

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-01-21A**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF OVERTON, TEXAS  
AUTHORIZING PLACEMENT OF SIGNS AT  
CITY HALL PROHIBITING FIREARMS  
FROM BEING CARRIED INTO CITY  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THE OVERTON  
MUNICIPAL COURT AND ITS OFFICES  
AND PROHIBITING FIREARMS PAST THE  
WAITING AREAS OF THE OVERTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND OVERTON  
CITY HALL PUBLIC WAITING AREAS.**

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 910 was passed by the 84<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature which concluded June 1, 2015 and was signed by the Governor of Texas on June 13, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 910 became effective on January 1, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 910 modified the law relating to concealed handgun licenses, by eliminating the concealed/open carry distinction and creating a new definition for “license to carry a handgun.” (Defined in Texas Government Code Chapter 411, Subchapter H.); and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 910 allows a person with a current concealed handgun license, or a person who obtains the new “license to carry a handgun”, to carry a handgun in a concealed manner or openly in a belt or shoulder holster in public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Overton City Hall houses the City Council Chambers, Overton Municipal Court and other Court offices; and

**WHEREAS**, the Overton City Council believes that it is in the best interests of the general public and City employees to prohibit firearms during any Open Meeting and from any area of City Hall where open meetings occur, court actions take place and in other areas not accessible to the general public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Overton Police Department and the City Attorney’s office agree that firearms during any meeting covered by the Open Meetings Act and in the above specified areas should be prohibited; and

**WHEREAS**, to avoid confusion and to inform the public of the prohibition against firearms in certain areas of City Hall as defined above; signs conforming the requirements of the

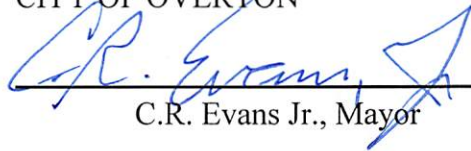
Texas Penal Code § 30.06 (c)(3)(A) and § 30.06 (c)(3)(A) shall be posted at the entrance to any of the areas in City Hall where this prohibition is in effect.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OVERTON, TEXAS** that the Council is in agreement that signs conforming to requirements of the Texas Penal Code § 30.06 (c)(3)(A) and § 30.06 (c)(3)(A) shall be posted at the entrances of all areas in City Hall where this prohibition of firearms is in effect.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Overton, Texas on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2016.

CITY OF OVERTON

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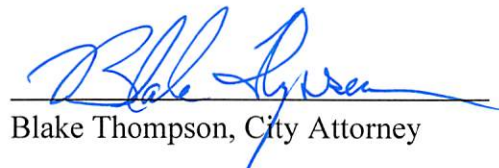
  
C.R. Evans Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Rachel Gafford, City Secretary



APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

  
Blake Thompson, City Attorney