

Name: Sean Bradley

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Rapid City, SD 57702

Meeting: City Council

Comment Type: Public Comment Agenda Item

Agenda Item: Mask Mandate 2nd reading

Comment:

This will come as a shock to some people: I DO NOT want a mask mandate. I agree with City Councilman Jason Salamun when, in his editorial, he said that we should rely on people's better judgement and responsible nature and that masks should be a suggestion, not a requirement. However, that has gotten us where we are today: increasing positive cases, hospitalizations, and deaths. Monument Health is filling up and doesn't have the staff to man their ICU beds. They are at capacity, and our healthcare workers are already exhausted. Allowing individuals to be responsible for their own actions has failed, epically. Wearing a mask is, according to the CDC, the WHO, the Mayo Clinic, Johns Hopkins, Stanford University, and just about every other credible medical and research establishment in the world, a simple way to protect yourself and others against a highly contagious virus with unknown long-term effects. Please pass a mandate.

Name: Karen Masee

Address: 3725 Locust Street, Rapid City, SD 57701

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I urge you to vote NO for a mask mandate. I believe this is a personal responsibility issue and not a mandate issue.

Name: Frank Monnens

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Freedom is the Air that we cannot do without, that we breathe without even noticing it. Until the time comes when, deprived of it, we feel that we are dying ~Albert Camus

I wore a mask from February on, then I contacted CV19 in October after being forced to go back to the Doctors, for re-fills on prescriptions. 14 days later I had the virus. Colorado, instituted a mask mandate in June, and today in November their cases are five TIMES HIGHER. At the time of the mandate, they said, 4 to 8 weeks to stop it all. We're now past 10 weeks AFTER that deadline. Herd immunity in the "healthy, able to handle and fight the virus" population is the only way out of this. AND don't forget the MASS testing being performed. Exploding the case numbers.

Stop the FEAR! Protect those vulnerable.

The welfare of the people has always been the alibi of Tyrants~Albert Camus

Name: Brad Lappe

Address: 1110 Duffer Dr.

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A high-quality, large-scale Danish study finds no evidence that wearing a face mask significantly minimizes people's risk of contracting COVID-19. The randomized-control trial found no statistically significant difference in coronavirus infection rates between mask-wearers and non-mask-wearers. In fact, according to the data, mask usage may actually increase the likelihood of infection. Read the study here. <https://thefederalist.com/2020/11/18/major-study-finds-masks-dont-reduce-covid-19-infection-rates/>

Name: Sybille Hanson

Address: 3411 Meadowbrook Court

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I completely support the mask mandate!

I had hoped it would have been implemented much sooner!

Name: Gary and Bonnie StormEvery one deserves potection o

Address: 6080 Alpine Ct

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Comment:

Pass the mask mandate--everyone deserves protection from a deadly virus. Thank you

Name: Brenda Margadant

Address: 3812 w. St Louis

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I feel that a mask mandate is necessary to slow the spread of corona virus. I don't see it as any different than not allowing people to smoke in public places. They both are needed to protect citizens. There are many laws or mandates that we have to follow to protect others. Science says that masks help slow the spread and medical providers need the help. Thank you for considering what would be in the best interest of everyone.

Name: Curtis Price

Address: 108 E Centennial St

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Please please please support a mask mandate. The virus doesn't care about the politics. A mask mandate will save lives.



Name: Marcia Whiting

Address: 1820 Fremont St.

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Please select the mask mandate. We are a hot spot now, we have no time to waste in saving lives. We need to put a cork in this foolish sense of "right", as opposed to dealing with an emergency situation. Thank you. Pass it.