

ORDINANCE NO. 100-24

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-27(a), AMENDING SECTION 14-27(d),
ESTABLISHING SECTION 14-27(f), and ESTABLISHING SECTION 14-27(g)
OF THE FORT SMITH MUNICIPAL CODE**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1: Section 14-27(a) of the Fort Smith Municipal Code is amended to state as follows:

(a) It shall be unlawful to discharge any firearm in the city limits, except as provided in subsection (b) through (g) of this section.

SECTION 2: Section 14-27(d) of the Fort Smith Municipal Code is amended to state as follows:

(d) The chief of police shall have authority to issue permits for the discharge of firearms, archery equipment, air rifles, air pistols, or paintball guns in an indoor shooting gallery (the term "shooting gallery" means and includes any place or premises where facilities or devices for target shooting for practice or amusement with any firearm, archery equipment, air rifle, air pistol or paintball gun are provided for the use of any person for a fee, pay or compensation of any kind to be paid, directly or indirectly, by such person) as provided in section 14-30.

SECTION 3: Section 14-27(f) of the Fort Smith Municipal Code is hereby established and shall state as follows:

(f) The chief of police shall have the authority to issue permits for the operation of an outdoor gun range, subject to the following requirements:

(1) An outdoor gun range may only be allowed on property within an Open 1 Zoning district at the time such property is annexed into the city limits;

(2) No outdoor gun range shall be allowed on property less than eighty (80) acres in size;

(3) The applicant for a permit to operate an outdoor gun range must obtain and keep in effect during the term of any permit one or more policies of liability insurance with minimum policy limits of \$2,000,000 which provide coverage for the operation of an outdoor gun range;

(4) An outdoor gun range shall be limited to the activities associated with the sport of skeet, trap and sporting clays. No outdoor gun range shall allow the shooting of any rifles; and,

(5) Any permit issued shall be for a specified term, not to exceed ten (10) years.

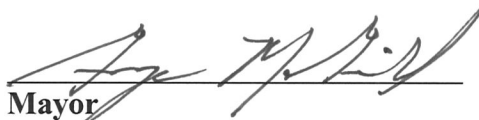
SECTION 4: Section 14-27(g) of the Fort Smith Municipal Code is hereby established and shall state as follows:

(g) The prohibition on the discharging of firearms in subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to active law enforcement officers or active military in the execution of their official duties.

SECTION 5: The codifier shall codify the above adopted provisions of Section 14-27 of the Fort Smith Municipal Code by amending the identified section of the same.


PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6th DAY OF November, 2024.

APPROVED:



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Approved/as to form:



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