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**CHICKEN APPLICATION PERMIT # \_\_\_\_\_**

Initial Permit

Permit Renewal

Permit Modification

Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning District: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Number of Chickens: \_\_\_\_\_ Property Square Footage: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Coop Cubic Feet: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Run Cubic Feet: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Hickman residents interested in keeping chickens must complete the following application. A site plan with a drawing or diagram depicting the placement of the chicken coop and run enclosure must accompany the application. Permits must be renewed annually in the month of December with the City of Hickman for a permit commencing on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Permits expire and become invalid on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. See Hickman Municipal Code Chapter 3 Misdemeanors, Article 4 – Animals Generally, Section 3-403 entitled “POULTRY; CHICKENS; PERMIT REQUIREMENTS; RESTRICTIONS” (Ordinance No. 2020-07). See Section 3-701 and 3-702 for enforcement provisions and penalties associated with non-compliance.

Failure to comply with **ANY** of the items listed below is sufficient reason to deny an application or revoke a permit. Failure to maintain a valid permit will result in a Municipal Code Violation.

**INITIAL TO SHOW AGREEMENT TO COMPLY WITH EACH STATEMENT:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant’s property is within city limits and currently zoned R-2 Zoning District.

\_\_\_\_\_ No more than four (4) chickens on an applicant’s property of one acre or less. No more than six (6) chickens on property greater than one acre.

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant shall not keep roosters on permitted property.

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant shall not slaughter any chickens on permitted property.

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant provides a chicken facility (Coop) constructed of durable material and flooring shall be waterproof, hard-surface, non-porous material of not less than three (3) cubic feet per occupant chicken. Such Coop shall be constructed, anchored and repaired as to prevent rats, mice, or other rodents from being harbored underneath, within, or within the walls of the Coop.

\_\_\_\_\_ Coop shall be ventilated and in a clean and sanitary condition at all times.

\_\_\_\_\_ The chicken enclosure (Run) shall be not more than five (5) cubic feet per occupant chicken, fully covered, constructed of metal wire fencing, attached to the Coop and be anchored down.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chickens are not allowed to free range or otherwise be outside of the Coop and Run.

\_\_\_\_\_ Coop and Run setbacks are at minimum: five (5) feet from the rear property line, six (6) feet from the side property line and twenty (20) feet from any neighboring residence.

\_\_\_\_\_ Coop and Run shall not be placed in any utility easement and should give sufficient clearance distances from utility equipment. The large green transformer boxes have a ten feet (10') clearance from the lock side (decal side) and one foot a (1') clearance on the remaining three sides. The smaller pedestal requires a three feet (3') clearance from its lock side and side clearance of one foot (1'). If the Public Works department needs to access the transformer to shut off the power they use a ten foot pole and will remove any Run or Coop panels that are in the way, at the property owner's expense.

\_\_\_\_\_ Any dead chicks or chicken must be double bagged and placed in the garbage.

\_\_\_\_\_ Offal, manure and waste material accumulating from the chickens will be sanitarilly disposed of at least once every seven (7) days.

\_\_\_\_\_ All food for immediate consumption shall be placed in a suitable feeding trough or similar container and all other food shall be stored in rat-proof containers at all times.

**COMPLIANCE**

The City of Hickman, Code Enforcement Officer, Chief Building Inspector, Health Official and/or Deputy Sheriff shall have authority to discern compliance with this Ordinance. These officials also have the authority to direct compliance of this Ordinance with regard to requiring certain facilities or activities by chicken owners to ensure that neighbors are not unreasonably subjected to noise, rodents, predators, or other violations of the provisions of this Ordinance. Permit fee is \$10.00.

By signing this application, I acknowledge the statements initialed by me and agree to adhere to Ordinance No. 2020-07 and I give the City of Hickman, Code Enforcement Officer, Chief Building Inspector, Health Official and/or Deputy Sheriff, the right to enter the property to inspect, observe, test, measure and investigate the enclosure, structure or property in connection with this permit application and any complaint received regarding it.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Use Only**

Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_