

EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER
RELATING TO LICENSING REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS
FOR SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES WITHIN EL PASO COUNTY

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WHEREAS, sexually oriented businesses require special supervision from the public safety agencies of the County in order to protect and preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the patrons of such businesses as well as citizens of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that sexually oriented businesses, as a category of establishments, are frequently used for unlawful sexual activities, including prostitution and sexual liaisons of a casual nature; and

WHEREAS, there is convincing documented evidence that sexually oriented businesses, as a category of establishments, have deleterious secondary effects and are often associated with crime and adverse effects on surrounding properties; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court desires to minimize and control these adverse