

Name: Karen Mortimer

Address: 4280 Skyline Ranch Ct.

Rapid City, SD 57701

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: Public Comment Agenda Item

Agenda Item: Covid 19 Closures

Comment:

Thank you to the Mayor and the City Council for their careful consideration in the past few weeks to place some boundaries to protect our community. I want to raise the issue of lack of data to use as a decision maker. Science says that the virus and the data will lead us. As informed leaders, I am in hopes you will follow the numbers, consider the consequences of opening too soon and in every way attempt to increase the testing in our area. We are absent of any kind of adequate measurable data to tell us what the future brings. The community will be better off economically if we are extremely careful now and not have to pay later.

Again, my gratitude for your leadership and insight. I will thinking about ALL of our community and I am sure you will as well.

Name: Sean Bradley

Address: 615 Pluma Dr

Rapid City, SD 57702

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: Public Comment Agenda Item

Agenda Item: CC042720-01

Comment:

I would urge the City Council not to approve adoption of this resolution change. The only reason the curve of COVID-19 has been flat in West River is precisely because this resolution was passed in the first place. Even if social distancing is practiced, a new study suggests that the virus can be circulated through air handling systems in public places. Just today, in Tennessee, COVID-19 cases spiked after restaurants were reopened. There have been 16,375 tests conducted in the state, according to the state Department of Health. The state population is 884,659. Less than 2% of the state has been tested. We don't have enough test kits available to be able to accurately test the state population, and people continue to be refused testing and turned away from doctor's offices even though they display symptoms of COVID-19. Our numbers are grossly misleading; we cannot afford to go back to even somewhat of business as usual.

Name: Janice Knutsen

Address: 1518 Forest Drive; Rapid city, SD 57701

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: Public Comment Agenda Item

Agenda Item: Covid/RC opening up

Comment:

I spend time in Florida every winter. When I arrived there on 3/11 , there were 3 cases of Covid. Now there are 552. The # has increased by 100 since last week even though the city has been "locked down" since March. People were trying any way they could to get to the closed beaches. Due to lack of tests and supplies, we don't really know how many cases we have here. Due to the low numbers, people are not following guidelines. So are we really ready to open up? I hope we don't become like my Fla. community

Name: Renee Dahlke

Address: 310 Kinney Avenue, Rapid City SD 57702

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: General Public Comment

Agenda Item: COVID 19 reopening

Comment:

Please reopen the yard waste recycling centers.

Name: Bill Young

Address: 726 Payton Ct

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: Public Comment Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

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Please keep social distancing restrictions in place. They are working. We have not seen the impact that other communities have suffered because we are being diligent.

Name: Janice Knutsen

Address: 1518 Forest Drive

Meeting: City Council

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Agenda Item: Covid/RC opening up

Comment:

I have heard two council members say that we are quarantining healthy people. How do you two know if people are healthy or not? Even our medical professionals have not been able to figure out that conundrum. Covid carries silently!!! Now I hear that no one is in the hospital. When I arrived in Fla. on 3/11, there were 3 cases. Now there are 552. In the meantime, the county and state was shut down but people were coming in from hot spots to stay safe.

Do you not realize that those from eastern S.D. are going to start migrating out here. Please answer to the numbers I have stated above. Sounds like you are most for opening up. So what about mask requirements?

How stupid to the last comment. You would be wearing a mask if your brother had died of Covid.

Name: Allen Parry

Address: 2718 Jenny Gulch Rapid City 57702

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: General Public Comment

Agenda Item:

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With imminant disruption of the meat supply chain, can the city temporarily lift its ban on residents raising poultry?

Name: Janice Knutsen

Address: 1518 Forest Drive; RC, SD 57701

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: Public Comment Agenda Item

Agenda Item: social distancing guidelines not being adhered to

Comment:

I hope some of you were able to observe what was happening in Rapid City last night, Friday May 1. Crowds of people lining Mt. Rushmore Rd. for cruise night were obviously not social distancing. I saw, at the most, 5 people wearing masks. Only the numbers will tell us what kind of outcome this lack of attention to the guidelines will create.



Name: Tina Wildberger

Address: 333 Saint Francis Street, Rapid City, SD 57701

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: Public Comment Agenda Item

Agenda Item: COVID 19

Comment:

Why aren't here any specific guidelines for re-opening Churches?