



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of February 12, 2019
Action Item for the City Council Meeting of February 19, 2019

DATE: January 30, 2019
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Ordinance prohibiting operating of retail tobacco stores, hookah lounges, vaping lounges and cigar bars from 2:00 am to 7:00 am.

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending Chapter 23 of the Corpus Christi Code to prohibit operating and using retail tobacco stores, hookah lounges, vaping lounges and cigar bars from 2:00 am to 7:00 am; and providing for penalty

PURPOSE:

To limit the hours where smoking is permitted in retail tobacco stores, hookah lounges, vaping lounges and cigar bars from 7:00 am to 2:00 am.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The U.S. Surgeon General's report has stated that there is no safe level of second hand smoke, and second hand smoke is a known cause of lung cancer, heart disease, low birth-weights, chronic lung ailments (such as bronchitis and asthma) other health risks and premature death in children and adults who do not smoke. The City Council finds that nicotine is addictive and that the use of nicotine containing electronic cigarettes can lead to some respiratory changes and dangers similar to those occurring through the use of traditional tobacco products. Hookah smoking is NOT a safe alternative to smoking cigarettes and hookah smoking has many of the same health risks as cigarette smoking.

ALTERNATIVES:

None

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Conforms to all city policies.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

☐ Operating ☐ Revenue ☐ Capital ☐ Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2018-2019	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s): General

Comments:

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: