

ORDINANCE NO. 70-9

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, KENTUCKY, AUTHORIZING POLICEMEN FOR THIS CITY TO CARRY CONCEALED DEADLY WEAPONS ON OR ABOUT THEIR PERSONS AT ALL TIMES WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

THAT, WHEREAS, the Legislative body of the City of Russellville, Kentucky, is cognizant of the increased crime rate over the United States, and

WHEREAS, convicted felons and persons arrested for crimes seem inclined to blame the arresting officer for doing his job in making such arrest, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this City Council to give their policemen such protection as is needed to protect themselves from the criminal element, as above set forth, when such policemen may have cause for being outside the corporate limits of this city by allowing such officers to carry concealed deadly weapons on or about their persons at all times within the Commonwealth, and

WHEREAS, this Council is further cognizant of the many occasions when their policemen may in line of duty have need of or just cause for wearing or carrying concealed deadly weapons on or about their persons outside of the corporate limits of this City, and

WHEREAS, the legislative body of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 1970 enacted into law K. R. S. 435.230, same being a statute allowing legislative bodies of cities of the fourth class and other governmental units to authorize the carrying of concealed deadly weapons on or about the persons of policemen employed by such city, anywhere within the Commonwealth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, KENTUCKY:

SECTION 1. All members of the City Police Department that carry deadly weapons on or about their persons in their regularly scheduled duties as policemen for the City of Russellville, Kentucky, may carry concealed deadly weapons on or about their persons at all times within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

SECTION 2. Deadly weapons that may be carried by members of the Russellville City Police Department within the Commonwealth of Kentucky are those weapons that are usually carried by such officers in performing their duties while on regularly scheduled shift of duty for the City.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance is herewith enacted for the express purpose of protecting the policemen of the City of Russellville from prosecution under the provisions of K.R.S. 435.230 (1) when they may be outside the corporate limits of the City of Russellville, and for no other purpose.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately after passage and publication as required by law.

Adopted by roll call vote this ^{22nd} ~~17th~~ day of ^{December} ~~November~~ 1970.

Wallace Herndon
Mayor

Attested:

McBain
City Clerk