

Healthy Cities Initiative: Tobacco Policies Survey

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Summary Of Responses

As of January 6, 2020, 12:19 PM, this forum had:		Topic Start	Topic End
Attendees:	395	November 25, 2019, 12:59 PM	January 6, 2020, 12:18 PM
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QUESTION 1

Would you support or oppose a law prohibiting the sale of electronic cigarette/vaping products?

		%	Count
Support		82.9%	204
Oppose		15.9%	39
Not sure		1.2%	3

QUESTION 2

Please tell us about yourself. (Check all that apply)

		%	Count
I live in Cupertino		79.9%	195
I work in Cupertino		13.9%	34
I attend school in Cupertino		8.2%	20
I am a parent or guardian of a student who attends a school in Cupertino		50.0%	122

QUESTION 3

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What is your zip code?

Answered	237
Skipped	9

QUESTION 4

Please provide us with additional comments you may have.

Answered	76
Skipped	170

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Survey Questions

QUESTION 1

Would you support or oppose a law prohibiting the sale of electronic cigarette/vaping products?

- Support
- Oppose
- Not sure

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Please tell us about yourself. (Check all that apply)

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Additional comments

Prohibition of vaping products will not stop anyone that wants to vape from doing so.

I do not believe the vaping companies are acting in a responsible manor. They are very much focused on selling addictive drugs (even if currently legal). Rather than providing a nicotine free alternative. Issues of safety are also of great concern given the design of the delivery system.

Electronic cigarette/vaping products do not have any benefit to our health. A 45-year-old woman died from complications related to the use of e-cigarettes few weeks ago, and it's the fourth death in California. Even though the law won't totally stop the use of vaping products, it will make it harder for the youth (or adults) to get their hands on them.

Vaping is a huge problem with our teens. Though there are many things that can be done, this would be a huge and helpful step in the right direction.

I would not support a ban that restricts the sale of some tobacco products, but not others insofar as there is no large difference in harm. I would prefer a blanket ban on tobacco sales to a piecemeal approach. Seeing as that's likely not going to get large support, it may be better to restrict sale based on location (eg. smoke shops and supermarkets only)

Vaping is bad for anyone's health

I am a registered nurse. The x-rays show horrible damage - worse than cigarettes! Some people show immediate damage, but we just don't know about the long term effects. As an person having COPD, I certainly don't need to be exposed to second hand smoke either!

I am totally fine with the restrictions near schools but think it is fine for adults to do if that is their thing. I do think vaping should be treated like smoking and have the same restrictions like not doing it in restaurants, public places, etc.

I will result in illegal sales if banned.

So far the only people who got sick were the ones who bought tainted off brand products from the internet. Banning the sale will encourage more people to buy illegal products that's more likely to be tainted. Smoking is an addiction. If you want to prevent deaths, ban cigarettes. Promote rehabilitation. Cigarette butts are also a common type of litter. Promoting e-cigs reduces littering.

Santa Clara foolishly reacted to incomplete information, don't be like them. The problem is not e-cigarettes, it is tainted fluids that were added to the e-cigarettes.

Banning the sale of e-cigarette products will encourage a black market for these products and increase the risk of people getting tainted fluids like those that made people sick. If you want to ban the sale of the something that is making people sick, ban the sale of regular cigarettes instead. If more people vaped instead of smoked there would be less tobacco related illness, less air pollution, and less litter.

I am 100% against sells of e-cigarettes and vaping products. I have a high schooler and the kids are way too exposed to tobacco, specially vaping products. It is ruining communities and our youth brains. These products are extremely addictive and are readily available to purchase in our corner 711 shops. Please stop this epidemic!!

thank you for this ban

One must be 21 to purchase vaping products, so why do we need yet another law on the books? Just enforce our current laws.

Cupertino should follow State law and let State agencies enforce the policies regarding electronic cigarette sales.

We should ban it. We've heard so many accidents caused by vaping/e-cigarette. Many other states have also banned it. For the health of our next generation, I support prohibiting the sale of vaping/e-cigarette products in Cupertino.

I completely agree with this proposal as these are dangerous health hazards

We should keep our next generation away from any cigarette/vaping products.

All retailers within 1000 ft from schools should be prohibited to sell tobacco products, no exceptions! As community leaders, your responsibility is to set a tone for Cupertino which is a family friendly city. We are willing to protect our children from early addiction to toxic substances. Business interest is secondary to the health of next generation. We need leaders who have long-term vision and are willing to say no to business owners whose best interest conflicts with the interests of residents.

We should not give our kids any option to choose from any form of smoking. All these so called alternative options are equally bad.

In addition to banning the sale of vaping products, I suggest that we have the City Attorney explore how we can legally restrict the advertising (posters, point of sale ads, online ads, etc.) for stores that already have permits to sell these items and are grandfathered in. For those grandfathered in stores, I suggest that we explore giving them a deadline (say, three to five years) to stop selling vaping products. I also suggest a City-sponsored anti-vaping ad campaign.

No vaping in any public building including bathrooms

Strongly against vaping/e-sigrate.

My son and his friends were affected so much because of this issue. Please provide a safe school and neighborhood for the children.

Schools and minors are more important. We understand there is a need of providing adults legal access to certain entertainment products and booster city sales revenue. However, Cupertino attract residents by its education not by its economy. Thus, what are the best for the students should be considered first.

Thank you!

We need a clean Cupertino! For our kids and family's.

Vaping is too dangerous to be allowed in the city of Cupertino.

All Vapes have additives that are carcinogenic. And lull people to think they are safe.

Prohibition of sale of Vapes will create a positive nurturing culture for our children.

If Santa Clara Co. prohibits the sale of vaping products, why would each city also want to prohibit them? Surely the SCC law would override city law.

No Vaping !!!

Nicotine use is very common, especially for people with certain neurological wiring or those who have difficulty with stress. E-cigs/vape products are much less harmful to everyone around the person using the product. This is a much safer alternative. People will still use nicotine but let's make it more tolerable for everyone around. Much rather water vapor than actual cigarette smoke.

I believe in harm reduction and I think vaping is preferable to smoking and does help people trying to quit smoking. I do approve of restrictions for youth access.