



Sale of Flavored Tobacco Products and Electronic Cigarettes

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AGENDA/OVERVIEW

- Background
- City's Existing Regulations
- Requested Regulations
- SB 793
- Additional Requests
- Council Direction

- Background
- 2019: A group of concerned residents requested that the city council consider adopting regulations to address the sale of flavored tobacco and electronic cigarettes within the city
- The council directed staff to research the legal issues and report back to the council for direction

- Existing City Regulations
 - Limits on where smoking may occur
 - Retailer permit required
 - No sales through self service displays
 - No sales through vending machines

- Requested Regulations
 - Ban on flavored tobacco products (including e-cigarettes)
 - Ban to include mint and menthol
 - Prohibit sale of tobacco products at pharmacies

- SB 793
 - Late August Legislature passes SB 793 (Hill)
 - Prohibits sale of flavored tobacco products including e-cigs
 - Prohibited flavors include menthol and mint
 - Exception for certain products:
 - Tobacco smoked in a hookah
 - Loose leaf tobacco
 - Premium cigars

- Additional Requests

- Ban sale of tobacco products in pharmacies
- Prohibit flavored products not prohibited by SB 793
- Prohibit sale of e-cigs in city

- Council Direction

- Draft an ordinance for council consideration?
- What should be included?
 - Ban on sales in pharmacies?
 - Ban flavored products allowed by SB 793?
 - Ban sale of e-cigarettes in the City?

Thank You

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