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Date: August 27, 2025

To:

City of Laredo Council Members Planning and Zoning Department 1110 Houston Street Laredo, TX 78040

RE: Request for Special Use Permit (SUP) for Porciónes Cigar and Whiskey Lounge — 2411 Jacaman Rd, Suite 400, Laredo, TX 78041

Dear Council Members and Planning and Zoning Officials,

On behalf of Porciónes Cigar and Whiskey Lounge, I respectfully submit this formal request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to operate a cigar lounge with limited alcohol spirits available for purchase for on premise consumption at 2411 Jacaman Rd, Suite 400, Laredo, TX 78041.

Business Overview

Porciónes Cigar and Whiskey Lounge is envisioned as a refined, adult-only establishment that brings together the enjoyment of premium cigars, fine spirits, and crafted cocktails in an upscale and comfortable environment. This will be the first establishment of its kind in Laredo, Texas, offering both cigars and limited alcoholic beverages for purchase.

Our primary offerings will include:

- Premium hand-rolled cigars sourced from reputable manufacturers.
- Cigar accessories such as cutters, lighters, humidors, and ashtrays.

- Cigar memberships offering discounts on cigars and their accessories.
- Cigar lockers available for rent with an annual fee.
- Mail order cigar subscriptions.
- A limited selection of top-shelf whiskeys and fine spirits.
- A small cocktail menu featuring crafted classic and contemporary recipes.

To ensure a comfortable and high-quality experience for all patrons and staff, a dedicated HVAC system with integrated smoke eradication and air purification systems will be installed. This system will be designed specifically to meet the standards of cigar lounges, removing smoke and maintaining optimal air quality throughout the premises.

Operating Hours & Regulatory Compliance

Porciónes Cigar and Whiskey Lounge proposes operating hours of:

9:00 AM to 9 PM, Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM to 11 PM, Friday and Saturday

12:00 PM to 8 PM, Sunday

These hours will remain fully compliant with all local ordinances and requirements applicable to Smoking Establishments under the City of Laredo regulations and state law. All tobacco and alcohol sales will strictly adhere to Texas state and federal regulations. Local ordinances will be strictly enforced to ensure tobacco and tobacco products are in excess of 50% of the businesses gross revenue, as required under the special use permit. Accounting records will be available for review upon request to substantiate each quarter's revenue requirements.

Our target audience consists solely of adults aged 21 years and older, who are legally permitted to purchase and consume tobacco and alcoholic products. No persons under the legal age will be permitted entry, and we will enforce a strict age verification policy through government-issued photo identification at the point of entry and purchase.

Please note that no vaping products, THC-based products, or cigarettes will be sold or permitted within the premises. The focus is exclusively on premium cigar culture and quality spirit appreciation.

Facility & Capacity

The proposed site comprises approximately 1,340 square feet, which supports a modest but intimate occupancy model. Adequate parking is available onsite to accommodate the anticipated volume of patrons.

We are committed to maintaining a clean, well-managed, and respectful business presence in alignment with community values and expectations

A Cultural and Historic Experience

Porciónes Cigar and Whiskey Lounge is more than just a business—it is a tribute to the rich history of Laredo, TX. Our name, "Porciónes," honors the Visita General of 1767, when land grants or "porciónes" were issued to settlers, establishing the cultural and geographic foundations of our city.

Our goal is to bring a metropolitan-level experience to Laredo, offering cigar aficionados and enthusiasts a place to enjoy exceptional products, meaningful conversation, and the cultural pride of our unique border community.

We appreciate your time and consideration of our request for a Special Use Permit. We are happy to comply with any additional requirements or inspections necessary to move forward and welcome the opportunity to contribute to Laredo's vibrant business landscape.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly with any questions or requests for further information

Sincerely,

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