BILL NO. 24-100

ORDINANCE NO. 8010

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. PETERS, MISSOURI, AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 210 OF THE CODE RELATED TO THE CITY'S FIREARMS REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21.750.3(1), RSMo., "[...] nothing in [Sections 21.750.1, RSMo., and 21.750.2, RSMo.,] shall prohibit any ordinance of any political subdivision which conforms exactly with any of the provisions of sections 571.010 to 571.070 [RSMo.], with appropriate penalty provisions, or which regulates the open carrying of firearms readily capable of lethal use or the discharge of firearms within a jurisdiction, provided such ordinance complies with the provisions of section 252.243[;]" and

WHEREAS, in Sections 210.170 to 210.220, et seq., of the Code of the City of St. Peters, Missouri, the City has adopted ordinances concerning weapons and firearms offenses; and

WHEREAS, amendments to Sections 571.010 to 571.070, RSMo., necessitate updating the Cities ordinances in order to remain compliant with Section 21.750.3(1), RSMo.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen hereby finds and determines it is to the benefit of the residents and good governance of the City to amend certain provisions contained in Sections 210.170 to 210.220 of the Code;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ST. PETERS, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION NO. 1. That Section 210.175 of the Code of the City of St. Peters, Missouri, be and hereby is amended by deleting Section 210.175 in its entirety, and enacting, in lieu thereof, a new Section 210.175 to read as follows:

Section 210.175. Unlawful Use of Weapons, Exceptions.

- A. A person commits the offense of unlawful use of weapons, except as otherwise provided by Sections 571.101 to 571.121, RSMo., if he/she knowingly:
 - 1. Carries concealed upon or about his/her person a knife, a firearm, a blackjack or any other weapon readily capable of lethal use into any area where firearms are restricted under Section 571.107, RSMo., or Section 210.200 of the St. Peters City Code; or
 - 2. Sets a spring gun; or

- 3. Discharges or shoots a firearm except in Hunting Heritage Protection Areas as defined in Section 252.243, RSMo., or as permitted in Section 405.500 of the St. Peters City Code; or
- 4. Exhibits, in the presence of one or more persons, any weapon readily capable of lethal use in an angry or threatening manner; or
- 5. Has a firearm or projectile weapon readily capable of lethal use on his or her person, while he or she is intoxicated, and handles or otherwise uses such firearm or projectile weapon in either a negligent or unlawful manner or discharges such firearm or projectile weapon unless acting in self-defense; or
- 6. Discharges a firearm within one hundred yards of any occupied schoolhouse, courthouse, or church building; or
- 7. Discharges or shoots a firearm at a mark, at any object, or at random, on, along or across a public highway or roadway or discharges or shoots a firearm into any outbuilding; or
- 8. Carries a firearm or any other weapon readily capable of lethal use into any church or place where people have assembled for worship, or into any election precinct on any election day, or into any building owned or occupied by any agency of the Federal government, State government, or political subdivision thereof; or
- 9. Discharges or shoots a firearm at or from a motor vehicle, as defined in section 301.010, discharges or shoots a firearm at any person, or at any other motor vehicle, or at any building or habitable structure, unless the person was lawfully acting in self-defense; or
- 10. Carries a firearm, whether loaded or unloaded, or any other weapon readily capable of lethal use into any school, onto any school bus, or onto the premises of any function or activity sponsored or sanctioned by school officials or the district school board; or
- 11. Possesses a firearm while also knowingly in possession of a controlled substance that is sufficient for a felony violation of section 579.015, RSMo.
- 12. Discharges or shoots a firearm into a dwelling house, a railroad train, boat, aircraft, or motor vehicle as defined in Section 302.010, RSMo., or nay building or structure used for the assembling of people.
- B. Subparagraphs (1), (8), and (10) of Subsection (A) of this Section shall not apply to persons described in this Subsection, regardless of whether such uses are reasonably associated with or are necessary to the fulfillment of such person's official duties except as otherwise provided in this Subsection. Subparagraphs (4),

- (6), (7), (9), and (12) of Subsection (A) of this Section shall not apply to or affect any of the following persons, when such uses are reasonably associated with or are necessary to the fulfillment of such person's official duties, except as otherwise provided in this Subsection:
 - 1. All State, County and Municipal Peace Officers who have completed the training required by the Police Officer Standards and Training Commission pursuant to Sections 590.030 to 590.050, RSMo., and possessing the duty and power of arrest for violation of the general criminal laws of the State or for violation of ordinances of Counties or Municipalities of the State, whether such officers are on or off duty, and whether such officers are within or outside of the law enforcement agency's jurisdiction, or all qualified retired Peace Officers, as defined in Subsection (12) of Section 571.030, RSMo., and who carry the identification defined in Subsection (13) of Section 571.030, RSMo., or any person summoned by such officers to assist in making arrests or preserving the peace while actually engaged in assisting such officer;
 - 2. Wardens, superintendents and keepers of prisons, penitentiaries, jails and other institutions for the detention of persons accused or convicted of crime;
 - 3. Members of the Armed Forces or National Guard while performing their official duty;
 - 4. Those persons vested by Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution of Missouri with the judicial power of the State and those persons vested by Article III of the Constitution of the United States with the judicial power of the United States, the members of the Federal judiciary;
 - 5. Any person whose bona fide duty is to execute process, civil or criminal;
 - 6. Any Federal Probation Officer or Federal Flight Deck Officer as defined under the Federal Flight Deck Officer Program, 49 U.S.C. Section 44921, regardless of whether such officers are on duty, or within the law enforcement agency's jurisdiction;
 - 7. Any State Probation or Parole Officer, including supervisors and members of the Board of Probation and Parole;
 - 8. Any corporate security advisor meeting the definition and fulfilling the requirements of the regulations established by the Department of Public Safety under Section 590.750, RSMo.;
 - 9. Any coroner, deputy coroner, medical examiner or assistant medical examiner;
 - 10. Any municipal or county prosecuting attorney or assistant prosecuting attorney; circuit attorney or assistant circuit attorney; municipal, associate, or

circuit judge; or any person appointed by a court to be a special prosecutor who has completed the firearms safety training course required under Subsection 2 of Section 571.111, RSMo.;

- 11. Any member of a fire department or fire protection district who is employed on a full-time basis as a fire investigator and who has a valid concealed carry endorsement issued prior to August 28, 2013, or a valid concealed carry permit under Section 571.111, RSMo., when such uses are reasonably associated with or are necessary to the fulfillment of such person's official duties; and
- 12. Upon the written approval of the Governing Body of a fire department or fire protection district, any paid fire department or fire protection district member who is employed on a full-time basis and who has a valid concealed carry endorsement issued prior to August 28, 2013, or a valid concealed carry permit, when such uses are reasonably associated with or are necessary to the fulfillment of such person's official duties.
- C. Subparagraphs (1), (5), (8), and (10) of Subsection (A) of this Section do not apply when the actor is transporting such weapons in a non-functioning state or in an unloaded state when ammunition is not readily accessible or when such weapons are not readily accessible. Subparagraph (1) of Subsection (A) of this Section does not apply to any person nineteen (19) years of age or older or eighteen (18) years of age or older and a member of the United States Armed Forces, or honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces, transporting a concealable firearm in the passenger compartment of a motor vehicle, so long as such concealable firearm is otherwise lawfully possessed, nor when the actor is also in possession of an exposed firearm or projectile weapon for the lawful pursuit of game, or is in his/her dwelling unit or upon premises over which the actor has possession, authority or control, or is traveling in a continuous journey peaceably through this State. Subparagraph (10) of Subsection (A) of this Section does not apply if the firearm is otherwise lawfully possessed by a person while traversing school premises for the purposes of transporting a student to or from school, or possessed by an adult for the purposes of facilitation of a school-sanctioned firearm-related event or club event.
- D. Subparagraphs (1), (8), and (10) of Subsection (A) of this Section shall not apply to any person who has a valid concealed carry permit issued pursuant to Sections 571.101 to 571.121, RSMo., a valid concealed carry endorsement issued before August 28, 2013, or a valid permit or endorsement to carry concealed firearms issued by another State or political subdivision of another State.
- E. Subparagraphs (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), and (12) of Subsection (A) of this Section shall not apply to persons who are engaged in a lawful act of defense pursuant to Section 563.031, RSMo.

- F. Nothing in this Section shall make it unlawful for a student to actually participate in school-sanctioned gun safety courses, student military or ROTC courses, or other school-sponsored firearm-related events, provided the student does not carry a firearm or other weapon readily capable of lethal use into any school, onto any school bus, or onto the premises of any other function or activity sponsored or sanctioned by school officials or the district school board.
- G. Any person convicted of a violation of this Section shall be subject to the general penalties set for in Section 100.060 of the City Code. However, any person who does not have a concealed carry permit or other similar endorsement and is convicted of a violation of this Section by carrying a concealed firearm onto any private property whose owner has posted the premises as being off-limits to concealed firearms by means of one or more signs displayed in a conspicuous place of a minimum size of eleven inches by fourteen inches with the writing thereon in letters of not less than one inch shall be punished in accordance with Section 210.200(B)(1).

SECTION NO. 2. That Section 210.195 of the Code of the City of St. Peters, Missouri, be and hereby is amended by deleting Section 210.195 in its entirety and enacting, in lieu thereof, a new Section 210.195 to read as follows:

Section 210.195. Unlawful Open Carrying of a Firearm.

- A. A person commits the ordinance violation of unlawful open carrying of a firearm if he or she knowingly openly carries or displays a firearm readily capable of lethal use within the City of St. Peters unless such person possess a valid Missouri concealed carry endorsement issued prior to August 28, 2013, a valid Missouri concealed carry permit issued pursuant to Sections 571.010 to 521.121, RSMo., or a valid concealed carry endorsement or permit issued by another state or political subdivision of another state that is recognized by the State and Missouri and displays the concealed carry endorsement or permit upon demand of a law enforcement officer.
- B. Subsection (A) of this Section shall not apply to those individuals listed in Section 210.175(B)(1) through (12).
- C. Subsection (A) of this Section shall not be construed to preclude the use of a firearm in accordance with 252.243, RSMo.
- D. Any person who violates the provision of Subsection (A) of this Section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$35.00 dollars, consistent with the requirements of Section 21.750.3(2), RSMo.
- **SECTION NO. 3.** That Section 210.200 of the Code of the City of St. Peters, Missouri, be and hereby is amended by deleting Section 210.200 in its entirety and enacting, in lieu thereof, a new Section 210.200 to read as follows:

Section 210.200. Carrying Concealed Firearms Prohibited – Penalty for Violation.

A. It shall be a violation of this Section, punishable as hereinafter provided, for any person to carry any concealed firearm into:

- 1. Any Police, Sheriff or Highway Patrol office or station without the consent of the Chief Law Enforcement Officer in charge of that office or station. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of the office or 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.
- 2. Within twenty-five (25) feet of any polling place on any election day. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of the polling place 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.
- 3. The facility of any adult or juvenile detention or correctional institution, prison or jail. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of any adult, juvenile detention or correctional institution, prison or jail 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.
- 4. Any courthouse solely occupied by the Circuit, Appellate or Supreme Court, or any courtrooms, administrative offices, libraries or other rooms of any such court whether or not such court solely occupies the building in question. This Subdivision shall also include, but not be limited to, any juvenile, family, drug or other court offices, any room or office wherein any of the courts or offices listed in this Subdivision are temporarily conducting any business within the jurisdiction of such courts or offices, and such other locations in such manner as may be specified by Supreme Court Rule pursuant to Subdivision (6) of this Subsection. Nothing in this Subdivision shall preclude those persons listed in Subsection (B)(1) of Section 210.175 while within their jurisdiction and on duty, those persons listed in Subsections (B)(2) and (3) of Section 210.175, or such other persons who serve in a law enforcement capacity for a court as may be specified by Supreme Court Rule pursuant to Subdivision (6) of this Subsection from carrying a concealed firearm within any of the areas described in this Subdivision. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of any of the areas listed in this Subdivision 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.
- 5. Any meeting of the Board of Aldermen. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises 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.

- 6. Any building owned, leased or controlled by the City of St. Peters identified by signs posted at the entrance to the building. This Subsection shall not apply to any building used for public housing by private persons, highways or rest areas, firing ranges, and private dwellings owned, leased, or controlled by the City of St. Peters. Persons violating this Subsection may be denied entrance to the building, ordered to leave the building and, if employees of the City, be subjected to disciplinary measures for violation.
- 7. Any establishment licensed to dispense intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises, which portion is primarily devoted to that purpose, without the consent of the owner or manager. The provisions of this Subdivision shall not apply to the licensee of said establishment. The provisions of this Subdivision shall not apply to any bona fide restaurant open to the general public having dining facilities for not less than fifty (50) persons and that receives at least fifty-one percent (51%) of its gross annual income from the dining facilities by the sale of food. This Subdivision does not prohibit the possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of the establishment and 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. Nothing in this Subdivision authorizes any individual who has been issued a concealed carry endorsement to possess any firearm while intoxicated.
- 8. Any area of an airport to which access is controlled by the inspection of persons and property. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of the airport shall not be a violation so long as the firearm is not removed from the vehicle or brandished while the vehicle is on the premises.
- 9. Any place where the carrying of a firearm is prohibited by Federal law.
- 10. Any higher education institution or elementary or secondary school facility without the consent of the Governing Body of the higher education institution or a school official or the district school board, unless the person with the concealed carry endorsement or permit is a teacher or administrator of an elementary or secondary school who has been designated by his or her school district as a school protection officer and is carrying a firearm in a school within that district, in which case no consent is required. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of any higher education institution or elementary or secondary school facility 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.
- 11. Any portion of a building used as a child-care facility without the consent of the manager. Nothing in this Subsection shall prevent the operator of a child-care facility in a family home from owning or possessing a firearm or a concealed carry permit or endorsement.

- 12. Any riverboat gambling operation accessible by the public without the consent of the owner or manager pursuant to rules promulgated by the Gaming Commission. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of a riverboat gambling operation 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.
- 13. Any gated area of an amusement park. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of the amusement park 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.
- 14. Any church or other place of religious worship without the consent of the minister or person or persons representing the religious organization that exercises control over the place of religious worship. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises 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.
- 15. Any private property whose owner has posted the premises as being off-limits to concealed firearms by means of one (1) or more signs displayed in a conspicuous place of a minimum size of eleven (11) inches by fourteen (14) inches with the writing thereon in letters of not less than one (1) inch. The owner, business or commercial lessee, manager of a private business enterprise, or any other organization, entity or person may prohibit persons holding a concealed carry permit or endorsement from carrying concealed firearms on the premises and may prohibit employees, not authorized by the employer, holding a concealed carry permit or endorsement from carrying concealed firearms on the property of the employer. If the building or the premises are open to the public, the employer of the business enterprise shall post signs on or about the premises if carrying a concealed firearm is prohibited. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises 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. An employer may prohibit employees or other persons holding a concealed carry permit or endorsement from carrying a concealed firearm in vehicles owned by the employer.
- 16. Any sports arena or stadium with a seating capacity of five thousand (5,000) or more. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises 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.
- 17. Any hospital accessible by the public. Possession of a firearm in a vehicle on the premises of a hospital 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.
- B. Any person violating any of the provisions of Subsection (A) of this Section shall be punished as follows:

- 1. If the violator holds a concealed carry permit or endorsement issued pursuant to State law, the violator may be subject to denial to the premises or removal from the premises. If such person refuses to leave the premises and a Peace Officer is summoned, such person may be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the first offense. If a second citation for a similar violation occurs within a six (6) month period, such person shall be fined an amount not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00). If a third citation for a similar violation is issued within one (1) year of the first citation such person shall be fined an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Upon conviction of charges arising from a citation issued pursuant to this Section, the court shall notify the Sheriff of the County which issued the certificate of qualification for a concealed carry permit or endorsement, or, if the person is a holder of a concealed carry endorsement issued prior to August 28, 2013, the court shall notify the Sheriff of the County which issued the certificate of qualification for a concealed carry permit or endorsement and the Department of Revenue.
- 2. Employees of the City of St. Peters may, in addition to any other punishment hereby, be subject to disciplinary action.
- C. Any person issued a concealed carry permit pursuant to sections 571.101 to 571.121, RSMo., or a concealed carry endorsement issued prior to August 28, 2013, shall carry the concealed carry permit or endorsement at all times the person is carrying a concealed firearm and shall display the concealed carry permit and a state or federal government-issued photo identification or the endorsement or permit upon the request of any peace officer It shall be a violation of this subsection, punishable by a citation for an amount not to exceed thirty-five dollars (\$35.00), for any person issued a concealed carry endorsement pursuant to State law to fail to carry the concealed carry endorsement at all times the person is carrying a concealed firearm, or to fail to display the concealed carry endorsement upon the request of any Peace Officer.
- **SECTION NO. 4**. <u>Savings Clause</u>. Nothing contained herein shall in any manner be deemed or construed to alter, modify, supersede, supplant or otherwise nullify any other Ordinance of the City or the requirements thereof whether or not relating to or in any manner connected with the subject matter hereof, unless expressly set forth herein.
- SECTION NO. 5. Severability Clause. If any term, condition, or provision of this Ordinance shall, to any extent, be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder hereof shall be valid in all other respects and continue to be effective and each and every remaining provision hereof shall be valid and shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law, it being the intent of the Board of Aldermen that it would have enacted this Ordinance without the invalid or unenforceable provisions. In the event of a subsequent change in applicable law so that the provision, which had been held invalid is no longer invalid, said provision shall thereupon return to full force and effect without further action by the City and shall thereafter be binding.

SECTION NO. 6. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage by the Board of Aldermen and its approval by the Mayor of the City of St. Peters, Missouri.

Read two times, passed, and approved this 22nd day of August, 2024.

CHARLES WOLLD

Len Pagano, as Presiong Officer and as Mayor

Attest:

Lisa L. Schroeder, City Clerk