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Board of Adjustment Request for a Chicken Coop at 220 South Street

### **Detailed Description of Proposed Work**

This variance request is to keep chickens in our back yard primarily as household pets and also as egg layers. We will NOT keep roosters.

A 8 feet wide x 12 feet long, and not to exceed 10 feet at the peak. A chicken coop will be constructed to keep the chickens housed and safe from local wildlife predators.

The coop will be made completely of natural wood and the finishes will resemble the Studio building on the property keeping with the aesthetic character of the neighborhood.

No hazardous, toxic, odorous, nor flammable materials will be used to construct the coop nor be stored on the premises at any time.

Eggs will be used by our family and not sold to the public.

There will be no excessive demand on municipal services as we plan on keeping a very small flock of 6-10 birds.

The chickens will have a fenced area around the coop that will keep them on our property at all times and not allow them to wander onto neighbors properties nor into the surrounding neighborhood.

### **Brief Description of Existing Land Use**

Back yard for vegetable gardening and outdoor recreation.

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10.232.20 Special exceptions shall meet all of the following standards:

This request is for a special exception from (Article 4, Section 17.20) KEEPING OF FARM ANIMALS.

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10.232.21 Standards as provided by this Ordinance for the particular use permitted by special exception;

I understand the standards as provided by this Ordinance for this particular request of keeping chickens permitted by special exception from (Article 4, Section 17.20) KEEPING OF FARM ANIMALS.

10.232.22 No hazard to the public or adjacent property on account of potential fire, explosion or release of toxic materials;

The granting of this special exception to keep chickens will not result in any hazard to the public or adjacent property on account of potential fire, explosion or release of toxic materials.

No hazardous, toxic, odorous, nor flammable materials will be used to construct the coop nor be stored on the premises at any time.

10.232.23 No detriment to property values in the vicinity or change in the essential characteristics of any area including residential neighborhoods or business and industrial districts on account of the location or scale of buildings and other structures, parking areas, accessways, odor, smoke, gas, dust, or other pollutant, noise, glare, heat, vibration, or unsightly outdoor storage of equipment, vehicles or other materials;

The granting of this special exception to keep chickens in our back yard will not result in detriment to property values in the vicinity or change in the essential characteristics of any area including residential neighborhoods or business and industrial districts on account of the location or scale of buildings and other structures, parking areas, accessways, odor, smoke, gas, dust, or other pollutant, noise, glare, heat, vibration, or unsightly outdoor storage of equipment, vehicles or other materials;

An 8 feet wide x 12 feet long, and not to exceed 10 feet at the peak chicken coop will be constructed to keep the chickens housed and safe from the general public and local wildlife predators.

The coop will be located 10 feet from the north property line, and 8 feet from the east property line.

Presently there is a property on South Street that keeps farm animals; geese and sheep. Our request is to place chickens and a coop in the back of the yard away from any streets. The setting is very rural in character and far from immediate housing and foot traffic. The coop will be made completely of natural wood and the finishes will resemble the Studio building on the property keeping with the aesthetic character of the neighborhood and surrounding area.

10.232.24 No creation of a traffic safety hazard or a substantial increase in the level of traffic congestion in the vicinity;

There will be no creation of a traffic safety hazard or a substantial increase in the level of traffic congestion in the vicinity;

We will place the coop and chickens in our back yard away from any roads, sidewalks or foot traffic. Eggs will not be available for the public to purchase and therefore not create any additional traffic to the property.

10.232.25 No excessive demand on municipal services, including, but not limited to, water, sewer, waste disposal, police and fire protection and schools; and

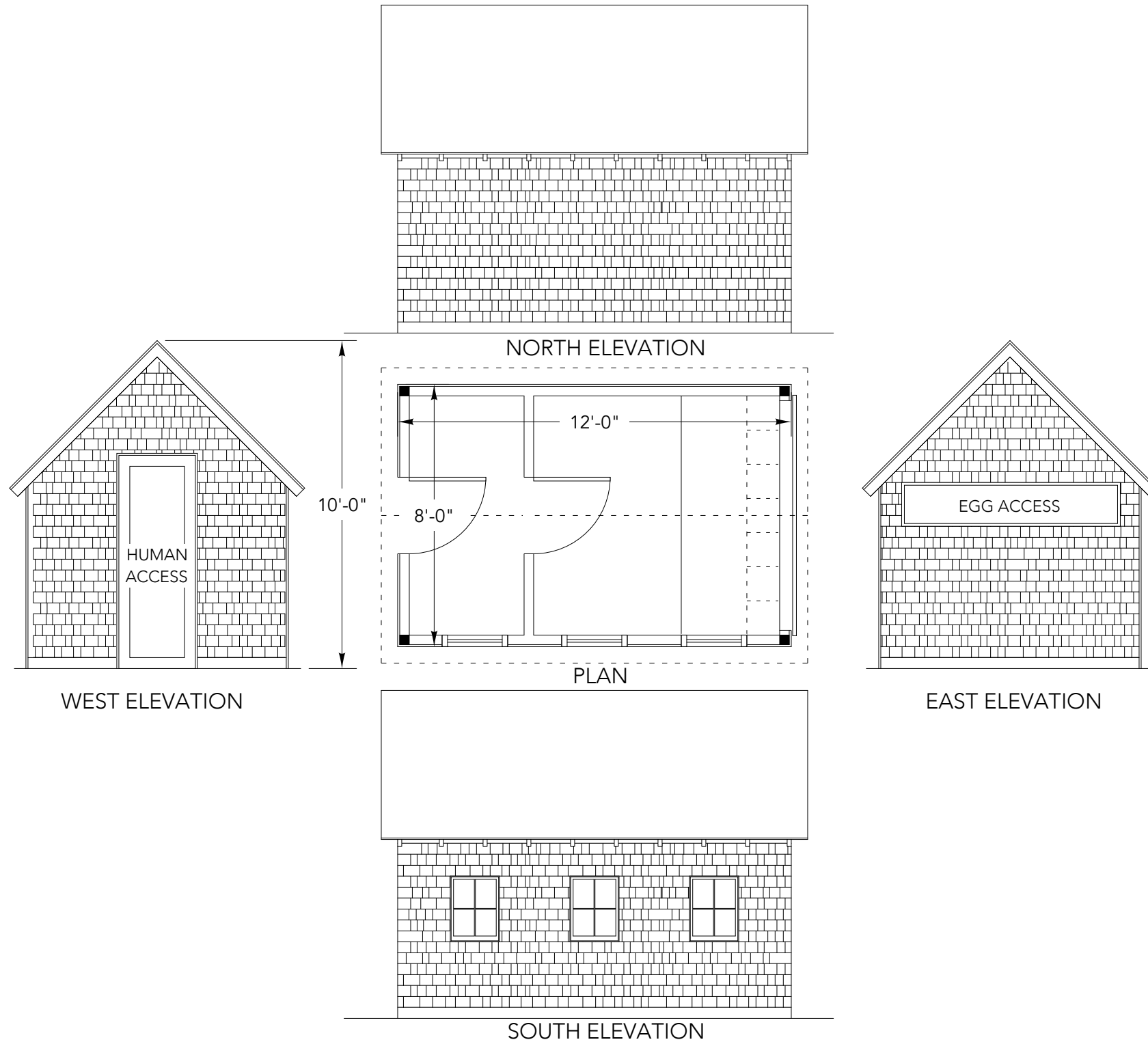
The granting of this special exception to keep chickens in our back yard will have no excessive demand on municipal services, including, but not limited to, water, sewer, waste disposal, police and fire protection and schools.

We will keep a small flock of 6-10 laying hens that will drink water similar to that of a household pet. The bedding used will be natural pine woodchips in a deep bedding system that will result in producing manure twice a year that will be used in our backyard garden beds creating a closed loop ecosystem that will not produce city waste.

10.232.26 No significant increase of stormwater runoff onto adjacent property or streets.

The granting of this special exception to keep chickens in our back yard will create no significant increase of stormwater runoff onto adjacent property or streets.

The coop and chickens will be in our grassy back yard in a very rural location far from the neighboring houses, driveways, sidewalks and streets.



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Chicken Coop

1/4" = 1'-0"

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Chicken Coop  
Site Photo

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COOP LOCATION

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Chicken Coop

Yard Photo

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