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I am urging the council to reconsider this ban . First of all I do not use tobacco products so why do I even care. I believe some members of the council are using the "public safety" platform to push this through. Tobacco products are already regulated and age restricted like several other types of products that are legal to use so what will be next on the agenda? This is a slippery slope that if passed may lead some to suggest bans of other types of products deemed in the need of "public safety".

There are a few people I work with that use some of these alternative products to help them quit smoking successfully so if this ban were to pass what are they to do or any other people that are looking for an alternative to help them to quit smoking? They would be forced to drive to outlying areas or to the internet to purchase a legal product. Council members who are pushing this ban should first work with retailers on displays and point of sale so products are not within reach and of course the carding of purchasers just like other age restricted products. As I said before I don't use tobacco or alternatives my concern is what is the council going to do next to protect us from ourselves.

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