

Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: August 13, 2024

Title of Item: Public Hearing - Tobacco Ordinance Amendment **Action Requested: Direction Requested** REGULAR AGENDA Approve/Deny Motion Discussion Item **CONSENT AGENDA** Adopt Resolution (attach draft) Hold Public Hearing* INFORMATION ONLY *provide copy of hearing notice that was published **Department:** Submitted by: Paula Arimborgo Health & Human Services Administration **Estimated Time Needed: Presenter (Name and Title):** Erin Melz, H&HS Public Health Supervisor 10 Min **Summary of Issue:** MS 375.51, Sub 2, no county ordinance shall be enacted unless a notice of the intention to enact it has been published in the official newspaper of the county not less than ten days before the meeting or public hearing. The notice shall state the subject matter and the general purpose of the proposed ordinance. At the July 9, 2024 County Board meeting, the date and time for the public hearing was set for August 13, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. As of this date, we have not received any comments or recommendations on the revisions prior to the public hearing. Attached is the notice of the public hearing. **Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:** Recommended Action/Motion: Financial Impact: No Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? No Please Explain: Yes



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AITKIN COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALE, PROCUREMENT, AND POSSESSION OF TOBACCO AND RELATED DEVICES

WHEREAS, Under Minn. Stat. § 461.19, a county is required to give retailers notice that it is considering adopting or substantially amending a retail tobacco licensing ordinance. The county must take reasonable steps to send notice by mail at least 30 days prior to the meeting, to the last known address of each licensee or person required to hold a license.

WHEREAS, Under Minn. Stat. 375.51, Sub 2, no county ordinance shall be enacted unless a notice of the intention to enact it has been published in the official newspaper of the county not less than ten days before the meeting or public hearing. The notice shall state the subject matter and the general purpose of the proposed ordinance

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §13D.01, states that meetings must be open to the public.

WHEREAS, a public hearing provides a meaningful opportunity for local officials to receive public input on an issue. A public hearing is not required to adopt a tobacco retail-licensing ordinance unless specifically required by a charter.

THEREFORE, BE IT RE-SOLVED, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners hereby sets a public hearing for August 13, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. at the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Meeting to be held in the Government Center Board Meeting Room for the following proposed changes to the Ordinance Regulating the Sale, Procurement, and Possession of Tobacco and Related Devices in Aitkin County.

Proposed ordinance revision:

 Removal of Section 5, subsection A (9): Prohibiting the sale of any flavored product.

All other provisions adopted on June 11th will remain unchanged.

Written comments can be sent to Erin Melz at erin.melz@co.aitkin.mn.us A copy of the proposed ordinance is available at the Aitkin County Auditor's office.

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