

**CITY OF LA VISTA
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT
JANUARY 6, 2015 AGENDA**

Subject:	Type:	Submitted By:
AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL POLICY STATEMENT	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	BOB LAUSTEN POLICE CHIEF

SYNOPSIS

A resolution has been prepared approving an update to the Council Policy Statement regarding Smoking and Tobacco Use of Tobacco Products at City Facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Approval

BACKGROUND

A change to the Council Policy Statement is proposed to include the prohibition of electronic smoking devices in the workplace or at city facilities (unless used in designated areas). There is reason to believe that public use of electronic smoking devices results in second hand exposure to nicotine and other potentially harmful chemical vapors and the City desires to create and encourage a healthy, welcoming and comfortable environment for residents and visitors,

The policy also updates the city facilities covered by the Policy Statement as well as defines what smoking and electronic devices are for the purposes of the Policy Statement.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VISTA, NEBRASKA, APPROVING CHANGES AND REVISIONS TO AN EXISTING COUNCIL POLICY STATEMENT.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is necessary and desirable to create Council Policy Statements as a means of establishing guidelines and direction to the members of the City Council and to the city administration in regard to various issues which regularly occur; and

WHEREAS, a Council Policy Statement entitled "Smoking and Tobacco Use of Tobacco Products at City Facilities" has been reviewed and revisions recommended by the Managing Directors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of La Vista, Nebraska, do hereby approve the changes to Council Policy Statement entitled "Smoking and Tobacco Use of Tobacco Products at City Facilities" and do further hereby direct the distribution of said Council Policy Statement to the appropriate City Departments.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

CITY OF LA VISTA

Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Bueth, CMC
City Clerk

Smoking and Use of Tobacco Products at City Facilities

108.01 Definitions

For purpose of this policy:

Smoking: means the burning of, inhaling from, exhaling the smoke from, or the possession of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or any other matter or substance which contains tobacco or any other matter that can be smoked, including the use of smokeless tobacco and snuff, or the inhaling or exhaling of smoke or vapor from an electronic smoking device.

Tobacco products: means cigarettes, cigars, pipes, smokeless and chewing tobacco.

Electronic smoking device: means an electronic device that can be used to deliver nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, or pipe.

Vapor: means an aerosol mist or smoke which emits from an electronic smoking device.

108.02 Policy

It shall be the policy of the City Council and the City of La Vista that the use of tobacco products at City facilities shall be closely restricted.

In an effort to consider the needs and concerns of employees who use tobacco products and electronic smoking devices, as well as those who do not, and to provide a healthy *tobacco and vapor free* working environment, the City has adopted the following restrictions:

All employees, volunteers, customers and visitors are expected to extinguish and properly dispose of any tobacco products or the use of any electronic smoking devices prior to entering City Hall, the Community Center, the City Annex Building, the Golf Course Clubhouse, the Police Station, the Public Library, or Public Works Buildings.

To facilitate this policy the City shall post signage identifying City Hall, the Community Center, the City Annex Building, the Golf Course Clubhouse, the Police Station, the Public Library, Public Works Facilities and the Swimming Pool as *tobacco and vapor free* facilities at all public entrances and provide ashtrays for disposal.

Any tobacco or electronic smoking use is prohibited throughout the buildings and grounds at City Hall, the Community Center, the City Annex Building, the Police Station, the Public Library, Public Works Facilities and the Swimming Pool; except for areas identified as tobacco and electronic smoking device permitted locations and posted with appropriate signage. Installation of appropriate signage will be coordinated with the Building Maintenance Division of Public Works. Tobacco and electronic smoking device permitted areas will be designated by the Department Head with the approval of the City Administrator and such designated areas must be outdoors or outdoors in nature, such as a garage.

Tobacco and electronic smoking device use is permitted on the Golf Course grounds.

City of La Vista

Council Policy Statement

SMOKING AND USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS AT CITY FACILITIES

Employees and volunteers may not use tobacco products or electronic smoking devices in City vehicles or while operating City equipment.