ORDINANCE O-4-2024

MANTUA TOWNSHIP
GLOUCESTER COUNTY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AMENDING CHAPTER 230 "LAND DEVELOPMENT" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

WHEREAS, the Township of Mantua ("Township") is a municipal entity organized and existing under the laws of State of New Jersey and located in Gloucester County; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 230 of the Township Code sets forth rules and regulations concerning zoning and permitted uses within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to amend Chapter 230 of the Township Code to allow the keeping of fowl as a permitted use within certain zones in the Township; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the Governing Body is authorized to enact and amend ordinances as deemed necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the Township by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Mantua, County of Gloucester, and the State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 230, Article II, Section 7 of the Township Code, entitled "Definitions" is hereby amended, supplemented, and/or revised by adding the following definition:

§ 230-7. Definitions.

FOWL

Any feathered vertebrate animal, including, but not limited to, chickens, hens, ducks, turkeys, pheasants and/or barnyard-type birds raised for meat or otherwise.

SECTION 2: Chapter 230, Article IV, Section 13 of the Township Code, entitled "AR Agriculture Residential District" is hereby amended, supplemented, and/or revised as follows:

§ 230-13. AR Agriculture Residential District.

A. [No Changes]

B. Uses.

1. [No Changes]

2. Accessory uses.

(a) The following accessory uses shall be permitted by right:

1. [No Changes]
2. [No Changes]
3. [No Changes]
4. [No Changes]
5. [No Changes]
6. [No Changes]
7. [No Changes]
8. [No Changes]
9. [No Changes]
10. [No Changes]
11. Keeping of fowl, provided that the use occurs on a lot of one (1) acre or more in area. The minimum setback requirement is thirty (30) feet from property lines and the keeping of fowl shall not be located in a front yard setback. No rooster shall be permitted.

(b) [No Changes]

C. [No Changes]

D. [No Changes]

SECTION 3: Except as set forth in Sections 1 and 2 above, the balance of the Code of the Township of Mantua shall not be affected by this Ordinance.

SECTION 4: All ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

SECTION 5: If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

THE FOREGOING was introduced by the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua and passed on first reading on the 11th day of March, 2024 at a regular meeting, and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Mantua to be held on the 8th day of April 2024 at 6:00 p.m., at the Mantua Township Municipal Building, Meeting Hall, 401 Main Street, Mantua, New Jersey 08051, at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the Ordinance are available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk during normal business hours.

TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

By: _____
Robert Zimmerman, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Jennica Bileci, Township Clerk

Introduced: March 11, 2024

	Scirrotto	**Zimmerman**	**Layton**	**Legge**	**Lukens**
Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

Public Hearing Held: April 8, 2024

	Scirrotto	**Zimmerman**	**Layton**	**Legge**	**Lukens**
Yes	✓	✓	✓		✓
No					
Abstain					
Absent				✓	