

CITY OF ESCONDIDO OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK 201 NORTH BROADWAY ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA 92025-2798 (760) 839-4617 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., the Escondido City Council of the City of Escondido will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following item:

TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE - PL20-0600:

REQUEST: The project consists of a new tobacco retail license program and regulations regarding licensing. The proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 16 of the Municipal Code would require tobacco retailers to obtain a tobacco retailer license through the Escondido Police Department by completing an application. The project includes an amendment to the Business License fee schedule to include fee rates and charges to administer the tobacco retail license program. The proposal also includes the adoption of the environmental determination prepared for the project.

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: Citywide

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: The proposed Municipal Code Amendment is not a project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(2), which provides that a project does not include general policy and procedure making. The adoption of this Municipal Code Amendment is also not a project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), which provides that a project does not include organizational and administrative action of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. In the alternative, the City has determined that if the adoption of the Municipal Code Amendment is a project, it is subject to exemption. The project would be categorically exempt from environmental review in conformance with CEQA Section 15061(b)(3).

IF YOU CHALLENGE this item in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council, at or prior to the Public Hearing.

The City of Escondido recognizes its obligation to provide equal access to public services for those individuals with disabilities. Please contact the American Disabilities Act (A.D.A.) Coordinator (760) 839-4641 with any requests for reasonable accommodations, to include sign language interpreters, at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. The City of Escondido does not discriminate against any person with a handicapped status.

PUBLIC COMMENT: To submit comments in writing, please do so at the following link: https://www.escondido.org/public-comment-form.aspx. If you would like to have the comment read aloud at the meeting (not to exceed three minutes), please write "Read Out Loud" in the subject line. All comments received from the public will be made a part of the record of the meeting. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, please contact Mike Strong, Director of Community Development (760) 839-4556, and refer to Case No. PL20-0600.

ZACK BECK, City Clerk City of Escondido October 12, 2020