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Topic	Mask mandate
BCC Agenda Date	7-07-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	The mask mandate is nonsense. Masks should be optional. Business owners should not have to enforce this mandate. We will post a sign and encourage people to wear them but ultimately it should be up to the people. Let us get back to work and let the economy recover! Stop closing businesses. We are not SHEEP!
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Topic	Mask mandate
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Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	<p>You can not force someone to wear a mask. It is a Deprivation of Rights Under the Color of Law "Section 242 of Title 18 makes it a crime for a person acting under color of any law to willfully deprive a person of a right or privilege protected by the Constitution or laws of the United States." stick to the oath you took and let it be the individuals choice. Also, no one cares about how many cases there are if the death rate is plummeting. Please look at all facts and statistics. If you truly cared about the health of the people why not mandate exercise and changing diet or make tobacco illegal. You can't/won't because it's the person's choice just like wearing a mask.</p>
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Topic Mask Mandates

BCC Agenda Date 7-7-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments

Our county needs to remain open and we should not be mandating control over any businesses or individuals. For example, asking businesses to police their customers, closing businesses and schools, and mask or vaccine mandates. Every individual should be able to decide what is right for them. This should be especially true when there has been a lack of information and science to support these actions. Fear is driving the current recommendations for healthy people to wear masks, not science. Furthermore, People are not wearing masks properly. Therefore, it is not the same as hospital workers wearing appropriately designed masks in sterile environments that are then disposed of after being removed. Please protect our civil rights and freedoms. Please remove the mandate.

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Topic request for decisions based on unbiased science

BCC Agenda Date 7-7-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments

Dear Commissioners, Based on solid science, it will be beneficial for public health and wellness if you end the local state of emergency as well as mandate for face mask wearing. The face mask wearing "mandate" can only legally be a guideline and your guideline is causing discrimination to people who cannot wear masks and those that do not want to wear masks. Mask wearing is unhealthy, does not benefit most people, and actually decreases immune system function. It is also illegal according to OSHA guidelines as it does not allow for an acceptable level of oxygen. Your guideline is only increasing adversity and fear. Please share education and ways to increase immune systems instead of being a part of spreading fear and stress, the greatest enemies to immune systems and overall health. I request that your decisions be based on your objective review of science and studies from sources with no conflict of interest with human health (i.e. Big Pharma). Mainstream media (which is essentially owned by special interests such as Big Pharma) is only spreading irrational fear. Hundreds of scientists including Nobel Laureates are proclaiming that there is no emergency. There is no need for face masks, social distancing nor business and school closures. In fact, these mandates are causing huge damage to our community and country, physically, emotionally and economically. Please be a part of the solution. Thank you for your work. In Freedom and Health, Mei Tschang

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Topic Mask and Rumored Beach Closure
BCC Agenda Date 6-30-2020
Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments

It is understandable the pressure the commission is receiving from both sides. However, the mask ordinance has really become a tipping point for a divided community. It is a ridiculous notion that citizens going about their lives are required to cover their face. For those that are fearful or anxious, there is no shame in wearing a mask. However, to REQUIRE it for everyone is creating an even more hateful atmosphere, if that is even possible! Secondly, if the commission is considering a beach closure that is even more of a ridiculous notion. Everyone needs a getaway from the constant bombardment of negativity; and taking the one pleasure most have living in Florida is a final nail. Social distancing is possible....on the sand and in the water. If citizens have issues, they should not go to the beach, continue to wear their masks and/or stay at home until they feel safe. But to punish an entire society for an unfortunate force of nature is completely unacceptable. In addition, it will create an even more difficult job for law enforcement. Please don't place this burden upon them on top of the already inhospitable environment they have to endure!

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Topic Required mask wear ordinance

BCC Agenda Date 6-30-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments I am a Pinellas county resident. mask wearing SHOULD NOT be mandatory! This is an infringement of my rights and my health! There is a lot of proof from medical & health professionals, OSHA guidelines support that they don't prevent virus spread. Wearing a mask makes it difficult for me to breath and forcing people to wear masks puts my health, and the health of my family at risk. I will be making note of all on Pinellas County commission who vote in favor of making wearing masks mandatory in ANY situation. It is a further violation to put businesses under the stress of enforcing this !!! Threatening citizens as either patrons or business owners is a draconian act that does not reflect the Democratic government that the citizens voted into office and is an overreach of your rights as a commission. All who run again in future elections will NOT receive my vote.

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Topic	Mask Requirements
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Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	I am opposed to any Mask Mandate. The county may require mask inside county buildings. Private business may do the same. Let the public decide where and how they conduct themselves.
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Topic Local State of Emergency
BCC Agenda Date 6-30-2020
Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments

Dear County Commissioners, I must first express how disappointed I am in your vote to require masks in all public areas. I have a lot of reasons for this which were stated in my emailed comments to you about that issue. My comments now are about your extension of the original emergency resolution. I was looking through this resolution and one word jumped out at me, "prudent." I then read through all other resolutions and found that most actions other than protecting our elderly were more "politically expedient" than they were "prudent." The whole point of the initial 15-day orders federal, state, and local was to allow the hospital network to prepare for the expected inflow of COVID-19 patients. After the initial orders were issued based on the projected number of people requiring hospitalization it was determined that the orders should be extended an additional 30 days. Since that time, it has been determined that the projections that were used to declare and expand this state of emergency were false. The hospitals never saw the COVID-19 patient load that was projected. Additionally, the hospitals are now ready to handle anything that is sent their way. Yes, hospitals are getting full again. That is to be expected after they were not allowed to see their normal level of patients for the past 80 days. Hospitals switched focus from normal to emergency very quickly to support this perceived threat; they can easily do it again. If they need your help, they can ask for it. You need to step back and let this county get back to work. Is it prudent or politically expedient to continue trashing our economy? Is it prudent or politically expedient to ask healthy people to behave as though they are sick?

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Topic Wearing Masks

BCC Agenda Date

Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments

Why are you forcing people to wear masks that don't work for COVID-19? Why are you forcing people to wear masks that cause people to re-breathe the same air, reducing the amount of oxygen taken into the lungs? Why are you forcing people to wear masks that will induce stress from inadequate oxygen intake and possibly cause strokes and or heart attacks? Why do you make life and death decisions without any consideration of the facts and or possible repercussions? If you sit outside a grocery store, you can watch the elderly come out, take off their masks (illegal) and gasp for breath, as I did today. I pray that your intent is not to harm innocent people, but I have to wonder.

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Topic ORDER EXTENDING STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

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Agenda 7-7-2020

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Your

Stand on Oppose
the Issue

Required use of face masks is a personal health decision that government is not entitled to dictate. Below are quotes from the CDC and WHO websites respectively. "Using a mask incorrectly however, may actually increase the risk of transmission, rather than reduce it. If masks are to be used, this measure should be combined with other general measures to help prevent the human-to-human transmission of influenza, training on the correct use of masks and consideration of cultural and personal values."*

*<https://www.who.int/csr/resources/publications/Adviceusemaskcommunityrevised.pdf>

"Proper use of face masks is essential because improper use might increase the risk for transmission (39). Thus, education on the proper use and disposal of used face masks, including hand hygiene, is also needed."** **[https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/article/26/5/19-0994_article?](https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/article/26/5/19-0994_article?fbclid=IwAR2V1hPqN0WKb2kXVExP_1UE9ARvru6mtPZvZN0w1jx0S3l3fXLhxMP_bXs)

There are more links to resources that can be followed in the second link I have provided above. I have not observed the general public using correct mask hygiene. I'm sure all of you have seen masks below noses, on chins, hanging off an ear and then hands constantly touching and adjusting masks. Masks on, masks off. Put into a pocket or purse after use. Many reuse them over and over without properly washing/drying, even reusing disposable ones which are meant for one time use for only a short period of time. I have yet to see anyone immediately sanitize their hands after touching their mask. Have you? Do you? Have you read or informed the public of the correct use of masks? No one really seems to think their personal mask is a source of contamination. If a person is constantly breathing into a mask, it becomes loaded with any pathogens that person is carrying. This makes a mask no different than a used tissue that has coughed or sneezed into. When I look at people wearing masks all I can see are hands crawling with germs. Would a surgeon ever touch their mask then go back to operating? Up until your mandate starting on June 24, I did not wear a mask. Because hand sanitizer was unavailable, I carry a bottle of alcohol in my car and thoroughly clean my hands with it straight out of the bottle before I enter any public building. I make a very conscious effort to avoid touching my face. I maintain a 6' distance from others. I have not coughed or sneezed in public but just in case I do, I have a baggie with an alcohol soaked paper towel in my purse. I also sanitize my hands before touching my car when leaving a store because it is impossible to avoid getting germs from others on them. I request you cancel the Ordinance No. 20-14 requiring face mask use and instead educate the public on proper hand hygiene. Please read the articles I linked to at the beginning of this comment. Masks are not the magic pill to stop the spread of a virus. If people want to wear them, let it be their own decision. Hand hygiene is a better solution. Thank you for your consideration,
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Comments

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