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## Spring Hill mulls changes to chicken limits

### A look at how other Middle Tennessee cities govern backyard hens

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Hens may soon rule the roost in Spring Hill as the city's board of mayor and aldermen continue to discuss changes to an ordinance limiting the

number of birds allowed on a person's property.

The debate has caused many to question how Spring Hill's rules stack up against other Middle Tennessee communities.

Spring Hill's board has deferred a second reading on the measure to August so officials could gather more information.

The proposed amendment to city code would allow residents to keep more domesticated hens on Spring Hill properties. It says a property owner can

have one hen per 1,500 square feet of lot area with no maximum versus the current rule, which limits property owners to four hens per property and the birds can't be within 1,000 feet of any residence.

During public comments on the measure July 21, one property owner speaking against the amendment cited the city of Brentwood's chicken ordinance, which only allows birds on properties with three or more acres.

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**Jeff Poppen feeds his chicken at his Long Hungry Creek organic farm in Red Boiling Springs on March 8, 2011.**

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**U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy speaks during a press conference announcing the Music City Loop tunnel project at the Hilton BNA Hotel in Nashville on July 28. Elon Musk's The Boring Company plans to build the high-speed tunnel from Nashville International Airport to downtown. ANDREW NELLES / THE TENNESSEAN**

## Airport-to-downtown tunnel coming soon to Nashville

### Musk-owned Boring Company, officials promise better traffic with Music City Loop

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It's official. Elon Musk's The Boring Company plans to build a high-speed tunnel from Nashville International Airport to downtown.

The name will be the Music City Loop.

"Nashville was selected by The Boring Company for its rapid growth, strong economic potential and dedication to embracing smart, forward-looking infrastructure," state officials said in a statement. "The Music City Loop will remove thousands of vehicles from sur-



**The Boring Company operates an underground tunnel in Las Vegas and has announced that one will be coming to Nashville.**

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## Trump admin to unfreeze \$118M in TN education funding

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Nearly \$119 million in frozen K-12 public school funds for Tennessee will soon be released, according to President Donald Trump's administration.

The funds primarily support underserved children through things like after-school and summer learning programs, English learner resources and more. They were in limbo after the U.S. Education Department missed a key deadline to allocate the money earlier this month.

The move sparked anxiety, confusion and intense pushback from public school districts and advocates nationwide. An estimate from U.S. Sen. Patty Murray, D-WA, said Tennessee stood to lose \$118,985,396 this fiscal year if the funds remained frozen.

Nationwide, the funds added up to \$6.2 billion and were part of a budget passed by Congress and signed by Trump. The Education Department previously said the money, which was set to be administered July 1, was under review because of the change in presidential administrations.

The Trump administration later announced that more than \$1 billion of the paused funding would be released for after-school and summer learning programs. It was not clear how much of the initial \$118 million set aside for Tennessee was released at that time.

On July 25, a spokesperson for the Education Department told USA TODAY that the review is now complete and that remaining funds will start flowing to schools this week.



**Students walk off the bus on the first day of school at Clovercroft Elementary in Franklin on Aug. 5, 2024. STEPHANIE AMADOR / THE TENNESSEAN**

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