

ORDINANCE NO. 95-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE SECTION ON "DANGEROUS WEAPONS - DISCHARGE IN CITY LIMITS;; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$500.00; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; CONTAINING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas, has deemed it to be in the best interest and general welfare of the citizens of the City of Commerce to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Commerce to include the following section on "Dangerous Weapons - Discharge in City Limits":

Dangerous Weapons - Discharge

Any person who discharges any rifle, pistol, shotgun or firearm of any kind, or who discharges an air rifle or air pistol of any description, by whatever name known, that by means of compressed air, compressed gas, springs, or any other means is capable of discharging shots, pellets, or any solid object at any velocity that would injure, damage or otherwise be unsafe to the health and safety of property or the public on or across any public street, alley or drive within the city limits or within one hundred (100) yards of any business or house within the city shall be charged with a misdemeanor with fine punishable up to \$500 in municipal court.

SECTION II: WHEREAS, that any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a Class "C" misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not to exceed \$500.00.

SECTION III: WHEREAS, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION IV: WHEREAS, that if any section, sub-section, word, sentence, or phrase of this ordinance is declared to be invalid, it shall not effect the validity of this ordinance.

SECTION V: WHEREAS, the fact that present code regulations are inadequate to protect against discharge of firearms in city limits by citizens creates an emergency which is here and now declared necessary for the preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Commerce, Texas, and the inhabitants thereof; therefore, all rules and regulations providing for the reading of ordinances more than one time or on more than

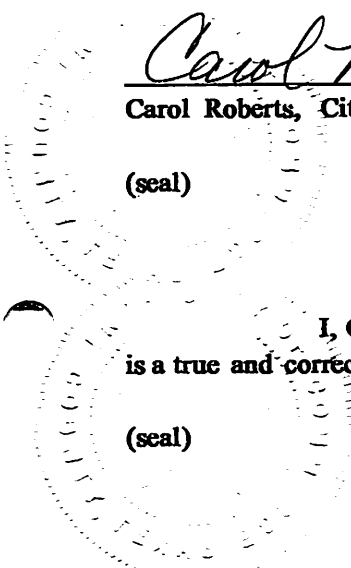
one occasion be and the same are hereby suspended, and this ordinance is passed and shall take effect as an emergency measure, and shall be and remain in full force and effect as herein provided from and after its passage and approval.

SECTION VI: WHEREAS, that this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas, on this the 7th day of November, 1995.

ATTEST:

CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS


Carol Roberts
Carol Roberts, City Secretary

John R. Sands
John R. Sands, Mayor

(seal)

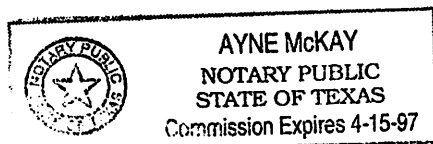
I, Carol Roberts, City Secretary of the City of Commerce, Texas do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a ordinance, and that the same has not been repealed and is in full force and effect.

(seal)

Carol Roberts
Carol Roberts, City Secretary
City of Commerce, Texas

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 13 day of November, 1995, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

(seal)



Ayne McKay
Notary Public, State of Texas

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