

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 18, 2026

Honorable Members of the Quality of Life, Arts, and Culture Committee: Zarin D.
TO Gracey (Chair), Laura Cadena (Vice Chair), Adam Bazaldua, Paul Ridley, Bill Roth,
Chad West, Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **Amendments to Chapter 12B of the Dallas City Code to Revise the Requirements for Convenience Stores**

The Dallas Police Department and Dallas Code Enforcement are requesting that City Code 12B be revised to reflect more current business models.

We are requesting a revision to add the definition of a Small Box Discount Store and to exclude anything classified as a Small Box Discount Store from the line-of-sight requirement and sign placement in the windows and doors as described in 12B-18.

Currently, some businesses are being classified as convenience stores by definition but their business model is more in line with a small box discount store, so their corporate signage requirements are different and effects their business.

We also request that all ATMs inside any convenience store have camera coverage. We also changed the 12ft away from the door or windows due to the amount of danger and damage that was being caused by ATM thieves when they pulled the ATM across the store. If the ATM is less than 12 feet away from the door, then a camera will have direct view of the ATM.

The City Attorney's Office has agreed to the wording of the proposed change.

Should you have any questions, please contact Daniel Comeaux, Chief of Police Dallas Police Department at Daniel.Comeaux@dallaspolice.gov.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Artis'.

Dominique Artis
Chief of Public Safety

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