



## **ANKENY CITY COUNCIL**

### **Council Action Planning Session**

**Monday, May 16, 2022**

**5:30 PM**

**Ankeny Kirkendall Public Library - City Council Chambers**

**1250 SW District Drive, Ankeny, Iowa**

Mark Holm, Mayor

Bobbi Bentz, Mayor Pro-Tem

Council Members: Jeff Perry, Joe Ruddy, Todd Shafer, Kelly Whiting

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**B. Review proposed bow-and-arrow ordinance.**

**C. Adjournment**

No official action will take place during this planning session.



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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:  
City Manager

COUNCIL GOAL:

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ACTION REQUESTED:

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LEGAL:  
No Review Required

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SUBJECT:  
Review proposed bow-and-arrow ordinance.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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FISCAL IMPACT: **No**

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CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

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PREVIOUS COUNCIL/COMMISSION/BOARD ACTION(S):

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PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS:

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ACTION REQUESTED:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

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 [Review Proposed Bow-and-Arrow Ordinance Amendment Presentation](#)

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History

Time

Who

Approval

5/12/2022 8:32 AM

City Clerks Office

Yes

## ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ANKENY, IOWA, AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THROWING AND SHOOTING AND ADDING A NEW SECTION ENTITLED BOW AND ARROW TARGET SHOOTING

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Ankeny, Iowa:

**SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED.** Section 41.10 THROWING AND SHOOTING of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ankeny, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

**41.10 THROWING AND SHOOTING.** It is unlawful for a person to throw stones, or bricks, ~~or missiles of any kind~~ or to shoot ~~arrows~~ paintballs, rubber guns, slingshots, air rifles, BB guns or other dangerous instruments or toys on or into any street, alley, highway, sidewalk, public way, public ground, or public building, without written consent of the Council. ~~This section shall not apply to the shooting of arrows under the direction of a certified public school teacher in the municipal recreation program or public school physical education program.~~

**SECTION 2. NEW SECTION.** The Code of Ordinances of the City of Ankeny, Iowa, is amended by adding a new Section 41.11, entitled BOW AND ARROW TARGET SHOOTING, which is hereby adopted to read as follows:

**41.11 BOW AND ARROW TARGET SHOOTING.** The discharge of an arrow from a bow or crossbow is permitted within the city only in strict accordance with the following:

(A) No person shall use a bow or crossbow to discharge an arrow from any city street, sidewalk or public right-of-way. No arrow shall be discharged so as to cross any street, sidewalk or public right-of-way.

(B) The discharge of an arrow from a bow or crossbow shall be conducted **only during daylight hours.**

(C) No person shall draw a bow or crossbow and/or discharge an arrow so as to leave the property on which it was discharged, unless the person has express written permission from the contiguous property owner whose property the arrow may enter. **All arrows discharged must be aimed at a fixed target, and the target must be located on the same property on which the archer is discharging the arrow.**

(D) **The target must be maintained in good condition, capable of stopping arrows regardless of the archer, type of bow or crossbow, and regardless of where the arrow may strike the target.**

(E) (1) For targets orientated so that the archer is discharging the arrow toward the exterior property lines of the property, a safety zone of no less than 150 feet (50 yards) behind the target is required. In addition, a lateral (side) safety zone is required on each side of the target along the length of the entire archery range as follows:

<u>Distance to Target</u>	<u>Minimum Side Safety Zone Required</u>
up to 16 yards	24 feet
16-20 yards	30 feet
20-25 yards	38 feet
25 - 30 yards	45 feet
over 30 yards	one-half target distance

(2) The safety zones may include property contiguous to the property from which the arrow is being discharged only if expressed written permission is given by the property owner of the contiguous property. The safety zones must allow an arrow to land without striking any unintended object.

(F) For targets orientated such that the archer is discharging the arrow away from the exterior property lines, toward the interior of the property, and the primary residence, garage, or other substantial permanent structure is directly behind the target, a backstop of adequate size and sufficiency shall be used to prevent an arrow from leaving the property from which it has been discharged. All backstops must be capable of stopping an arrow regardless of the archer, type of bow or crossbow, and regardless of where the arrow may strike the backstop. The primary residence, garage or other substantial permanent structure shall serve as a secondary backstop and must meet the requirements of a backstop set forth above in this division (F). In addition, a lateral (side) safety zone as provided in division (E) above shall be required. For any other targets orientated such that the archer is discharging the arrow away from the exterior property lines, toward the interior of the property, and there is no primary residence, garage, or other substantial permanent structure directly behind the target, all safety zones set forth in division (E) above shall apply.

(G) When shooting a bow or crossbow, the archer must be able to clearly see that the area between himself or herself and the target is clear of everyone and everything except the target. Additionally, the archer must be able to see that the safety zone beyond and alongside the target is clear.

(H) The archery range shall be in an area where it is visible to anyone approaching the range so that anyone can clearly see that archery is being practiced. The archery range shall allow such visibility to anyone approaching so that the person has adequate ability to safely avoid the archery range and the safety zones.

(I) Anyone under the age of 16 years of age discharging any arrow from a bow or crossbow must be under the direct supervision of a responsible adult at all times.

(J) This section shall not apply to the shooting of arrows under the direction of a certified public-school teacher in the municipal recreation program or public-school physical education program.

(K) All violations of any provision(s) of Section 41.11 are hereby declared simple misdemeanors punishable by a fine of at least \$50 plus surcharge and court costs and/or municipal infractions punishable by a penalty as listed in Chapter 4 of this Code of Ordinances. Violations may be charged as either a misdemeanor criminal offense but specifically excluding imprisonment or a municipal infraction at the sole discretion of the peace officer.

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE.** This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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City Clerk