



STAFF REPORT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION

To: Mayor Gavin Buckley

From: Michael Mallinoff, City Manager

Date: September 5, 2023

Subject: O-10-23: Allowing Cigar Lounges to Serve Alcoholic Beverages

Purpose of legislation

The purpose of this legislation is to create a definition of Cigar Lounge as a unique category of Tobacco Shop; and allowing cigar lounges to serve alcoholic beverages in conjunction with the consumption of premium cigars, pipe tobacco, and related products; and generally related to tobacco shops.

Impact of legislation on operations

This legislation would require some minor initial changes to the language in the City Code Sec. 7.12 Alcoholic Beverages/Licenses; those changes can be done within the 30-day comment period stipulated by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. The overall volume of alcoholic beverage licenses would be expected to increase a de minimis amount - at present, the City is aware of only one establishment that would be seeking this license.

Impact of legislation on staffing

The expected increase in the volume of licenses is not enough to impact staffing patterns.

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