**CHICKENS PERMIT GUIDELINES & APPLICATION SUPPLEMENT   
(For complete details see IMC 6.04)**

**Background**

Requirements for obtaining a chicken permit are outlined in Ilwaco Municipal Code Chapter 6.04.120.   
It is unlawful for the owner or custodian of any horse, swine, livestock, fowl or other animals generally regarded as farm or ranch animals to permit the same to live within or run at large within the corporate limits of the city, except as specified in 6.04.120 (*see Permit Submittal Checklist following*).

**Definitions**

* “Front yard” means an open, unoccupied space extending across the full width or depth of the lot, between the building and the property line adjacent to the street. On corner lots, both yards abutting streets are considered front yards.
* “Site plan” means a drawing of the proposed project drawn to scale.

**Application Process**

* Applicant **submits the application**, all related materials and application fees to the city clerk/treasurer.
* City clerk/treasurer **determines if information is complete**. If information is not complete, permit will not be processed until such time as information is complete.
* After city clerk/treasurer ensures site plan meets permit requirements, city clerk/treasurer **issues permit letter**.

**Permit Submittal Checklist   
*(Please initial each statement)***

\_\_\_\_\_Application is for up to six female chickens (Gallus Domesticus) for non-commercial personal use.

\_\_\_\_\_Chickens will be housed in an enclosure that shelters them from the weather and provides a roosting area protected from predators.

\_\_\_\_\_Structure housing chickens will not be in front yard, and it will be surrounded by a secure, well-built fence of sufficient height and strength to both confine and protect chickens from predators.

\_\_\_\_\_Entire enclosure will meet the following zoning district yard setback requirements:

* Front: 15’ from property line
* Rear: 5’ from property line
* Side: 5’ from property line, except that side yards along flanking side streets (i.e. corner lots) will be not less than 15’.

\_\_\_\_\_Chicken coops and enclosures will be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all times, including but not limited to, disposal of manure or waste material of said chickens. Waste will not be disposed in such a way as to enter the city’s sewer or stormwater system.

\_\_\_\_\_If chickens are to be kept on duplex, triplex or multifamily property, written consent of the property owner and adjoining occupants is obtained and provided.

\_\_\_\_\_Chickens will be kept for personal use only. Chickens, eggs or manure will not be sold, and chickens will not be bred for commercial purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_Chickens will not be slaughtered on the premises.

\_\_\_\_\_Property is in Zone R-1, R-1S or R-2.

**Attachments**

\_\_\_\_\_Master Planning Permit Application Form.

\_\_\_\_\_Site planshowing the proposed location of the chicken coop and enclosure as they relate to the property lines.

\_\_\_\_\_Written consent from property owner/adjoining occupants, if duplex, triplex or multifamily property.

\_\_\_\_\_Application Fee: $50

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