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Ordinance Fact Sheet

TO:	CITY COUNCIL

DATE: March 10, 2008

FROM: CITY ATTORNEY

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 17 (THE ZONING CODE) OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATING TO MASSAGE ESTABLISHEMENTS

TITLE OF PROPOSE ORDINANCE:

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PURPOSE OF ORDINANCE:

The proposed ordinance amends the Zoning Code to distinguish between different types of land uses that provide massage services, dependent on the percentage of the gross floor area dedicated to massage services. The proposed ordinance establishes a 250 foot separation requirement between massage establishments and residential districts, and a 500 foot separation requirement between massage establishments and certain other land uses.

BACKGROUND:

On April 30, 2007, the City Council approved an interim urgency ordinance temporarily prohibiting the issuance of permits for massage establishments. On June 11, 2007, this initial 45-day moratorium was extended to 10 months and 15 days (to April 26, 2008). During this moratorium, staff was instructed by the City Council to initiate a Zoning Code Amendment to review the potential secondary effect of massage uses on adjacent residentially zoned properties and to consider the creation of a distance separation requirement between massage establishments and residential uses. On February 4, 2008, the proposed ordinance amendments were approved by the City Council.

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REASON WHY LEGISLATION IS NEEDED:

An ordinance is needed to amend the provision of Title 17 (the Zoning Code) of the Pasadena Municipal Code.

PROGRAM, DEPARTMENTS, OR GROUPS AFFECTED:

The Planning Division and the Police Department will be affected by the proposed ordinance.

ENVIRONMENTAL:

An initial study was prepared for the proposed Zoning Code amendments and the determination for the proposal was a negative declaration. The initial study and the negative declaration were adopted by the City Council on February 4, 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be no fiscal impact for the proposed ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

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