



# CITY OF TUALATIN

## Staff Report

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THROUGH:** Teresa Montalvo, Planning Manager

**FROM:** Erin Engman, AICP, Senior Planner

**DATE:** March 23, 2026

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**SUBJECT:**

Consideration of Ordinance 1454-26, amending the Tualatin Development Code (TDC) Chapters 39 and 40 to include the keeping of domestic fowl as a permitted use in the Low Density Residential Zone (RL) under PTA 26-0001.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends Council consider Ordinance No. 1454-26.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Ordinance No. 1454-26 amends the Tualatin Development Code (TDC) Chapter 39 to expand the agricultural use category to include domestic fowl, as well as Chapter 40 to update permitted uses to include domestic fowl in the Low Density Residential Zone (RL). A companion Ordinance (No. 1455-26) will amend Tualatin Municipal Code 6-15 to regulate the various aspects of keeping backyard domestic fowl.

One March 9, 2026, the Council considered PTA 26-0001 and adoption Ordinance No. 1454-26 which would amend the TDC to expand existing regulations for backyard chickens to include domestic fowl. The Council conducted first and second reading of Ordinance No. 1454-26. The vote to adopt the Ordinance received a majority of four in favor, and two against.

Under Charter Section 35, before an ordinance can be enacted, the ordinance must be read at two separate Council meetings. However, an ordinance may be enacted at a single Council meeting if the vote to adopt the ordinance receives the unanimous vote of all Council members present. Since Ordinance No. 1454-26 did not receive unanimous approval at the last meeting, Ordinance No. 1454-26 must return for a third reading and consideration for final adoption to comply with the requirement in Charter Section 35.

**OUTCOMES OF DECISION:**

If approved, Ordinance No. 1454-26 will adopt Domestic Fowl Regulations (PTA 26-0001) to amend Chapter 39 of the Tualatin Development Code to expand the agricultural use category to include domestic fowl, as well as Chapter 40 to update permitted uses to include domestic fowl in the Low Density Residential Zone (RL).

**ALTERNATIVES TO THE RECOMMENDATION:**

- Continue the discussion to a later date
  - Approve the amendments and adopt the Ordinance with additional changes
  - Deny the amendments and decline to adopt the Ordinance
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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Ordinance 1454 - 26

Exhibit 1 – PTA 26-0001 Findings and Analysis

Exhibit 2 – PTA 26-0001 Text Amendment (Clean)

Exhibit 3 – PTA 26-0001 Text Amendment (Formatted)

Exhibit 4 – Public Notice

Exhibit 5 – Supplemental Items submitted by Commissioner Hledik