

Business Impact Estimate Eligibility Form

Section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes

This form should be included in the agenda packet for the item under which the proposed ordinance is to be considered and must be posted on the City of Eustis' website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.

This form simply assists in determining whether a Business Impact Estimate must be completed under Florida law for the proposed ordinance. Should a Business Impact Estimate be required or should the City opt to provide one as a courtesy based on the selection below then a separate form with the statutory components of Section 166.041(4)(a) shall also accompany the proposed ordinance.

Ordinance Number	25-37
Ordinance Subject	Residential Backyard Chickens Program
Legal Advertising Date	October 19, 2025
First Reading On	10/23/2025
Second Reading On	11/6/2025

Ordinance Title

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF EUSTIS, LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, CREATING CHAPTER 14, ENTITLED "ANIMALS AND FOWL," AND ADDING ARTICLE II, ENTITLED "RESIDENTIAL BACKYARD CHICKENS PROGRAM," AND CREATING SECTION 115-11.8 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, ENTITLED "BACKYARD CHICKENS PROGRAM STANDARDS"; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT; ESTABLISHING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR PERMIT REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR STANDARDS OF CARE; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR PROGRAM REVIEW AND AUTOMATIC CONTINUATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Based on the City's review of the proposed ordinance (*must select one of the following*):

- ☐ The City has determined the statutory exemption identified below applies to the proposed ordinance; a Business Impact Estimate is NOT required and therefore not provided.
- ☒ The City has determined the statutory exemption identified below applies to the proposed ordinance; however, the City has prepared the Business Impact Estimate as a courtesy and to avoid any procedural issues that could impact the enactment of the proposed ordinance.
- ☐ The City has prepared a Business Impact Estimate in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes.

Exemptions

The City has determined that a Business Impact Estimate is NOT required as the following exemption applies to the proposed ordinance:

Section 166.041 (4)(c) exemption: It is required for compliance with federal or state law or regulation.



BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

The City provides the following Business Impact Estimate, which may be revised following its initial posting.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose to be served by the proposed ordinance, such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare of the municipality):

Ordinance Number 25-37 establishes a two-year Residential Backyard Chickens Program as a pilot initiative to allow a limited number of hens at detached single-family residences. The ordinance supports sustainability, personal food production, and educational opportunities while protecting public health, neighborhood character, and the welfare of adjacent residents through strict permitting, training, sanitation, and setback requirements. The public purpose includes enhancement of the built environment, promotion of household-level resilience, and preservation of neighborhood compatibility.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City, if any:

- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur.

None. The ordinance does not regulate or permit commercial poultry operations. It applies solely to non-commercial, residential properties.

- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible.

None. The ordinance applies exclusively to individual residential property owners. Businesses are not subject to its provisions. Residential applicants are subject to the \$75 permit fee and \$25 annual renewal fee.

- (c) An estimate of the City's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

Regulatory costs are expected to be minimal due to the permit cap of 15 participants. Revenues from permit and renewal fees may partially offset staff time for training verification, inspections, and enforcement actions. Cost-recovery is not the primary intent of the fee structure.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance.

Zero. No for-profit businesses are affected by the ordinance.

4. Additional information the City deems useful (if any).

This ordinance expressly prohibits commercial use, sale of eggs, or any business activity involving backyard hens. All hens must be kept solely for personal use by the permittee.

