# SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
# A G E N D A

**September 29, 2011 - 6:30 P.M. - Council Chambers - City Hall - City of Dover**

1. **Proposed Emergency Ordinance**
   A. Proposed Ordinance #2011-24 Amending Article I, Chapter 26 by Adding a New Section 26-1 - Sale of Dangerous Substances *(in accordance with Chapter 1, General Provisions, Section 1-9(b) Emergency Ordinances, of the Dover Code)*

2. Adjournment

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**FINAL READING**

**CITY OF DOVER PROPOSED EMERGENCY ORDINANCE #2011-24**

WHEREAS, the use of "bath salts," a powerful designer drug made of up to three (3) stimulants, makes users agitated, delusional, paranoid, and violent; and

WHEREAS, the use of "bath salts" is sending abusers to emergency rooms in Delaware and across the United States in startling numbers; and

WHEREAS, Bayhealth Medical Center officials have reported that its emergency rooms treat an average of one (1) person per day for adverse reactions to "bath salts"; and

WHEREAS, the 57 poison control centers in the United States received 303 calls in 2010 and more than 4,720 calls in the first eight (8) months of 2011 relating to the use of "bath salts"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Dover believe that the abuse of "bath salts" has reached epidemic proportions and presents a public health and public safety emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOVER, IN COUNCIL MET:

That Chapter 26 - Businesses, Article I - In General, of the Code of the City of Dover, be amended by inserting a new Section 26-1. Sale of dangerous substances, as follows:

**Sec. 26-1. Sale of dangerous substances.**

1. It shall be unlawful to sell or offer to sell any material, compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of the following substances, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, unless specifically excepted, whenever the existence of such salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible within the specific chemical designation:

   (a) Methylone

   (b) MDPV

   (c) Methylenedioxypyrovalerone

   (d) Methylmethcathinone

   (e) Mephedrone

   (f) Methoxymethcathinone

   (g) Fluromethcathinone

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2. Penalties - Violations of this section shall be subject to fines in accordance with Appendix F - Fees and Fines, Sec. 1-17 and revocation of business license under the provisions of Chapter 26 - Businesses, Article II - Licenses, Sec. 26-59 and Sec. 26-63.

3. The provisions of this section may be enforced by any City inspector or officer of the Police Department.

ADOPTED: *

**SYNOPSIS**

The proposed emergency ordinance would ban the sale of "bath salts" within the City of Dover.

Actions History

September 29, 2011 - Scheduled for Final Reading by Council

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