

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REENACTING SECTIONS 23-61 OF ARTICLE IV, CHAPTER 23 (OFFENSES – MISCELLANEOUS) OF THE CITY OF MINOT CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, the City of Minot has previously enacted ordinance relating to criminal offenses that occur within the corporate city limits;

WHEREAS, the City of Minot desires to amend and reenact section 23-61 to provide a limited exception for Minot Park District authorized goose mitigation programs.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MINOT:

§1. That section 23-61 (Discharging firearms within city prohibited) of Article IV (Weapons Offenses), Chapter 23 (Offenses -- Miscellaneous) of the City of Minot Code of Ordinances, City of Minot, North Dakota, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Sec. 23-61. - Discharging firearms within city prohibited.

No person shall willfully discharge a firearm within the city limits unless:

- (1) The actor is a law enforcement officer discharging the firearm within the course of his duties;
- (2) The firearm is discharged within the confines of a lawfully established shooting gallery or range;
- (3) The actor is a citizen discharging the firearm in defense of person or property; or
- (4) The actor is lawfully participating in a program approved by the board of park commissioners for the control of Canadian geese on Minot Park District property and the actor is complying with all laws, rules, and regulations of the North Dakota Game and Fish department and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Minot Park District shall give notice of possible firearm discharges in accordance with an approved program to the Minot Police Department (by contacting Minot Central Dispatch) at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the possible firearm discharges.

§2. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final passage and approval.

PASSED FIRST READING: _____

PASSED SECOND READING: _____

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Kelly Matalka, City Clerk

Shaun Sipma, Mayor