

San Francisco Cracks Down on Massage Parlours

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SAN FRANCISCO (KCBS) -- The city of San Francisco may make it tougher to open storefront massage parlours that offer more than a massage.

The Board of Supervisors is considering legislation that would require such businesses to be subjected to a community review process.

Supervisor Carmen Chu introduced the proposal. She represents the Sunset District where residents have been complaining about brothels disguised as massage parlours.



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Chu says she is not only concerned about the impact of prostitution on neighborhoods, but the impact on young women often forced into the sex trade.

Meanwhile, the health department is planning to allow the testimony of police officers at permit revocation hearings for such establishments.

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