

Urban Miniature Goats in Saanich - Pilot Study

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

At their meeting on Monday April 18, 2016, Saanich Council approved a Pilot Study for a minimum of 18 months, allowing miniature goats to be kept on up to ten (10) single family zoned urban residential lots. Miniature goats means dwarf and pygmy goats which are smaller in size than a standard goat.

How to participate?

1. Review and sign this **Terms and Conditions** document;
 2. Complete an **Application Form**;
 3. Obtain written approval of all neighbours within 50 m of the subject property (measured from the edges of the property, not the centre). See drawing **example** and use **Neighbour Consent Form** for neighbours to sign;
 4. Prepare a site plan showing where on your property you plan to locate the goat shelter and enclosure (see attached **example**); and
 5. Submit your completed application to the Planning department by July 25, 2016.
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The following identifies the Terms and Conditions that apply to the Pilot Study:

Property:

- A minimum lot size of 557 m².

Approvals:

- A signed agreement from the property owner/renter acknowledging their understanding of the terms and conditions of the study (see application form).
- Written approval from the owner of the property (if applicant is a renter).
- Written approval from the strata corporation (if applicable).
- Written approval from neighbours within 50 meters of your property (see Neighbour Consent form).

Miniature Goats:

- Two (2) goats must be kept on the property.
- Goats must be dehorned.
- Male goats must be neutered.
- Any offspring can be kept on the property from birth up to 12 weeks.
- Goats may be kept for personal use only and the sale of milk, dairy products, manure, meat or other products derived from goats shall not be permitted on the parcel.
- Goats may not be slaughtered or carcasses buried onsite.

Housing /Shelter Needs:

- An indoor shelter must be provided of no less than 3.3 m² in area, be less than 2.5 m in height, be designed to be predator proof, provide easy access for cleaning, be water tight, draft free, and ventilated.
- An outdoor enclosure must be provided and have direct access from the indoor shelter. The outdoor enclosure must have a minimum area of 37 m², be secured from the outside, and have a minimum fence height of 1.5 m and a maximum of 1.9 m. The outdoor enclosure needs to be easily accessed for cleaning and have no objects within it to enable the goat to climb/jump out.
- The indoor shelter and the outdoor enclosure must be located in the rear yard of the single family lot, and be no closer than 3m from side & rear lot lines and 3m from residential dwelling windows or doors.
- The indoor shelter and the outdoor enclosure must be maintained in good repair and must be kept free from vermin and obnoxious smells and substances.

Sanitation:

- Not more than 3 m³ of goat manure can be stored on the parcel at one time and any manure shall be stored in a fully enclosed structure or container that contains the odour when closed.
- Unused manure must be removed from the parcel in a timely manner.
- The storage of food supply for the goats must be kept in a pest and vermin proof container.

After the Pilot Study is complete, a summary report outlining findings will be presented to Council. Following the Pilot Study, a broader public engagement process will be undertaken with residents of Saanich on the potential of legalizing miniature urban goats on urban residential zoned properties in Saanich.

Questions:

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact:
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Urban Miniature Goat Pilot Study Participant Agreement:

I _____, the applicant understand and agree to the above noted conditions.

Name

I am willing to voluntarily participate in a follow-up study with Saanich staff.

Signature:

Date: