

## SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 16-1363

Ordinance No. 16-1363 regulates unmanned aircraft systems (commonly known as drones) consistent with the City's permissible scope of police power authority to protect the safety and welfare of residents. The ordinance: (1) requires an annual City permit for operation of any unmanned aircraft in the City; (2) prohibits unmanned aircraft (hobby/recreational and commercial) from interfering with manned aircraft, operating at night, operating within 25 feet of persons not involved in the operation, operating beyond the operator's visual line of sight or higher than 400 feet above ground, capturing visual images or audio recordings of persons without consent when a reasonable expectation of privacy exists, flying 350 feet or less above a public or private school during school hours without permission, capturing visual images of public or private school grounds during school hours without permission, flying within the airspace above the City Hall complex and over City parks and the beach during special events and interfering with firefighting, police, or emergency response activity, and operating in a manner as to harass, stalk or annoy any person; and (3) requires that unmanned aircraft operate in a manner consistent with state and federal flight rules. Government-operated unmanned aircraft and hobby/recreational or commercial unmanned aircraft that have received permission from the FAA to operate beyond the limitations of the ordinance and Civil UAS operated pursuant to a City-issued special events or filming permit are exempt from the permit requirements of the ordinance. Violation of the ordinance a misdemeanor; any UAS found to be operating in violation of the ordinance may be impounded as evidence.

A full copy of Ordinance No. 16-1363 is available for review in the City Clerk's office.