

From: The Xavier Trust [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 10:55 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: No on tobacco flavor ban

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I am writing to let you know that there has been no public outreach, no stakeholder engagement and to respect the democratic process and let the voters speak this November!

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From: Christine Dulatre [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 9:57 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: No to Flavor Ban

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To whom it may concern:

Please know that there has been no public outreach, no stakeholder engagement and to respect the democratic process and let the voters speak this November! No flavor ban! This has truly helped people from all walks of life- get rid of traditional analog cigarettes that has thousands of chemicals known to cause various ailments vs a better alternative! Please hear out the community!

Thank you,
Our company

From: Leanora Toma <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 9:27 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavor tobacco ban

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From: Karlos Toma [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 9:23 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: ATTENTION

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From: amar nadem [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 8:19 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavoured tobacco ban.

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Hi. Good evening my Name is Amar Nadem. I am the owner of king liquor in the City Of Chula Vista. We just heard about the tobacco flavor ban meeting that's happening tomorrow at the City Hall. First thing there has been no public outreach, Second we all know this is not going to fix the issue. If you guys are gonna be able to ban all the flavor tobacco from the small businesses how are you guys able to control the black market/Internet Let the State vote for it in November.
Thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Holly Tenaglia <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 8:14 PM
To: Mary Salas <MSalas@chulavistaca.gov>
Cc: Lynda Barbour <[REDACTED]>; CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Chula Vista Resident Request for Support: Vote YES to Flavored Tobacco Ordinance

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Dear Mayor Mary Casillas Salas,

My name is Holly Tenaglia, and I am a resident of Chula Vista, District 3, in Windingwalk right by Camarena Elementary School. In addition to being a Chula Vista resident, I am an oncology advanced practice nurse at VA San Diego, an American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network advocate, and an active member of the San Diego Oncology Nursing Society.

Given my background in healthcare, and specifically oncology, I want to urge you to vote YES on the flavored tobacco ordinance that will be heard on Tuesday, September 13th. The use of any flavored tobacco product among youth is concerning because it exposes them to a lifetime of nicotine addiction, disease, and premature death, which I saw firsthand as a Navy Veteran and am deeply concerned about as a mother of two young children.

Thank you for your attention, and please, vote YES to end the sale of all flavored tobacco products in Chula Vista.

Very Respectfully,

Holly Tenaglia

[REDACTED]

Chula Vista, CA 91915

[REDACTED]

From: Hanny Thomas <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 8:13 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavor ban

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You can not do that. It is unconstitutional, there has been no public outreach, no stakeholder engagement and to respect the democratic process and let the voters speak this November whether to keep the Vape and the flavors or ban it!

Thanks,
Johnny

From: ramez louis [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 8:10 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavors tobacco ban

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Hello there

We just received note from friend of mine There is meting tomorrow at city of Chula Vista ,
this is not right!
it's about respecting small businesses, making sure the public is notified and engaged and respecting
voter rights!

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: Namer [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 8:04 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Tobacco flavor ban

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As a tax payer and a voter this issue must be left to the voters to decide. alcohol and weed is legal because it was the people who voted on it not bunch of old ppl who have nothing to do with it just like the Supreme Court voting on abortion . Please allow the people to decide . Thank you and may god bless you all

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From: Angelo <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 7:59 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavor Ban

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Hello! My name is Angelo and I am a small business owner in Chula Vista! I am very upset that as a owner in your city I was not informed about this meeting at all. This is unfair as it seems like it's being done in the dark and not giving the local business owner a fair chance to come out and speak. I hope you guy can respect the process of the state of California and let them decide as a whole state. This won't only effect small businesses but the city tax dollars. Thank you for your time.

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From: Mike Sabri <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 7:57 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
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From: Avrin Yakou <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 7:56 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavored Tobacco Ban

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Hi,

There is absolutely no way in good conscience the City of Chula Vista can without notice to anyone hold this meeting tomorrow. This is not a third world country where laws and regulations are passed in the dark. There has been 0 public outreach or respect for the democratic process.

Why hold this meeting regardless when California as a whole will be voting on it in November? This whole thing feels extremely slimy and wrong.

Respect the people of this City and the businesses within it and cancel this meeting immediately!!

From: Giselle Brambila [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 7:54 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: FLAVOR BAN

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It is unlawful as a California resident, to have a law or a flavor ban passed without any city involvement or public opinion. NO FLAVOR BAN!

Giselle Brambila
[REDACTED]

From: Desiree Dhawn Adamos <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 5:17 PM
To: Jill Galvez <jmgalvez@chulavistaca.gov>
Cc: Chelsea Walczak Vircks <[REDACTED]>; CityClerk
<CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Chula Vista City Council Meeting

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Good afternoon Councilmember Galvez,

My name is Desiree Adamos, a recent graduate of the Sweetwater Union High School District and a concerned health advocate in regards to the use of tobacco among youth.

Attached is a letter expressing my support for the upcoming ordinance restricting the sale of flavored tobacco in Chula Vista. This ordinance is a critical step to protecting my peers and generations to come from a lifetime of nicotine addiction and tobacco-related disease and death.

I urge you to support this ordinance on September 13 when it is brought forward.

Thank you,

Desiree Adamos

Dear Mayor Salas and Councilmembers,

My name is Desiree Adamos, a former high school student from the Sweetwater Union High School District. I am reaching out to you to emphasize the importance of passing legislation that would restrict the sale of flavored tobacco in our county. The experiences of my peers and the overall negative impacts of tobacco make this decision a necessary step in ensuring healthy and productive futures for our generation.

A handful of the students I went to school with suffered greatly from tobacco use. With impressionable minds, students are more likely to become addicted to the nicotine in tobacco in comparison to their older counterparts. As a result, I've witnessed many students use tobacco as an unhealthy coping mechanism and a way to "fit in" with other peers. In fact, an acquaintance of mine was sent to the emergency room a few months ago due to the damage that tobacco was inflicting on her lungs.

The advertisement of flavored products only makes the issue worse. According to the American Heart Association, more than 8 out of 10 youth who have ever used tobacco began with flavored tobacco products. If Chula Vista county continues to permit the sale of flavored tobacco, the city has proven where their priorities are – with economic incentive, instead of the future of our youth. Tangible legislation must be implemented to properly support and protect our youth from decisions that could ruin their lives.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Desiree Adamos

From: Alfa Santos [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 6:03 PM
To: Mary Salas <MSalas@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: End the sale of flavored tobacco

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Dear The Honorable Salas,

As your constituent, I'm writing to ask you to help end the sale of all flavored tobacco products in Chula Vista. This includes flavored e-cigarettes, menthol cigarettes and hookah. These products are fueling a youth nicotine addiction crisis. Menthol cigarettes in particular have long been used by the tobacco industry to target and addict people in communities of color.

The facts are clear:

- 81% of youth who have used tobacco started with a flavored product.
- E-cigarettes and other tobacco products are available in such kid-friendly flavors as Gummi Bear, Mango Mania, Cotton Candy and Cool Mint.
- More than 2 million kids nationwide use e-cigarettes, and the vast majority say flavors are the reason why.
- Due to heavy tobacco industry targeting, 85% of Black smokers now use menthol cigarettes – compared to 29% of White smokers. This has had devastating health impacts on Black communities.
- 41% of high school smokers use menthol cigarettes, which are easier for kids to start using and harder for smokers to quit.
- Cigars – which come in hundreds of sweet flavors – are now the second most popular tobacco product among high schoolers.

Please join the fight to protect kids from all flavored tobacco products.

Other California communities are already tackling this problem. Los Angeles County, Oakland, and San Francisco have eliminated the sale of all flavored tobacco products, just to name a few. Chula Vista should join them – and the growing number of communities across the nation that have taken a stand against flavored tobacco products.

Given the COVID-19 pandemic and its devastating impact on the lungs, stopping youth use of tobacco products is more important than ever. Our kids can't wait.

Please do everything you can to end the sale of flavored tobacco products in our city.

Sincerely,
Alfa Santos

From: Xtabay Rico <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 5:57 PM
To: Mary Salas <MSalas@chulavistaca.gov>
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Sincerely,
Xtabay Rico

From: Sunset [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 9:51 AM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavored tobacco ban

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Good morning our Leaders at Chula Vista City Council.

Not sure if I'm sending this email to our leader or another city's tail or follower.

Regarding today's hearing about flavored tobacco ban.

It's misguided policy that will do more harm than good" and "hurt small businesses, eliminate necessary tax revenue, and perpetuate dangerous.

We are 2 miles from the border. we are all dealing with human trafficking, drug trafficking. Do you want to add more power and business to them?

Best Regards.

From: Heveen Toma <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 9:25 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: [SUSPECTED SPAM] Hello

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From: Eva Quiambao [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 10:38 AM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Tobacco

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To whom it may concern,
Please be fair in handling tobacco issue. Respect small businesses and wait until November election.
Thank You
Concerned Citizen

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 11:17 AM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Flavor ban

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Flavor Bans without public opinions are unfair and overreaching. Small businesses will close!

From: naell soro <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 12:35 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Vape ban

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Hello to whom it may concern

My name is Naell Soro, emailing about the Vape ban, I OPPOSE this ban this will hurt our businesses significantly and the underage sales will sore, because over 90% of the underage sales are happening online.
So I strongly oppose this ban

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From: Jeff Mansour <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 12:37 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Agenda item 8.2

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Hello my name is Jeff Mansour. Please don't pass the flavor ban. You didn't give your constituents enough time to voice their opinion. The people will vote on it in two months for the entire state of California. I don't understand why you would pass this now when we are going to vote on it soon. You must protect and respect the democratic process. We the people need to choose. This issue has already been addressed and it's was put in the hands of the people. This is the United States of American. You guys are making a mistake by passing it now. This is a slap to the face of all voters. What is the point of a referendum if you pass it now. By passing it, you are basically saying you don't care about what voters and the citizens think. You guys were elected by the voters so please do your job right and do the right thing. Don't let lobbyists push you around and please don't make this about politics. Do it as common sense and wait for the November vote and see what happens. At least than we know that you trust the American democratic process. Thank you

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From: Sam Zora [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 12:49 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: today Agenda Item 8.2. ban Flavor Tobacco

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I'm a business owner in chula vista, I have been in business for 30 years.

if this goes through will effects our business and will create a black market element in our city.

This will hurt our business and will drive our adult smokers to the neighboring cities.

You should leave this issue to state level since it will be on the ballot end of the year

Salam Zora
[REDACTED]

From: Lynda Barbour <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 1:10 PM
To: Mary Salas <MSalas@chulavistaca.gov>; Steve C. Padilla <spadilla@chulavistaca.gov>; Andrea Cardenas <acardenas@chulavistaca.gov>; John McCann <jmccann@chulavistaca.gov>; Jill Galvez <jmgalvez@chulavistaca.gov>
Cc: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Letter in Support of item 8, ending the sale of flavored tobacco products in Chula Vista

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Dear Madam Mayor and Honorable Council members,
Please find ACS CAN's letter in support of the ordinance on tonight's agenda to end the sale of flavored tobacco products.

Thank you for your consideration of this important policy.
Lynda Barbour

Lynda Barbour, MPH

Senior Government Relations Director, So. California & Grant Program
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September 13, 2022

The Honorable Mary Salas
Mayor, City of Chula Vista
276 Fourth Ave
Chula Vista CA 91910



Re: Agenda item: 8.2 Prohibiting the sale of flavored tobacco products

Dear Mayor Salas and members of the Chula Vista City Council,

Our mission at the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network is to end suffering and death from cancer, and we are committed to advancing that mission in Chula Vista. We are deeply concerned about the availability of flavored tobacco products, which is contributing to the youth access and initiation into tobacco use in communities across the state and country.

We write to ask that you to adopt an ordinance that ends the sale of flavored tobacco products, including flavored e-cigarettes and menthol cigarettes without exemptions. Tobacco companies have a long history of marketing to youth with imagery and by marketing appealing flavors. Tobacco companies have aggressively marketed menthol products in low income and Latino communities who already bear a greater burden of health disparities; this marketing increases tobacco use and widens health disparities in these communities. Comprehensive tobacco policies reduce the community cancer risk and help to ensure that everyone has an equal opportunity to prevent, treat, and survive cancer.

There are many reasons to adopt a policy like the one being considered. Consider the following:

- Four out of five youth who have ever used a tobacco product started with a flavored tobacco product, and when asked why, say it is because they come in flavors they like.
- More than half of the youth who smoke use menthol cigarettes and flavored cigars have continued to gain popularity, especially among high school boys; they are available in an array of flavors and often packaged to be priced at 3 or 4 for 99-cents, making them even more appealing to youth who want to experiment.
- A recent study concluded that youth who use e-cigarettes are more than four times as likely to try cigarettes than those youth who never tried e-cigarettes.

Ending the sale of all flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes, removes much of the allure of these products and is a key component of a comprehensive strategy to reduce tobacco initiation and subsequent addiction, as well as to promote health equity for all. Additionally, this will help put an end to the predatory marketing of tobacco products that disproportionately impact poorer communities, marginalized groups, youth, and communities of color in Chula Vista.

We urge the council to demonstrate your commitment to the health and well-being of your residents by joining the almost 90 California jurisdictions that have adopted strong policies to end the sale of all flavored tobacco products.

Sincerely,

Lynda Barbour, MPH
Southern California Government Relations Director

From: Saiman_ Dekho <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 1:40 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: For Agend 8.2

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Hello my name is Saiman Dekho and My Family owns a business in beautiful Chula Vista.

I am emailing you regarding agenda 8.2 today because I do not believe this agenda item should pass at this point. Although I understand the purpose and the goal of the agenda, I do believe it does not fix the problem at this point and the timing is absolutely wrong. I do not believe a flavor ban for a single city will help and curbing youth access. I looked at your report and it shows that a large percent of youth based on your study shows that they access these products from family and friends. This will only get worse. The best way to curb youth access by state wide ban which we are voting on in November. One way or another What we need is a large solution, not one by an individual city.

Thank you.

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From: randi saco [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 1:47 PM
To: CityClerk <CityClerk@chulavistaca.gov>
Subject: Agenda 8.2

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Please don't pass the flavor ban in my city. We are going to vote on it in November. It only makes sense to wait. Let us make the decision and not politicians. Make the right decision by waiting to see what the people vote for. It will be fair for all voters especially the ones living in Chula Vista. Thank you

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