

Agenda Item Report

Meeting Type: Committee of the Whole/Common Council Meetings

Meeting Date: May 20, 2025

Item Title: Consideration of a request from Doylestown Fire Department for exemption

from Sec. 66-216(b) of the municipal code to hold a gun raffle fundraiser at

Fireman's Park pavilion in April (Spring) 2026.

Submitted By: Susan L. Caine, Clerk

Detailed Description of Subject Matter: The Doylestown Fire Department is again requesting to use the Pavilion for a gun raffle fundraiser in April (Spring) of 2026. This would require us to exempt them from Sec. 66-216(b) of our municipal code for this event. The actual dates of the event will be shared when they have been decided upon.

Sec. 66-216 reads as follows:

Sec. 66-216. - Firearms.

- (a) No person, except an authorized peace officer, shall discharge any firearm within the city. Provided, however, this prohibition shall not be enforced if the actor's conduct is justified or, had it been subject to a criminal penalty, would have been subject to a defense described in Wis. Stats. § 939.45. Further, upon prior written approval of the chief of police, persons or a group may discharge a firearm for the purpose of engaging in creational target shooting at an approved club or range or for historical re-enactment events.
- (b) No person shall carry a concealed or unconcealed firearm into any building owned, occupied or controlled by the city where the city has notified the person in writing not to enter or remain in any part of the building while carrying a firearm, which notice complies with Wis. Stats. § 943.13(2). A "firearm" means a weapon that acts by force of gunpowder.

(Ord. No. 669-11, § 1, 1-17-12) **Editor's note**— Ord. No. 669-11, § 1, adopted Jan. 17, 2012, repealed former § 66-216, and enacted a new § 66-216 as set out herein. Former § 66-216 pertained to the same subject matter and derived from Code 1978, § 9.02.

List all Supporting Documentation Attached: None.

Action Requested of Council: Consideration and approval of request from Doylestown Fire Department for exemption from Sec. 66-216(b) of the municipal code to hold a gun raffle fundraiser at Fireman's Park pavilion in April (Spring) 2026.