them!

We have even thought about moving out of Green to be able to do this. I believe it would encourage many to remain.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bryan Tessanne

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From: Athena Barnhill <athenabarnhill@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 5:38 PM
To: City Council
Cc: Logan Barnhill
Subject: Chicken Ordinance

City Council Members,

We are excited that Green is considering changing the ordinance regarding chickens. My husband and I believe this change could significantly impact our lives. However, we do not qualify for the current proposal, as our property measures 16,988 square feet. Most of this area is in our fenced backyard, which has many trees.

I would like to suggest revising the ordinance to include smaller properties. Numerous studies have shown that even two chickens can greatly benefit families. Would it be possible to consider a policy that allows for 2 to 4 chickens on properties smaller than 20,000 square feet, provided they obtain a permit?

My husband and I want to teach our children how to garden and complete the cycle by incorporating chickens and a small composting pile. Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

Your neighbors at 4147 Meadow Wood Lane, Athena and Logan Barnhill

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From: Nicole Smith <nikkid848@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 3:28 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Chicken Ordinance

Hi All,

First of all, THANK YOU! I really appreciate that our community is willing to look into the ordinances and find areas of improvement and most importantly act on them!

I would like to share my support for most of the proposed changes.

The restrictions for number of hens by acreage is very restrictive still (8 hens can live in a 12ft run - it certainly doesn't require a full acre to handle that). Further, why no roosters? Outside of breeding, they offer many benefits. Previous ordinance I believe allowed roosters for acreage over 5, why completely remove them now? How will the few farms we have left around Green feel about that?

We have a lot of predators around us - especially those of us on properties of the size to have larger flocks, roosters offer protection, help keep the flock safe, improve the behavior of the flock overall, and can even help increase egg production.

Please consider your reasons for your restrictions and consider whether they are for the greater good or protection of a few.

In my eyes, these ordinances are for the people who live outside of allotments which already have HOA's preventing people from having livestock, therefore, is there really a concern to have any restrictions at all?

Thanks for your consideration of additional points!
Looking forward to seeing what council can do for Green.

~Nicole Smith

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From: Sandy Consbruck <sconsbruck39@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2025 12:36 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Chickens in Green

Sandra Consbruck 4666 Everhart Dr.

To Green City council. I am emailing you all in support of the change in the ordinance for chickens in the City of Green.

I know several individuals who live in the city of green and do not have three acres and would like to have chickens.

If you keep the number of chickens under control, there is no smell. I Feel the new ordinance is reasonable in the number of chickens to have based on square footage and acreage.

Thank you for considering this new ordinance.