



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE
ADOPTION OF NEW SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS
REGULATIONS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF TARRANT
COUNTY**

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider action regarding the adoption of new Sexually Oriented Business (SOB) regulations in the unincorporated area of Tarrant County.

BACKGROUND

Texas Local Government Code Section 243.003 grants counties the ability to adopt regulations regarding sexually oriented businesses ("SOB") to promote the public health, safety, or welfare. Regulations adopted under this section by a county apply to the parts of the county outside the corporate limits of a municipality.

The Tarrant County Commissioners Court adopted the current SOB regulations on October 22, 1990, through Commissioners Court Order #64498. These regulations have been periodically updated and amended since their original adoption.

It is recommended the Commissioners Court adopt updated regulations to replace the current regulations. These updated regulations will add additional criteria SOBs must satisfy to obtain or renew a permit to operate, add new grounds on which a permit may be revoked, and clarify certain definitions and procedural mechanisms.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

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