

KENOSHA COUNTY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Resolution No.

Subject: A resolution to amend 2011 Resolution 63								
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Date Submitted: 5/13/2022		Date Resubmitted:						
Submitted by:	Supervisor Decker							
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Prepared by:	Supervisor Erin Decker	Signature:						

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin State Legislature, signed by Governor Scott Walker, enacted 2011 Wisconsin Act 35 on July 8, 2011, a statute that allows most adults to lawfully carry a concealed firearm in Wisconsin after November 1, 2011, if they obtain a "concealed carry" license, and;

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2011, the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors passed 2011 Resolution 63, with a vote of 24 ayes and 1 nay, the one dissenting vote cast by Supervisor Erin Decker, and;

WHEREAS, 2011 Resolution 63 enacted a policy that no firearms may be possessed by any person in a building owned, leased or controlled by Kenosha County, except by a duly sworn government law enforcement officer and a person authorized by state statute 175.60(16)(b)2, and;

WHEREAS, 2011 Wisconsin Act 35 grants employers that do not prohibit one or more employees from lawfully carrying a concealed weapon is immune from any liability arising from its decision, and;

WHEREAS, employers not granted immunity from liability pertaining to employees carrying concealed weapons were faced with higher insurance costs; and

WHEREAS, banning the possession of a lawfully carrying on county property ensures Kenosha County in not immune from liability; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kenosha did not ban the lawful carrying of a firearm on City property, on advice of their insurance company;

WHEREAS, the City of Kenosha did not ban the lawful carrying of a firearm on City property, causing confusion to those lawfully carrying a concealed weapon;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors amends the fourth paragraph of 2011 Resolution 63 to read:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, It is declared that possession of some concealed or openly displayed weapons in a Kenosha County buildings is a danger the public and should be regulated. It shall be the policy of the County of Kenosha that no explosives, dangerous weapons, or other objects which are capable of inflicting death, bodily injury or property damage may be possessed by any person in a building owned, leased or controlled by Kenosha County, with the exception of those firearms and electronic weapons legally possessed and carried per Wisconsin state statutes and by a duly sworn government law enforcement officer. The Kenosha County Executive shall cause the removal of signs previously posted under 2011 Ordinance 63, and further, that procedures to be placed in effect to enforce this updated policy.

Supervisor Erin Decker

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Respectfully Submitted:

Committee:	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Excused
Mark Nordigian, Chairperson				
Zack Stock, Vice Chairperson				
Supervisor Laura Belsky				
Supervisor Aaron Karow				
Supervisor John O'Day				
Supervisor Tim Stocker				
Supervisor Brian Thomas				