

**CITY OF SAMMAMISH  
WASHINGTON  
ORDINANCE NO. O2005-168**

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH,  
WASHINGTON, AMENDING SECTION 22.05.15 OF THE  
SAMMAMISH MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING THE USE  
OF WEAPONS AND TRAPS WITHIN THE CORPORATE  
LIMITS, AND PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS**

WHEREAS, the City Council enacted Ordinance No. O2004-166 which added a new Section 22.05.15 to the Sammamish Municipal Code that prohibits capturing or injuring wild animals or wild birds within the corporate limits of the City of Sammamish; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Fish and Wildlife has notified the City that a provision of the ordinance which exempts trapping of gophers and moles is in conflict with state law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to remove the conflict with state law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

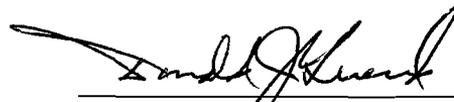
Section 1. Section 22.05.15 Amended. Section 22.05.15 of the Sammamish Municipal Code, entitled Use of Weapons Within the City Limits, is hereby amended to delete subsection (3) (d) as follows:

- d. The provisions of this section shall not affect or apply to the following:
  - 1. The use of bow and arrows with due consideration for the safety of people, property and animals:
    - a. At a city-licensed or permitted archery range or meet;
    - b. Upon and within the private property of the user;
    - c. Upon and within the private property of another with the property owner's express permission; or
  - ~~2. The use of traps to capture gophers or moles on the private property of the user; or~~
  - 2. ~~3.~~ Live trapping of a wild animal or wild bird for purposes of transferring it for release in a suitable habitat; or
  - 3. ~~4.~~ The human destruction of a dangerous animal or an animal or bird suffering from serious injury or disease.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING  
THEREOF ON THE 4<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANAUARY 2005.**

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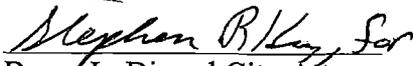
Mayor Don Gerend

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Bruce L. Disend City Attorney

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