

Proposed City of Mesa

Escort Ordinance

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Request permission to author a new Mesa City
Code that allows officers to regulate and enforce
Escort Services in the City of Mesa.



Mesa City Code Chapter 16, Sexually Oriented Businesses.

- City Code is outdated
- Recent case law does not support enforcement actions

The new code would require Escorts advertising and/or working in the City of Mesa to have an Escort License.



Current Escort Trends:

Ads posted in the Escort Section of www.backpage.com on Wednesday September 21, 2016.

- In the East Valley section there were 114 ads posted. Many specific to locations in Mesa. This data does not include ads that are posted in the “massage” and other sections on Backpage.com to avoid law enforcement detection.



Summary of New Proposed Ordinance

- Requirements: Licensing for Escort Bureaus, Escorts, and Escort Assistants
- Restrictions: Escort Bureau and Escort duties and prohibited activities.
- Penalties: Both civil and criminal sanctions.

Mesa's Ordinance will mirror the other Escort Ordinances used by Phoenix, Chandler, Scottsdale and Tempe.



QUESTIONS?

