



## People of Foxmoor We Need Your Votes!!!



On May 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 the HOA met to conduct a regular business meeting, I Cary Bolt and my wife Meghan of 3709 Farmstone Dr introduced a motion to the floor to make a small amendment in our HOA Bylaws. The proposed change would be to include chickens as pets as other city's, towns, and communities have done in our area of North Carolina.

### **Fact:**

- Raleigh officially allowed urban chicken keeping in 2004 by expanding its definition of domesticated animals in Section 12-3001 to include chickens. By subtly shifting the animal's status from being a "traditional farm animal" to a pet, chickens became permissible because they could be handled under the city's animal ordinances for pets.
- Durham's City Council voted 7-0 on Feb. 19, 2009 to amend their Unified Development Ordinance ("UDO") to permit chickens within city limits.
- At the Town Council meeting of February 9, 2012, two council members sponsored an initiative to have staff revisit the issue of permitting residents of Cary to keep chickens in the back yards of single-family properties. On August 23, 2012 Town Council adopted an amendment to the Land Development Ordinance (LDO) to permit backyard chickens in certain zoning districts and subject to certain standards.
- Chickens make great pets
- Chickens offer a great learning opportunity for children and adults, help our children learn where their food comes from and supports our local farmers.
- Chickens provide sustainable food for your family and neighbors.

### **Proposals:**

- **No more than 5 (HEN) chickens NO roosters.**
- **Chicken(s) must be contained in approved coop at all times.**
- **Approval process by HOA board for architectural appeal and size of coop (proposed size limit would be 8x12).**
- **Coops must be located in back yards and maintain the 10 foot offset off of the property line.**
- **Owners will be required to maintain the premises of the coop keeping it in a neat and clean fashion.**

Please take the opportunity to learn about these great animals before you cast your votes. I have provided links to websites that will answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you for your time and we appreciate your vote.

Cary, Meghan, and Emma Bolt

<http://www.backyardchickens.com/t/796666/facts-myths-of-backyard-chickens>

[http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/poulsci/tech\\_manuals/Backyard\\_Chickens.pdf](http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/poulsci/tech_manuals/Backyard_Chickens.pdf)

