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| Mask mandate | I surely hope that on May 11th you will lift the mask mandate. If you look at the county statistics everything is much better. The mask mandate has served its purpose but has also done a great deal of damage. There has been great mental problems which seem to be ignored. There has been suicides which are ignored, the percentage since the mandate have gone up significantly. Covid testing should not even be part of the numbers in that every procedure one gets medically calls for a covid test. That is where it is a tonsillectomy or a wart removal. I personally miss seeing the smiles of the people shopping or the stranger on the street. We really need to get back to being normal. <u>Your consideration in this matter would be greatly appreciated.</u> | Valerie Schmidt | 1701 60th Street South | Gulfport | 33707 | 4123046148 | valeriebuckner@hotmail.com | 2021-04-25 16:07:16 | | |
| Thank you for your support of Science! | Dear Commissioners, I know everyone is tired of wearing masks and are ready to put them away but we're almost there. Pinellas County in the last week has had 200 to 250 positive coronavirus cases added to the year's total. That translates into 1 in every 12 people testing positive. What about the people who have never been tested? Thanks to your courage to mandate masks for so long, the numbers aren't higher than they are. Other counties in Florida can't say that. There has also been fewer cases of the flu and strep throat which means less antibiotics prescribed, just to name a few benefits. Many residents are being vaccinated, which is wonderful but there are many large gatherings being planned in the coming weeks. The high school graduation season is fast approaching and we don't want another "surge" much like we had after all the spring break vacations. If people are passionate about no more masks? Then I CHALLENGE them to go through their personal contact lists and thank everyone who has gotten their vaccinations and help those who have not gotten theirs yet. Keep in mind everyone 16 and older can get their shot now with vaccination locations close to everyone's home. When our own contact lists hit "herd immunity" of about 90%, it'll be time to put the masks in the drawer for good! Thank you again for supporting the county mask mandate! It has kept us safe and has made a world of difference. | Maura Hedrich | 2260 Habersham Dr | Clearwater | 33764-3725 | 7275360634 | m4hedrich@juno.com | 2021-04-25 14:49:36 | | |
| Masks | Please do not be influenced by a few people who are inconvenienced by having to wear masks. The simple truth is that this is what is keeping a lot of us alive even with the vaccines. There are a lot of ignorant people out there, like my own neighbor who doesn't want the vaccine because she says it will interfere with her DNA, who are free to wander around without protection. It is obvious that mother nature is taking advantage of the situation to clean out the gene pool, and that this is a fine example of natural selection, but we should not be put in a position to help it. Nor should we fool ourselves into thinking that everything is now okay. It is far from okay and it is far from over. Taking off a mask is not an act of defiance or Declaration of Freedom. It is an act of stupidity. | Judy Ellis | 1874 Juarez Way S | Saint Petersburg | 33712 | 7274601586 | jellis610@gmail.com | 2021-04-25 14:45:38 | | |
| Mandated Face Masks | Here's a troubling article about a new material that is being used in some face masks. This new material graphene has not been proven safe for use in face masks yet it is being added. This is yet another reason why face masks should not be mandated. If people are harmed by the use of these face masks, who is liable? Where there is risk there must be choice. https://medium.com/edge-of-innovation/how-safe-are-graphene-based-face-masks-b88740547e8c | Heidi Hilliard Natole | | Dunedin | 34698 | | heidi.natole@yahoo.com | 2021-04-25 12:29:58 | | |
| No Mask for thee, no mask for me Rescind the Mask Mandate | Good Morning Commissioners, Good morning Commissioners, | Daniel Amend III Daniel Amend | 12541 82nd Avenue 12541 82nd Avenue | Seminole Seminole | 33776-3234 33776-3234 | 727-408-1699 727-408-1699 | letusalone@yahoo.com letusalone@yahoo.com | 2021-04-25 01:02:44 2021-04-25 00:32:26 | | |
| Mask requirement | Hello, It seems that no one takes the time to return email's, but I'll ask again. <u>When can we expect the mandatory mask requirement to end?</u> | Thomas Colbert | 1452 San Diego Dr | Dunedin | 34698 | 7277349168 | tcobler1@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-24 17:38:06 | | |
| face masks | Article on why face masks do not work. https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0306987720333028 | Mark Berntsen | 7150 Sunset Way Unit 206 | St Pete Beach | 33706 | 12409255507 | robertandy226@gmail.com | 2021-04-24 16:00:23 | | |
| End the Mask Mandate | End the Mask Mandate | Harold Birkins | 1910 Elaine Dr | Clearwater | 33760 | 7276391234 | harryandthehendersons@protonmail.com | 2021-04-24 11:58:38 | | |
| Unemployment | You are the problem. We voted for you in good faith and you stabbed us in the back. While you can pay your mortgage and put food on your table, you are depriving others of doing the same. How do you live with yourself knowing the amount of people who you have put out of business, how do you live with yourself knowing how many people you have taken jobs from. We all will certainly remember this next election cycle. | Deborah Walker | 795 Maple Ridge Rd | Palm Harbor | 34683 | 7274225291 | debhomepro@yahoo.com | 2021-04-24 08:50:37 | | |
| Mask Ordinance | I am in favor of continuing the mask ordinance until the CoVid numbers drop to an acceptable level as recommended by the CDC. I thank the commission for keeping this order in place during the past year to help protect the health of the general public and not being swayed by those who wish to make it a political issue. | Charlene Wegman | 765 116 Ave | Treasure Island | 33706 | 727-367-8205 | cwegma@aol.com | 2021-04-24 07:04:01 | | |

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| Rescind All Mask Ordinances Effective Immediately | <p>Why do you continue to vote to extend this unnecessary and ineffective ordinance? It continues to significantly burden and adversely effect the livelihood of all businesses. Reducing their financial viability, straining the local economy and all the while you callously and arrogantly prolong the root cause of these problems...your government overreach with unconstitutional mandates.</p> <p>Stop pretending you are forcing these ordinances on the public for the greater good, when in fact it is just the opposite along with secretly covering your actions from possible public backlash and legal action.</p> <p>Additionally your actions now will be remembered during the next election.</p> | Sam | 2476 Drew St | Clearwater | | | sdillon73@yahoo.com | 2021-04-24 00:11:29 | | |
| Mask ordinance | <p>Hi, I've been FOR masks since day 1. Still planning on wearing one. This is not the time to drop this mandate. I know people are over it, So am I. I am fully vaccinated and still believe there is a need, too many people think it's their right. Well it's the right of the people who want to stay healthy as well. So basically majority wins. Keep the MASKS ON, please. I am a retired nurse and we the people aren't ready, nowhere near here immunity. Thank you..I will continue to wear my mask.</p> | Diana Reichert | 258-4th St N.W. | Largo | 33770 | 7276673980 | dreichert258@yahoo.com | 2021-04-23 16:16:58 | | |
| Please continue mask ordinance | <p>I am asking that you please continue to keep the mask ordinance in place when you meet in May. Pinellas County will not be close to achieving the herd immunity needed to discontinue masks with 6% to 7% positivity rates. As a senior with pre existing conditions who has been vaccinated, I realize that I can still infect others or be infected by others if we don't continue to wear masks. I am so appreciative that Pinellas has had a mask requirement as I feel that has prevented me from getting Covid. Although I do not appear before you to speak in favor of masks, my feelings in favor of masking are no less fervent than those who come to speak against it.</p> <p>Thank you, Lisa Carmichael</p> | Lisa Carmichael | 2355 Middlecoff Dr | Dunedin | 34698 | 7274600305 | lcarmichael@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-23 13:54:52 | | |
| Please end mask mandate now | <p>If you review the data, you will see that masks have not made a difference in the corona virus situation. The cases have gone up and down since you initially issued a mask mandate. We all know the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results! The mask mandate is insanity. Be honest with yourself and everyone. Truly think about it. I understand you think you are following the "science" and what is recommended by the so-called "health experts," but they have been wrong since the very beginning. Real world data is more valid than any scientific study or lab tests. The real world data is showing you the masks do not have any effect. It was reported that 85% of the people who tested positive for the virus wore masks!</p> <p>I understand and respect that you could recommend wearing a mask, but I respectfully request that you end the mask mandate now.</p> | Scott deLelys | 1802 Gulf Blvd | Indian Rocks Beach | 33785 | | sdelely@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-23 11:22:36 | | |
| Mandatory mask wear | <p>I join others as I again write to encourage you to end this mandatory mask wearing. Although your medical expert quotes others as to the efficacy of face coverings, I'm sure that you recognize that there are an equal number of medical experts taking the position that not only are the mask that are being worn, worthless as to the spread of the virus, but that they are contributing to bad health conditions for many people. Please repeal this bad and outdated ordinance.</p> | Fred Robbins | 9511 120th St | Seminole | 33772 | 7277421129 | frobbs@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-23 10:55:41 | | |

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| Mask Mandate | Briefly, my wife and I were going to celebrate a wedding anniversary today (4/23/21) by enjoying a sailboat charter out of Clearwater Marina, this is until we became aware of Pinellas County's "outdoor" mask requirement, so we cancelled our trip, and as it happens, we know the operator and we know that he's having financial difficulties. Good news in this was we found another charter operator in Pasco County who will now get our business Prior to covid, we spent more time and money in Pinellas County than we did here in Pasco County...for my money you might just as well join with your kindred spirits in Oregon and make the fascist mask mandate permanent as your county is now dead to us. | Scott Shevey | | New Port Richey | 34655 | | ducatesti@gmx.com | 2021-04-23 10:34:11 | |
| Political Games | Why is your body and Pinellas county schools scheduling meetings on the same days and even at the same hour? You may do as you like but we are NOT going away!We will EXPOSE what is happening all around the country and not stop until you relent. We have so much evidence regarding bacteria and even E coli found on masks and yet you all STILL dig in your heels. You require that small children against their better judgement be forced to wear nasty little petri dishes on their face and yet we see pictures of Ms Flowers a few days ago mask free. So really Ms Flowers you expose yourself as a fighter for rights?? Rights for WHO?? Rights for YOU and YOURS right?? Yet kids who have No Choice must live under your ideology of "Rules for you, NOT for Me!" The hypocrisy is overwhelming. Move on already and give the kids their HUMAN RIGHTS TO BREATHE BACK! STOP THE DISCRIMINATION! | Mary | | Clearwater | 33756 | | marymccarth0514@gmail.com | 2021-04-23 09:55:32 | |
| these children are the ones stuck in the middle. | Since the School Board and BCC communicate, it would seem from the repeating scheduling conflicts that the BCC and PCSB are working together in a divide and conquer technique scheduling meetings around the same day and time. My heart has been with helping children in schools so they aren't masked 7 hours a day, but from the beginning I knew the focus should be with the BCC because the county mandate would have to end before the schools would end their mandate. Enough with political games, these children are the ones stuck in the middle. Visit a local school and witness a 5 year old behind a mask for yourself. How would you like to be that child? https://www.tampabay.com/news/education/2021/04/20/pinellas-schools-eye-move-to-optional-masks-for-summer-classes/ http://chn9.it/w8fQpBy | Aden Barnes | | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynnbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-23 07:48:18 | |
| Information on masks from Stanford University | https://noqreport.com/2021/04/17/stanford-study-quietly-published-at-nih-gov-proves-face-masks-are-absolutely-worthless-against-covid/ | Mark Berntsen | 7150 Sunset Way Unit 206 | St Pete Beach | 33706 | 12409255507 | robertandy226@gmail.com | 2021-04-22 14:53:51 | |
| STUDIES CONFIRMING MASKS DON'T WORK | I am a Pinellas County resident and voter. We are HARMING residents by mask requirement. IF the mask was about science, we wouldn't do this; the desire for wide-spread masking is a reflexive reaction to fear. As the studies show below, the mask requirement ISN'T about science as it IS harmful to health. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. A FEW STUDIES CONFIRMING MASKS DON'T WORK A recent Stanford study released by the NCBI, which is under the National Institutes of Health, showed that masks do absolutely nothing to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and their use is even harmful! NIH published a medical hypothesis by Dr. Baruch Vainshelboim (Cardiology Division, Veterans Affairs Palo Alto Health Care System/Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, United States). The study concludes (emphasis added): The existing scientific evidences challenge the safety and efficacy of wearing facemask as preventive intervention for COVID-19. The data suggest that both medical and non-medical facemasks are ineffective to block human-to-human transmission of viral and infectious disease such SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19, supporting against the usage of facemasks. Wearing facemasks has been demonstrated to have substantial adverse physiological and psychological effects. These include hypoxia, hypercapnia, shortness of breath, increased acidity and toxicity, activation of fear and stress response, rise in stress hormones, immunosuppression, fatigue, headaches, decline in cognitive performance, predisposition for viral and infectious illnesses, chronic stress, anxiety and depression. Long-term consequences of wearing facemask can cause health deterioration, developing and progression of chronic diseases and premature death. Governments, policy makers and health organizations should utilize proper and scientific evidence-based approach with respect to wearing facemasks, when the latter is considered as preventive intervention for public health. Facemasks in the COVID-19 era: A health hypothesis by Baruch Vainshelboim • A randomized controlled trial by the University of Michigan-School of Public Health found hand washing reduced influenza-like illnesses; while mask wearing made no difference whatsoever. REF: Aiello AE, et al. Facemasks, Hand Hygiene, and Influenza among Young Adults: A Randomized Intervention Trial. PLoS ONE 7(1): e29744. (2012) • A German randomized controlled trial found "there was no statistically significant effect" when it came | Diane Kuhn | 10160 66th Ave | Seminole | 33772 | 7274596697 | dianef100@yahoo.com | 2021-04-21 17:45:54 | |
| covid restriction | Please lift the mask mandate. Covid is the most treatable disease ever. We don't need to be afraid and the government does not need to restricting our civil liberties. It people want to wear a mask they can. There are 4 drugs that treat it. 2 or three vaccines. I had covid a couple months ago and honestly have had strep throat and shingles that were 10x worse. I am a 60 year old fat man, in the risk group. | mark Hale | 1412 South Hercules ave | Clearwater | FL | 7275364173 | mark@wilsonprintmarketing.com | 2021-04-21 16:40:03 | |
| masks | want to know when we will be removing masks for pinellas county | peter mcclure | | seminole | | | petermcclure@gmail.com | 2021-04-21 16:15:47 | |

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| Mask Mandate | <p>Dear Ms Flowers,</p> <p>I find it a double standard that we in Pinellas County still have a mask mandate when it has been proven over and over by Doctors and Science that they in themselves don't work and are causing people to get sick and having hypoxia.</p> <p>I saw so many picture's of you on Stew Peters You tube which showed you NOT wearing a mask when you were in group's of people.</p> <p>Shame on you. This is a double standard which We The People will not put up with.</p> <p>This is a Republic we live in and our right's from the Constitution are being trampled on.</p> <p>Please do the honorable thing and get rid of the mask mandate or follow your own rule's, since it is not a law.</p> | Julie | | Gulfport | | | jal.sweetpea1@gmail.com | 2021-04-21 14:10:36 | |
| sandemic | <p>If you are questioning why people like me devote months of our time and energy pouring our lives into this cause, here is why:</p> <p>I cannot in good conscience stand idly by while young children even four years old are being forced to mask all day at local schools. If I don't take a stand for these children, who will? How can I live with myself if I stay silent about the things that truly matter? It's morally wrong that children should suffer the adverse effects of decisions made by those in seats of power. If this board ends the county mandate, the schools will follow suit.</p> <p>I also can't turn a blind eye to everyday people in my community being forced to mask against their will in their workplaces even though it is detrimental to their health. It isn't morally right to force this onto other human beings. We all have a right to life.</p> <p>I started advocating against forced masking last March. While it was a wildly unpopular decision at the time and even cost me a few friendships, I don't regret it. I will always stand for my convictions even if it goes against popular opinion. After all, "the time is always right to do what's right."</p> <p>This is the best study I've come across- a peer reviewed Stanford study originally released in November 2020 but only now coming to light, suggesting that face masks are ineffective against curbing the spread of COVID-19. The study is published on the website of the National Center for Biotechnological Information (NCBI) – a branch of the U.S. Government's National Institutes for Health.</p> <p>"Wearing facemasks has been demonstrated to have substantial adverse physiological and psychological effects. These include hypoxia, hypercapnia, shortness of breath, increased acidity and toxicity, activation of fear and stress response, rise in stress hormones, immunosuppression, fatigue, headaches, decline in cognitive performance, predisposition for viral and infectious illnesses, chronic stress, anxiety and depression. Long-term consequences of wearing face masks can cause health deterioration, developing and progression of chronic diseases and premature death."</p> | | Largo | 33773 | | luyrjets@gmail.com | 2021-04-21 12:33:20 | | |
| Rescind the mask mandate | <p>Hello, I am following up to request that the mask mandate gets rescinded May 11. I have spoken several times at your public meetings. I am one who can not wear a mask and it has been a constant battle out here. We are past the point where we are actually trying to protect people and I am not sure what the current goal is by keeping this in place. As you know when people go out to eat they take the mask off so you have a restaurant full of people with no mask yet for some reason when you stand up you have to put it on or when you walk in you're supposed to wear it for 5 feet to your table. I'm sure you can imagine the insanity of this is quite puzzling. It was brought up in the last meeting that if you amended the mandate you wanted to make sure that people who wanted to wear a mask were protected and didn't have to explain why they wanted to continue to wear one and wouldn't get fired from their jobs.</p> <p>I am not sure where this idea comes from, the only issues that I have seen is people who don't/can't wear a mask have gotten fired and are asked basically for their entire medical history. I've had places who want to see doctors notes, they ask me what is my condition, they want know specifics of why I won't or can't wear a mask. This is a violation of not only HIPAA laws but it's just not OK. I am a type of person who can speak up and I don't get intimidated by this, but I know many people who are dealing with mental issues because of this as this constant barrage daily definitely gets tiring. There is this attitude where people feel like they need to be the mask police and they can get quite rude, folks will follow you down aisles of stores yelling at you, and I've heard of many other nasty encounters with random citizens.</p> <p>I'm not sure if you're aware, but the provision for medical exemptions is not followed at many places. It seemed at the meeting that this was something that was being allowed for but it is not. There's so much confusion around this area and it's no wonder that folks don't know which way they're going when it comes to masks. Ending these mandates so there's no question will help tremendously. Those who feel they need to wear one and who are scared will continue to wear one, those who understand how to keep their bodies healthy and who are not afraid, will live their lives. Quarantining the healthy and restricting our movement makes no sense. We know the survival rate is incredibly high, please know that we can handle our own bodies and the focus should be on how to be healthier.</p> | Kali Alonso | 1806 Sunset Point Road | Clearwater | 33765 | 323 807-2671 | kalinato13@gmail.com | 2021-04-21 12:03:13 | |
| Mask Mandates | <p>Dear Commissioners and Administrator,</p> <p>I am a college professor. As we look forward to the coming semesters, I ask that you all continue to support mandatory face coverings within the classroom setting until we reach a high level of vaccination rates. Our hope is to increase class size when CDC guidance states a 3' social distancing. Many of our students work in hospitals and hospitality, with decreased distance recommendations, face coverings will be more important to help mitigate the spread of respiratory droplets.</p> <p>I have worked in the classroom, face-to-face with my students, sometimes interacting with my students within a distance of LESS than 6' (given the nature of my subject), since August. I have had over a dozen COVID+ students. I have not developed COVID and transmission has not occurred among my students in the classroom. We have worn face coverings.</p> <p>Please take into considerations these instances, where we are making efforts to offer a quality education to the most students in a safe way, when making recommendations on face covering mandates.</p> <p>I appreciate your time and attention.</p> | Dr. Shannon Ulrich | 4838 Cross Pointe Dr. | Oldsmar | 34677 | | ulrich.shannon@spcollege.edu | 2021-04-21 11:59:35 | |
| Mask wearing | <p>The Pinellas school and colleges have a great record of health and safety throughout this pandemic. Please do not ruin that! Keep mask wearing as mandatory for a little while longer!</p> | Siobhan Peterson | 1510 Nebraska Ave | Palm Harbor | 34683 | 7274035435 | siobhan178@gmail.com | 2021-04-21 10:44:26 | |
| Mask mandate | <p>I feel the mask mandate should continue. Scientific evidence suggests that COVID is airborne which means particles linger in the atmosphere for way longer than droplet infection and masks help protect people. With new variants arriving and being more communicable, the mask mandate should continue.</p> | Anita Naravane | | Palm Harbor | 34683 | | naravane.anita@spcollege.edu | 2021-04-21 10:34:26 | |
| Mask Mandate | <p>Wear a mask, protect a child. Children can't get vaccinated yet. If we "adults" all go wandering around breathing recklessly on them they will get sick! Keep the mask mandate.</p> | Katherine Siegler | 9169 79 Ave | Seminole | 33777 | | siegler5@msn.com | 2021-04-21 10:32:18 | |

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| Masks | <p>If the COVID numbers begin to look encouraging, it's because of the success of the current mask ordinance. Now is NOT the time to let our guard down.</p> <p>Please extend the ordinance for facial coverings in public places until the entire state has a positivity below 5%. The COVID-19 Coronavirus does not know county boundary lines.</p> <p>Thank you.</p> | Robert Hudson | 1485 Eastfield Drive | Clearwater | 33764 | 7275384965 | Hudson.Robert@spcollege.edu | 2021-04-21 10:21:09 | | |
| LET'S BE RATIONAL! | <p>Hello, the information about the harmful effects of masks are overwhelming. NIH National Institutes of Health, Stanford University, Journal of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology at All Childrens hospital of New York.</p> <p>In these studies the highest reported side effect is headaches. Anyone that suffers with headaches and migraines understand how utterly debilitating it can be.</p> <p>So, STOP participating in the outright abuse of citizens when we know the mask is not protecting them..</p> <p>And please, stop being hypocrites when we have seen some of you in large groups gathering on top of each other without masks on. The Fraud has been exposed!</p> <p>We see Children, workers and citizens being abused over this issue and it is incredibly sad to watch!</p> | mary mccarthy | Hampton In | clearwater | 33756 | 7272353438 | marymccarthy0514@gmail.com | 2021-04-21 09:48:45 | | |
| If you are questioning why people like me devote months of our time and energy pouring their lives into this cause, here is why. | <p>If you are questioning why people like me devote months of our time and energy pouring their lives into this cause, here is why:</p> <p>I cannot in good conscience stand idly by while young children even four years old are being forced to mask all day at local schools. If I don't take a stand for these children, who will? How can I live with myself if I stay silent about the things that truly matter? It's morally wrong that children should suffer the adverse effects of decisions made by those in seats of power. If this board ends the county mandate, the schools will follow suit.</p> <p>I also can't turn a blind eye to everyday people in my community being forced to mask against their will in their workplaces even though it is detrimental to their health. It isn't morally right to force this onto other human beings. We all have a right to life.</p> <p>I started advocating against forced masking last March. While it was a wildly unpopular decision at the time and even cost me a few friendships, I don't regret it. I will always stand for my convictions even if it goes against popular opinion. After all, "the time is always right to do what's right."</p> <p>This is the best study I've come across- a peer reviewed Stanford study originally released in November 2020 but only now coming to light, suggesting that face masks are ineffective against curbing the spread of COVID-19. The study is published on the website of the National Center for Biotechnological Information (NCBI) – a branch of the U.S. Government's National Institutes for Health.</p> <p>"Wearing facemasks has been demonstrated to have substantial adverse physiological and psychological effects. These include hypoxia, hypercapnia, shortness of breath, increased acidity and toxicity, activation of fear and stress response, rise in stress hormones, immunosuppression, fatigue, headaches, decline in cognitive performance, predisposition for viral and infectious illnesses, chronic stress, anxiety and depression. Long-term consequences of wearing facemask can cause health deterioration, developing and progression of chronic diseases and premature death."</p> | Aden Barnes | 10240 127 Ave | largo | 33773 | | adenlynbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-20 20:56:39 | | |
| Thank you all | <p>I live in Andote, unincorporated, and on the county line so I can shop in Tarpon Springs or in Pasco. I went to the Holiday Home Depot and encountered lots of customers with no masks and it made me uncomfortable. Now I will go to Lowes in Tarpon where masks are still required. I not just appreciate your concerns about Pinellas citizens and will spend my money where I feel safer.</p> | Tony Leisner | 1350 Riverside Avenue | Tarpon Springs | 34689 | 7279373885 | DrLeisner@verizon.net | 2021-04-20 16:02:11 | | |
| Mask Mandate | <p>As a registered nurse working in emergency services the entire pandemic, I have seen firsthand what Covid has done to our hospitals and communities. We have all worked so hard and sacrificed so much to make the progress we've made. Now that the vaccine is widely available and anyone who wants it may get it, I believe it is time to rescind the emergency mask mandate. It served its purpose, and current case level is a fraction of what it once was. We aren't seeing nearly as many Covid cases in the hospital. You can go a whole shift in the ER now and not see any, and that can happen for a week at a time. While Covid is real and scary, it also isn't going anywhere. The current case level is what we were only dreaming and hoping for when this mandate was put in place, making the mandate no longer necessary. Every adult is eligible for the vaccine now, and should be encouraged to get it. But the masks are no longer necessary. They were a wonderful and necessary intervention that have served their purpose. Reward the citizens who have done their part, working hard and obeying rules, and allow us to make our own decisions moving forward about if we need to wear a mask or not. People who still wish to mask may do so, but the current case numbers, case trajectory, and the vaccine prevalence just do not support further required masking in every situation. Lastly, please consider how kids are being affected by this mandate: even though the ordinance is written with exceptions for kids, it is NOT being interpreted that way, and kids are being made to wear masks even during outdoor activities such as Girl Scouts, sports, etc., as everyone is interpreting the rules differently. While that was just something to deal with when the pandemic was raging, now that it's basically over, we can all get vaccinated and move on. Thank you for walking the line between health, safety, and freedom with thoughtfulness and bravery.</p> | Renee Young | 1935 Fairway Cir W | Dunedin | 34698 | 7272040333 | reneeyoung07@gmail.com | 2021-04-20 13:15:01 | | |
| Time to end it - mask "mandate" must go | <p>You are way behind, and we've allowed this to go on for far too long.</p> <p>The mask mandate is un-American, un-scientific and at this point, grossly immoral. Masks are provably ineffective for the purpose you claim and are arguably harmful to the health and wellbeing those you impose this mandate upon.</p> <p>Do your duty as public officials and end the mandate immediately.</p> <p>The Mask mandate is totally ineffective new information shows.</p> <p>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7680614/</p> <p>Also this is an infringement on our freedoms. And isn't it weird that we have to wear our masks for the three seconds it takes for us to walk into a restaurant and sit down? And then the masks are off with everyone in the restaurant... I am totally healthy! I'm not sick and I'm not going to get anyone sick. The claims that there's a symptomatic infection or totally wrong! If you wish for Citation for this I will send you a link to the nature article reviewing the original assertion...</p> | Doug Wetzel | 2625 State Road 590 | Clearwater | 33759 | 7272380670 | wetzel.doug@gmail.com | 2021-04-20 09:21:47 | | |
| Please remove mask mandate as soon as possible. | <p>The Mask mandate is totally ineffective new information shows.</p> <p>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7680614/</p> <p>Also this is an infringement on our freedoms. And isn't it weird that we have to wear our masks for the three seconds it takes for us to walk into a restaurant and sit down? And then the masks are off with everyone in the restaurant... I am totally healthy! I'm not sick and I'm not going to get anyone sick. The claims that there's a symptomatic infection or totally wrong! If you wish for Citation for this I will send you a link to the nature article reviewing the original assertion...</p> | | | Gulfport/Pinellas County | | | rowefred@gmail.com | 2021-04-20 08:50:15 | | |

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| A Sophie's Choice | <p>So does your Dr. Choe know this and not report it, or does he not know this? Which is a worse option?</p> <p>Do any of you have the courage to break ranks and ask the hard questions? 5 of you will be on the ballot in 2022.</p> <p>https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/2022/04/stanford-study-results-facemasks-ineffective-block-transmission-covid-19-actually-can-cause-health-deterioration-premature-death/?utm_source=Facebook&utm_medium=PostSideSharingButtons&utm_campaign=websitesharingbuttons</p> | David Happe | | Tarpon Springs | | | happearchive@gmail.com | 2021-04-20 07:21:49 | | |
| end the useless mask mandates. YOU are killing children! | <p>Commissioners,</p> <p>Please watch this short video: Absolutely Chilling 3 Minute War Room Clip- How Vaccine Passports Will Make America the New Communist China: https://rubble.com/vf/mad-vaccine-passports-are-the-end-of-capitalism-privacy-freedom.html</p> <p>The endless variants (dozens) will render the COVID vaccines nearly useless, which means the "vaccine passports" will also be pointless. By the end of this year there's no telling how many variants there will be. Vaccinated people are already getting sick around the country. COVID vaccine are not the "end all, be all" answer and masks are certainly not the answer as evidenced by the latest CDC study deeming cloth masks and neck gaiters to be less than 2% effective (and that's within the margin of error).</p> <p>After Dr. Choe reaches 50% vaccinations in the public, he'll start in with the "variants, knowing full well that not only that this vaccine may be ineffective for future variants, but that those who receive the COVID vaccination could be affected adversely by future COVID strands. For example, the vaccinated are affected 8 times more adversely by the South African variant than those who are unvaccinated. (See the Washington Examiner article on the Tel Aviv study). I wait with trepidation to see how those vaccinated with this fast tracked vaccine react to the other variants. I for one will not be getting a vaccine when I don't have long term data on the future side effects and you should not be pushing this on the public.</p> <p>Dr. Choe is not going to give guidance to unmask the population any time soon and we in the public are full aware of this. Forcing pointless cloth masks is about social control, not protecting against a virus, which it does not protect against according to scientific research. Doctors that go against the narrative are blocked, banned and removed from their positions so of course Dr. Choe is pushing masks and will continue to do so. When only one side is represented, I do not consider this "science" but "scientism."</p> <p>Please research guidance from the numerous doctors outside the sphere of power and influence, like the respected doctors in Governor DeSantis' round table discussions. They are not controlled by the narratives of others but by scientific research. I trust science, not scientism and I do not agree with the Board</p> | | | Largo | 33773 | | luyrpets@gmail.com | 2021-04-20 04:52:13 | | |
| Masks | We need to keep requiring masks in pinellas county in order to b at this pandemic! | helen goldschmidt | 1624 Farrier Trail | Clearwater | 33765 | 7277967172 | helen.goldschmidt@gmail.com | 2021-04-19 21:16:05 | | |
| Pinellas county mask ordinances | It's time for Pinellas County to lift the mask ordinance and work to get our community back to normal. Schools should be back in session and help to reduce the fear from people in our community. We have so many young people who need to be around their friends and families. With the large number of people who have received vaccinations we should be able to take our masks off I am asking each of you to consider lifting the mask ordinance when it comes before council again. | Jody Shirley | 207 Harrison Ave | Belleair Beach | 33756 | 828-644-5981 | jodyshirley@tampabay.rr | 2021-04-19 20:35:18 | | |
| Please keep Masks | As we get closer to better times now is NOT the time to let our guard down. Please help us move forward by KEEPING THE MASK MANDATE for Pinellas County. T\ Thank you for all you do for us, Sincerely, Julie Hudson Clearwater | JulieRobert Hudson | 1485 EASTFIELD DR | CLEARWATER | 33764-2525 | 7275384965 | auntjules12@yahoo.com | 2021-04-19 19:43:45 | | |
| Urge County to publish statistics on wildlife killed by vehicles | <p>I request the Commission to direct County agencies to publish the number of wildlife fatalities on County roads. According to Public Works, there were 89 calls this year regarding dead animals on County roads. However, there is no public information available beyond that.</p> <p>Please make publicly available the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many animals are killed on County roads each year (and YTD). 2. Track and publish individual types of animals, including - Sandhill Crane, deer, gopher tortoises, etc. Especially any species that are listed as endangered, threatened or species of concern by federal or state agencies. 3. Publish the posted speed of the roads on which animals are killed. <p>Making this information publicly accessible will help the public to understand the state of the environment, and how traffic patterns may factor in fatality rates.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p> | Joseph Weinzettle | 63381 Polly Drive | Tarpon Springs | 34689 | | weinzettle@hotmail.com | 2021-04-19 17:15:35 | | |
| SOE/ Mask Mandate / New Stanford Study | <p>This peer reviewed study proves that masks are not only ineffective but they're actually harmful. We have been continuously bringing this up and you as commissioners have chosen to ignore this. With this study the facts are clear - by insisting this remains in schools and in our community you are now INTENTIONALLY harming your constituents. Let this be very very clear - prolonging this means you are harming us. You now have this information and you are choosing to NOT honor this. You are officially put on notice that if this is not redacted immediately, further action will be taken for crimes against humanity.</p> <p>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7680614/</p> <p>We have had enough of being ignored, mocked and made to look like we're not following science. We are following science and at this point you are not.</p> <p>Make the call. It's time.</p> | | | Pinellas Park | | | christnagdr@gmail.com | 2021-04-19 16:28:54 | | |

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| Please extend the mask mandate | <p>Good afternoon, Pinellas County Commissioners!</p> <p>My name is Patricia D'Andrea and I have been a resident of Pinellas County since 1979. I have been a teacher with Pinellas County Schools for 37 years. I turned 65 years old this month and I have had an autoimmune disease (MS) for the past 11 years for which I take a B-cell depleting medication. Because of my medication, I am not able to get the vaccine until June. There is no guarantee that I will be able to develop any antibodies because my immune system is so compromised. Because my employer denied my ADA accommodation, my only option was to take an FMLA leave from my job and am currently on an unpaid leave of absence. Although I did not want to retire yet from a profession that I have loved, I am having to do so to protect my health since Covid and its variants are not yet under control.</p> <p>I am aware that you are receiving a loud message from the anti-maskers to lift the mask mandate, but I am requesting that you extend it. There are many immunocompromised people like me who either cannot have the vaccine, will not be able to develop antibodies from it, or will have a significantly reduced immunity when compared to a person with a healthy immune system.</p> <p>Thank you for your service to Pinellas County!</p> <p>Sincerely yours, Patricia L. D'Andrea</p> | Patricia L. D'Andrea | 1241 Fruitland Ave | Clearwater | 33764 | 7274398737 | patro9@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-19 14:41:38 | | |
| Mask mandate | <p>Good morning. I am writing this morning about the current mask policy. I thought you might like to see a sample of what we, as restaurant and bar workers are having to deal with from our customers. I get a copy of the manager shift notes every morning. It is fairly typical that I read about difficult customers as it relates to our enforcement of the mask mandated requirements inside our establishments. We do our best to enforce the mask requirement but the confrontations can become quite heated. As more and more people are vaccinated, they are also becoming much more frequent. This is just a sample from Driftwood Cafe at The Pier yesterday from two separate incidents. (Note, MOD stands for manager on duty):</p> <p>"Had a couple come in without masks, Vic asked them nicely if they had some to wear because we require them inside and they instantly got violent said NO and told us they were not leaving and wanted to order ice cream and it was against their rights. We told them we are just following guidelines and policies, and they instantly said "we aren't wearing masks inside, and guys are going to come outside and serve us then".. So I decided at that moment based on their tone and body language that I was going to refuse service. They refused to leave, told me to call security to get them out and then as I started to call they left.--Elmira Saldumovic</p> <p>One guest complained to Chris about our mask policy, claiming that it was a violation of the disability act. He asked to speak to the MOD, so I further explained that masks are required inside and gave him Jules' card. He left the building and his friend finished up his order for him."</p> | Chuck Prather | 215 5th Avenue NE | St. Petersburg | 33701 | 7272448878 | chuck@thebirchwood.com | 2021-04-19 14:39:56 | | |
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| According to this doctor, Florida has already reached herd immunity. Also sharing a story of a local Pinellas resident who has tested positive 5 times this month and is forced to keep testing by his employer. | <p>According to this doctor, Florida has already reached herd immunity: https://rumble.com/vfpiif-half-of-states-have-already-surpassed-herd-immunity-yale-epidemiologist.html</p> <p>Also wanted to share this story: A person I know that works for one of the largest companies in the area tested positive for COVID on April 1st. For only 2 days he felt sick, he slept and lost his taste (like for his favorite, ketchup) and then he was fine after two days. He has tested positive 5 other times since then. So it has been 17 days and he was sick only 2 days. His business is going to review their work policies this week. He's still getting paid to stay home weeks later and keeps testing positive. Some businesses don't make people test again after they have tested positive and they can just go back to work after just 10 days. But the companies that force a positive even if it takes weeks are upping the COVID positive testing percentages for the county. End the Mask Mandate.</p> | Aden Barnes | | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynnbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-19 14:07:37 | | |

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| End the Mask Mandate - the masks do not work and they are causing great harm | https://6metofreeamerica.com/mask-mandates/#scroll-content https://www.bitchute.com/video/DtHVePED1PgM/ https://rationalground.com/post-thanksgiving-mask-charts-still-no-evidence-that-masks-work/ https://www.bitchute.com/video/FqD95067jDE/ https://www.acpjournals.org/doi/10.7326/M20-6817 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DH1p8BnmwC&ab_channel=WhatsherFace https://nationalinterest.org/blog/reboot/covid-outliers-why-are-swedish-towns-banning-masks-177985 https://thedcpatriot.com/you-were-played-asymptomatic-transmission-of-covid-19-didnt-occur-at-all-study-of-10-million-finds/ chrome-extension://oemmnbdibdoebfnladdacbfmadm/https://www.nejm.org/doi/pdf/10.1056/NEJMp2006372?articleTools=true https://meehanmd.com/blog/post/173679/an-evidence-based-scientific-analysis-of-why-masks-are-ineffective-unnecessary-and-harmful https://www.newsmax.com/us/dr-ronny-jackson-texas-congress-trump/2020/07/15/id/977331/ https://hypost.com/2020/05/28/healthy-people-should-wear-masks-only-if-caring-for-coronavirus-patients-who-says/ https://www.acpjournals.org/doi/10.7326/M20-1342 https://www.bitchute.com/video/V4gEkh5Bdy7C/ https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2020/05/21/fda-investigates-microgen-dx-lab-covid-19-test-results-questioned/5222340002/ https://www.fox2detroit.com/news/fox-35-investigates-florida-department-of-health-says-some-labs-have-not-reported-negative-covid-19-results https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/letters-health-care-providers/false-positive-results-bd-sars-cov-2-reagents-bd-max-system-letter-clinical-laboratory-staff-and https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-07-02/error-led-to-overcount-of-coronavirus-testing-in-orange-county https://www.msn.com/en-us/health/medical/state-lab-finds-90-positive-covid-19-test-results-were- | marty wilson | 13195 86th ave no | SEMINOLE | 33776-2729 | 7272420685 | patrickwilson555@gmail.com | 2021-04-19 12:58:06 | | |
| meeting April 8,2021 | Dear Commissioners, Regarding the meeting on April 8 I am allergic to masks and have difficulty breathing. Some authorities accept my explanation, some are rude, some threaten to call 911. I avoid many stores where I was mistreated, but the hostility of many people, and their open threats make me a recluse. I find it frustrating that I am constantly attacked. I feel that encouraging businesses to mandate wearing masks and not lifting the mask rule causes me a many others much harm. Regarding some emails you receive, I understand why some might have the same formula. Many people neither know how to express themselves nor have time for writing. They however agree with the writer and feel they need to let you know how they feel. As elected public official it is your duty to investigate all data given by doctors and researchers, even if they express a different point of view to the one you hold, are unpopular and even censored by the main stream media. Using common sense, I feel that when a child is born, it is fighting for the first breath. Unobstructed breathing is important. Humans need food and water, and most importantly clean air! Depriving children of oxygen when their brains are developing is causing many breathing unexplained "syndromes" that are popping up. Psychological problems associated with hiding expressions are worse. Do you remember the way your baby reacted to your smile and when she smiled back? Now she is deprived of this human contact and forced to be isolated from people who would like to meet her with a smile. You are elected to make the best decisions. People have died of flu and thousands of other reasons in the past and will do so in the future. Let us be rational and examine how many people have died every year for the past 10 years and then make a decision. Be not afraid, follow your instincts and hearts. Help people to feel human again. | Vera Buriemek | 12050 BONNIE TER | SEMINOLE | 33772-3421 | 7273970424 | veracherokee@yahoo.com | 2021-04-19 12:12:12 | | |
| Masks | Remove the mask mandate! If our Governor doesn't require them, then you shouldn't! Masks don't work there is no scientific study that says they do, and they are more harmful! I guarantee that you will all be voted out of office when you come up for re-election! You all disgust me! Shame on you! | Cindy Sanner | 614 Charlotte Ave | Tarpon Springs | 34689 | | csanner614@verizon.net | 2021-04-19 10:34:10 | | |
| End the Mask Mandate - the masks do not work and they are causing great harm | 04/19/21 I am hopeful that at least one of you on this board is not a communist and fully understands what this whole lockdown/mask/virus situation really is. It is an attempted Maoist style overthrow of our great liberty loving country. Not on my watch and not on the watch of at least 100 million people in this great country. This attempted communist takeover will fail and all of you on this board will want to be on the right side of history when it does. We, the great LORD GOD loving people of this country will peacefully and lovingly stop this. Join us in this effort and stop the face mask/covering mandate in Pinellas county. This Mandate is: Unlawful, ineffective, Unscientific, Physically and Psychologically Harmful, in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and "color of law" - 18 U.S. Code § 242 - Deprivation of rights under color of law" | marty wilson | 13195 86th ave no | SEMINOLE | 33776-2729 | 7272420685 | patrickwilson555@gmail.com | 2021-04-19 07:14:29 | | |
| wearing masks | please continue mask wearing mandate until we have an infection rate below 5% . We need to keep encouraging people to think of the health of others. Thank you | Ellen J O'Hanlon | 1009 Stonefence Way | Tarpon Spgs | 34689 | 4103225840 | ejohanlon@yahoo.com | 2021-04-18 13:26:42 | | |
| Restaurant restrictions ? | https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=80494376815772 | MICHELLE Martinez | 1111 Amble Lane | Clearwater | 33755 | 7276143114 | m4sassy@gmail.com | 2021-04-18 12:19:56 | | |
| Mask mandate | To Board of Pinellas County, As a resident of the county I feel it's well beyond time to remind each of you that we are a Constitutional Republic. We the People are in charge! This mask up has gone on long enough. The science just isn't there. The CDC , Dr Fauci are a joke. Our beloved country has turned into one big political nightmare! Americans have grown weary of the Tyranny! I urge you to stop controlling the people and let us make our own common sense decisions. It is not your job to become rulers. Stop this tyranny! All the propaganda is over the top! Sincerely | Paula Powers | 6950 46th Ave N #34 | Saint Petersburg | 33709 | | pamwine@hotmail.com | 2021-04-18 10:43:16 | | |
| The Emperor Has No Clothes | Or... should I say mask, according to the latest photo making its way around social media. | David Happe | | Tarpon Springs | | | happarchive@gmail.com | 2021-04-18 08:30:50 | | |
| END MASK MANDATE | Rules for thee... not for me. please end all mask mandates as it has proven to not be effective and in fact harmful to health. | Kathleen Ingraham | 606 Spring Lake Cir | Tarpon Springs | 34688 | 7274303211 | kathyng@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-18 08:28:38 | | |

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| Mask mandates | Hj, I am not going to go over all the data about how harmful masks are. You already know it. Science dies not support your actions. Most people will continue to still wear them, even after mandate is lifted. Sadly, thru are brainwashed but I believe you know how harmful and unconstitutional forcing healthy people to wear a mask. Stop this absurdity and let's move on to other issues. Thank you | Franja Eastling | 424 country club drive | Oldsmar | 34677 | 7279453181 | franjaeastling@yahoo.com | 2021-04-18 07:51:22 | | |
| It's time to rescind county mask requirement | Even though we often disagree with each other, Americans value freedom. This includes the freedom to make our own health care decisions and freedom to run our businesses according to our principles. Rescinding the mask ordinance in Pinellas County will NOT instantly stop businesses from enforcing masks. Many businesses will continue to require them. Habits have set in over the past year, and they will take time to unwind. Many customers will continue to prefer businesses that enforce masks, while others will seek out businesses that do not require masks. Let capitalism sort this out! It was never fair to put business owners into the position of bylaw enforcement. You have a chance to make this right on May 11th. Please, let Pinellas County business decide for themselves when and where to require masks and give the residents back their freedom. | Michael Nieminen | 690 Main St, Unit 99 | Safety Harbor | 34695 | 7273857693 | mnieminen@gto.net | 2021-04-17 21:07:39 | | |
| The Wearing of Face Masks | I am writing to ask that the face mask ordinance remain in effect until we have reached, which we hopefully will, herd immunity. I have noticed, as I'm sure you have as well, that the number of cases in the state are rising again. Perhaps the sense of comfort afforded by having been vaccinated, has extended to a presumption of immunity from all variants now in circulation, especially in Florida. This, of course, is not true when it comes to the Brazilian strain which the governor is apparently ignorant of since travel between the state and that country is still allowed. Please let us continue to rely upon your level-headed actions, based upon science, which have helped to protect us during this "continued" pandemic in the face of decisions based upon economics and politics rather than public safety concerns. Again, I thank you so much for continuing to take your representative responsibilities to all of the county's citizens and their well-being seriously. Most sincerely, Patricia F. Borowiec | Patricia F. Borowiec | 2604 OAK CIR | Tarpon Springs | 34689 | 7279356319 | pfduxbury2@aol.com | 2021-04-17 20:59:39 | | |
| May 11 Mask Ordinance Meeting | Hello, As the owner of Dunedin Lanes I am writing to ask you to repeal the mask ordinance and the other social distancing requirements effective May 11, 2021. Enforcing the mask requirement has become very challenging with customers being argumentative when we force them to wear one. It is a confrontation we no longer need to have, as the COVID pandemic has been difficult enough. Please end it. Thanks for your time. | Matt Stevenson | 405 Patricia Ave | Dunedin | 34698 | 727-736-1282 | matt@dunedinlanes.com | 2021-04-17 17:47:21 | | |
| Mask mandate | I urge you please, uphold the mask mandate. Covid is so serious, why risk lives by cancelling the mandate. Wearing a mask is such a simple thing to do to keep ourselves and others safe. Thank you | Iris Merryweather | | Largo | 33770 | | irisemerryweather@gmail.com | 2021-04-17 14:56:36 | | |
| Face Coverings May 11, 2021 Public Hearing | I support the continuation of the Face Covering Ordinance until the country achieves herd immunity. Please do not repeal the ordinance at this meeting. Thank you for taking the necessary precautions to keep our citizens safe. | John (Jack) Spirk | 400 Grand Boulevard | Tarpon Springs | 34689 | 305-546-4782 | jackspirk@aol.com | 2021-04-17 14:50:33 | | |
| COVID Vaccines are Not the Answer. End the Mask Mandate, it Never Should Have Started to Begin With. Also, I address Commissioner Justice specifically in this email. | Commissioners, Please watch this short video: Absolutely Chilling 3 Minute War Room Clip- How Vaccine Passports Will Make America the New Communist China: https://rumble.com/vhmad-vaccine-passports-are-the-end-of-capitalism-privacy-freedom.html The endless variants (dozens) will render the COVID vaccines nearly useless, which means the "vaccine passports" will also be pointless. By the end of this year there's no telling how many variants there will be. Vaccinated people are already getting sick around the country. COVID vaccine are not the "end all, be all" answer and masks are certainly not the answer as evidenced by the latest CDC study deeming cloth masks and neck gaiters to be less than 2% effective (and that's within the margin of error). After Dr. Choe reaches 50% vaccinations in the public, he'll start in with the "variants, knowing full well that not only that this vaccine may be ineffective for future variants, but that those who receive the COVID vaccination could be affected adversely by future COVID strands. For example, the vaccinated are affected 8 times more adversely by the South African variant than those who are unvaccinated. (See the Washington Examiner article on the Tel Aviv study). I wait with trepidation to see how those vaccinated with this fast tracked vaccine react to the other variants. I for one will not be getting a vaccine when I don't have long term data on the future side effects and you should not be pushing this on the public. Dr. Choe is not going to give guidance to unmask the population any time soon and we in the public are full aware of this. Forcing pointless cloth masks is about social control, not protecting against a virus, which it does protect against according to scientific research. Doctors that go against the narrative are blocked, banned and removed from their positions so of course Dr. Choe is pushing masks and will continue to do so. When only one side is represented, I do not consider this "science" but "scientism." Please research guidance from the numerous doctors outside the sphere of power and influence, like the respected doctors in Governor DeSantis' round table discussions. They are not controlled by the narratives of others but by scientific research. I trust science, not scientism and I do not agree with the Board allowing one | Aden Barnes | | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynnbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-17 14:30:25 | | |
| In my opinion, the CARES Act should be used for public health: free Vitamin C, D and Zinc in conjunction with hydroxychloroquine, free local exercise programs.. | In my opinion, the CARES Act should be used for public health: free Vitamin C, D and Zinc in conjunction with hydroxychloroquine, free local exercise programs and gym memberships since 78% of people hospitalized for COVID are overweight or obese, free grocery deliveries and programs to help the elderly since COVID effects them the worst, a campaign for public health informing people that sunlight is effective for killing viruses and to wash their hands.. the list goes on and on. Not for endless masking which is proven ineffective. | Aden Barnes | | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynnbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-17 13:17:56 | | |

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| Eliminate All Mask Mandates Now! | Eliminate all mask mandates! It is proven that wearing a mask does not statistically significantly reduce transmission of C-19. Look at facts of counties, states, even countries (sweden) that have lower rates than severely mask mandated areas. Don't force broad ordinances onto all of public when C-19 primarily adversely affects less than 1% of population! Wearing a mask is an individual personal choice for all people. Don't be draconian in your methods just to appease political agendas! Do what you know is right...rescind all mask mandates effective immediately! | John | 354 Oak Street | Clearwater | 33765 | | johnhg82@gmail.com | 2021-04-17 10:38:17 | | |
| Mask Ordinance | Dear Commissioners, I know the mask ordinance is coming up for review. In spite of what many seem to think, this pandemic is far from over, and it appears that the masks have been an important method in keeping the spread of COVID somewhat at bay. I realize it is a very volatile subject, but I think the safety of our citizens during this pandemic should be of utmost importance, and not the selfishness of the few. Please consider keeping the mask ordinance intact until it is safe to lift it. Thank you for your consideration. | Melody Urso | 655 Broadway | Dunedin | 34698 | 7272448559 | riemelody@yahoo.com | 2021-04-17 07:21:04 | | |
| Please keep the current mask mandate in place | Please help to stop the spread of Covid 19 by keeping the mask mandate in place. I know there are many against it but many have not gotten shots and we need masks until the numbers go down. Hopefully we will slow this disease with the help of vaccines but until our numbers go down in Florida and Pinellas we need masks. Too many deaths in Pinellas to change the mask ordinance yet. Regards | | | Palm Harbor | | | flwolf@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-16 22:41:51 | | |
| Mask Ordinance | After watching several meetings online, of your constituents pleas to end the ordinance, you have no other choice except to end the ordinance. The list is growing of groups forming to vote you out. The people have spoken. And so has our wonderful Governor, who has a promising future ahead. End the ordinance. | Robin Devine | 12760 Indian Rocks Road Unit 571 | Largo | 33774 | | devinelady143@yahoo.com | 2021-04-16 19:48:35 | | |
| Continued unconstitutional mask mandate | Dear County Commissioners, We are over one year into this unconstitutional mask mandate in Pinellas County. You are creating ongoing health issues by requiring residents, workers and tourists to wear these masks. Please cease and desist immediately. Our great governor isn't requiring a mask, neither should you. Let people make their own choices and be personally responsible. Thank you | Lisa Calabrese | 331 Cleveland St #706 | Clearwater | 33755 | 8137319079 | lisa.m.calabrese@gmail.com | 2021-04-16 19:48:09 | | |
| Maintain Mask Mandate | Dear Commissioners, Please maintain the mask mandate as it stands until 85% or more of the county's population is fully vaccinated. Thank you | Kelly C McKinley-Ford | 1713 DORCHESTER RD | Clearwater | 33764 | 7272419077 | kmckinleyford@gmail.com | 2021-04-16 18:05:06 | | |
| Face Masks | Thank you so much for continuing to protect my health by requiring face masks. I am very grateful. I was sorry to hear you have been getting rude emails, and I wanted you to know I am glad you are keeping us all safe. Denise Connelly | Denise Connelly | 156 Sun Isle Circle | Treasure Island | 33706 | 5183695449 | sillysoc@aol.com | 2021-04-16 14:41:29 | | |
| COVID 19 vaccinations | Pinellas County did an excellent job with the vaccination centers. It was very well organized and everyone was so polite and friendly. I had my vaccinations at Pinellas Park. My 2nd shot was on March 11th. I think a way to get more people to get vaccinated would be to allow fully vaccinated people to be allowed to not wear masks by showing their vaccination card. Sincerely, | Beverly Ryschkow | 4725 Cove Circle, Unit 1003 | Saint Petersburg | 33708 | 239-218-9789 | ryaba2@comcast.net | 2021-04-16 13:39:40 | | |
| COVID 19 vaccinations | Pinellas County did an excellent job with the vaccination centers. It was very well organized and everyone was so polite and friendly. I had my vaccinations at Pinellas Park. My 2nd shot was on March 11th. I think a way to get more people to get vaccinated would be to allow fully vaccinated people to be allowed to not wear masks by showing their vaccination card. Sincerely, | Beverly Ryschkow | 4725 Cove Circle, Unit 1003 | Saint Petersburg | 33708 | 239-218-9789 | ryaba2@comcast.net | 2021-04-16 13:07:56 | | |
| Mask Mandate | Janet, I was wondering if the county has done it's own research on the effectiveness of face masks. I write for the Safety Harbor Connect and would like to site the research results. I also want to clarify when the vote on extending the ORDINANCE NO. 20 - 14 will be. Thanks for your time. cheers, Heather Hildick | Heather M Hildick | 333 Bailey St | Safety Harbor | 34695 | 17276873289 | conradheather@ymail.com | 2021-04-16 13:06:17 | | |
| Mask Mandate | Greetings! As a Pinellas County citizen and voter I urge you to extend the mask mandate. I have gotten my vaccine but it is not 100% effective. I still don't want to get Covid even if it is a mild case. I don't want to be a long hauler and have health problems for the rest of my life. I will be much more likely to go into a store or other place of business knowing that people will be wearing masks. Masks protect others from getting Covid from the wearer. No one has the right to spread a deadly disease. I understand that people who don't want to wear masks are louder but please consider my opinion too. Listen to our experts, the medical officials who point out that the rate of Covid is still high in Pinellas County. Let's all work together to stay as safe as possible. | Kira Smith | 3030 HAVERFORD DR | CLEARWATER | 33761 | | w-vote@33kk.3mail.com | 2021-04-16 12:09:17 | | |
| Mask mandate | Dear Commissioner, Please cancel the mask mandate at your meeting on May 11. It's been a year. That's long enough. My family and I are willing to go maskless, take our chances, and be able to breath freely again. Thank you | Kitty Young | 1607 Pinewood Dr. | Clearwater | 33756 | 7272150323 | kittycoffe55@gmail.com | 2021-04-16 10:59:00 | | |

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| Since it's Friday, here is a good dose of satirical humor, "Ten Reasons Freedom is Dangerous" by JP Sears. Please end the mask mandate. | This does relate to the citizen concerns expressed this Tuesday: https://youtu.be/B2zfHczLmY Since it's Friday, here is a good dose of satirical humor, "Ten Reasons Freedom is Dangerous" by JP Sears. While it is satire it makes some good points. Sometimes humor has a way of getting a point across. https://r/umbl.com/vftqf-10-reasons-freedom-is-dangerous-satire.html Please end the mask mandate for Pinellas County. Thank you. | Aden Barnes | | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynnbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-16 10:41:59 | |
| our God given rights, you are NAZI's | Watching the first two minutes of Jim Jordan questioning Dr. Fauci, I couldn't help but notice the similarities to what Pinellas citizens are dealing with on the local level. "When is it the time for Americans to get their liberties back?" Jim Jordan grilled Dr. Fauci in the first two minutes of this video. The fact is that from beginning, our liberties under the Constitution should never have been taken from us. So many around the country have lost their right to freely assemble, the right to religious liberty, and even their second amendment rights as stores deemed "non-essential" were shut down by the government. As our Governor states, "All businesses are essential." The Constitutional rights of all American citizens must be protected, and if they are not, then it is the duty of every American citizen to stand up for their liberties and not leave them by the wayside. What happened this year we must never let occur again. I am so thankful to hear there is legislation in the works to limit future emergency orders by local FL government to 40 days. https://r/umbl.com/vfpip7-episode-877-fauci-the-oracle-of-the-beltway-permanent-lockdown-and-fraud-ex.html | | | Largo | | | luyvpets@gmail.com | 2021-04-16 09:06:22 | |
| End the Mask Mandate - the masks do not work and they are causing great harm | 04/16/21 Stop the face mask/covering mandate in Pinellas county. This Mandate is: Unlawful, Ineffective; Unscientific; Physically and Psychologically Harmful, In violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and "color of law" - 18 U.S. Code § 242 - Deprivation of rights under color of law | marty wilson | 13195 86th ave no | SEMINOLE | 33776-2729 | 7272420685 | patrickwilson555@gmail.com | 2021-04-16 07:59:24 | |
| mask mandate | when are you going to end the ridiculous mask mandate? there is more than enough already vaccinated and much more to come. this is silly and will affect future elections. | citizen | west bay | largo | 33771 | | punkrockpapi@yahoo.com | 2021-04-16 06:31:57 | |
| Mask mandate | I realize you have heard it all, but the problem is, is that you may have heard it but you DO NOT LISTEN! Well only one does! You ONLY listen to the CDC mouth piece. Honestly people should not be in any political position if they are unable to think for themselves, unable to do their own research like ALL of us have who are against this mandate. Even if you dont have the time to research honestly its COMMON SENSE! Truly it is, you think this is about a "virus" NO it's about power, money & control. 1st all "non essential" small businesses (which have very little people in them) have to close, but it's ok for WALMART (where EVERYONE was cause it was the only place open!) And guess what? Across the ENTIRE USA in the one store you made sure everyone went there was not ONE SINGLE OUTBREAK! NOT ONE! None at home depot either or any of the "essential businesses". COMMON SENSE. Being in the position you all are in I find it hard to believe that you have no common sense, that you cant look on CDC website & see that the numbers for all cause deaths were no higher than previous yrs, there were even more deaths in 2017! You cant go on cdc website & see for yourself the pcr test are flawed & test for common cold, you cant go on CDC website and read that they NEVER ISOLATED THE VIRUS, or they changed the way they record cause of death, or the flu miraculously disappeared, that the ONLY PEOPLE who died had 3+comorbidities & were going to die anyway. Really?? Here more common sense, lack of oxygen to the brain causes brain damage. All disease is CELL DISEASE! How do cells get disease? LACK OF OXYGEN. I could go on and on and on. On the money issue look at the money, Gates & Fauci, CDC FDA will make BILLIONS maybe trillions on making everyone get vaccinated, hospitals get more money for each diagnosis, the manufacturer of PCR tests, masks, hand sanitizer, bleach ect BILLIONS, the states keep the state of emergency cuz they get federal funding, big pharma (fauci) get 100's of millions to make a vaccine that is eventually going to kill you, & use tax payer money to make it then make BILLIONS selling it. I rack my brain wondering "do they honestly not see all this, do they have no logic or common sense, do they actually believe the federal gov, its agency's and big pharma aren't as corrupt as they come? OR ARE THEY IN ON IT? What kick backs are you receiving for it. I will have to do some digging, I have only looked into pasco commissioners and they are knee deep involved with big pharma but even they FINALLY listened. I wouldnt count on your fraudulent voting machines for next election you ALL will be out. PLEASE SHOW US YOU WANT AMERICA TO BE FREE AND YOU GOVERN BY THE CONSTITUTION. | tammy deloye | 6027 Illinois ave | new port richy | 34653 | 7208774004 | th904life@hotmail.com | 2021-04-16 04:39:24 | |
| End mask mandate | Dear Commissioner Eggers, I'm writing in favor of voting to end the county mask mandate! Masks do not work to stop transmission of virus, and cause harm to the wearer. Masks can be a choice, not a mandate! Thank you Kristin Taylor | Kristin | 14009 Silver Oak Circle | Largo | 33774 | | kristin.taylor33774@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 23:45:15 | |
| Keep the mask ordinance until our county reaches herd immunity. | I support using masks in public spaces for now. The more dangerous Covid variants are spreading in our state. We have not achieved herd immunity yet. Until that happens, mask mandates are the only thing we have to battle the virus. I don't want us to fall into a fourth wave when we are so close to beating this. | Therese Ann Eby | 16103 Gulf Blvd | Redington Beach, FL | 33708-1627 | 4258022281 | thereseeb@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 21:35:42 | |
| Watching the first two minutes of Jim Jordan questioning Dr. Fauci, I couldn't help but see the similarities to what we are dealing with on the local level | Watching the first two minutes of Jim Jordan questioning Dr. Fauci, I couldn't help but notice the similarities to what Pinellas citizens are dealing with on the local level. "When is it the time for Americans to get their liberties back?" Jim Jordan grilled Dr. Fauci in the first two minutes of this video. The fact is that from beginning, our liberties under the Constitution should never have been taken from us. So many around the country have lost their right to freely assemble, the right to religious liberty, and even their second amendment rights as stores deemed "non-essential" were shut down by the government. As our Governor states, "All businesses are essential." The Constitutional rights of all American citizens must be protected, and if they are not, then it is the duty of every American citizen to stand up for their liberties and not leave them by the wayside. What happened this year we must never let occur again. I am so thankful to hear there is legislation in the works to limit future emergency orders by local FL government to 40 days. https://r/umbl.com/vfpip7-episode-877-fauci-the-oracle-of-the-beltway-permanent-lockdown-and-fraud-ex.html | Aden Barnes | | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynnbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 21:16:34 | |

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| Masks | Please don't remove the mask mandate. I'm just feeling safe enough to go into stores and public places again where all of us wear our masks. Don't listen to those strange anti maskers. I don't like wearing masks either, but I'm willing to, in order to keep all of us safe till we are rid of this virus. Thank you for understanding that. | Sandra Macgregor | 9041 Lakewood Dr | Seminole | 33772 | 727-393 4986 | sandy11@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-15 17:13:22 | |
| COVID-19 Restrictions: Thank you! | I support maintaining COVID-19 restrictions until the CDC data shows that we are no longer in an epidemic situation. There is a loud crowd who try to bully the Commission. I appreciate that you all don't submit to that type of pressure and do what is in the best interest of the community at large. Wearing masks makes all other interactions safely possible. | Robin Peacock | 1012 Bee Pond Road | Palm Harbor | 34683 | 7272040805 | bookbird007@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 16:49:40 | |
| Thank You for Listening to Community Feedback and Setting May 11 to Vote to End the Mask Mandate | <p>Thanks for your courage and commitment.</p> <p>Members of the Board I appreciate you for listening to each of the speakers from our community and for giving us your feedback. Thank you for setting a date to vote on ending the mask mandate. I believe this was a productive meeting because this communication brings Pinellas one step closer to healing this rift as we near the end of the divisiveness of the mask mandate.</p> <p>When the mandate does end, citizens of this county can once again focus on what brings us together and not what divides us. We can once again appreciate what we have in common instead of fixating on who is "pro-mask" or "pro-choice." I look forward to the day when community members are free to make the health decisions which are best for them while respecting the choices others make for their own health.</p> <p>I do not like to be labeled "anti-mask" because I consider myself "pro-choice" for masks. Each adult should make the choice they feel is right for them. People with health conditions which makes it difficult to wear a mask should not have to explain themselves or to be looked down upon or harassed for the choice not to wear a mask.</p> <p>When you make your decision in the coming weeks, it is my sincere hope that you will look at data from the counties around Florida that do not have mask mandates and observe that those counties are not much different than our own. I hope you will take the time to listen to diverse viewpoints outside the mainstream narrative.</p> <p>Please take into account the doctors from Governor DeSantis' roundtables, and most importantly, make your decision based on what the citizens of this county want, which is for our freedoms back. At the last meeting, certain members of the board did not understand why those of us in the community are still talking about the lockdowns and closures. It is because for us this is all lumped together as one traumatic experience that will not end until the mask mandate ends. We wish for healing and a fresh start. I will close with a very informative study on face masks.</p> | Stacy Geier | 13022 125th Ave | Largo | 33774 | 7276411244 | stacy.geier@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 14:29:14 | |
| MASK MANDATE | THE MASK MANDATE IS AFFECTING MY DAUGHTER AND SON BOTH MENTALLY AND PHYSICALLY AS IT HAS CAUSED THEM EXTREME ACNE THEY NEVER HAD BEFORE THIS AND NOT BEING ABLE TO BREATHE WHEN UNDER STRESS DURING TESTING. PLEASE MAKE THE MASKS OPTIONAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. | carly diaz | 804 Shore Dr W | Oldsmar | 34677 | 7277715635 | carly05@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 13:35:33 | |
| End the Mask Mandate - the masks do not work and they are causing great harm | <p>04/15/21</p> <p>Stop the face mask/covering mandate in Pinellas county. This Mandate is: Unlawful, Ineffective; Unscientific; Physically and Psychologically Harmful, In violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Unethical, Immoral, Degrading, Illogical</p> <p>•Unlawful - This mask/face covering mandate is not backed by real law and falls under "color of law" 18 U.S. Code § 242 - Deprivation of rights under color of law https://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title18-section242&num=0&edition=prelim of an enacting 18 U.S. Code Section 242 oYou might want to read this and understand it. oThis is saying that if anyone (especially an official in "authority") deprives a citizen of the United States of one or more of His constitutional rights, (for example - putting color of law mandates in place) becomes the criminal and can be charged as such. oThese mandates violate every citizen in Pinellas county Civil Rights. Therefore, if you are involved writing, supporting, enforcing these mandates, you are committing a federal crime.</p> <p>•ineffective; Unscientific; Physically and Psychologically Harmful - These face mask/coverings do not stop any virus including COVID 19 and they have been shown to cause great physical and mental harm. See the following study: NO MORE MASKS and here is just one recent scientific study that explains "THE WHYS"! January 2021 PUBMED SCIENTIFIC STUDY https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33303303/ https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0306987720333028?via%3Dihub Conclusion The existing scientific evidences challenge the safety and efficacy of wearing facemask as preventive</p> | marty wilson | 13195 86th ave no | SEMINOLE | 33776-2729 | 7272420685 | patrickwilson555@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 12:50:59 | |
| End the Mask Mandate - the masks do not work and they are causing great harm | End the mask mandate | marty wilson | 13195 86th ave no | SEMINOLE | 33776-2729 | 7272420685 | patrickwilson555@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 12:43:02 | |
| Mask Mandate | <p>Hello,</p> <p>Please end the mask mandates in Pinellas County. As a resident who is unable to wear a mask, due to many health issues, I think it is wrong for people like me and others who choose as FREE AMERICANS to not wear them are constantly harassed and discriminated against. Having police officers escort us out because of medical reasons is completely ridiculous and a waste of tax payers money along with the officers time. I'm pretty sure they have much more important things to do then a "mask violation". The problem with this unconstitutional mandate is people havent actually read it. Places are not giving medical exemptions and many are still forcing kids to wear them when it states it's up to the parents. We dont care who chooses to wear them, but we deserve the choice as well. Please unmask Pinellas County residents. Thank you</p> | | | Pinellas Park | | | pretty2plur@yahoo.com | 2021-04-15 11:36:55 | |

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| Continuation of COVID-19 Restrictions in Pinellas County | <p>Heard on the news you had open comments on removing the COVID-19 and mask restrictions in Pinellas County. As a Licensed Physician in Florida, and former member of the Board of Governors of the Pinellas County Medical Association, I implore you to please follow the recommendations of our director of the Pinellas County Health Department, Dr Choe, DO (Infectious Disease). I know him, and agree with his recommendations.</p> <p>With the current COVID19 variants spreading in the state of Florida, it is a comfort to me, when I need to go out in public, Pinellas County still has a mask ordinance. Efforts to reduce the spread of the virus also prevents further mutations of the virus. Further mutations of the virus may allow the virus to decrease the efficacy of the immunizations, which will put us back to square 1. I totally understand the fatigue of our community with COVID-19. Right now is not the time to be loosening the restrictions.</p> | Peter Swain, MD | 2720 Burlington Avenue North | St. Petersburg | 33713 | 4044563832 | petera.wswain@va.gov | 2021-04-15 11:25:55 | | |
| COVID-19 | <p>Hello, if the scientific data shows that the Covid-19 Vaccines work, you request residents to get the vaccine, and many have received their vaccines, why do you continue to mandate residents wear facial masks?</p> <p>Board of County Commissioners,</p> | Dave String | 91st ave | Seminole | 33772 | 2672050695 | davestring@msn.com | 2021-04-15 09:06:42 | | |
| Citizens are so accustomed to wearing masks after nearly a year that there will be an even higher rate of voluntary compliance. The data you see in other counties around Florida will be similar to our own county. | <p>"Commissioner Karen Seal noted that those numbers did not indicate how many residents in counties without a mask mandate were wearing face coverings anyway, therefore skewing the data." https://news.yahoo.com/pinellas-county-vote-whether-end-210900178.html</p> <p>Even after ending the mask mandate in Pinellas, the majority of Pinellas residents will still choose to wear masks. The majority of residents chose to wear masks even before the mask mandate. Citizens are so accustomed to wearing masks after nearly a year that there will be an even higher rate of voluntary compliance. The data you see in other counties around Florida will be similar to our own county.</p> | Aden Barnes | | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 07:44:17 | | |
| Ending Mask Mandates May 11th Vote | <p>I urge you to vote to END the Mask Mandates.. Enough is enough, this has gone on for far too long! END it NOW! Thank you.</p> | Cliff Hunter | 5021 28th Ave N | Saint Petersburg | 33710 | 7272760824 | saltheart2b@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 06:59:57 | | |
| Mask Mandate | <p>The people of Pinellas County are adults and do not need you to dictate behavior. Hospitals are not overcrowded. There is absolutely no reason to continue a ban you really can't enforce anyway via our Governors executive order. I urge you to allow adults to make adult decisions about whether they want to wear a mask or not. Companies are visually requiring masks but not enforcing it, walk through Publix you'll see people without masks. So, please leave us alone and let us decide.</p> | Frank Eisel | 4767 Innisfil St | Palm Harbor | 34673 | 727-278-4956 | frankeisel2010@yahoo.com | 2021-04-15 05:40:45 | | |
| Keep school mask mandate | <p>I am writing and urging you to keep the mask mandate at least to the end of the year for the school children for their own safety for our own safety.</p> | Mike Merryweeather | 434 1st ave ne | Largo | 33770 | 7277100433 | carpetpros@gmail.com | 2021-04-15 05:03:00 | | |
| Mask requirements | <p>I think that masks should continue to be required in pinellas county. It is a proven fact that masks help contain the spread of COVID-19. Otherwise all health professionals would have Covid-19 but the masks work! Keep mask requirements in pinellas county for our safety. Thanks, sue hatton</p> | Susan Hatton | 6285 10 th Ave s | Gulfport | 33707 | | sh@orangesonline.com | 2021-04-14 22:14:06 | | |
| Thank you for listening to my speech yesterday and for your feedback. | <p>Members of the Board,</p> <p>I appreciate you for listening to each of the speakers from our community and for giving us your feedback. Thank you for setting a date to vote on ending the mask mandate. This was a productive meeting because this communication brings Pinellas one step closer to healing this rift as we near the end of the divisiveness of the mask mandate. When the mandate does end, citizens of this county can once again focus on what brings us together and not what divides us and to appreciate what we have in common instead of fixating on who is "pro-mask" or "pro-choice."</p> <p>I look forward to the day when community members are free to make the health decisions which are best for them while respecting choices others make for their own health.</p> <p>I do not like to be labeled "anti-mask" because I consider myself "pro-choice" for masks. Each adult should make the choice they feel is right for them. People with health conditions which makes it difficult to wear a mask should not have to explain themselves or to be looked down upon or harassed for the choice not to wear a mask.</p> <p>When you make your decision in the coming weeks, it is my sincere hope that you will look at data from the counties around Florida that do not have mask mandates and observe that those counties are not much different than our own.</p> <p>I hope you will take the time to listen to diverse viewpoints outside the mainstream narrative. Please take into account the doctors from Governor DeSantis' roundtables, and most importantly, make your decision based on what the citizens of this county are imploring the board for, which is for our freedoms back.</p> <p>At the last meeting, certain members of the board did not understand why those of us in the community are still talking about the lockdowns and closures. It is because for us this is all lumped together as one</p> | Aden Barnes | 10240 127 Ave | Largo | 33773 | | adenlynbarnes@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 17:31:24 | | |
| End the Mask Mandate - the masks do not work and they are causing great harm | <p>To all board members, end these mask and face covering mandates now! I, and everyone I know, will vote against any and all of you who vote to keep these mandates in Pinellas county. These masks do not protect anyone from anything. They are mentally humiliating/harmful and they are even physically harmful. We all want everyone to be safe and healthy but, the masks do neither. In fact, the masks and any kind of face covering is detrimental to health and safety.</p> <p>I will also lead a political campaign against any and all of you who vote to keep these mask mandates. Law suits are being considered. These masks, face coverings, and all of the lockdown orders are a violation of our 1st amendment rights; the Americans with disabilities act; and the civil rights act. I have emailed you before telling you, as one of the tax paying law abiding citizens of this county and your employer, to end these mask mandates. I am doing so again now. I am also telling you to lift any and all other restrictions with regards to the COVID 19 virus. It has been over a year. This is beyond ridiculous. We will be at the next meeting you have and speak to you again about this. When you come up for re-election, you will be voted out of office if you do not remove these mask and face covering mandates. The people have had enough of this as it is doing great harm. You may even be held personally liable for mandating that the people of Pinellas county follow harmful restrictions. These mask and face covering mandates are doing irreparable harm to everyone but, especially our children. The survival rate of this COVID 19 virus is over 99%. That is about equal to the seasonal flu. If you do not see how ridiculous this is then you have an agenda which is contrary to the health and well being of the people you are supposed to represent. I will be emailing you every day until you lift this mask and face covering mandates. I and everyone I know in this county are against these mask and face covering mandates and we are going to let you know it loud and clear at the ballot box at your next election. Be like our great governor and do the right thing.</p> | marty wilson | 13195 86th ave no | SEMINOLE | 33776-2729 | 7272420685 | patrickwilson555@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 15:30:16 | | |

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| Disregard | Please disregard my previous request about the public comment time for your upcoming meeting. About the same number of people would come at 2PM or 6PM so it really doesn't matter. Sorry. Either way is fine. | David Happe | | Tarpon Springs | | | happearchive@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 14:12:19 | |
| No mask mandate | This has gone on long enough, time to stop the mask mandates!!! | | 288 Larchwood dr | Largo | 33770 | 7275864004 | miller.rosanne@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 13:10:03 | |
| Mask mandate | Mr Eggers and County Commissioners, We are fast approaching the (1) one year anniversary of your Mask Mandate of June 23rd. Even though there are decades of sound medical research and historical data to show mask are not effective against catching a virus, your decision based on the CDC and the modeling provided by experts like Dr. Fauci made it prudent to impose a mask mandate. However, we now know that experts like Dr. Atlas, and decades of medical research were right all along. That along with 10 months of historical data on COVID - we (and you should know)mask have had no noticeable effect on the transmission of COVID. Even your own data in Pinellas County showed early on mask were not effective, since the virus continued to rise drastically 2 weeks after the mandate and throughout the last 10 months. But please don't stop there- side by side comparison of Counties in FL and States with and without mask mandates show no difference in infection rates. Its time to stop the madness with the mask- doomsday experts like the CDC and Dr. Fauci should have a voice, but you should Never make public policy based on their out dated or even worse their exaggerated model numbers. The longer you do the more data shows the mask mandate is nothing more than a political motivated stunt, rather than protecting the safety of the residents of Pinellas County. A voluntary mask policy allows those that want to "feel safe" continue to do so- Thank you for your time! | Barry Greenleaf | 6077 Long Bayou Way N | SAINT PETERSBURG | 33708-3553 | 7274588556 | teammedicalgreenleaf@hotmail.com | 2021-04-14 13:03:38 | |
| End the Mask Mandate | End the Mask Mandate | Harold Birkins | 1910 Elaine Dr | Clearwater | 33760 | 7276391234 | harryandthehendersons@protonmail.com | 2021-04-14 12:58:51 | |
| Masks | I urge you to continue the mask requirement. It is clear we are far from herd immunity in Pinellas County. Most people are comfortable with wearing masks and it should continue. It is a minor inconvenience at most. | Stephan Freeman | 7501 18th St NE | St petersburg | 33702 | 7278962288 | sf@freemanlaw.net | 2021-04-14 11:48:05 | |
| Mask mandate Pinellas County | Please continue to support the county mask mandate. Its a public health issue, not a political issue. I think we can all continue masking until the positivity rate goes down and immunizations go up. Compared to a lot of places in the country, we have it pretty good in terms of not being "shut down." If you drop the mask mandate too soon, it could be a disaster for our small but high population density county. Thank you. | Brian Stephens | 9663 104th ave | Largo | 33773 | 2403081302 | brian.stephens101@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 11:41:28 | |
| Covid-19 mask mandate | It's time to bring control of our lives back where it belongs not forced on us by over reaching government! Please set us free from you! | Joe Lutz | | Mad beach | | | jijooooooeeyyyy@live.com | 2021-04-14 10:48:02 | |
| mask mandate | I am a resident of Pinellas county for 25 years. Yesterdays public comments at the live board meeting were a disgrace to our county. It is completely unacceptable for the public to berate commissioners on live tv. I work at a large gym(YMCA) and my husband is a snger well known on Pinellas beaches. We have lost 40,000 dollars as a family this last year because of covid. The masks are our only defense against all these selfish people who feel protecting any essential worker or anyone in restaurants,bars,and gym trying to make a living. I am frustrated with our counties people and how selfish many of them are. I witness it when they yell at us at work or while at the post office or in the grocery store. IF YOU CANT WEAR A MASK FOR SUCH A SMALL TIME WHILE SHOPPING OR BEFORE EATING OR WHILE WALKING THROUGH THE MALL OR GYM...then use Amazon or instacart and exercise outside and pickup takeout. We are not over this pandemic as of yet, and the safety of most is more important than the MINOR inconvenience of the only 1.5 thousand people who belong to Pinellas Watch. This is a health care issue and not a political issue and Pinellas Watch only accepts members who want to bash political parties and talk nasty about all government leaders. When the CDC says masks are no longer needed, well that is when they will no longer be needed. PLEASE KEEP THE MASK MANDATE to protect us who are trying to do our jobs and live safely through this pandemic. Thank you. | Heather Miranda | 6368 2nd ave north | Saint Petersburg | 33710 | 727-686-0835 | hmiranda11@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-14 10:32:58 | |
| Citizens to Be Heard - April 27th | Mr. Eggers, As you know, we're living in a time when people want to feel like they have been heard. Thank you so much for your wrap up comments yesterday when you indicated that the majority (nearly all) of the speakers followed a respectful decorum. Also with thanks to the Pinellas County Commissioners who were respectful, deliberate and measured (with the possible exception of Charlie Justice who for what ever reason continues to label the people that disagree with him as "liars.") All in all, a super positive tone during these contentious days. Thanks to you for your calm and measured leadership! I am officially requesting on behalf of several community groups that you move the "Citizens to be Heard" section on your planned April 27th agenda from the 2PM meeting to the already 6PM meeting slot. There are many people that for work conflict reasons cannot attend an afternoon meeting, but voices that would love to be able to participate in the community discussion. As the time is set aside for "community to be heard" it would be awesome if you could make this minor accommodation to the community. Assume this email represents the views of a couple thousand people. I could easily have requested that a couple thousand people contact you with this request, but erring towards simplicity seemed the better route if we can get a swift and reasonable accomodation. Thanks again. May God continue to bless you, grant wisdom to the Pinellas County Commission, and give favor to the people of Pinellas County who seek His face. Dave | David Happe | | Tarpon Springs | | | happearchive@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 09:22:37 | |
| Mask | I am a epidemiologist and I strongly encourage you to keep current mask measures in place. Cases are on the rise here. We do not know yet how effective the vaccine is against the new variants. Masking and distance are our friends. Not enough people are vaccinated. | Susan Zoe Kopp | 773 Guilford St | St Petersburg | 33704 | 8022581855 | koppzoe@yahoo.com | 2021-04-14 08:36:20 | |
| Mask MANDATE | SINCEL FLORIDA'S COVID NUMBERS ARE SURGING AGAIN, IT WOULD BE COUNTER PRODUCTIVE TO CHANGE THE MASK MANDATE QT THIS TIME. WE NEDD TO STAY THE COURSE AND PROMOTE VACCINES, NOT ELIMINATE WHAT IS WORKING NOW | John Wagner | 2079 Buford Blvd. | Clearwater | 33763 | | john@wagneraviation.com | 2021-04-14 08:25:20 | |
| Mask mandate | Please consider ending the mask mandate in Pinellas County. Studies show that wearing a mask all dat bombards your body with toxins, carbon dioxide (which you are forced to breathe back in) and the humidity within the mask causes bacteria and fungi to grow. This inherently makes the mask wearer more at risk of becoming ill and this has been proven with the Spanish flu of 1918. In addition, our children, who are not at risk, should not be required to wear masks in school. This will reduce the efficacy of their (and our) immune systems, making them more vulnerable during the next 'season'. Thank you. | McKenzie Elena Davidson | 246 16th Ave NE | Saint Petersburg | 33704 | 727-295-7474 | mckenzie.davidson@cbrealty.com | 2021-04-14 08:01:02 | |
| Unmask our children | Enough is enough. Unmask our children in schools | | | Pinellas | | | tiaklimis@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 07:02:28 | |

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| Ending the mask mandate in Pinellas County Schools | Dear Commissioners, Please give strong consideration to ending the mask mandate in Pinellas County Schools, given the widespread availability of COVID vaccine. Please note that we appreciate all of our teachers and would not be asking for this consideration if the vaccine was not widely available and without data showing its efficacy. Your attention to this request is most appreciated. Respectfully yours, Parent of a kindergartener this 2020-2021 school year | | | Seminole | | | mitzikaysmith@gmail.com | 2021-04-14 05:56:20 | | |
| Please end the Mask Mandate | Hello, I am respectfully asking that we as a community and you as a board that represents this community simply follow the science of this virus and not the media's focus on emotion and fear. At the beginning of this situation we understand that we all exercised our decisions on extreme caution as we were missing the crucial data that we needed to make informed decisions. Now however we are a full year into this and know much more facts about this virus and who are the most at risk, as well who seem to be carriers and potential spreaders of the virus. The good news is the data supports children under the age of 18 seem to be the least effected by this virus and least infected by this virus. There is also very little data supporting that our children are carriers of the virus or spreaders of this virus. I understand that we need to protect our faculty as well but the ages across most of our faculty are also at ages that have proven to be resilient to this virus and have mild or no symptoms at all. These masks are not healthy for our children physically or mentally. Mandating that our children wear a mask all day only instills fear in our youth instead of strength and confidence. It also makes it extremely difficult for our children to relate to one another and socially bond with one another which may be a more important characteristic they develop then learning itself. I hope you will consider the children when making this decision and the facts and data of their ages and not the hyperbolic media and the fear they would like us to believe. Yes this virus is serious but we now have the information we need to enable us to keep our children and faculty safe and still allow our children to be children and enjoy themselves and not stress over things that they need not to be concerned with. As a child their are always stresses they endure it is time we stop adding another one to them that truly does not effect them. Thank you for taking the time to read my thoughts and concerns. | Richard Bates | 2231 Harbor Point Place | Palm Harbor | 34683 | 727-482-9480 | gulfraceresidents@gmail.com | 2021-04-13 22:59:39 | | |
| Thank you | Hello. I just wanted to send a message of thanks for all that you do to provide for and protect our county. I know there is lots of outrage about getting rid of masks and I am one that supports us continuing to wear them until we meet that 3% for consecutive days. As a Pinellas County school teacher, parent, life long resident, and person with aging parents, I applaud your strength in standing up for safety and health by looking at the science. Have a great day, Amy Howe | Amy Howe | 11103 Freedom Way | Seminole | 33772 | 7284203128 | amysonline04@yahoo.com | 2021-04-13 21:25:00 | | |
| Mask Mandate | Please will you consider ending the mask mandate. The Covid virus is 99.9% currible, and many people have had the vaccine . The wearing of the masks regardless of which kind is not healthy for a individual to wear for long periods of time. We have had worse flu seasons and never had to go to these lengths. It is time for this to end and let people and businesses get back to normal. End Mask Mandate | Lisa Wright | 3600 58th ave N | ST. Petersburg | 33714 | | lwright@rejuvenatesalonandspas.com | 2021-04-13 19:57:49 | | |
| Thank you! | Hello commissioner Girard, I just wanted to say thank you for your listening to us today. I had the privilege of speaking at the meeting and was able to listen to your thoughts after the public comments. I just wanted to say thank you for not only hearing us out, but for your compassionate remarks and empathy for the pain this mask mandate is causing within the community. We are often hard on you, but I appreciate all you do. Just wanted you to know. Respectfully, Kristy Alvarez | Kristine Alvarez | 10963 105TH AVE N | Largo | 33778 | 8134208620 | kristyalvarez@gmail.com | 2021-04-13 19:31:58 | | |
| Pinellas County Resident Needs Help | Please do not overlook this letter, as my husband is in desperate need of assistance. The Florida DOE has caused him major issues, and we can't get anyone at the DOE or the state level to understand his claim, let alone get ahold of an actual human. He is put on hold for hours at a time, and no matter how many pages of documentation he fills out or papers he files, they just keep sending him online to fill out a document, which he has done 6 times, which doesn't even apply to him. His fear is their numbers are not correct, he returned money to them, and the paperwork for our taxes is incorrect. He is concerned he will have to pay back the portions he actually kept, while unemployed, and that will mean pulling from his retirement. He is back to work now, but all his help was let go and between the stress of that work, along with the massive mess with the DOE, I am afraid he will have a heart attack or stroke. Can someone please give us a human to speak to, or assist him. If this is happening to him, imagine how many other hard working people this has happened too. I feel so bad for someone who has worked for over 40 years, dreamed of moving to Florida to eventually retire, just to be caught up in this mess. We know we have one of the few counties that actually care about their residents over corporations, so we hope someone can help. | Melissa Copp | 38791 US Highway 19 N Lot 916 | Tarpon Springs | 34689 | 8136442848 | mmcopp69@gmail.com | 2021-04-13 19:01:17 | | |
| End the Mask Mandate | End the Mask Mandate | Harold Birkins | 1910 Elaine Dr | Clearwater | 33760 | 7276391234 | harryandthehendersonson@protonmail.com | 2021-04-13 15:05:59 | | |
| Mask mandate | Good day. When this first happened and we didn't know what we had , I could see how we might of ask for people to wear a mask. Even though Constitutionally many of the requirements in the response was wrong. You can not stop people from making a living etc. The effects on society have been far worse than the disease. It's time for this fear porn & mandate to end. People are sick of it. Like our great Governor, we have done the research. Thank you. | Larry Wright | | Clearwater, Pinellas | 33763 | | ringman@tampabay.rr.com | 2021-04-13 12:18:02 | | |
| Please don't lift the mask mandate! | Please don't lift the mask mandate! Having the mandate makes it so much easier for businesses to get people to do the right thing and wear their masks. As a small business owner that vends at area markets, having the mask mandate means I have the backing of local government when I request people to wear their masks while shopping. It takes hostility out of the situation. While most people do wear their mask, the ones that don't are easier to convince with the local ordinance in place. Thank you so much. | Danielle LeTendre | 218 11th Ave North | Saint Petersburg | 33701 | 7274556477 | danni.letendre@gmail.com | 2021-04-13 11:58:12 | | |
| Mask Mandate | Time to discontinue the mask mandate. It should be optional. Thank you for your consideration | Pamela Wright | 2486 Moore Haven Dr E | City | 33663 | | powright61@gmail.com | 2021-04-13 11:53:35 | | |

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