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City's Smoking Ordinance Under Review

New Braunfels, TX – New Braunfels City Council asked a stakeholder workgroup to review and recommend potential updates to the current City ordinance related to smoking. Areas for consideration included vaping technology, expansion of the locations where smoking is prohibited indoors (in an effort to broaden employee protection from second-hand smoke), and possible smoking distance requirement from facility entrances.

This workgroup consists of Councilmember Monceballez and representatives from local restaurants, bars and social clubs/organizations. As part of the process, the workgroup is requesting public input on the draft recommendations.

“The public can provide their comments at the workgroup meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 31st, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m., at City Hall, 550 Landa Street,” said City Attorney Valeria Acevedo. “We encourage interested citizens to attend this meeting and share their opinions.”

The draft recommendations can be previewed at www.nbtexas.org/smoking. Alternatively, the public may email their comments to Ms. Acevedo at vacevedo@nbtexas.org if they are unable to attend the input meeting.

Once public feedback is received, City staff will finalize the draft amendments and provide City Council with a presentation at the next available regular Council meeting. Any proposed ordinance amendments will then be placed on a future City Council agenda for a first reading, and then again for a second and final reading before any modifications would be in effect.

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