



AGENDA SUMMARY/ REPORT

MEETING DATE: February 24, 2026

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AGENDA CONTENT: Hold discussion and updates on a potential Text Amendment Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, providing rules and regulations governing the location and restrictions for Hookah Bars, Hookah Lounges, and Retail Electronic Smoking Device stores, within the City Limits of Angleton, Texas.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda Item

BUDGETED AMOUNT: N/A

FUNDS REQUESTED: N/A

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: At the request of the City Manager and City Council, Staff will bring a work session discussion and update on a potential Text Amendment Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, providing rules and regulations governing the location and restrictions for Hookah Bars, Hookah Lounges, and Retail Electronic Smoking Device stores and Section 28-81 - Use Regulations (Charts), on Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

Staff is working with Legal to prepare all text amendments exhibits.

Upcoming Schedule is as follows:

Item Description	Board or Council	Date
Work session: Introduce Item, research, examples, and receive direction on specifics of A Proposed Text Amendment Ordinance from Council.	City Council Discussion Item	Tuesday, February 24, 2026 @ 6:00 PM
1st Public Hearing- P&Z Commission	Planning and Zoning Public Hearing	Thursday, March 5, 2026 @ 12:00 PM
2nd Public Hearing- City Council	City Council Public Hearing	Tuesday, March 24, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

The attached spreadsheet overviews comparisons of 12 communities near Angleton for Council's consideration.

For **Pearland**: Conditional Use Permit in M-2 only, with 1,000 ft buffers from schools/places of worship/child day care, 300 ft from residential subdivision entrances, and hours limited to 8 AM–10 PM. **Sugar Land**: “Tobacco, Hookah, and Vapor Retail Store” removed as a land use; new locations prohibited and existing treated as nonconforming with expansion prohibited.

Richmond (Fort Bend): Requires 500 ft separation from residential uses and 500 ft from schools/daycare/hospitals, plus hours limits and window/smoke-control requirements.

Rosenberg: City summary indicates 2,000 ft buffers from schools/churches/parks/daycares, hours 10 AM–10 PM, 21+ only, plus transparency and other operating restrictions (licensing-based ordinance).

Recommendation

The City Council should direct Staff and Legal on the scope of any future text amendments in this amusement redemption game room work session.