Executive Order

October 31, 2011

WHEREAS, 2011 Wisconsin Act 35 created § 175.60(2g) of the Wisconsin Statutes, which permits licensed persons to carry concealed weapons in Wisconsin, effective November 1, 2011, subject to certain restrictions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 943.13(1m)(c)3 of the Wisconsin Statutes, effective November 1, 2011, it is unlawful for any person to enter or remain at a special event if the organizers of the special event have notified the actor not to remain at the special event while carrying a firearm or with that type of firearm.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 943.13(1m)(c)4 of the Wisconsin Statutes, effective November 1, 2011, it is unlawful for any person to enter or remain in any part of a building that is owned, occupied, or controlled by a local governmental unit if the local governmental unit has notified the person not to enter or remain in the building while carrying a firearm or a type of firearm; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 175.60(15m)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, effective November 1, 2011, an employer may prohibit an employee from carrying a concealed weapon or a particular type of concealed weapon in the course of the employee's employment or during any part of the course of the employee's employment, and by administrative policy non-law enforcement employees of the City have been prohibited from carry weapons while on-duty; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 175.60(16) of the Wisconsin Statutes, effective November 1, 2011, no person may carry a concealed weapon, a weapon that is not concealed, or a firearm that is not a weapon in certain specific portions of municipal buildings, to wit: any portion of a building that is a police station and any portion of a building that is a municipal courtroom if court is in session; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and proper that standards be applied equally to all persons and to all area of all municipally owned, occupied, or controlled buildings;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the inherent authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Racine, Wisconsin, and pursuant to § 62.09(7)(c), Wisconsin Statutes, it is hereby ordered that:

Section 1. Prohibitions.

No person may possess or bring any concealed or unconcealed firearm or weapon into or upon any City owned, occupied, or controlled building or structure at any time.

No person may cause any concealed or unconcealed firearm or weapon to be brought into or be present upon any City owned, occupied, or controlled building or structure at any time.

No person may enter or remain at any special event at any City owned, occupied, or controlled building, structure, facility, grounds, or land while carrying or possessing any concealed or unconcealed firearm or weapon.

Section 2. Exceptions.

The prohibitions set forth in Section 1 do not apply to bona fide police officers.

The prohibitions set forth in Section1 do not apply to City owned, occupied, or controlled buildings, structures, facilities, grounds, or land not containing a "sign" as defined in this Order.

The prohibitions set forth in Section 1 do does not apply to a firearm in a vehicle driven or parked in a parking facility, to any part of a building, grounds, or land used as a parking facility or to any part of a special event grounds or building that is used as a parking facility.

Section 3. Definitions

"Bona fide police officer" shall have the meaning as set forth in sec. 66-56 of the Racine Code of Ordinances.

"Building" shall have the meaning as set forth in sec. 114-1 for the Racine Code of Ordinances, as from time to time amended or renumbered, to-wit: any structure built, used, designed, or intended for the support, shelter, protection, or enclosure of persons, animals, chattels, or property of any kind, and which is permanently affixed to the land, stream or lakebed, and all other structures of every kind regardless of similarity to buildings. "Buildings" shall also include each City owned, occupied, or controlled building and structure as contemplated by, but not limited to, those enumerated and described in § 943.13(1m)(c)4 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as from time to time amended or renumbered, that contain a "sign" providing notice of the prohibitions.

"City" shall mean the City of Racine, Wisconsin, a Wisconsin municipal corporation.

"Firearm" shall mean all weapons that act by force of gunpowder within the scope of §167.31(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes as from time to time amended or renumbered.

"Sign," "signs," and "signed" shall mean City Administrator authorized written information that provides notice of the prohibitions set forth in this order prominently posted near all of the entrances open to the public for that building so that any individual entering the building can be reasonable expected to see the notice "sign" or "signs" and as set forth in § 943.13(2)(bm)2.am of the Wisconsin Statutes, as from time to time amended or renumbered.

"Special event" shall mean an event that is open to the public, is for a duration of not more than three weeks, and either has designated entrances to and from the event that are locked when the event is closed or requires an admission, and as set forth in § 943.13(1e)(h) of the Wisconsin Statutes, as from time to time amended or renumbered

"Structure" shall have the meaning as set forth in sec. 18-26 for the Racine Code of Ordinances, as from time to time amended or renumbered, to-wit: anything which is constructed, erected, and framed of component parts and which is fastened, anchored, or rests on a permanent foundation or on the ground for any occupancy or use whatsoever, excluding fencing, and any structure contemplated by, but not limited to, those enumerated and described in § 943.13(1m)(c) 4 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as from time to time amended or renumbered, that contain a "sign" providing notice of the prohibitions.

"Weapon" shall include dangerous weapons as set forth in sec. 66-56 of the Racine Code of Ordinances.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Order shall take effect November 1, 2011.

Dated this 31st day of October, 2011.

John/Dickert

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