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Better Tobacco Control Policies in Union City Coming Soon

SAN JOSÉ, CA January 17, 2024 – At a Union City City Council meeting planned for Tuesday, January 23rd, the first reading of a proposed policy to amend the existing Tobacco Retailers Ordinance will take place. This legislation could ban the sale of flavored tobacco and electronic smoking devices, the sale of tobacco in pharmacies, and add restrictions Tobacco Retail Licenses (TRLs). The meeting will start at 7:00 PM at the Council Chambers at City Hall – 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, CA 94587. We encourage concerned parties to attend in person to share their opinions about the important issues being addressed. Here is more background from the Council's educational session on January 9th: <u>https://bit.ly/UnionCityTobaccoOrdinance</u>. If unable to attend, email your comments in advance to <u>CityClerk@UnionCity.org</u> (Bcc <u>Actobaccofree@gmail.com</u>) before 5:00 PM on January 23rd, with the phrase "public comment" in the subject line and noting Agenda Item Number #4.

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