ORDINANCE NO. 1965

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6-24 RELATING TO BACKYARD CHICKENS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD, COLORADO:

<u>Section 1</u>. Section 6-24-010 of the Broomfield Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

- (B) It is unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, possess, or harbor any livestock or fowl such as, but not limited to, horses, mules, donkeys, burros, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, chickens, geese, ducks, or turkeys within the residential and urbanized areas of the city; provided, however, that this section shall be coordinated with the city zoning ordinance, wherein certain animals and numbers thereof may be permitted within certain zoning districts. However, chickens shall be allowed in single family residential areas, absent specific zoning provisions, subject to the following restrictions:
 - (1) No more than five chickens are permitted per residential lot;
 - (2) Roosters are prohibited;
 - (3) Chickens must be contained within a coop and enclosure;
 - (4) Chickens may not be kept within a front yard;
 - (5) Coops and enclosures must be set back a minimum of ten feet from the property line;
 - (6) Outside slaughtering is prohibited;
 - (7) The keeping of chickens pursuant to this subsection shall require a license issued by the Department of Community Development;
 - (8) The fee for a backyard chicken license shall be a one-time fee in the amount of twenty five dollars;
 - (9) Coops and enclosures less than six feet in height or coops thirty two square feet or less shall not require a building permit. Coops and enclosures six feet or greater in height or coops greater than thirty two square feet shall require a building permit through the Building Division of the Department of Community Development.

Failure to comply with these provisions shall constitute a violation of the municipal code and shall be subject to the penalty provisions contained in Chapter 1-12.

<u>Section 2</u>. This ordinance shall be effective seven days after publication following final passage.

INTRODUCED AND APPROVED after first reading on January 8, 2013, and ordered published in full.

INTRODUCED A SECOND TIME and approved, as amended, on February 26, 2013, and further ordered published.

Bold type indicates new material to be added to the Broomfield Municipal Code. Dashes through words indicate deletions from the Broomfield Municipal Code.