BACKYARD CHICKENS AND MINIATURE SWINE

February 21, 2023

Backyard Chickens

- September 20, 2022, City Council directed staff to discuss backyard chickens with the Animal Advisory Committee
- January 12, 2023, Committee discussed the draft ordinance
 - Recommended approval with changes
 - Staff agrees with changes; changes are incorporated in draft
- Up to 12 hens may be kept on a residential property
- Hens must be contained within the backyard in a coop
- Coop must be 25 feet from any habitable structure on a neighboring property
- No roosters are permitted

Miniature Swine

- May 10, 2022, Chapter 6 amended to allow miniature swine in the City Limits
- Changes made during approval placed additional restrictions based on the type of housing
 - Proposed changes provides consistency and clarity
- It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or maintain miniature swine over two hundred (200) pounds within the city limits in an R-1 residential zone a single-family or two-family dwelling unit or over one hundred (100) pounds in a first floor multi-family unit. Miniature swine shall not be permitted above the first floor in a multi-family unit.

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- Do not approve the amendments to the ordinance
- Make changes to the proposed amendments to the ordinance
- Approve the amendments to the ordinance as written

- On January 12, 2023 the Animal Advisory Committee recommended approval of the ordinance amendments
 - Staff agrees with the Committee's recommendation