Domestic Poultry – Housekeeping Amendment Proposed Zoning By-law Provisions

#	Zoning By-law 40/2016	Existing Provision/Section	Proposed Provisions
1	SECTION 3 – DEFINITIONS	"Livestock Facility", means one or more barns or permanent structures intended for keeping or housing of livestock with livestock occupied portions, which are areas of the structure where the livestock spend a majority of their time thus allowing substantial amounts of manure to accumulate. A livestock facility also includes all manure or material storages and anaerobic digesters. For the purposes of this definition livestock includes animals identified in the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Minimum Distance Separation Implementation Guidelines.	"Livestock Facility", means one or more barns or permanent structures intended for keeping or housing of livestock with livestock occupied portions, which are areas of the structure where the livestock spend a majority of their time thus allowing substantial amounts of manure to accumulate. A livestock facility also includes all manure or material storages and anaerobic digesters but does not include a domestic poultry coop as defined in By-law XX/2024. For the purposes of this definition livestock includes animals identified in the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Minimum Distance Separation Implementation Guidelines. Domestic Poultry Coop: A building and/or structure that is a maximum of 10m2 and accessory to a main, detached dwelling in the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) zone and used for the housing, keeping, and/or raising of domestic poultry, as defined in, and subject to, By-law XX/2024, A By-law to Regulate the Keeping of Domestic Poultry within the Township of Guelph/Eramosa, and the applicable provisions of this By-law.
2	SECTION 4 – GENERAL PROVISIONS	4.24.2 MDS II – New or Expanding Livestock Facilities Notwithstanding the above, new livestock facilities will not be permitted on lots less than 8,000 m2 (2 acres) in size.	 Add a new general provision to Section 4 as follows: Notwithstanding any other provisions of this By-law, within the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) Zone, a domestic poultry coop may be permitted subject to the following regulations: 1. The minimum lot area shall be 0.4 ha (1 ac) 2. Any building and/or structure related to housing, keeping and/or raising of domestic poultry and their manure shall not cumulatively exceed an area of 10m² 3. The provisions under Section 4.2 Accessory Uses are applicable, except where it conflicts with any regulations identified in the Animal Control By-law, as amended.

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			4. MDS shall not be applicable.5. The use shall meet all provisions identified in By-law XX/2024, as amended.
3	SECTION 6 – AGRICULTURAL (A) ZONE	6.2.7 Livestock Facilities New and existing Livestock Facilities may be permitted on lots larger than 0.8 hectares (2 ac) subject to Minimum Distance Separation (MDS) setbacks (Section 4.24).	No change proposed. The intent is to allow domestic poultry on properties with the primary use of residential.
4	SECTION 6 – AGRICULTURAL (A) ZONE	6.2.8 Regulations for Residential Uses Agricultural uses and Livestock facilities are not currently permitted on reduced agricultural lots used solely for residential purposes.	No change proposed. Domestic poultry on reduced agricultural lots used solely for residential purposes to be permitted through the general provisions section.
5	SECTION 7 – RURAL RESIDENTIAL (RR) ZONE	7.1 Permitted Uses Agricultural uses and livestock facilities are not currently permitted in the RR Zone.	No change proposed. Domestic poultry to be permitted on RR lots used solely for residential purposes through the general provisions section.