



Legislation Text

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City Council Agenda

Memo to: Manteca City Council
From: Jodie Estarziau, Chief of Police
Date: June 4, 2019
Subject: Massage Establishments and Masseurs Ordinance

Waive the first reading by substitution of the title and adopt an ordinance repealing and replacing Municipal Code, Title 9 Public Peace, Morals and Welfare, Chapter 9.28 Massage Establishments and Masseurs.

Background:

It is the purpose and intent of this chapter to provide for the orderly regulation of massage businesses and to comply with state regulations as it relates to massage services. The city recognizes massage is a viable professional field offering the public valuable health and therapeutic services. While there are significant health benefits that can result from massage, there are also significant risks of injury by persons improperly trained and/or educated in providing massage services. There are also opportunities for illegal acts of prostitution, lewdness and human trafficking that can occur in massage establishments.

This chapter establishes minimum standards for massage businesses and massage therapists so as to protect and safeguard the public health, safety and welfare and to enhance the reputation of the profession and integrity of the services provided. The establishment of reasonable standards for the issuance of business licenses and restrictions on operations would serve to reduce the risk of illegal activity and would thereby benefit the public health.

It is the purpose and intent of the city that massage businesses and massage therapists offering such services be regulated so as to ensure that persons offering massage services possess the minimum qualifications necessary to operate such a business and are able perform the services offered to ensure that those offering these services conduct their work in a lawful and professional manner and comply with required building, sanitation and health standards.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Documents Attached:

1. Attachment 1 - Current Code Language
2. Attachment 2 - Ordinance