



City of Detroit Detroit City Council

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RE: Questions on Detroit Ordinances and Policies Regarding the Use of 'Vape' Products

- Does the City of Detroit code treat the use of so-called 'vape' products the same way as it treats regular tobacco products?
- Is there a difference between how the City of Detroit treats the use of 'vapes' versus the use of tobacco products?
- Does the City of Detroit currently have regulations that prohibit the use of 'vape' products on city-owned property?
- If there are currently prohibitions on the usage of 'vapes' on city-owned property, does that include the interior of buildings only, or does it extend to outside spaces and places such as parks?
- If there are currently prohibitions, what are the current penalties for violators?
- If there are not any prohibitions currently in statute, what would need to happen to establish explicit prohibitions for members of the public to prevent them from utilizing such 'vape' products inside, around, or on city-owned properties, including recreational centers and parks?