

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD ADDING A NEW SECTION TO THE CODE PERTAINING TO PROHIBIT FIREARMS IN CITY BUILDINGS.

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri through its General Assembly has authorized citizens to carry concealed weapons under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the State Statutes authorizes municipalities to adopt rules, regulations, or ordinances to prohibit the carrying of concealed weapons into that portion of a building owned, leased, or controlled by the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Code of the City of Chesterfield shall be amended to add a new section readings as follows:

Concealed Weapons

(a) No person who has been issued a concealed carry endorsement by the Missouri Director of Revenue under Section 571.094 RSMo or who has been issued a valid permit or endorsement to carry concealed firearms issued by another state or political subdivision of another state, shall, by authority of that endorsement or permit, be allowed to carry a concealed firearm or to openly carry a firearm in any building or portion of a building owned, leased or controlled by the City of Chesterfield.

(b) No person shall carry a concealed firearm into any police facility or police station without the consent of the chief law enforcement officer in charge of that office, which shall be identified as the Chief of Police of the City of Chesterfield or his designee. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of the police station shall not be a criminal offense so long as the firearm is not removed from the vehicle or brandished while the vehicle is on the premises. No person shall carry concealed firearms at any meeting of the City Council. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of City owned property shall not be a criminal offense so long as the firearm is not removed from the vehicle or brandished while the vehicle is on the premises.

(c) This Ordinance shall not apply to buildings used for public housing by private persons, highways or rest areas, fire ranges or private dwellings owned, leased or controlled by the City.

(d) No city employee, except police officers, and such other persons as may be authorized in writing by the City Administrator, shall carry any weapon on city property, or in any city vehicle. If the City Administrator makes such decision, the Mayor, or acting Mayor, will be notified within 24 hours of reaching said discussion.

(e) Signs shall be posted at each entrance of any building entirely owned, leased, or controlled by the City stating that carrying of firearms is prohibited. Where the City owns,

leases or controls only a portion of a building, signs shall be posted at each entrance to that portion of the building stating that carrying of a firearm is prohibited.

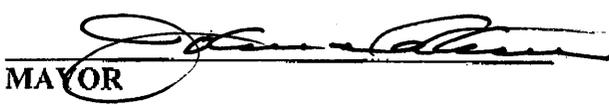
(f) No person who has been issued a Certificate of Qualification, which allows that person to carry a concealed firearm before the Director of Revenue begins issuing concealed carry endorsements in July of 2004, shall be authorized by that Certificate, or be allowed to carry a concealed firearm or to openly carry a firearm in any building or portion of a building owned, leased, or controlled by the City of Chesterfield.

(g) Carrying of a concealed weapon in a location prohibited by this Ordinance by any individual who holds a concealed carry endorsement shall not be a criminal act, but may be denied entrance to the building or ordered removal from the building. If such person refuses to leave the premises and a police officers is summoned, such person may be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100) for the first offense. If a second citation for a similar violation occurs within a six month period, such person shall be fined an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200). If a third citation for a similar violation is issued within one year of the first citation, such person shall be fined an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). Upon sustaining the charge arising from a citation issued pursuant to this subsection, the court shall notify the Sheriff and/or St. Louis County or the Sheriff that issued the Certificate of Qualification for a concealed weapon endorsement and the Department of Revenue of the State of Missouri.

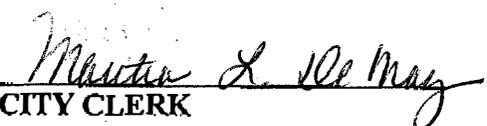
Section 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this 8th day of OCTOBER, 2003.

Approved October 13, 2003


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK