## ORDINANCE NO. 22-881

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CLARKSVILLE, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE REVOKING ORDINANCE NO. 447; AND AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT AND DECLARE UNLAWFUL THE SHOOTING OF FIREARMS IN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CLARKSVILLE, ARKANSAS; TO PRESCRIBE PENALTIES THEREFORE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

WHEREAS, the Clarksville City Council desires to allow for a the development of a "Sport Shooting Range" within the corporate city limits of Clarksville, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, a "Sport shooting range" or "range" means an area designed and operated for the use of rifles, shotguns, pistols, silhouettes, skeet, trap, black powder, or any other similar sport shooting; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 447 dated January 13, 1964 does not have a provision that will allow for a "sport shooting range" within the corporate limits of the City of Clarksville; and

WHEREAS, the Clarksville City Council finds that Ordinance No 447 dated January 13, 1964 should be revoked and replaced.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The City Council for Clarksville, Arkansas hereby revokes ordinance No. 447 of January 13, 1964.

SECTION 2: The City Council for the City of Clarksville, Arkansas hereby adopts the following regulations regulating the use of firearms within the corporate limits of Clarksville, Arkansas.

## SECTION 3. Definitions.

- a. "Sport shooting range" or "range" means an area designed and operated for the use of rifles, shotguns, pistols, silhouettes, skeet, trap, black powder, or any other similar sport shooting.
- SECTION 4. **Prohibition.** From and after the passage of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person, adult or minor, to shoot, discharge or permit the shooting of any shotgun, rifle, pistol, or firearm firing a powder charge from a percussion cap, or rim fire, using a loaded shell, in the corporate limits of the City of Clarksville, except that the discharge of non-slug shotgun shells shall be permitted at approved sport shooting ranges and other properly zoned or permitted areas within the corporate limits of the City of Clarksville, Arkansas.

SECTION 5: Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction be fined a sum not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00, for each such offense.

SECTION 6: Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prohibit any right of defense of person or property as defined in Article 2, Paragraph 5, of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas 1874.

SECTION 7: Pursuant to A.C.A. § 16-105-501 and notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a person who operates or uses a sport shooting range within the corporate limits of the City of Clarksville, Arkansas shall not be subject to civil liability or criminal prosecution for noise or noise pollution resulting from the operation or use of the range if the range is in compliance with noise control ordinances of the City of Clarksville that applies to the range and its operation at the time the range was constructed and began operation.

SECTION 8: Any and all prior resolutions, ordinances, or parts of the same, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 9: If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances are declared to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of the ordinance which may be given effect without the invalid provision(s) or application(s), and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.

Adopted this 14th day of March 2022,

APPROVED:

David Rieder, Mayor

## ATTEST:

I, Barbara Blackard, City Clerk/Treasurer, hereby certifies that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 22-881passed by the City Council of Clarksville, Arkansas on the 14th day of March 2022.

Barbara Blackard Clerk/Treasurer