

Administrative Report

H.13., File # 25-1624 Meeting Date: 12/2/2025

To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From: MARC WIENER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

TITLE

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY ORDINANCE NO. 3310-25 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 1, TO ADD SECTION 10-2.402(A)(167.5); AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 10-5.402 (A); AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 4, TO ADD SECTION 10-2.1641; AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 4, TO ADD SECTION 10-5.1639; AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 10-2.1626(B); AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 10-5.1626(B); AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 1-2.03; AMENDING TITLE 5, CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 5-9.204(A)(4) PERTAINING TO THE ZONING, REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SMOKE SHOPS AND TOBACCO SALES. FOR SECOND READING AND ADOPTION

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2512-095 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, FORWARDING TO AND REQUESTING CERTIFICATION BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION OF AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 10, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 10-5.402(A); TITLE 10, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 4, TO ADD SECTION 10-5.1639; AMENDING TITLE 10 AND CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 10-5.1626(B) PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF SMOKE SHOPS AND TOBACCO RETAIL STORES, WHICH IS INTENDED TO BE CARRIED OUT IN A MANNER FULLY IN CONFORMITY WITH THE COASTAL ACT; AND PROVIDING THAT THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM WILL TAKE EFFECT AUTOMATICALLY UPON COASTAL COMMISSION APPROVAL PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 30514 AND TITLE 14, SECTION 13551 OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Ordinance No. 3310-25 was approved for introduction and first reading on November 18, 2025, and is now ready for second reading and adoption. A Resolution has been included for City Council consideration to request that the California Coastal Commission certify the associated amendments to the City's Local Coastal Program (LCP). Following adoption, the Ordinance will become effective on January 1, 2026.

BACKGROUND

The proposed Ordinance would create a definition for smoke shops and tobacco retailers in the Redondo Beach Municipal Code (RBMC) and provide regulations for these types of businesses. All new smoke shops would be required to obtain a Conditional Use Permit (CUP), which would provide

the City with more discretion and authority over business permitting and operations of these establishments. A maximum of five smoke shops would be permitted City-wide, with the exception of legal nonconforming smoke shops, which may continue to operate for a maximum of five years from the adoption of the Ordinance, even if the cap is exceeded. To support enforcement efforts, RBMC Title 1, Chapter 2, Section 1-2.03 would also be amended to make violations of the Smoke Shop Ordinance an infraction, which would allow the City to more readily fine stores found to be in violation.

To satisfy all applicable regulations in the Coastal Zone, Staff has also included a Resolution requesting that the California Coastal Commission certify the associated amendments to the City's LCP.

COORDINATION

The Community Development Department coordinated the preparation of the proposed Ordinance with the City Attorney's Office.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for the preparation of this report and the Ordinances is available in the FY 2025-26 Operating Budget for the Community Development Department.

APPROVED BY:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

- Ord No. 3310-25 Amending Title 10, Chapter 2, Article 1, to add Section 10-2.402(A)(167.5); Amending Title 10, Chapter 5, Article 1, Section 10-5.402(A); Amending Title 10, Chapter 2, Article 4, to add Section 10-2.1641; Amending Title 10, Chapter 5, Article 4, to add Section 10-5.1639; Amending Title 10, Chapter 2, Article 4, Section 10-2.1626(B); Amending Title 10, Chapter 5, Article 4, Section 10-5.1626(B); Amending Title 1, Chapter 2, Section 1-2.03; Amending Title 5, Chapter 9, Article 2, Section 5-9.204(A)(4) Pertaining to the Zoning, Regulation And Enforcement of Smoke Shops And Tobacco Sales
- Reso No. CC-2512-095 Requesting Certification by the California Coastal Commission