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CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPONS. Section 1. No person shall, in the city, wear under his clothes or concealed about his person any pistol or revolver; nor shall any person wear under his clothes, or concealed about his person, any slingshot, cross knuckles, knuckles of lead, brass or other metal, or any bowie knife, razor, billy, dirk, dirk knife, or dagger, or any knife resembling a bowie knife, or any other dangerous or deadly weapon. Any person violating any provision or requirement of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor; provided, however, that this section shall not be construed as to prevent any United States, state, county or city officer, or any member of the city government from carrying such weapons as may be necessary in the proper discharge of his duties.

CARRYING FIREARMS. Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to have upon his person any kind of firearm or deadly weapon, concealed or exposed, unless:

(1) Such person be then engaged upon a lawful mission requiring the carrying of firearms or deadly weapons upon the person, or

(2) Such person be employed as a special guard, special police officer or special detective and be lawfully commissioned or licensed to carry firearms or deadly weapons, and then be on or in the immediate vicinity of the premises of any employer or going from one place of employment to another of any employer whose occupation lawfully required the employment of persons carrying firearms or deadly weapons upon their person while in the discharge of the duties of such employment, or

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Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to prohibit:

(a) The carrying of unloaded firearms for lawful hunting, sport, drill or training, or

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8-103 DISCHARGING FIREARMS. Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person within the limits of the city, to shoot or discharge any gun, revolver, air rifle or air gun, pistol or firearm of any description, whether the same be loaded with powder and ball or shot; with loaded or "blank" cartridges, or with any kind of explosives whatsoever, provided, that nothing contained in this section shall apply to persons discharging firearms in defense of person or property; and nothing in this section shall apply to legally qualified sheriffs or police officers and other persons whose bona fide duty is to execute, process, civil or criminal, make arrests, or aid in conserving the public peace; provided, further, that at patriotic observances firing squads composed of members of veterans associations, or of members of the United States or state military or naval forces, may fire salutes. Any person who shall violate any of the terms or provisions herein shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

TAKE EFFECT. Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication.

Passed by the City Council this 7 day of August, 1950.

Approved by the Mayor this 7 day of August, 1950.

C. Chauncy Cox
Mayor

ATTEST:

Ora M. Rumberg
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