

Potbellied Pigs



The City of Brooklyn Park is exploring a code change to allow potbellied pigs and other animal types at residential properties.



Note: Not every household will want to own a potbellied pig.

Did you know?

Pigs are currently allowed in Brooklyn Park if you have a property larger than 5 acres.

Did you know?

2019 is the Year of the Pig on the Chinese Zodiac.

Under the proposed change

- Only 1 potbellied pig would be allowed per household.
- Potbellied pigs would be required to be licensed, just like dogs.
- They must be spayed or neutered.
- Potbellied pigs require daily care.
- Pens and shelters must be kept clean and manure properly disposed of.

Things to Know

- Training a potbellied pig is like training a puppy.
- They can be trained to use a litter box.
- They look different than a "regular" pig. Potbellied pigs have longer snouts, straighter tails, and more upright ears (and a potbelly).
- Potbellied pigs need their vaccinations like any other pet.
- A potbelly pig can live to be 20 years old.
- Hoof trimming is needed 1-2 times per year. Tusk trimming also may be required.
- Potbellied pigs are considered full grown at about 3 years old and can weigh anywhere from 90-200 pounds. In comparison, farm pigs can be over 600 pounds.
- They need regular exercise just like people.

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This information is intended only as a general guide. Other codes and ordinances may apply. You can reference the city ordinances on the city's website: www.brooklynpark.org