

ORDINANCE 444

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PROVISIONS OF OKLAHOMA §11-34-109 AND THE MUNICIPAL CARRY ACT.

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WHEREAS, the responsibility for such is the lawful responsibility of the City of Stilwell; and

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma has adopted new laws which are compatible with the Mission Statement of the City of Stilwell,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILWELL, OKLAHOMA:

ARTICLE ONE – ADOPTION OF OKLAHOMA §11-34-109

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ARTICLE TWO – ADOPTION OF THE MUNICIPAL CARRY ACT

The bill authorizes the governing body of a city or a town to authorize the concealed carry of handguns into any building or office space that is owned or leased by a city or town, except those listed in certain areas. Any municipal judge who is in possession of a valid handgun license may carry when acting in the scope of employment within the courthouse with the jurisdiction of the municipal judge.

ARTICLE THREE – REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY


1. Any and all existing ordinances or portions thereof in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.
2. The provisions of this ordinance shall be severable and, if any of the provisions shall be held in contravention of the Constitution and laws of the State of Oklahoma, the decisions of the court shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.
3. It is the intent of this ordinance that the same would have been adopted had such unconstitutional or unlawful provisions, if any, not been included herein.

PASSED by the City Council this 21st day of January, 2026.


APPROVED by the Mayor this 21st day of January, 2026.

ATTEST:





Jean Ann Wright, Mayor



Larry A. Nettles, City Clerk-Treasurer

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