ORDINANCE NO. 23-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, TO APPROVE ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 2021-003 (ZCA-2021-003) TO AMEND ARTICLES 1, 7, 10, 10.2, 10.3, 10.3.1, 10.4, 10.5, 10.5.1, 10.6, 10.7, 10.8, 11.1, AND 19 OF CHAPTER 12 (PLANNING AND ZONING) OF THE INGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR HOOKAH LOUNGES.

(Revisions are underlined. Strike through lines represent deleted text.)

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2022 the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing for the matter and approved Resolution No.1929 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL OF ZONING CODE AMENDMENT ZCA 2021-003 TO AMEND CHAPTER 12 OF THE INGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE (IMC) TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR HOOKAH LOUNGES.

(Zoning Code Amendment ZCA-2021-003)

WHEREAS, On June 14, 2022, the City Council scheduled a public hearing for June 28, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of the hearing was given as required by law and,

WHEREAS, the City Council afforded all persons interested in the matter of the proposed amendments to the Inglewood Municipal Code, or in any matter or subject related thereto, an opportunity to address the City
Council and be heard and to submit any testimony or evidence in favor or against the proposed Code amendments; and,

WHEREAS, after taking public testimony and considering the issues, the City Council determined that certain changes specified herein, should be made to the text of Articles 1, 7, 10, 10.2, 10.3, 10.3.1, 10.4, 10.5, 10.5.1, 10.6, 10.7, 10.8, 11.1, and 19 of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

1. That the proposed Hookah Lounge amendment supports the intent of the Inglewood General Plan in that it:
   a. Provides for the orderly development and redevelopment of the city while preserving a measure of diversity among its parts because the Code amendment will allow for the city to regulate the proliferation of Hookah Lounges in the City of Inglewood. Additionally, the Special Use Permit requirement will allow these uses to be adequately conditioned.
   b. Helps promote the development of commercial uses which will complement those which are already located in the City of Inglewood because the code amendment will require a Special Use Permit and allow a greater diversity of new commercial uses.

2. The changes to the text of Chapter 12 regarding Hookah Lounges does not constitute an establishment of unique standards, offering special privilege to a particular individual or group of individuals because the code amendment will apply citywide.

3. That the proposed amendment to establish regulations for Hookah Lounges is exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), therefore a notice of exemption (EA-CE-2021-053) has been prepared.
SECTION 2.

Section 12·1.54.3. (Hookah Lounge) is hereby added to Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code to read as follows:

Section 12·1.54.3. Hookah Lounge

"Hookah Lounge" shall mean any business whose primary or ancillary business operation is engaged in the retail sale of tobacco for consumption by customers on the premises by the smoking of tobacco or other substances through one or more hookah pipes (also known as a waterpipe, shisha, or narghile) designed with a tube passing through an urn of water, including but not limited to establishments known as hookah bars, hookah lounges, hookah cafés, and the like.

SECTION 3.

The text of Article 7 ("C·2" General Commercial Zone Regulations), Section 12·24. (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12·24. C·2 Zone Permitted Uses.

(A) The following uses when conducted entirely within a fully enclosed building:

(28) Smoke Shops. New or expanded smoke shops are prohibited within five thousand two hundred eighty feet of another smoke shop, prohibited within six hundred feet of any school, public playground or nonprofit youth facility, and are subject to Special Use Permit approval.

(B) The following uses are permitted whether within a fully enclosed building or not:

(1) Automobile sales.

(a) The retail sale of new automobiles and, as an ancillary use, the retail sale of used automobiles which are traded in as partial payment for new automobiles purchased at the same location.
(b) The retail sale of used automobiles, if conducted on a lot not less than one acre in size and subject to Special Use Permit approval. No inoperable or disassembled automobile shall be sold or stored on the premises and no automobile repair shall be permitted on the premises.

(c) The retail sale of classic/vintage, collectible and luxury automobiles along Centinela Avenue as specified in Section 12-24.9.

(d) The sales of commercial trucks, buses and other motorized vehicles not typical for personal or family-use transportation is prohibited in the C-2 Zone.

(2) Rental of trailers for hauling purposes, only as an incidental use at service stations, and subject to Special Use Permit approval.

(3) Plant nurseries.

(4) Newsstands.

(5) Parking lots. (Vehicle storage prohibited.)

(6) Accessory uses which by their nature cannot reasonably be conducted within an enclosed building.

(d) The sales of commercial trucks, buses and other motorized vehicles not typical for personal or family-use transportation is prohibited in the C-2 Zone.

(7) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.
(D) Prohibited Uses. Notwithstanding the above listed uses, any use not specified and any of the following uses are prohibited in the C-2 General Commercial Zone:

(28) Smoke Shops. New or expanded smoke shops are prohibited within five thousand two hundred eighty feet of another smoke shop, prohibited within six hundred feet of any school, public playground or nonprofit youth facility, and are subject to Special Use Permit approval.

SECTION 4.

The text of Article 10 (“C-R” Commercial Recreation Zone), Section 12-27 (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12-27. Permitted Uses.

(21) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 5.

The text of Article 10.2 (“MU-1” Mixed-Use 1 Zone), Section 12-31.21 (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:


(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and
(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m.
and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet
(1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 6.

The text of Article 10.3 ("MU-2" Mixed-Use 2 Zone), Section 12-31.26.
(Permitted Uses.) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby
modified to read as follows:


(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to
Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public
playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Maximum size of 2,500 square feet; and

(c) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m.
and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet
(1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 7.

The text of Article 10.3.1 ("MU-2A" Mixed-Use 2A Zone), Section 12-
31.29. (Permitted Uses.) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is
hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12-31.29. Permitted Uses.

Permitted uses shall be as identified in the Westchester/Veterans
Transit Oriented Development Plan as well as the following:

(1) Smoke Shops. New or expanded smoke shops are prohibited within
5,280 (five thousand two hundred eighty) feet of another smoke shop,
prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground or
nonprofit youth facility, and are subject to Special Use Permit approval.
(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 8.

The text of Article 10.4 ("MU-3" Mixed-Use 3 Zone), Section 12-31.31. (Permitted Uses.) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12-31.31. Permitted Uses.

(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 9.

The text of Article 10.5 ("MU-4" Mixed-Use 4 Zone), Section 12-31.36. (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12-31.36. Permitted Uses.

(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:
(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 10.

The text of Article 10.5.1 ("MU-A" Mixed-Use Arts Cluster Zone), Section 12-31.38. (Permitted Uses.) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12-31.38. Permitted Uses.

Permitted uses shall be as identified in the Westchester/Veterans Transit Oriented Development Plan as well as the following:

(1) Smoke Shops. New or expanded smoke shops are prohibited within 5,280 (five thousand two hundred eighty) feet of another smoke shop, prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground or nonprofit youth facility, and are subject to Special Use Permit approval.

(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 11.

The text of Article 10.6 ("MU-C" Mixed-Use Corridor Zone), Section 12-
31.41. (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12-31.41. Permitted Uses.

(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 12.

The text of Article 10.7 ("H-C" Historic Core Zone), Section 12-31.46. (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12-31.46. Permitted Uses.

(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 13.

The text of Article 10.8 ("C-N" Commercial Neighborhood Zone), Section 12-31.51. (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:
Section 12.31.51. Permitted Uses.

(2) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 14.

The text of Article 11.1 ("M-1L" Limited Manufacturing Zone), Section 12.32.10. (Permitted Uses) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

Section 12.32.10. Permitted Uses.

(18) Hookah Lounge. New or expanded Hookah Lounges, subject to Special Use Permit approval and the following:

(a) Prohibited within 600 (six hundred) feet of any school, public playground, or nonprofit youth facility; and

(b) Hours of operation shall be limited to the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(c) New or expanded Hookah Lounges are prohibited within 5,280 feet (1 mile) of another Hookah Lounge.

SECTION 15.

The text of Article 19 (Parking Regulations), Section 12.44. (Commercial Parking Requirements) of Chapter 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code is hereby modified to read as follows:

(3) Other Uses.

(g) Hotels or Motels.
(i) For facilities having one hundred or fewer bedrooms: two parking spaces, plus one parking space for each bedroom or any other room that can be used for sleeping purposes; and

(ii) For facilities having more than one hundred bedrooms: one hundred two parking spaces, plus one parking space for each additional two bedrooms or any other room that can be used for sleeping purposes.

Furthermore, restaurant and meeting facilities shall be provided with additional parking spaces as required for each respective use.

(q) Shopping Centers.

(i) For centers less than three thousand square feet in floor area: one parking space for each one hundred fifty square feet of gross floor area.

(ii) For centers between three thousand square feet and fourteen thousand square feet in floor area: twenty parking spaces, plus one additional parking space for each additional two hundred seventy-five square feet of gross floor area in excess of three thousand square feet of floor area.

(iii) For centers larger than fourteen thousand square feet in floor area: sixty parking spaces, plus one additional parking space for each additional four hundred square feet of gross floor area in excess of fourteen thousand square feet of floor area.

(t) Hookah Lounges. One space for each 75 square feet of gross floor area.

SECTION 16.

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance and to its approval by the City Council and shall cause the same to be published in accordance with the City Charter and thirty days from the final passage and adoption, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect.

This ordinance to amend Chapter 12 (Planning and Zoning) of the
Inglewood Municipal Code to establish regulations for Hookah Lounges citywide is passed, approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Inglewood this 11th day of October 2022.

JAMES I. BUTTS
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Attest:

AISHAL THOMPSON
CITY CLERK

(SEAL)
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  )
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)  SS.
CITY OF INGLEWOOD   )

I, AISHA L. THOMPSON, City Clerk of the City of Inglewood, California do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the CITY COUNCIL of said city is five; that the foregoing ordinance being Ordinance No. 23-01 is the full, true and correct original of Ordinance No. 23-01 of the said City of Inglewood, California entitled;

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, TO APPROVE ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 2021-003 (ZCA-2021-003) TO AMEND ARTICLES 1, 7, 10, 10.2, 10.3, 10.3.1, 10.4, 10.5, 10.5.1, 10.6, 10.7, 10.8, 11.1, AND 19 OF CHAPTER 12 (PLANNING AND ZONING) OF THE INGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR HOOKAH LOUNGES.

which was duly passed and adopted by the said City Council, approved and signed by the Mayor of said city, and attested by the City Clerk of said City, all at a meeting of said Council held on the 11th day of October, 2022 and that the same was so passed and adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk and Mayor Butts, Jr.;

Noes: None; and

Absent: None.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said City the 13th day of October, 2022.

(SEAL)

City Clerk of the City of Inglewood