



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2014-0371

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Bryan K. Barnett, Mayor's Office
DATE: September 16, 2014
SUBJECT: E-Cigarette Ordinance

REQUEST:

Add new division 4, E-Cigarettes, to Article VI of Chapter 70, Offenses, of the Code of Ordinances of The City of Rochester Hills, to prohibit the selling, giving or furnishing of E-Cigarettes to minors and prohibit the purchase, possession or use of E-Cigarettes by minors.

BACKGROUND:

Per City Council's request, the penalty for sales or possession to a minor has been revised to a municipal civil infraction punishable by a fine of not more than \$50.00 for each violation.

The production and distribution of e-cigarettes is not currently regulated by federal or state authorities, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has not completed testing of these products. But, initial studies by the FDA have determined that e-cigarettes can increase nicotine addiction among young people and contain chemical ingredients known to be harmful, which may expose users and the public to potential health risks.

Several surrounding communities have adopted or are considering similar ordinances prohibiting the selling, giving or furnishing of e-cigarettes to minors.

RECOMMENDATION:

To adopt the New Division 4, E-Cigarettes, to Article VI, Chapter 70 of the Code of Ordinances.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		

Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		