

Resolution No. 2022-024

Resolution amending Resolution No. 2021-122; extending the existing moratorium on the issuance of new tobacco licenses

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Minnetonka, Minnesota as follows:

Section 1. Background.

- 1.01. The city of Minnetonka regulates the sale of tobacco within the city through the issuance of licenses.
- 1.02. State law allows a city to enact regulations on tobacco sales that are more restrictive than the provisions of state law.
- 1.03. In 2018, the United States Surgeon General issued an advisory on e-cigarette use among youth, characterizing the use of e-cigarettes by youth as “epidemic.” In 2018, more than 20% of high school students used e-cigarettes. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in 2020, approximately one in five high school students and one in 20 middle school students reported using e-cigarettes.
- 1.04. E-cigarettes may contain nicotine, which is an addictive substance. Besides nicotine, e-cigarettes may contain harmful and potentially harmful ingredients, including ultrafine particles that can be inhaled deep into the lungs; flavorants such as diacetyl, a chemical linked to serious lung disease; volatile organic compounds; and heavy metals, such as nickel, tin, and lead.
- 1.05. Minnetonka has many private and public school institutions within its borders, including schools that provide education for children of middle school age or higher.
- 1.06. By Resolution No. 2021-122, the city council directed city staff to undertake a study related to tobacco stores and tobacco licenses.

Section 2. Council Action.

- 2.01. Resolution No. 2021-122 is amended by extending the moratorium period in section 2.03 of that resolution to end on August 31, 2022 instead of March 30, 2022.
- 2.02. Except as amended by this resolution, Resolution No. 2021-122 is restated and reaffirmed.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Minnetonka, Minnesota, on March 21, 2022.

Brad Wiersum, Mayor

Attest:

Becky Koosman, City Clerk

Action on this resolution:

Motion for adoption: Calvert
Seconded by: Wilburn
Voted in favor of Coakley, Kirk, Schack, Wilburn, Calvert, Wiersum
Voted against: None
Abstained: None
Absent: Schaeppi
Resolution adopted.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Minnetonka, Minnesota, at a meeting held on March 21, 2022.

Becky Koosman, City Clerk