



## Eggcited to apply for a hen keeping licence? Now's your chance.

The City of Edmonton will begin accepting applications for Urban Hen Keeping Licences on Thursday, April 28, 2016. The application is available at [edmonton.ca/hens](http://edmonton.ca/hens) with details on how to apply and what's required to keep hens in Edmonton.

Applications will be reviewed on a first come, first served basis. The City will issue a total of 50 licences. A wait list will be created once those licences are issued.

Before submitting an application, Edmontonians must take an introductory hen keeping course, and are strongly encouraged to read [Edmonton's Urban Hen Keeping Procedures and Guidelines](#).

In March, City Council agreed to extend the Urban Hens Pilot Project for an additional year and to increase the number of permitted sites to 50 from the current 18 sites. The extension will allow the City to further study the potential benefits and issues associated with keeping urban hens.

The urban hen keeping initiative aligns with [fresh: Edmonton's Food and Urban Agriculture Strategy](#), which recommends that the City explore opportunities for citizens to keep bees and raise hens by partnering with local non-profits and to evaluate the resulting implications.

Information about the results of the first phase of the pilot project are available through the City of Edmonton's Community Services Committee [report to Council](#).

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