

Types of Sex Oriented Businesses (S.O.B's)

No sex workers

- Group sex clubs/"swingers clubs"
- Adult video/ adult merchandise stores

Involves sex workers

- Exotic dance parlors
- Massage parlors
- Escort services
- Street prostitution



The Nature of Sex Work

Exotic Dance Parlors/Bars

- Usually serve alcohol
- •Some form of nude dance
- Lap dancing
- Possible infiltration by organized crime

Striking, grabbing, spitt Similar to and Nightclubs & bars harassment

Massage Parlors/Escort Services

- Quasi-legal prostitution
- •Sexual services on location/sexual services at patrons location
- Significant infiltration by organized crime

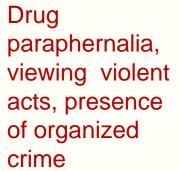
Street Prostitution

- Selling sex in public
- Currently illegal in Canada
- •Significant infiltration by organized crime

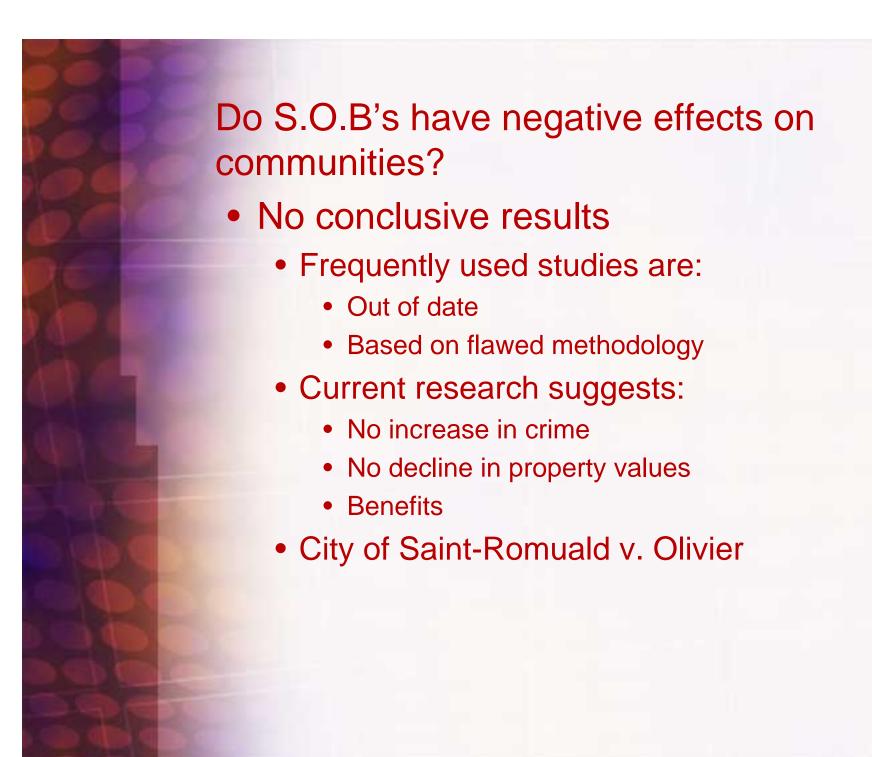
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Frequent traffic, burglary of client homes



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Municipal Techniques to Control S.O.B's

Upheld in Court

Licensing

- Zoning in nature
- High fees
- Prohibition of lapdancing (Ontario)
- Limiting the number of licenses issued

Zoning

 Isolation to noncommercial areas

De facto Prohibition

Not Upheld in Court

- Discriminatory fees
- Governing morality
- Licensing prostitution/vague bylaws
- Prohibition

Useful Resources

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