



Background

- National City Municipal Code Chapters 10.70 and 10.79 were last updated in January 2019 to assist with enforcement
- At the time, eight illicit massage parlors were shut down through a joint effort of City departments
- In March 2023, a sexual assault and robbery of two employees took place at the Xin Fu Spa





Background - Cont'd

- The investigation of the Xin Fu Spa highlighted the need for additional updates to the NCMC
- NCPD contacted the California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC) in April 2023
- CAMTC assisted with the creation of a standardized inspection form for massage establishments as well as reviewed NCMC Chapters 10.70 and 10.79



Recommended Changes to NCMC 10.70 – Police Regulated Business Regulations

- Minor updates and clean up are proposed for additional clarity
- Inclusion of additional criteria for permit denial:
 - Prior massage permit denied, suspended or revoked
 - Prior massage certification denied, suspended, or revoked
- Updated appeal procedures



Recommended Changes to NCMC 10.79 – Massage Establishments

- Updates and additions to the definition section
- Updates to the massage establishment operating requirements:
 - Prohibiting operation under a different business name
 - Limitations on who can be present in the business
- Updates to massage establishment prohibited conduct:
 - No receptionists can be employed without state certification without City approval
 - Cannot operate after the sale or transfer of the massage establishment without City approval



Recommendation and Next Steps

- Staff is recommending City Council approve all of the recommended changes to NCMC 10.70 and NCMC 10.79
- If approved by Council:
 - Second reading on Tuesday, November 21st

