

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Matthew L. Ossenfort

County Executive

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3 OF 2014

County Executive Matt Ossenfort, pursuant to Resolution 65 of 2009 of the County of Montgomery, smoking (the burning or carrying of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other substance which contains tobacco) by staff, visitors or volunteers in Montgomery County Buildings is prohibited in.

WHEREAS, Electronic cigarettes, also known as "e-cigarette," pose a potential threat to the health of County residents, as the substances emitted by e-cigarettes are addictive and potentially harmful;

WHEREAS, "electronic cigarette" or "e-cigarette," as contained herein, shall mean any electronic device composed of a mouthpiece, heating element, battery and electronic circuit(s) that provides a vapor of liquid nicotine and/or other substances mixed with propylene glycol, glycerol, or other similar substance to the user as he/she simulates smoking. This term shall include such devices whether they are manufactured as e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes or under any other product name;

WHEREAS, E-cigarettes, when placed to the lips of its users and drawn on, release a vapor resembling a cloud of smoke;

WHEREAS, This vapor contains nicotine and may also contain irritants, genotoxins, and animal carcinogens; and

WHEREAS, Many of the e-cigarettes currently on the market are unregulated by the Federal Food and Drug Administration and can be purchased at various retailers within the County as well as on the internet; and

WHEREAS, County residents who wish to forgo exposure to the addictive and potentially harmful substances contained in the e-cigarette vapors should at least be so entitled to this wish while located on County property;

THEREFORE, I, Matthew Ossenfort, Montgomery County Executive, by virtue of the powers vested in me pursuant to the County of Montgomery Smoking Policy and the laws of the State of New York, Hereby order and direct that:

The use of e-cigarettes by persons located on County property is strictly prohibited under all circumstances. This is in addition of County Resolution 65 of 2009 which prohibits smoking by staff visitors or volunteers in Montgomery County buildings including in all interior areas, all County Vehicles and all outdoor areas within 20 feet of an entrance/door.

Made this the // day of April, 2014, at the office of the County Executive, 20 Park Street, Fonda, New York.

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