

CITY OF NORTH BRANCH

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF CHISAGO

ORDINANCE NO. 239-16

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE NORTH BRANCH ZONING CODE, BY MODIFYING ADDING LANGUAGE TO THE ORDINANCE REGULATING CHICKENS, TURKEYS AND DUCKS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH BRANCH, MINNESOTA ORDAINS:

SECTION 1 AMENDMENT

Sec. 66-949. - Chickens, ducks, turkeys and chicken, turkey and duck keeping.

The city allows the keeping of chickens, turkeys and ducks on residential properties, subject to the following requirements:

- (a) Coops or enclosures are required and shall:
 - (1) Meet all setback requirements for the zoning district of the property.
 - (2) Coops be located consistent with Code section 66-898(b).
 - (3) Be at least ten feet from a side or rear property line.
 - (4) Not be located in a drainage or utility easement or in a shoreland protection area or in a wetland setback area.
 - (5) Shall be at least 30 feet from any residential dwelling on any adjacent property.
- (b) On properties that are less than five acres in size, outdoor pens attached to the coop must be fully enclosed to contain chickens within the pen area.
- (c) The owner must keep the chickens, turkey and ducks in a coop or fenced area. The city does not allow the keeping of free range of chickens and turkeys on properties less than five acres in size. Free range is allowed if the animals are supervised and fenced.
- (d) Animal fighting is prohibited.
- (e) There shall be no roosters on properties that are less than five acres of size.
- (f) The property owner shall maintain the coops and/or enclosures such that they are in good shape, not unsightly and free from major defects.
- (g) The property owner shall properly store all animal feed such to ensure that it does not Attract insect or rodents.
- (h) The property owner shall dispose of all animal waste in an appropriate manner.

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- (i) Are prohibited in multifamily structures and or homes.
- (j) Sale of eggs is prohibited in residentially zoned properties zoned R1, R2, R3 and R4.
- (k) The slaughtering of chickens, turkeys and ducks in view of the public is prohibited.
- (l) All coops, regardless if they have heat-lamps or not, shall be located 10 feet or further from any primary structure.
- (m) The maximum total number of chickens, turkeys and ducks allowed on properties is as follows:

Lot size (acres)	Maximum Number Allowed
Less than 1 acre	6
1.0—2.5	12
2.5—5.0	25
5.01—10.0	50

SECTION 2 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take full effect and be in full force after its passage and publication according to law.

Passed and adopted this 12th day of April 2016.

CITY OF NORTH BRANCH

BY: 
Kirsten Hagen-Kennedy, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Bridgitte Konrad, City Administrator