

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE January 7, 2022

TO Honorable Members of the Dallas City Council

SUBJECT Upcoming Vote on Chapter 41A - Sexually Oriented Business (SOB) regulations

Dear Colleagues:

After the discussion at Wednesday's City Council briefing, I have decided to place the item regarding amendments to Dallas City Code Chapter 41A — regulations on the permissible hours of operation and employment age requirements of Sexually Oriented Businesses (SOBs) — on the Wednesday, January 26, 2022, Dallas City Council agenda.

Moving forward with a vote on these amendments, as proposed by Police Chief Eddie Garcia, is in line with the wishes of Public Safety Committee Chairman Adam McGough and Quality of Life, Arts, & Culture Committee Chairman Adam Bazaldua. It will also adhere to the motion made by City Councilmember Cara Mendelsohn that was unanimously approved by the Public Safety Committee on December 13, 2021.

Chief Garcia has made clear that this proposed ordinance change is an important part of his violent crime reduction plan, the implementation of which is critical to improving public safety — our top priority — in our city.

Should you have any questions or concerns ahead of this important vote, I encourage you to reach out to the City Attorney's Office or to our Dallas Police Department leadership, as appropriate.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to this vote, as well as a robust and healthy discussion about how we can continue to make our city safer and further reduce violent crime.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Johnson', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Eric Johnson
Mayor

Cc: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
Chris Caso, City Attorney
Billierae Johnson, City Secretary
Mark Swann, City Auditor