

ORDINANCE NO. 1518

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 22-49 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF JAMESTOWN, TO ALLOW JAMESTOWN REGIONAL AIRPORT EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS TO MITIGATE WILDLIFE HAZARDS

WHEREAS, the City of Jamestown has certain authority and responsibilities in protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the City;

WHEREAS, the City outlaws the discharge of a firearm;

WHEREAS, the Jamestown Regional Airport, with the approval of the Federal Aviation Administration, administers a Wildlife Hazard Management Plan;

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Hazard Management Plan allows the Airport to discharge a firearm to mitigate wildlife hazards at the Airport; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of the City to allow the Airport to discharge a firearm to mitigate wildlife hazards at the Airport.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Jamestown that Section 49 of Chapter 22 of the Code of the City of Jamestown be revised as follows:

Sec. 22-49. – Weapons—Unlawful Discharge

It shall be unlawful for any person within the city to fire or discharge any gun or firearm including, but not limited to, air guns or any other instrumentality used or employed in impelling a missile by compressed air or by a spring device, except under the following circumstances: Officers in the discharge of their duties, members of the state militia on their rifle range, regularly organized gun clubs on their regular shooting grounds, or by employees or agents of the Jamestown Regional Airport Authority pursuant to an FAA approved Wildlife Hazard Management Plan; provided that, nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to the firing of any gun or other firearm when done in defense of self or home or in other cases of actual necessity.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sarah Hellekson
City Administrator

Dwaine Heinrich
Mayor

Introduced by Council Member Steele
Seconded by Council Member Phillips
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Roll Call No. 5 showed: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.