

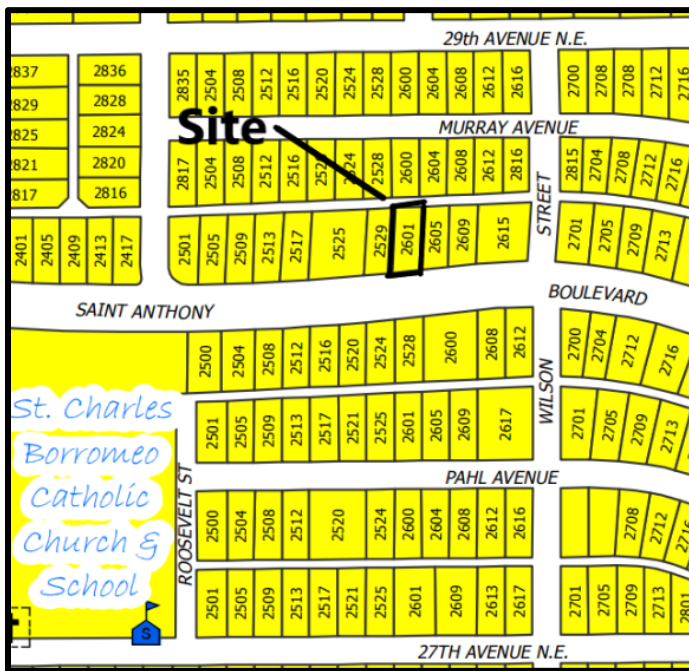


MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Stille and St. Anthony Village City Council
 From: Stephen Grittman, City Planner
 Date: City Council Regular Meeting for October 11, 2022
 NAC Project No. 323.01 – 22.10
 Request: **Request to keep six (6) chickens in an R-1 Zoning District**
 Location: **2601 St. Anthony Boulevard**

DISCUSSION AND STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff has received an inquiry from the applicant owners dated September 12th, 2022, requesting a permit to keep up to six chickens at their residential property at the above address. The property is zoned R-1, Single Family Residential, and is surrounded primarily by single family neighborhood in all directions.



The Applicants have provided a diagram of the property showing a chicken coop in relation to their property. The proposed location is adjacent to a detached garage, and a separate driveway is attached to the garage. The proposed enclosed structure would be enclosed with an open fenced "run" of 4 feet by 11.5 feet, extending north from the height of the coop or run at between 5 and 6 feet high.

The applicants indicate that the coop and run area are entirely enclosed by structures and an existing privacy fence.

The chicken coop and is proposed to be constructed of composite wood to control moisture, and the run would be enclosed by cedar wood and poultry wire fencing.

As noted, the applicants are requesting approval for six chickens. The City's requirements will typically specify that the chickens must all be hens, no male roosters permitted on the property to avoid noise concerns. The application indicates compliance with this condition.

CITY CODE RELATED TO REQUEST

Title IX General Regulations, Chapter 91 Animals, Section § 91.56 KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS states that "No person may keep swine, cattle, horses, goats, or more than 2 dogs or 3 dogs allowed under § 91.01 through 91.05 or fowl, within the city nearer than 500 feet to any human habitation or platted land, without approval of the City Council. The City Council may, before approving or denying any request for approval, request a report from the Health Officer concerning the effect on public health."

REQUESTED ACTION

Staff has reviewed the request, and recommends approval of the request.

- 1. Motion to adopt a resolution approving the request to keep six female chickens on the property located at 2601 St. Anthony Boulevard. A draft resolution reflecting approval is attached to this staff report. It is noted that the facility has already been constructed, and the applicants are requesting approval after the fact.**
2. Motion to deny the request for chickens at 2601 St. Anthony Boulevard, and direct staff to prepare a resolution declaring terms of the same. In the event the City Council chooses denial of the request, it should clearly state its reasons for the denial and direct staff to prepare a resolution based on said findings.

ATTACHMENTS

- Exhibit A: Request Letter and Diagrams
Exhibit B: City Council Resolution 22-067