

“Smoking” in Pacific Grove Cigarettes and Vaping



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Pacific Grove gets an “F”

- 1/27/19 Monterey Weekly reports American Lung Association ratings for PG
- Ratings are based on existing regulations
 - Smoke-free outdoors, housing, reducing sale (1)
 - Bonus points for addressing emerging issues (0)
 - Vaping, flavored products aimed at kids

Impacts of smoking/vaping

- Birds and fish eat butts
- Smoking in parks risks fires
- Runoff takes toxins into bay, trash stream
- Cigarette filters break down into micro plastics
- Teens risk life-long health damage
- Unsightly litter mars our city
- Second hand smoke and “vapor” are icky

What Can be Done?

- Review current ordinances for effectiveness
- Create a comprehensive approach to education, implementation and enforcement
 - Update ordinances, create tactics to address gaps
 - Use ALA as possible metrics, pick what works for us
 - Particular attention to vaping, sales, enforcement
 - Include schools, SRO/PD, Environmental Programs staff – coordinate and complement efforts

Goals:

- Greatly reduce/eliminate butt litter
- (Schools) monitor changes in vaping, smoking among teens
- An "A" next year

Questions?



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