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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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**Notice of Public Hearing**

*GTCHD seeks public input for the proposed rescission of GTC Ordinance No. 3 – Body Art*

The Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to consider the Health Department's request to rescind Grand Traverse County Ordinance No. 3 - *Body Art*.

The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, beginning at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission Chambers located in the Governmental Center, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan.

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public input regarding the proposed rescission of Ordinance No. 3 – *Body Art*. In September 2025, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, through the Michigan Legislature, updated the rules and regulations governing body art facilities. These new statewide rules are more stringent than those established under Grand Traverse County Ordinance No. 3. As a result, Grand Traverse County is required to maintain regulations that are at least as stringent as the state's.

Grand Traverse County Ordinance No. 3 – *Body Art* and the updated State of Michigan Body Art Facility Rules may be viewed Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Grand Traverse County Public Services Building, located at 2650 LaFranier Road, Traverse City, in the Environmental Health Office. Digital versions of both documents are also available on the Environmental Health website under the [Body Art](#) section.

Citizens are invited to provide their views and comments either in person at the meeting or in writing by December 1, 2025. Written comments should be emailed to [gtchd@gtcountymi.gov](mailto:gtchd@gtcountymi.gov) or submitted to:

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Grand Traverse County Health Department  
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If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Bonnie Scheele, County Clerk, at 231-922-4762.

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