

CITY OF ROCKWALL

ORDINANCE NO. 22-05

SPECIFIC USE PERMIT NO. S-268

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE (UDC) [ORDINANCE NO. 20-02] OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED, SO AS TO GRANT A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT (SUP) TO ALLOW *CHICKENS* ON A 42.66-ACRE TRACT OF LAND, IDENTIFIED AS TRACT 7 OF THE D. HARR SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 102, CITY OF ROCKWALL, ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS; AND MORE SPECIFICALLY DEPICTED AND DESCRIBED IN *EXHIBIT 'A'* OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City has received a request from Mike Peoples for the approval of a Specific Use Permit (SUP) to allow *Chickens* on a 42.66-acre tract of land described as Tract 7 of the D. Harr Survey, Abstract No. 102, City of Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, zoned Agricultural (AG) District, situated within the SH-66 Overlay (SH-66 OV) District, addressed as 1700 E. SH-66, and being more specifically depicted and described in *Exhibit 'A'* of this ordinance, which herein after shall be referred to as the *Subject Property* and incorporated by reference herein; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Rockwall and the governing body of the City of Rockwall, in compliance with the laws of the State of Texas and the ordinances of the City of Rockwall, have given the requisite notices by publication and otherwise, and have held public hearings and afforded a full and fair hearing to all property owners generally, and to all persons interested in and situated in the affected area and in the vicinity thereof, the governing body in the exercise of its legislative discretion has concluded that the Unified Development Code (UDC) [Ordinance No. 20-02] of the City of Rockwall should be amended as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Rockwall, Texas;

SECTION 1. That the Unified Development Code (UDC) [Ordinance No. 20-02] of the City of Rockwall, as heretofore amended, be and the same is hereby amended so as to grant a Specific Use Permit (SUP) allowing *Chickens* as stipulated by Subsection 03.01, *Farm Animals and Horses*, of Article 04, *Permissible Uses*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC) [Ordinance No. 20-02] on the *Subject Property*; and,

SECTION 2. That the Specific Use Permit (SUP) shall be subject to the requirements set forth in Subsection 03.01, *Farm Animals and Horses*, of Article 04, *Permissible Uses*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC) [Ordinance No. 20-02] and Chapter 6, *Animals*, of the Municipal Code of Ordinances -- as heretofore amended and as may be amended in the future --, and with the following conditions:

2.1. OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS

The following conditions pertain to having *Chickens* on the *Subject Property* and conformance to these conditions are required for continued operations:

- (1) *Chickens* shall be allowed on the subject property as an ancillary use to the existing single-family home. Should the subject property be conveyed, sold, or subdivided the City Council reserves the right to review this Specific Use Permit (SUP); however, in no case shall the subject property be subdivided in a way that would separate the *Chicken Coop* from the existing single-family home or where the *Chicken Coop* would exist on a property that is less than ten (10) acres in size.
- (2) The *Chicken Coop* shall generally conform to the *Site Plan* depicted in *Exhibit 'B'* of this ordinance.
- (3) The *Chickens* shall be kept in an enclosed area within a *Chicken Coop* that provides for the free movement of *Chickens*, and are not permitted to be free range. The *Chicken Coop* shall conform to the *Building Elevations* depicted in *Exhibit 'C'* of this ordinance.
- (4) If the applicant moves the *Chicken Coop* it shall be moved to a location that is behind the front façade of the primary structure and that is a minimum of 20-feet from all property lines as depicted in *Exhibit 'B'* of this ordinance. In addition, the *Chicken Coop* shall be screened from view of adjoining properties.
- (5) The number of chickens permitted on the subject property shall be limited to no more than ten (10), and no ducks, geese, pigeons, turkeys, roosters, or any other poultry or fowl are permitted on the subject property.
- (6) The *Chickens* shall be kept for personal use only and the applicant shall be prohibited from selling or operating a commercial animal establishment on the subject property (*i.e. the offering of animal byproducts -- e.g. eggs, chicken manure, etc. -- or chickens for sale on the subject property shall be prohibited*).
- (7) The *Chickens* shall be sheltered or confined in such a fashion as to prevent them from coming into contact with wild fowl or their excrement.
- (8) Ground accumulations of manure shall be collected and properly disposed of so as not to create offensive odors, fly breeding, or in any way pose a health hazard or nuisance to humans or animals.

2.2. COMPLIANCE

Approval of this ordinance in accordance with Subsection 02.02, *Specific Use Permits (SUP)*, of Article 11, *Development Applications and Review Procedures*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC) will require compliance to the following:

- (1) Upon obtaining a *Building Permit*, should the homeowner fail to meet the minimum operational requirements set forth herein and outline in the Unified Development Code (UDC), the City Council may (*after proper notice*) initiate proceedings to revoke the Specific Use Permit (SUP) in accordance with Section 2.02(F), *Revocation*, of Article 11, *Development Applications and Review Procedures*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC).

SECTION 3. That the official zoning map of the City be corrected to reflect the changes in zoning

described herein.

SECTION 4. That all ordinances of the City of Rockwall in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of that conflict.

SECTION 5. Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of *TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00)* for each offense and each and every day such offense shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 6. If any section or provision of this ordinance or the application of that section or provision to any person, firm, corporation, situation or circumstance is for any reason judged invalid, the adjudication shall not affect any other section or provision of this ordinance or the application of any other section or provision to any other person, firm, corporation, situation or circumstance, and the City Council declares that it would have adopted the valid portions and applications of the ordinance without the invalid parts and to this end the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, THIS THE 7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022.



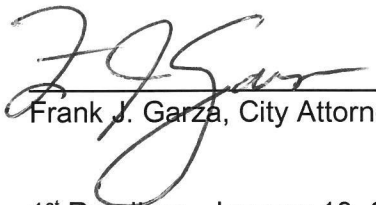
Kevin Fowler, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kristy Teague, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Frank J. Garza, City Attorney



1st Reading: January 18, 2022

2nd Reading: February 7, 2022

Exhibit 'A'
Zoning Exhibit

Address: 1700 E. SH-66

Legal Description: Tract 7 of the D. Harr Survey, Abstract No. 102



**Exhibit 'B':
Site Plan**



RED CROSS HATCHED AREA: AREA THE CHICKEN COOP CAN BE LOCATED

Exhibit 'C':
Building Elevations

