

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 10-2011  
OF THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, INDIANA**

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DEADLY WEAPONS WITHIN THE PLAINFIELD  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, AND THE  
PLAINFIELD RECREATION CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the Indiana General Assembly has authorized the Town of Plainfield to exercise legislative and police powers to conserve or promote the health, safety, or welfare of the community;

**WHEREAS**, the Plainfield Town Council has previously adopted Ordinance No. 21-2009 which provides limitations regarding the possession of deadly weapons and firearms in the Plainfield Municipal Building, Police Headquarters Building, and the Plainfield Recreation Center;

**WHEREAS**, the Plainfield Town Council deems it necessary to amend Ordinance No. 21-2009;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD THAT ORDINANCE NO. 21-2009 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS.** As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

“DEADLY WEAPON” means a sword of any length; an electronic stun gun; a fixed blade knife; or a knife with a folding blade of four (4) inches or more.

“FIREARM” means any weapon that is capable of or designed to or that may readily be converted to expel a projectile by means of an explosion and includes any such weapon commonly referred to as a pistol, revolver, handgun, rifle, shotgun, or gun.

**SECTION 2: POSSESSION OF DEADLY WEAPONS PROHIBITED IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, THE PLAINFIELD RECREATION CENTER, AND PARKS.** Except as provided in Section 5 of this Ordinance, no person shall possess on or about his person any deadly weapon(s) within the Plainfield Municipal Building located at 206 West Main Street, Plainfield, Indiana, the Police Headquarters Building located at 1075 West Main Street, Plainfield Indiana, the Plainfield Recreation Center located at 651 Vestal Road, Plainfield, Indiana, the Al and Jan Barker Sports Complex, or in any park, trail, or other public place owned by or being used for a public purpose by the Town of Plainfield, Indiana.

**SECTION 3: POSSESSION OF FIREARMS PROHIBITED IN THE POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.** In light of the fact that the Police Headquarters Building contains the Plainfield Town Court courtroom and the fact that no portion of that Building is occupied by a residential tenant or a private business, no person shall possess on or about his person any firearm(s) within the Police Headquarters Building located at 1075 West Main Street, Plainfield, Indiana, except as provided in Section 5 of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4: DISPLAY OF A DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM AT A PUBLIC MEETING.** Except as provided in Section 5 of this Ordinance, no person shall intentionally display any deadly weapon or any firearm at any public meeting.

**SECTION 5: EXCEPTED PERSONS.** Sections 2, 3 and 4 of this Ordinance shall not apply to the following persons: (a) Law Enforcement Officers as that term is defined under Indiana law; (b) Federal Enforcement Officers as that term is defined under Indiana law; and (c) persons who are in the Plainfield Police Department section of the Plainfield Police Headquarters Building and have in their possession a firearm for the sole purpose of having it registered.

**SECTION 6: DISCHARGING A FIREARM.** Except when acting in self-defense as that term is defined under Indiana law, no person shall discharge a firearm within the Plainfield Municipal Building located at 206 West Main Street, Plainfield, Indiana, the Police Headquarters Building located at 1075 West Main Street, Plainfield Indiana, the Plainfield Recreation Center located at 651 Vestal Road, Plainfield, Indiana, the Al and Jan Barker Sports Complex, or in any park, trail, or other public place owned by or being used for a public purpose by the Town of Plainfield, Indiana.

**SECTION 7: PENALTY.** Any person, firm, or corporation violating this Ordinance shall be fined not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for each offense, and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.


**SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or application of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.


**SECTION 9: EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and adoption by the Plainfield Town Council and publication, if any, required by law. All prior Ordinances or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

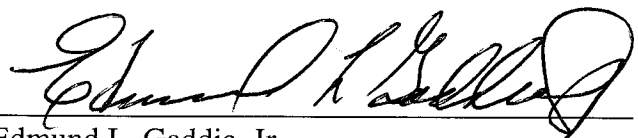
SAID ORDINANCE is hereby passed and adopted this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011.


TOWN COUNCIL, TOWN OF PLAINFIELD,  
HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA

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Robin G. Brandgard, President

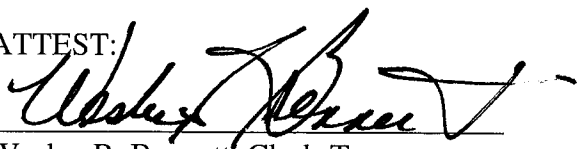
  
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Wesley R. Bennett, Clerk-Treasurer  
The Town of Plainfield, Indiana