

**CITY OF CREDIT RIVER
SCOTT COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-07

ORDINANCE PROHIBITING HUNTING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Credit River as follows:

Section 1. Authority. The City Council of the City of Credit River, pursuant to authority granted under Minnesota law enacts the following rules and regulations for the purpose of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens in the City of Credit River by prohibiting the occurrence and maintenance of a public nuisance relating to the discharge of firearms and hunting on park land and other public property.

Section 2. Prohibits Use of Firearms/Dangerous Weapons/Hunting on Park Land and Public Grounds. It shall be unlawful for any person to:

- A. To fire, discharge, or cause to be fired or discharged across, in, or into any portion of any public park or other public property, any gun, firearm, spear, bow and arrow, crossbow, sling shot, air or gas weapon, or any other dangerous weapon or projectile; or
- B. Engage in hunting or the taking of wild animals as defined in Minnesota Statute 97A, subdivisions 55, 47 and 26, within any public park or other public property.

Section 3. Exclusion for Law Enforcement Officers and Defense of Person.

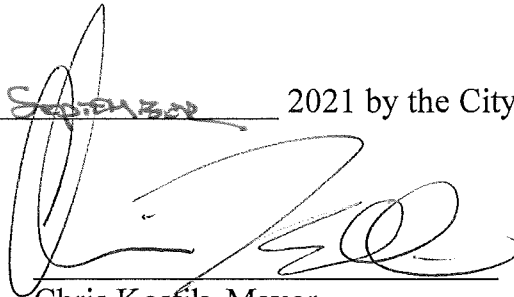
Notwithstanding Section 2 above, this Ordinance shall not apply to on-duty law enforcement officers of the United States, on-duty peace officers as defined by Minnesota state law. This Ordinance shall not apply to a person discharging a firearm in the lawful defense of their person or family.

Section 4. Penalties for Violation. Violations of this ordinance are a misdemeanor and are punishable by the current maximum allowed by state law. In addition, the cost of prosecution may be added.

Section 5. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, provision, sentence or lesser part thereof of this ordinance be found to be invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, then such invalid portion shall be severed from this ordinance and all remaining sections, paragraphs, provisions and sentences shall remain in full force and effect.


Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.

This Ordinance is adopted this 26th day of SEPTEMBER 2021 by the City Council of the City of Credit River.



Chris Kosfik, Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen Donovan, Clerk