

NO. 18-077

ANIMAL RESPONSIBILITY BYLAW AMENDMENT BYLAW (NO. 1)
A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

The purpose of this Bylaw is to amend the *Animal Responsibility Bylaw* to clarify regulations related to the keeping of poultry, including regulations related to the storage of poultry manure, and to provide discretion for Council to exempt persons or property from certain parts of the Bylaw in cases of undue hardship.

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Under its statutory powers, including sections 8(3)(k) of the *Community Charter*, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, in an open meeting assembled, enacts the following provisions:

Title

- 1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Animal Responsibility Bylaw Amendment Bylaw (No. 1)".

Amendments to the *Animal Responsibility Bylaw*

- 2 The *Animal Responsibility Bylaw No. 11-044* is amended

- (a) in section 2 by adding the following definition:

““poultry”

means any domesticated bird that is normally kept for its eggs, meat, or feathers, and includes chickens;”;

- (b) by adding a new section 3A as follows:

“3A (1) If, in the opinion of Council, application of any provision in Parts 4 or 7 of this Bylaw would result in undue hardship, Council may, by resolution, exempt a person or property from the application of that provision.

- (2) Council may impose terms and conditions as part of an exemption under subsection (1), including a time limit on the application of the exemption.”;

(c) in section 25 by deleting subsection (3) and replacing it with:

“(3) No person may keep, or allow to be kept, at any one time, on a lot more than fifteen female chickens or other poultry, or any combination of chickens or other poultry greater than fifteen.”;

(d) in section 35, adding new subsections (3) and (4) immediately following subsection (2) as follows:

“(3) A person must not store, deposit, spread, or compost, or allow to be stored, deposited, spread, or composted, poultry manure on a lot except in accordance with subsection (4).

(4) A person may store or compost poultry manure on a lot on which poultry is kept only if it is

(a) stored in a single fully enclosed container that is not more than one metre by one metre by one metre in size; and

(b) located at least three metres from the nearest property line.”; and

(e) in section 36, by adding a new subsection (4) immediately after subsection (3) as follows:

“(4) A person must not keep, or allow to be kept, any animal feed outside a building unless it is stored in a fully enclosed container that is capable of keeping out rats, raccoons, and other wildlife.”.

Effective Date

3 This Bylaw comes into force upon adoption.

READ A FIRST TIME the **14th** day of **June** 2018.

READ A SECOND TIME the **14th** day of **June** 2018.

READ A THIRD TIME the **14th** day of **June** 2018.

ADOPTED on the **21st** day of **June** 2018.

“CHRIS COATES”
CITY CLERK

“LISA HELPS”
MAYOR