

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2021- 03

Passed APRIL 12 2021

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1272.20 (PLANNING & ZONING CODE - GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS - URBAN CHICKENS) OF THE BALTIMORE CODIFIED ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, Village Council desires to amend Chapter 1272.20 of the Planning & Zoning Code (General Development Standards - Urban Chickens) in order to update the provisions therein, and to include "ducks" in the updated provisions; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission has reviewed the proposed amendments and has approved the same; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the proposed amendment to Chapter 1272.20 was held on APRIL 12, 2021; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL
OF THE VILLAGE OF BALTIMORE, FAIRFIELD COUNTY,
OHIO, A MAJORITY OF ITS MEMBERS CONCURRING:

SECTION 1: That Chapter 1272.20 of the Planning & Zoning Code (General Development Standards - Urban Chickens) of the Baltimore Codified Ordinances, is hereby amended by substitution and shall be titled "URBAN CHICKENS AND DUCKS," with the newly amended chapter being set forth in its entirety in the attached Exhibit A.

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall become effective at the earliest period authorized by law.



Brad Nicodemus, Mayor

DATE OF PASSAGE: 4-12-2021

EFFECTIVE DATE: 5-12-2021

ATTEST: 

Brian Bibler, Fiscal Officer

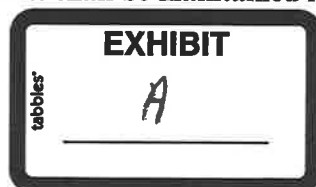
SPONSOR: M. CREERY

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 

Jeffrey Feyko, Village Solicitor

1272.20 URBAN CHICKENS AND DUCKS

- A. Raising chickens **and ducks** in the Village of Baltimore is permitted and shall comply with the standards in Section 1272.20.
1. No resident will be allowed to keep more than 12 chickens **or ducks or a combination of both.**
 2. Residents are permitted to house one rooster on their property.
 3. Free-range chickens **or ducks** will not be allowed and residents must have a designated coop **or enclosure plus** a fence for their chickens **and/or ducks.** **There must be adequate fencing in the yard to prevent animals' escape**
 4. When a zoning permit is required:
 - Residents will be required to obtain a chicken **or duck** permit. **The registration shall be good for one (1) year and SHALL be renewed annually.**
 - Residents will be required to obtain a Zoning Permit for their coop **or enclosure** if the proposed **structure** size is 100 square feet or larger. The chicken coop **or duck enclosure** must comply with all Accessory Structure regulations referenced in Section 1272.03, unless it is under 100 square feet.
 - Residents will not be required to obtain a Zoning Permit for an accessory structure if the proposed coop or enclosure size is less than 100 square feet. However, the enclosures or coops housing such animals may not be located in front yard or side street yard areas and shall not be located within eighteen (18) inches of a property line nor within five (5) feet of a dwelling on another parcel nor within five (5) feet of the permitted placement of a dwelling on an adjoining vacant parcel. No animals shall be kept in front or side yard areas.
 5. Coops shall be constructed of materials that are typically associated with the use and shall be predator-resistant, covered & ventilated. No tarping on or around the structure of any kind is permitted.
 6. Coops & enclosed areas shall be maintained in a neat and sanitary



condition and shall be cleaned as necessary to prevent any odor detectable at a property line. Sanitary practices should limit odors and noise and the attraction of insects and rodents so as not to cause a nuisance to occupants of nearby buildings or properties and not to cause health hazards.

7. A fee shall be assessed in accordance with the Fee Schedule adopted by the Village Council in accordance with Section 1234.05. **Exceptions for youth projects are available.**