

ADOPTED

MAR 4 1991

ORDINANCE NO. 56A-6

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
JAMES CITY COUNTY  
VIRGINIA

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN CHAPTER 13, OFFENSES - MISCELLANEOUS, OF THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, BY AMENDING SECTION 13-36. SAME-DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS, ETC., IN OR NEAR RECORDED SUBDIVISION.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of James City, Virginia, that Chapter 13, Offenses - Miscellaneous, is hereby amended and reordained by amending Section 13-36. Same-discharge of firearms, etc., in or near recorded subdivision.

#### Chapter 13. Offenses - Miscellaneous

Section 13-36. Same-Discharge of firearms, etc., in or near recorded subdivision.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearms or air-operated or gas-operated weapons in or within three hundred (300) feet of the boundaries of any recorded subdivision located in the County.

(b) For purposes of this section, recorded subdivision shall mean any subdivision a plat of which has been recorded in the clerk's office for the circuit court of the County.

(c) The prohibition contained in this section shall not apply to the following:

(1) The discharge of guns in a private basement, cellar or like target range.

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(2) The discharge of weapons in defense of one's life or to kill any dangerous animal.

(3) The discharge of weapons by any duly authorized peace officer or law enforcement official acting in the performance of his duties.



Thomas K. Norment, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



David B. Norman  
Clerk to the Board

SUPERVISOR VOTE

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| DEPUE   | AYE |
| TAYLOR  | NAY |
| EDWARDS | AYE |
| KNUDSON | AYE |
| NORMENT | AYE |

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia,  
this 4th day of March, 1991.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 4, 1991

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Leo P. Rogers  
Assistant County Attorney

SUBJECT: Ordinance Amendment - Discharge of Firearms

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The attached Ordinance eliminates the exception of discharging a firearm within three hundred feet of a subdivision in order to kill any "destructive" animal. This exception created a loophole by allowing each individual to determine whether or not an animal is destructive. I recommend adoption of this Ordinance.

  
Leo P. Rogers

CONCUR:

  
Frank M. Morton, III

LPR/mfr

Attachment