

City Council Staff Report

July 15, 2020

Applicant: Mapleton City

Location: City wide

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Community Development
Director

Public Hearing: Y

Zone: All

Attachments:

1. Draft ordinance.

REQUEST

Consideration of an ordinance amending Mapleton City Code section 6.04.290 related to the slaughter of animals within the City limits.

BACKGROUND AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City has recently received complaints regarding the slaughtering of animals on residential property within the City. As these complaints were reviewed, it was determined that the code was insufficiently clear regarding whether the slaughtering of animals was in violation of the City Code.

The zoning ordinance allows for animal rights on parcels of ½ an acre or larger and within certain zones. Chickens are allowed on properties without animal rights. The proposed ordinance (see exhibit “A”) establishes that the slaughtering of animals within the City can only occur under the following circumstances:

- For personal consumption on properties with animal rights;
- In the case of sick or injured animals on properties with animal rights;
- In the case of an animal killed with a legal permit from a state agency (example: depredation permit from DWR); and
- In the case of chickens on properties allowed to keep chickens.

The proposed ordinance indicates that if an animal is slaughtered it must be done in an enclosed building or in a location at least 100 feet from a neighboring residential structure or public right-of-way. The site must also remain clean and free from public health concerns.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the attached ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-

**CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MAPLETON CITY CODE SECTION
6.04.290 RELATED TO THE SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS**

WHEREAS, Mapleton City Code (MCC) Title 6 establishes regulations regarding animals within the City; and

WHEREAS, MCC Title 18 establishes requirements regarding animal rights on properties within the City; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance would establish criteria for the slaughtering of an animal within the City, and is intended to promote the general welfare of the community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Mapleton, Utah, to amend Mapleton City Code Section 6.04.290 as described in Exhibit "A".

PASSED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MAPLETON, UTAH,

This 15th Day of July, 2020.

Dallas Hakes
Mayor

ATTEST:

Camille Brown
City Recorder
Publication Date:
Effective Date:

Exhibit “A” Proposed Ordinance

MCC Chapter 6.04.290

The slaughter of any animal within Mapleton City is prohibited, except:

1. In the case of livestock for personal consumption on a lot or parcel zoned for animal rights as identified in Title 18 of this code;
2. In the case of sick or injured livestock on a lot or parcel zoned for animal rights as identified in Title 18 of this code;
3. In the case of an animal killed on a lot or parcel with a legal permit from an appropriate state agency to take wild animals that are causing damage to agriculture or greenbelt property; or
4. In the case of chickens on properties without animal rights in accordance with section 18.84.240.A.6 of this code.
5. The slaughter of any animal under this section shall occur in an enclosed building or in a location that is at least one hundred (100) feet from a neighboring residential structure and/or public right-of-way.
6. The slaughter of any animals allowed under this section shall comply with the cleanliness standard adopted in section 8.04.100 of this code.