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Urban Archery Land Use Permit

Property Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle One: Hunting or Range

Property Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and acres of Urban Archery Hunting/Range \_\_\_\_\_

Urban Archery Section: Bow hunting shall be allowed within the City of Winchester when discharging an arrow from a bow for the purposes of deer hunting within the Winchester City limits during the early urban archery season, the early archery season, the general firearms deer season, or the late urban archery season, as designated in regulations set forth by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, under the following conditions:

- 1. Urban archery is only allowed on land that is five (5) acres or more of continuous area, approved by the City Manager and the Chief of Police.
2. The landowner has applied for an annual permit form the City Manager to use their property for purpose of discharging archery equipment and have identified their property as such by signage approved by the Chief of Police
3. Any person discharging a bow shall, at all times while engaged in such activity, have in his possession written permission from the landowner to discharge such a weapon on the premises.
4. Agreement shall be made between the participant and landowner in reference to field dress.
5. All participants must abide by all applicable sections of the Virginia State Code and Virginia Hunting Regulations including:
- Discharge of a bow must be done from an elevated stand with a minimum height of ten (10) feet.
- No person shall discharge a bow within 100 yards of any dwelling, building, street, sidewalk, alley, roadway, public land, or public place within the City limits. Further, all hunting shall be done internally to the property approved for hunting.
- No persons shall discharge a bow from, over or across any street, sidewalk, alley, roadway, or public land, or public place within City limits or toward any building or dwelling in such a manner that an arrow may strike it nor shall a person discharge a bow over or across the private property of another without permission.
- No person shall hunt deer within the City limits by use of dog or dogs.
- Urban archery season is restricted to hunting antlerless deer only.
- Any person engaging in deer hunting must dispose of deer carcasses appropriately.

Archery Range Section: The establishment of an archery range within the city limits shall be subject to the following restrictions:

- 1. No person, including minors, shall discharge an arrow from a bow with the City, except upon an archery range which has been approved as to safety of location and construction by the Chief of Police.
2. This does not apply to the discharge of an arrow, equipped with a rubber tip from a bow with a pull of less than 10 pounds.

I ensure the above information is true. Urban archery hunting will not occur / archery range will not be constructed until final approval has been given. Should any of the above information be incorrect or change, I will notify the City of Winchester immediately.

Property Owner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Chief of Police Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Recommend / Not Recommend

Site report and photos attached
If permit is for urban archery, permit is applicable (dates): \_\_\_\_\_

City Manager Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved / Not Approved

Special Provisions: