

Authority: Economic and Community Development
Committee Item EC3.4, adopted as amended, by City of
Toronto Council on May 10, 11 and 12, 2023
City Council voted in favour of this by-law on May 12,
2023

CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW 422-2023

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 349, Animals, with respect to the backyard hen-keeping pilot project.

Whereas under section 8 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, the City may pass by-laws respecting animals;

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 349, Animals, is amended by:
 - a. Deleting § 349-4.1;
 - b. Deleting Schedule B; and
 - c. Amending § 349-4L by moving the "or" to the end of § 349-4L(2) and adding a new § 349-4L(3) as follows:
 - (3) Where a person was lawfully keeping a hen or hens as part of the hens pilot program within permitted areas of the City, that person may continue to keep that hen or those hens until they have died despite the end of the pilot provided:
 - (a) the person continues to keep the hens at the location approved by the City and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the pilot and their agreement with the City;
 - (b) the Executive Director, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health, has not determined that the keeping of the hen or hens jeopardizes public health, the health of the hen or is causing community disruption; and
 - (c) the person provides the Executive Director with information on their hens upon request so as to clearly identify them as well as any other information as requested by and to the satisfaction of the Executive Director.

2. This by-law shall come into force on the day it is passed.

Enacted and passed on May 15, 2023.

Frances Nunziata,
Speaker

John D. Elvidge,
City Clerk

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