

**CITY OF WARRENSBURG**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

April 19, 2021

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council  
City of Warrensburg, Missouri

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

**SUBJECT:** Second Reading of An Ordinance Amending Chapter 27 of the Code of City Ordinances of the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, Regarding Shooting, Archery, or Weapons Ranges

**BACKGROUND:**

At the April 12 City Council meeting, a public hearing was held on the ordinance. No comments were received at the hearing. The proposed ordinance updates the zoning regulations regarding Shooting and Archery Ranges adopted in 2020. In 2020, the City adopted three ordinances that together provide location, operational and license requirements for operating a shooting or archery range within the City of Warrensburg. Ordinance 5588 specifically amended the zoning ordinance to create a definition and land use category for a shooting or archery range and to establish parking requirements for a shooting and archery range. A copy of Ordinance 5588 is attached for reference.

Staff has drafted a new ordinance that amends the definition and land use category for shooting or archery range. The new definition and land use include the discharge of firearms or projectile weapons at targets. This would allow a business such as axe-throwing in a recreational setting. This type of business has increased in popularity in the last few years. The location and parking requirements will remain the same and do not change with the proposed ordinance. A copy of the proposed ordinance is attached.

**ISSUE:** To consider an ordinance updating the City's zoning requirements for shooting, archery or weapons ranges.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

The ordinance is consistent with Strategy 4 under Focus II "Identify and promote projects that enhance quality of life in Warrensburg" and Strategy 2 under Focus III "Adopt City goals, policies and plans to support and encourage residential, commercial, and industrial growth."

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

N/A

**ECONOMIC BENEFITS/IMPACT:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance. At their April 5, 2021 meeting, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the ordinance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Carroll".

Barbara Carroll  
Director of Community Development

Attachments: 1. Proposed ordinance