

# **ORD-29**

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## RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by amending and restating Sections 5.81.010 and 5.81.070, and by repealing Chapter 5.94, all relating to the sale of certain flavored tobacco products within the City of Long Beach, read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

Pursuant to your request on February 9, 2021, this Ordinance has been amended and is submitted for your consideration and approval.

This Ordinance amends Chapter 5.81 of the Long Beach Municipal Code (LBMC) to prohibit the sale of all flavored tobacco products in the City, including, but not limited to, flavored cigarillos, flavored electronic cigarettes and fluids, and flavored cigarettes, including menthol cigarettes. This Ordinance does not apply to:

- The sale of shisha tobacco products by a hookah tobacco retailer if certain conditions are met:
- The sale of premium cigars sold in cigar lounges where products are purchased and consumed only on the premises; and/or
- The sale of loose-leaf tobacco or premium cigars.

This Ordinance includes a ninety (90) day moratorium on enforcement from the effective date of this Ordinance to allow tobacco retailers time to sell off any product acquired after the City's temporary flavored tobacco prohibition in Chapter 5.94 of the LBMC (January 4, 2021) became inoperative.

This Ordinance will also become inoperative and repealed on the effective date of any Statewide prohibition on the sale of flavored tobacco products. Unless and until a Statewide prohibition on the sale of flavored tobacco products is in effect, this Section may be amended or repealed at any time by an ordinance adopted by the City Council. This Ordinance also repeals Chapter 5.94 of the Long Beach Municipal Code.

## SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES PARKIN, City Attorney

By

Taylor M. Anderson Deputy City Attorney

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## ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING AND RESTATING SECTIONS 5.81.010 AND 5.81.070; AND BY REPEALING CHAPTER 5.94, ALL RELATING TO THE SALE OF FLAVORED TOBACCO PRODUCTS

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach has a substantial interest in promoting compliance with federal, state, and local laws intended to regulate tobacco sales; in discouraging the illegal purchase of tobacco products by persons under 21 years of age; in promoting compliance with laws prohibiting sales of tobacco products to persons under 21 years of age; and in protecting youth and underserved populations from the harms of tobacco; and

WHEREAS, State law expressly authorizes cities to enact local tobacco retail licensing ordinances, and allows for the suspension or revocation of a local license for a violation of any state tobacco control law. (California Business & Professions Code § 22971.3); and

WHEREAS, State law prohibits the sale or furnishing of cigarettes, tobacco products, and smoking paraphernalia to persons under 21 years of age (California Penal Code § 308); and

WHEREAS, approximately 480,000 people die in the United States from smoking-related diseases and exposure to secondhand smoke every year, making tobacco use the nation's leading cause of preventable death; and

WHEREAS, data released by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) showed a rapid increase in use of electronic smoking devices by youth, with one (1) in

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five (5) youth using electronic smoking devices in 2019 - an "epidemic" that requires "historic action" according to the United States Surgeon General and the FDA; and

WHEREAS, according to the CDC as of February 18, 2020, there have been 2,807 cases of E-cigarette, or Vaping, Product Use Associated Lung Injury (EVALI) and 38 deaths nationally; and

WHEREAS, California has reported over 240 cases of EVALI as of January 5, 2021, including 5 deaths in patients: and

WHEREAS, in Long Beach, 3 cases of EVALI were reported by October 2019: and

WHEREAS, due to the public health crisis, the CDC and the CDPH are urging everyone to refrain from vaping, no matter the substance or source; and

WHEREAS, no specific types of electronic smoking devices or liquids have been conclusively identified to be the cause of the EVALI illnesses at this time; the FDA is testing vaping products from cases around the United States to determine which specific products or ingredients may be the cause; and

WHEREAS, 5.6 million of today's Americans who are younger than 18 are projected to die prematurely from a smoking-related illness; and

WHEREAS, nationwide, youth e-cigarette use has significantly increased. nearly 20-fold in less than 10 years (from 1.5% in 2011 to 23.6% in 2020); and

WHEREAS, flavored tobacco products play a major role in the rise in youth initiation and their continued use of e-cigarettes. In addition, flavors mask the taste of tobacco and make it easier for new users to initiate tobacco use and create the false impression that a tobacco product is less harmful than it really is, leading to increased nicotine intake; and

WHEREAS, of youth who have ever used a tobacco product, 81% initiated tobacco consumption with a flavored product, including vaping; and

WHEREAS, despite the State's efforts to limit youth access to tobacco. youth are still able to access tobacco products, as evidenced by the following:

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- In California, over 67% of current and former adult smokers started by the age of 18 and almost 100% start by age 26;
- In 2017, 22.8% of high school students in California had tried cigarette smoking; and

WHEREAS, the federal Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("Tobacco Control Act"), enacted in 2009, prohibited candy- and fruit-flavored cigarettes, largely because these flavored products are marketed to youth and young adults, and younger smokers were more likely than older smokers to have tried these products; and

WHEREAS, as of today neither federal nor California state laws restrict the sale of menthol cigarettes or flavored non-cigarette tobacco products, such as cigars, cigarillos, smokeless tobacco, hookah tobacco, electronic smoking devices, and the solutions used in these devices; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, an estimated 82% of tobacco retailers in California sold flavored noncigarette tobacco products, over 90% of tobacco retailers sold menthol cigarettes, and 8 out of 10 tobacco retailers near schools sold flavored non-cigarette tobacco products; and

WHEREAS, mentholated and flavored products have been shown to be "starter" products for youth who begin using tobacco and these products help establish tobacco habits that can lead to long-term addiction; and

WHEREAS, flavored tobacco has significant public health implications for youth, people of color, low income populations, and members of LGBTQ+ communities as a result of targeted industry marketing strategies and product manipulation; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the FDA ban on all flavored cigarette products (except menthol), tobacco use by youth decreased by 6% and the likelihood of a youth becoming a cigarette smoker post flavor ban fell by 17%; and

WHEREAS, similar to flavored cigars and little cigars, electronic cigarette companies have marketed to minors with sweet flavors to "graduate" users toward

unflavored tobacco products:

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- The National Youth Tobacco Survey reported that the most commonly selected reasons for use of e-cigarettes among middle and high school students included the availability of "flavors such as mint candy, fruit, or chocolate" (31% of respondents):
- There was also a 7% increase of high school students who used flavored e-cigarettes from 61% in 2017 to 68% in 2018, unlike the steady decline of cigarette use seen among youth;
- The Surgeon General has concluded that e-cigarette use among youths and young adults is of public health concern; exposure to nicotine during adolescence can cause addiction and can harm the developing adolescent brain;
- E-cigarette use is strongly associated with the use of other tobacco products among youth and young adults, particularly the use of combustible tobacco products. For example, in 2015, 58.8% of high school students who were current users of combustible tobacco products were also current users of e-cigarettes; and

WHEREAS, youth whose first tobacco product was flavored are more likely to become current tobacco users than those whose first product was tobacco-flavored. Data from the National Youth Tobacco Survey indicate that more than two-fifths of U.S. middle and high school smokers report using flavored little cigars or flavored cigarettes; and

WHEREAS, although federal and state law ban the sale of individual cigarettes, neither federal nor California state laws restrict the sale of individual little cigars and cigars; and

WHEREAS, many retailers sell little cigars and cigars individually, making them more affordable and appealing to youth. For example:

- 87.4% of California tobacco retailers sell a popular brand of youthfriendly cigars for less than \$1.00;
  - From 1995 to 2008, annual sales of cigarillos increased by 255%.

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and sales of little cigars increased by 316%; and

WHEREAS, the availability of inexpensive tobacco products leads to increased tobacco use as evidenced by more than 100 academic studies that conclusively show that when tobacco products are made more expensive, fewer people use tobacco, fewer initiate tobacco use, and more people quit tobacco use; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the City Council of the City of Long Beach recognized that an emergency did exist and unanimously passed a Resolution ratifying the City Manager's Proclamation of a Local Emergency and the Public Health Officer's Declaration of Local Health Emergency all due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a disease caused by SARS-CoV-2 that can trigger a respiratory tract infection of the upper respiratory tract (sinuses, nose, and throat) or lower respiratory tract (windpipe and lungs); and

WHEREAS, researchers at the Stanford University School of Medicine conducted a study that shows teenagers and young adults who vape face a higher risk of developing COVID-19. Among young people who were specifically tested for COVID-19. participants who used e-cigarettes were 5 times more likely to be infected with the virus, in comparison to their peers who did not vape; and

WHEREAS, in a review of 5 studies, smoking doubles the risk of getting sicker from COVID-19. In the largest study, people who smoke were 2.4 times more likely to have severe outcomes (e.g. admitted to an intensive care unit, needing mechanical ventilation, dying) compared to people who did not smoke; and

WHEREAS, according the CDC, being a current or former cigarette smoker increases your risk of severe illness from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, to the extent this ordinance applies to minors, diversion and education are preferred alternatives to the imposition of criminal penalties;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

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Section 1. Findings. The City Council finds and determines that the facts set forth in the recitals of this Ordinance are true and correct and hereby incorporates them herein by this reference.

Section 2. Section 5.81.010 to the Long Beach Municipal Code is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

> 5.81.010 Definitions.

The following words as used in this Chapter shall have the meanings. set forth in this Section unless otherwise clearly apparent from the context:

- Α. "Characterizing flavor" means an artificial or naturallyoccurring substance that has a distinguishable taste or aroma, or both. other than the taste or aroma of tobacco, imparted by a tobacco product or any byproduct produced by the tobacco product. Characterizing flavors include, but are not limited to, tastes or aromas relating to any fruit, chocolate, vanilla, honey, candy, cocoa, dessert, alcoholic beverage, menthol, mint, wintergreen, herb, spice, or any concept flavor. A tobacco product shall not be determined to have a characterizing flavor solely because of the use of additives or flavorings or the provision of ingredient information. Rather, it is the presence of a distinguishable taste or aroma, or both, as described in the first sentence of this definition, that constitutes a characterizing flavor. Characterizing flavor includes flavor in any form, mixed with or otherwise added to any tobacco product, including electronic cigarette.
- B. "Constituent" means any ingredient, substance, chemical, or compound, other than tobacco, water, or reconstituted tobacco sheet, that is added by the manufacturer to a tobacco product during the processing, manufacture, or packing of the tobacco product.
  - C. "Electronic cigarette" means an electronic and/or battery-

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operated device, the use of which may resemble smoking, which can be used to deliver an inhaled dose of nicotine or other substances in aerosolized or vaporized form to a person, including, but not limited to any other device manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as an electronic cigarette, an electronic cigar, an electronic cigarillo, an electronic pipe, an electronic hookah, vapes, vaporizers, vape pens, or any other product name or descriptor that can be used to deliver nicotine in aerosolized or vaporized form to a person, including any component, part, or accessory of the device that is intended or reasonably expected to be used during its operation, whether or not sold separately. Electronic cigarette does not include any product that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for other therapeutic purposes where that product is marketed and sold solely for such approved use.

- D. "Electronic cigarette paraphernalia" means any item designed, marketed, or reasonably expected to be used for the consumption, use, or preparation of an electronic cigarette, which includes, but is not limited to, cartridges, cartomizers, e-liquid, smoke juice, tips, atomizers, electronic cigarette batteries, electronic cigarette chargers, and any other item designed for the preparation, storing, charging, or use of electronic cigarettes.
- E. "E-liquid" means any liquid, gel or other substance designed for use with an electronic cigarette, including but not limited to e-juice, smoke juice or any other product name or descriptor. Excluded from this definition is any non-nicotine containing liquid, gel or other substance that contains cannabis in any form as its active ingredient.
- F. "Flavored tobacco product" means any tobacco product that contains a constituent that imparts a characterizing flavor.

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- G. "Flavored shisha tobacco product" means any shisha tobacco product that contains a constituent that imparts a characterizing flavor.
- Н. "Hookah" means a type of waterpipe, used to smoke shisha or other tobacco products, with a long flexible tube for drawing aerosol through water. Components of a hookah may include heads, stems, bowls, and hoses.
- 1. "Hookah tobacco retailer" means a tobacco retailer that is engaged in the retail sale of shisha tobacco products, hookah, and hookah smoking accessories.
- J. "Loose-leaf tobacco" consists of cut or shredded pipe tobacco, usually sold in pouches, excluding any tobacco product which, because of its appearance, type, packaging, or labeling, is suitable for use and likely to be offered to, or purchased by, consumers as tobacco for making cigarettes, including roll-your-own cigarettes.
- K. "Nominal cost" means the cost of any item imposed for the transfer from one person to another for less than the total of: (1) twenty-five percent (25%) of the fair market value of the item exclusive of taxes and government fees; plus (2) all taxes and government fees previously paid and all taxes and government fees still due on the item at the time of transfer.
- "Nonsale distribution" means to give, furnish, or cause or allow to be given or furnished within the jurisdictional limits of the City, a tobacco product, tobacco paraphernalia, an electronic cigarette or electronic cigarette paraphernalia at no cost or at nominal cost to a person who is not a retailer.
- M. "Premium cigar" means any cigar that is handmade, is not mass produced by use of mechanization, has a wrapper that is made entirely from whole tobacco leaf, and has a wholesale price of no less than

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twelve dollars (\$12). A premium cigar does not have a filter, tip, or nontobacco mouthpiece and is capped by hand.

- N. "Proprietor" means a person with an ownership or managerial interest in a business. An ownership interest shall be deemed to exist when a person has a ten percent (10%) or greater interest in the stock, assets, or income of a business other than the sole interest of security for debt. A managerial interest shall be deemed to exist when a person can or does have, or can or does share, ultimate control over the day-to-day operations of a business.
- Ο. "Shisha tobacco product" means a tobacco product smoked or intended to be smoked in a hookah. "Shisha tobacco product" includes, and may be referred to as, hookah tobacco, waterpipe tobacco, massel, narghile, and argileh. "Shisha tobacco product" does not include electronic cigarettes.
- Ρ. "Self-service display" means the open display or storage of tobacco products, tobacco paraphernalia, electronic cigarettes or electronic cigarette paraphernalia in a manner that is physically accessible in any way to the general public without the assistance of a retailer or employee of a retailer and a direct person-to-person transfer between a retailer or employee of a retailer and any other person. A vending machine is a form of self-service display.
- "Tobacco paraphernalia" means any item designed, marketed, or reasonably expected to be used for the consumption, use, or preparation of a tobacco product, including, but not limited to, cigarette papers or wrappers, pipe holders of smoking materials of all types, cigarette rolling machines, hookahs, and any other item designed for the smoking or ingestion of tobacco products.
  - R. "Tobacco product" means the following:

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- 1. Any product containing, made from, or derived from tobacco or nicotine, whether natural or synthetic, that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, vaped, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff, shisha; or
  - 2. Any electronic cigarette; or
  - 3. Any e-liquid; or
  - 4. Any tobacco paraphernalia; or
  - 5. Any electronic cigarette paraphernalia; or
- 6. "Tobacco product" does not include drugs, devices, or any combination of products authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration, as those terms are defined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.
- S. "Tobacco product flavor enhancer" means a product designed, manufactured, produced, marketed, or sold to produce a characterizing flavor when added to a tobacco product.
- T. "Tobacco retailer" means any person, in whole or in part, and all associated owners, employees, managers, or agents, who sells, offers for sale, or offers to exchange for any form of consideration, tobacco, tobacco products or tobacco paraphernalia; "tobacco retailing" shall mean engaging in any of these things.
- Section 3. Section 5.81.070 to the Long Beach Municipal Code is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - Permit Retailing requirements and prohibitions. 5.81.070
  - Sale to minors prohibited. It shall be a violation of the permit to sell, give or furnish, or cause to be sold, given or furnished, a tobacco

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product or tobacco paraphernalia to a natural person under twenty-one (21) years of age in any place within the City.

- B. Positive identification required. No retailer shall sell, give or furnish a tobacco product or tobacco paraphernalia to a natural person who appears to be under the age of twenty-seven (27) years without first examining identification to confirm that the recipient is at least twenty-one (21) years of age.
- C. Self-service displays of tobacco products or tobacco paraphernalia are prohibited.
- D. Nonsale distribution prohibited. No person, motivated by an economic or a business purpose, shall engage in the nonsale distribution of any tobacco product or tobacco paraphernalia in any public place.
- E. It is a violation of the permit to violate any federal, State, or local laws relating to youth and tobacco products or youth and tobacco paraphernalia, including, for example, violations of: California Penal Code Section 308; the Stake Act (California Business and Professions Code Sections 22950 et seq.); any laws relating to self-service displays, signage, sale of bidis or single cigarettes, pack size, sampling, or mail order and internet sales; or any other law relating to youth and tobacco products.
- F. Sale of flavored tobacco products prohibited. It shall be a violation of a tobacco retailer's permit for the tobacco retailer, or any of the tobacco retailer's agents or employees, to offer for sale, possess with the intent to sell, or offer for sale a flavored tobacco product or a tobacco product flavor enhancer.
- 1. There is a rebuttable presumption that a tobacco product is a flavored tobacco product if a manufacturer or any of the manufacturer's agents or employees, in the course of their agency or employment, has made a statement or claim directed to consumers or to

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the public that the tobacco product has or produces a characterizing flavor. including, but not limited to, text, color, images, or all, on the product's labeling or packaging that are used to explicitly or implicitly communicate that the tobacco product has a characterizing flavor.

- 2. This Section does not apply to:
- a. The sale of flavored shisha tobacco products by a hookah tobacco retailer if all the following conditions are met:
- (i) The hookah tobacco retailer holds a valid State license pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 22970 et seq.
- (ii) The hookah tobacco retailer holds valid City licenses and permits required by this Code to sell shisha tobacco products.
- (iii) The hookah tobacco retailer does not permit any person under twenty-one (21) years of age to be present or enter the premises at any time.
- (iv) The hookah tobacco retailer shall operate in accordance with all relevant State and local laws relating to the sale of tobacco products.
- (v) If consumption of tobacco products is allowed on the premises of the hookah tobacco retailer, the hookah tobacco retailer shall operate in accordance with all state and local laws relating to the consumption of tobacco products on the premises of a tobacco retailer, including, but not limited to, Section 6404.5 of the Labor Code.
- b. The sale of premium cigars sold in cigar lounges where products are purchased and consumed only on the premises.
- The sale of loose-leaf tobacco or premium C. cigars.

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3. It s	shall not be a violation of this Chapter until ninety
(90) days from the effe	ctive date of this Section for a tobacco retailer, or
any of the tobacco reta	iler's agents or employees, shall not sell, offer for
sale, possess with the	intent to sell, or offer for sale a flavored tobacco
product or a tobacco pr	oduct flavor enhancer.

- 4. This Section shall become inoperative and is repealed on the effective date of any Statewide prohibition on the sale of flavored tobacco products, including tobacco product flavor enhancers. Unless and until the effective date of a Statewide prohibition on the sale of flavored tobacco products, this Section may be amended or repealed at any time by an ordinance adopted by the City Council.
- Section 4. Chapter 5.94 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is hereby repealed.

Section 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the Mayor.

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Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmembers: Noes: Councilmembers: Councilmembers: Absent: OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CHARLES PARKIN, City Attorney 411 W. Ocean Boulevard, 9th Floor Long Beach. CA 90802 Recusal(s): Councilmembers: Approved: (Date) 

City Clerk Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the City

### 5.81.010 - Definitions.

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- B. "Constituent" means any ingredient, substance, chemical, or compound, other than tobacco, water, or reconstituted tobacco sheet, that is added by the manufacturer to a tobacco product during the processing, manufacture, or packing of the tobacco product.
- "Electronic cigarette" means an electronic and/or battery-operated device, the use of which may resemble smoking, which can be used to deliver an inhaled dose of nicotine or other substances in aerosolized or vaporized form to a person, including, but not limited to any other device manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as an electronic cigarette, an electronic cigar, an electronic cigarillo, an electronic pipe, an electronic hookah, vapes, vaporizers, vape pens, or any other product name or descriptor that can be used to deliver nicotine in aerosolized or vaporized form to a person, including any component, part, or accessory of the device that is intended or reasonably expected to be used during its operation, whether or not sold separately. "Electronic cigarette" does not include any product that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for other therapeutic purposes where that product is marketed and sold solely for such approved use." Electronic Cigarette" includes any such device, whether manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as an electronic eigarette, an electronic cigar, an electronic cigarillo, an electronic pipe, an electronic hookah, or any other product name or descriptor.
- B.D. "Electronic cigarette paraphernalia" means any item designed, marketed, or reasonably expected to be used for the consumption, use, or preparation of an electronic cigarette, which includes, but is not limited to, cartridges, cartomizers, e-liquid, smoke juice, tips, atomizers, electronic cigarette batteries, electronic cigarette chargers, and any other item designed for the preparation, storing, charging, or use of electronic cigarettes.

- E. "E-liquid" means any liquid, gel or other substance designed for use with an electronic cigarette, including but not limited to e-juice, smoke juice or any other product name or descriptor. Excluded from this definition is any non-nicotine containing liquid, gel or other substance that contains cannabis in any form as its active ingredient.
- F. "Flavored tobacco product" means any tobacco product that contains a constituent that imparts a characterizing flavor.
- G. "Flavored shisha tobacco product" means any shisha tobacco product that contains a constituent that imparts a characterizing flavor.
- H. "Hookah" means a type of waterpipe, used to smoke shisha or other tobacco products, with a long flexible tube for drawing aerosol through water.

  Components of a hookah may include heads, stems, bowls, and hoses.
- I. "Hookah tobacco retailer" means a tobacco retailer that is engaged in the retail sale of shisha tobacco products, hookah, and hookah smoking accessories.
- J. "Loose-leaf tobacco" consists of cut or shredded pipe tobacco, usually sold in pouches, excluding any tobacco product which, because of its appearance, type, packaging, or labeling, is suitable for use and likely to be offered to, or purchased by, consumers as tobacco for making cigarettes, including roll-your-own cigarettes.
- one person to another for less than the total of: (1) twenty-five percent (25%) of the fair market value of the item exclusive of taxes and government fees; plus (2) all taxes and government fees previously paid and all taxes and government fees still due on the item at the time of transfer.
- D.L. "Nonsale distribution" means to give, furnish, or cause or allow to be given or furnished within the jurisdictional limits of the City, a tobacco product, tobacco paraphernalia, an electronic cigarette or electronic cigarette paraphernalia at no cost or at nominal cost to a person who is not a retailer.
- M. "Premium cigar" means any cigar that is handmade, is not mass produced by use of mechanization, has a wrapper that is made entirely from whole tobacco leaf, and has a wholesale price of no less than twelve dollars (\$12). A premium cigar does not have a filter, tip, or nontobacco mouthpiece and is capped by hand.
- "Proprietor" means a person with an ownership or managerial interest in a business. An ownership interest shall be deemed to exist when a person has a ten percent (10%) or greater interest in the stock, assets, or income of a business other than the sole interest of security for debt. A managerial interest shall be deemed to exist when a person can or does have, or can or does share, ultimate control over the day-to-day operations of a business.
- O. "Shisha tobacco product" means a tobacco product smoked or intended to be smoked in a hookah. "Shisha tobacco product" includes, and may be referred to as, hookah tobacco, waterpipe tobacco, maassel, narghile, and argileh. "Shisha tobacco product" does not include electronic cigarettes.
- F.P. "Self-service display" means the open display or storage of tobacco products, tobacco paraphernalia, electronic cigarettes or electronic cigarette paraphernalia in a manner that is physically accessible in any way to the

- general public without the assistance of a retailer or employee of a retailer and a direct person-to-person transfer between a retailer or employee of a retailer and any other person. A vending machine is a form of self-service display.
- G.Q. "Tobacco paraphernalia" means <u>any item designed, marketed, or</u> reasonably expected to be used for the consumption, use, or preparation of a <u>tobacco product, including, but not limited to, cigarette papers or wrappers, pipe holders of smoking materials of all types, cigarette rolling machines, hookahs, and any other item designed for the smoking or ingestion of tobacco products.</u>
- R. "Tobacco product" means any substance containing tobacco leaf, including but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, bidis (or beedies) or any other preparation of tobaccothe following:-
  - 1. Any product containing, made from, or derived from tobacco or nicotine, whether natural or synthetic, that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, vaped, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff, shisha; or
  - 2. Any electronic cigarette; or
  - 3. Any e-liquid; or
  - 4. Any tobacco paraphernalia; or
  - 5. Any electronic cigarette paraphernalia; or
  - 1-6. "Tobacco product" does not include drugs, devices, or any combination of products authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration, as those terms are defined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.
- S. "Tobacco product flavor enhancer" means a product designed, manufactured, produced, marketed, or sold to produce a characterizing flavor when added to a tobacco product.
- H.T. "Tobacco retailer" means any person, in whole or in part, and all associated owners, employees, managers, or agents, who sells, offers for sale, or offers to exchange for any form of consideration, tobacco, tobacco products or tobacco paraphernalia; "tobacco retailing" shall mean engaging in any of these things.
- Section 3. Subsection 5.81.070 to the Long Beach Municipal Code is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
- 5.81.070 Permit—Retailing requirements and prohibitions.
  - A. Sale to minors prohibited. It shall be a violation of the permit to sell, give or furnish, or cause to be sold, given or furnished, a tobacco product or tobacco paraphernalia to a natural person under eighteen twenty-one (4821) years of age in any place within the City.
  - B. Positive identification required. No retailer shall sell, give or furnish a tobacco product or tobacco paraphernalia to a natural person who appears to be under

- the age of twenty-seven (27) years without first examining identification to confirm that the recipient is at least eighteen twenty-one (4821) years of age.
- C. Self-service displays of tobacco products or tobacco paraphernalia are prohibited.
- D. Nonsale distribution prohibited. No person, motivated by an economic or a business purpose, shall engage in the nonsale distribution of any tobacco product or tobacco paraphernalia in any public place.
- E. It is a violation of the permit to violate any federal, State, or local laws relating to youth and tobacco products or youth and tobacco paraphernalia, including, for example, violations of: California Penal Code Section 308; the Stake Act (California Business and Professions Code Sections 22950 et seq.); any laws relating to self-service displays, signage, sale of bidis or single cigarettes, pack size, sampling, or mail order and internet sales; or any other law relating to youth and tobacco products.
- F. Sale of flavored tobacco products prohibited. It shall be a violation of a tobacco retailer's permit for the tobacco retailer, or any of the tobacco retailer's agents or employees, to offer for sale, possess with the intent to sell, or offer for sale a flavored tobacco product or a tobacco product flavor enhancer.
  - 1. There is a rebuttable presumption that a tobacco product is a flavored tobacco product if a manufacturer or any of the manufacturer's agents or employees, in the course of their agency or employment, has made a statement or claim directed to consumers or to the public that the tobacco product has or produces a characterizing flavor, including, but not limited to, text, color, images, or all, on the product's labeling or packaging that are used to explicitly or implicitly communicate that the tobacco product has a characterizing flavor.

## 2. This Section does not apply to:

- a. The sale of flavored shisha tobacco products by a hookah tobacco retailer if all the following conditions are met:
  - The hookah tobacco retailer holds a valid State license pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 22970 et seq; and
  - ii. The hookah tobacco retailer holds valid City licenses and permits required by this Code to sell shisha tobacco products.
  - iii. The hookah tobacco retailer does not permit any person under twenty-one (21) years of age to be present or enter the premises at any time.

- iv. The hookah tobacco retailer shall operate in accordance with all relevant State and local laws relating to the sale of tobacco products.
- v. If consumption of tobacco products is allowed on the premises of the hookah tobacco retailer, the hookah tobacco retailer shall operate in accordance with all state and local laws relating to the consumption of tobacco products on the premises of a tobacco retailer, including, but not limited to, Section 6404.5 of the Labor Code.
- b. The sale of premium cigars sold in cigar lounges where products are purchased and consumed only on the premises.
- c. The sale of loose-leaf tobacco or premium cigars.
- 3. It shall not be a violation of this Chapter until ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Section for a tobacco retailer, or any of the tobacco retailer's agents or employees, shall not sell, offer for sale, possess with the intent to sell, or offer for sale a flavored tobacco product or a tobacco product flavor enhancer.
- 4. This Section shall become inoperative and is repealed on the effective date of any Statewide prohibition on the sale of flavored tobacco products, including tobacco product flavor enhancers. Unless and until the effective date of a Statewide prohibition on the sale of flavored tobacco products, this Section may be amended or repealed at any time by an ordinance adopted by the City Council.