

July 25, 2022

RE: Smoke-Free Outdoor Dining Ordinance

Dear Business Owner:

On June 28, 2022, the Vista City Council approved an ordinance amending chapter 8.12 of the Vista Municipal Code regarding smoking in public areas. This ordinance prohibits smoking in any public area. The ordinance was amended to include unenclosed areas of any eating establishment. This ordinance will go into effect on July 29, 2022.

The ordinance requires that "no smoking" signs be posted at each entrance to any unenclosed dining area. The city is granting a 60-day grace period for the posting of the no smoking signs at the entrances of unenclosed dining areas. Signs need to be posted no later than September 27, 2022.

Vista Community Clinic and the North Coastal Prevention Coalition have offered to assist with providing required signage as soon as they have signage available and will follow up with local businesses. If you have any questions about signs, feel free to contact Erica Leary, Program Manager, at 760-631-5000 x7150 or eleary@vcc.org.

Thank you for your cooperation and please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kathy Valde City Clerk