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Mask mandate	<p>I am writing to share my disgust at the total overreach by the county commissioners. And not only is it a total overreach, it is a Gestapo like tactic to be so cowardly that you threaten business owners to be your Enforcers. We did not elect you folks to be our doctors or our Nanny. Get out of our way. Leave us alone. 7 people have now taken total control of Pinellas county and you've threatened us with fines. Now, if we refuse to cover our faces we will be thrown out of grocery stores and restaurants? You Brown Shirts have told businesses to keep us out if we exercise our freedoms of movement? How about the fearful stay home?? I am hoping that the governor steps in and tells businesses that you have no authority to fine them for allowing free people to patronize their businesses. Texas did just that. I hope that you're sued for this total Socialist move</p> <p>https://www.texastribune.org/2020/04/27/harris-face-masks-fine-texas-coronavirus/</p>	Michael Williams	3174 Beecher Dr E , Unit A	Palm Harbor	34683	4104580047	mkwilliams44@gmail.com	2020-06-23 22:30:16
Masks	You need to read the constitution . Why are you forcing us to wear a mask ? Rethink this overreaching policy.	Patrick L Korrie	753 Countryside Ln.	Palm Harbor	34683	7277721584	bws@gte.net	2020-06-23 22:28:39
Masks	<p>I absolutely disagree with your stand on mandatory masks. Only a properly fitted N95 mask protects at-risk people from incoming virus. Others wearing various and sundry mask materials does NOTHING to protect others. Only at-risk people should wear an N95 mask. Breathing our own expelled breath is verifiably unhealthy.</p> <p>Kindly give us our freedom to choose back ASAP.</p>	Diane Rinaldi	826 Wood Street	Dunedin	34698		drinaldi4@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 22:22:38
unconstitutional decision to mandate face mask wearing	<p>Dear Members of the Board of County Commissioners,</p> <p>I am gravely disappointed at your decision to mandate face mask wearing . There is no science-based evidence that there is even a state of emergency nor that face mask wearing has any benefits. It appears that any doctors advising you have literally committed malpractice. This mandate is a clear violation of civil rights and therefore anyone who enforces such a mandate is committing a crime. I hope that you act to serve community members as opposed to contribute to senseless and destructive fear-mongering. I honor that you have a difficult job and I hope that you will be truly responsible by researching unbiased science in order to make decisions for true public safety.</p> <p>Until this unconstitutional mandate is overturned, Pinellas County businesses will not be getting my business. I feel sad that businesses will be harmed by your decision, however I need to set an example and not allow my civil rights to be violated nor support unhealthy laws.</p> <p>Please take actions to heal and help the community members for which you work. Is it possible for you to please consider education and tools to help people to understand real science and increase their immune systems and overall health, as opposed to participating in the living in fear and having health freedom violated? I pray for desperately needed unity and community. I know you are trying to be "responsible" and I am sorry that it is evident that your decision is quite irresponsible. I thank you for your work and hope that changes will be made based on unbiased facts.</p> <p>Blessings of Freedom, Mei Tschang</p>	Mei Tschang	1350 Glendale Drive	Dunedin	34698	7276385898	yogagrace@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 22:11:18
What country are we living in?	<p>What country are we living in? I'm in Pinellas county and I am going to be forced to wear a face mask or be fined? Who is paying for these mask That people are being forced to wear? I'm already a one income family because of this virus? Unemployment compensation for civic will be over in the end of July, what them live on 275 a week if your lucky enough to get that? I protect my self and my family the best I can Because I am in charge of my health. People are now forced to purchase goods? We need you stand up and do something and wear it or be fined? But over in Tampa so called protestors can destroy property and walk away Scott free? What in gods name is going on. We need you to take charge and do something about this now before we lose all are rights and freedoms. What's next?</p> <p>MaryJane McIlhenny 7395 80th Ter. Pinellas Park, Fl. 33781 727-408-8955</p>	Maryjane	7395 80th ter	Pinellas park	33781	727-408-8955	mcilhennymaryjane@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 21:58:23
Face shields undefined URGENT	Thank you guys. I think he did a great job crafting the mask ordinance. I think that last-minute addition of face shields did not define what a face shield is it is going to create multiple problems. For instance someone could have a 1 inch face shield or a pair of goggles. If that amendment must stay and I guess it has now that you guys voted on it face shields need to be defined like the medical grade ones are eight or 9 inches long from the forehead down past the chin. Many problems will be created with this if that alternative to a face covering is left Undefined . Dictated but not read.This is very important. As 40% of the people probably do not support what you were doing and are going to be looking for any loopholes to make you look foolish.	Robert BENNETT	3095 Landmark blvd	Palm harbor	34684	7277412114	robomega0020@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 21:51:14

Masks	<p>Please repeal the mandatory masks.</p> <p>It has been proven the masks DO NOT protect people against the virus.</p> <p>N95 masks are for contaminated environments and have a vent. If you have covid, you will just be breathing out germs.</p> <p>Surgical masks are only good for short amounts of time in STERILE environments. They are for blood splatters.</p> <p>Cloth masks aren't fine enough to stop the virus.</p> <p>People do not wear them properly either. the N95 masks must be fitted. People touch their faces, masks and mouths and pull the masks down constantly. All forcing people to wear masks does is provide a false sense of security. That and make people feel uncomfortable and like they are being controlled.</p>	Joseph Torres	2408 East Orangehill Ave	Palm Harbor	34683	7275152213	marachan@gate.net	2020-06-23 21:48:48
Face masks	<p>Thank you for mandating face masks. It will help keep illness and deaths down due to Corona virus.</p> <p>Sincerely, Diana Reichert 258-4th St N.W. Largo 33770</p>	Diana Reichert	258-4th St N.W.	Largo	33770	7276673980	direichert258@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 21:43:04
Face covering mandate	<p>It is not your business that a FREE citizen decides to wear or not wear a face covering regardless the circumstance. You have lost my vote in the next election.</p>	Sheryl Evarts	707 182nd Avenue E	Redington Shores	33708		sheryl.evarts@gmail.com	2020-06-23 21:42:32
Thank You	<p>Commissioner Peters</p> <p>Thank you for your time and discernment today! I personally agree with you that masks may be helpful but should not be mandated.</p> <p>Thank you for continuing to be a voice of reason on the board of commissioners. I greatly appreciate your service.</p>	Michelle Cullum	12149 102nd Ave N	Seminole	33778	7276384882	chellecullum@gmail.com	2020-06-23 21:41:57
Masks	<p>I am very disappointed in your vote for mandatory mask wearing in Pinellas County. Your lack of clear thinking and common sense is striking. You have certainly lost my future vote and those of my family. I have sent Kathleen Peters an email of admiration for her intelligent and thoughtful vote on this subject. I would suggest you examine HER clear thinking on this subject which respected the individual rights of the citizens who elected you. Thank you for your attention</p>	Robert Rygiel	1380 ribolla dr	Palm Harbor	34683	7274889590	fifthbay@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 21:32:08
Physician in Pinellas County Concerned About Face Covering Policy for COVID-19	<p>As a registered voter in Pinellas County and Florida licensed physician with specialty training including virology and infectious disease I hold strong views regarding the use of face coverings in the prevention of COVID-19 transmission. Masks are not proven to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The Center for Disease Control only recommends the use of masks in areas where 6 foot distances are unlikely to be maintained, always specifically mentioning grocery stores and pharmacies. No medical professional society has recommended more widespread or mandatory use of masks. In addition to the ineffectiveness of masks the use of them may encourage risky social behavior due to the uneducated impression that the person becomes totally safe from infection.</p> <p>For these reasons I recommend that the Pinellas County Commissioners exercise sound medical judgement, wisdom, discernment, and psychological sociological common sense regarding any decisions about the use of face coverings in the prevention of COVID-19. There is definitely no room for subjectivity, emotional assumptions, mimicking of other public officials, or political bias in such a critical public health, mental health, and economic viability decision.</p>	John C. Harrison, MD, PhD	1090 Pinellas Bayway S, Unit A2	St. Petersburg	33715	727-864-3554	jaykathleen@comcast.net	2020-06-23 21:29:05
Masks and shields	<p>How dare you. I will not vote for you. I will encourage all my Friends and family to vote you all out. You have no right to affect 100% of the population over a virus that affects less than one percent. And of the number affected most do not have symptoms. That means the virus is not as contagious or as deadly as the media would like everyone to believe. You are all sheep.</p>	Maria Hourdas	2241 Andover Circle	Palm Harbor	34683	7276390706	mariahourdas@gmail.com	2020-06-23 21:23:37
Mandating Masks	<p>Dear Commissioners, I am writing this knowing that you will probably never see this. I was one of the hundreds that sent you an email expressing my opinion. Obviously the healthy have no say in this.</p> <p>I watched the entire commission meeting regarding the "emergency policy" for the virus. I AM SOOOOOO ANGRY at your decision.</p> <p>The only commissioner that had any common sense is Com. Peters.</p> <p>I heard your justifications for your decision. "we are listening to our doctors", well that's only 2 doctors out of thousands.</p> <p>What are you going to do WHEN EVER you decide to lift the mandate - people go out - as they are now - and the stats go up again????????????? Mandate masks again????????????????????</p> <p>This is all BS.</p> <p>Those who are fearful of the virus - let them wear THEIR masks.</p> <p>You paid no attention to the facts that contradicted your already made up minds.</p> <p>We will never get thru this "virus" as long as you FORCE people to hide from it.</p> <p>I heard people call me, and those that have the same opinion as me, selfish!</p> <p>I could call them selfish. They have already taken precautions for their medical problems.</p> <p>They and you, are controlling MY life.</p> <p>I will do my best to oppose this mandate when I am out. You will not control me. Call the Sheriff on me!</p> <p>P.S. Will we have to wear masks at the beach????????????????</p>	Jill Reichel	1957 Freedom Drive	Clearwater	33755	7278126499	breichel@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 21:22:45

You have my vote Kathleen	Good evening . Thank you for listening to the voters who said no . Taking the lone stand is hard, but it's appreciated. Especially since it seems we who participated and said vote no were the majority per the paper. I have no idea what your fellow commissioners were thinking. You have my vote in your future elections.	Tanya		Clearwater			realtyswench@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 21:22:42
Thank you	Everyone except Ms. Peters, Thank you for listening to the doctors and scientists and looking out for the residents of Pinellas County by voting in favor of the mask mandate. Ms. Peters, I am very glad you do not represent my district. You are the only one who made their political views the deciding factor in this vote and you should be ashamed. You very clearly believe crack pots and conspiracy theories over actual science. You failed in your duty to this county today.	Jamie Bennett		Palm Harbor	34685		minafair@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 20:53:01
Wearing of Mask statement *Please Read*	While I don't like the mask rule I will follow. What I do have a problem with is this going into effect tomorrow at 5pm without public notice and time to purchase a mask. I hope tomorrow we will not have a run on mask and they haven't marked them up. I support the great things you ll do. I would have just ask for a extra day for people who my not have time due to work, a vehicle or for some during this time of unemployment money. Please Please come up with areas to give out mask or provide people maybe with places that may give them out free. Thanks again for your time and service to this great county.	Shawn Flurnoy	3418 KEENE LAKE DR	LARGO	33771	7276868723	sflurnoy@gmail.com	2020-06-23 20:52:05
God damn you	God damn you for furthering the persecution on the people you serve. This is an unprecedented usurping of individual rights. May you be judged even as you judge rights that don't belong to you. I would say may God help you... but you are all power hungry minions with a little power that are destined to the hell that you have created for your constituents. Note: no threat is expressed or implied in this message.	Kurtis VanderMolen		Clearwater Beach	33767	7272668778	kurtisjvandermolenn@mail.com	2020-06-23 20:45:06
mask	the hotels have no masks and visitors here are not wearing them in your meeting it was not madated that theses hotels take resposibility for this	vince tormenia	3514 casablanca ave st pete beach	saint pete beach	33706		padad@aol.com	2020-06-23 20:44:20
Thank you for your leadership.	Hi, I listened off and on to the meeting today and want to thank you for your leadership and patience while leading the meeting. And thanks for trying to get the language to include a 3 year old wouldn't need to wear a mask - my 3 and 5 year olds will both be tough but the 3 year old would be impossible. :) Hopefully the masks will make big impact so we can start moving towards our new normal. Ashley Juno	Ashley Juno	535 Cypress Bnd	Oldsmar	34677		ashleynmann@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 20:42:44
Masks	I am praying that You all will mandate masks inside all public places for all. I watched today until i could not listen to the nay sayers. I so appreciate all of your tome snd attention to this matter. I am a RN with many years of infection control experience. The internet has created such credibility issues I thought you all were going to vote today. I am praying for you all . Please vote to protect us. Thank you	Katharine MacAlister	1801 East Lake Rd, Apt 21 E	Palm Harbor	34685	6039691372	kmacal8@gmail.com	2020-06-23 19:16:41
Meeting today on face mask issue	I have never seen a more poorly run meeting in my entire life! You all should be ashamed of yourselves. I am speechless it is such a disaster. How can you all justify this horrendous waste of tax dollars? Unbelievable	Mary Ann	127 st	Seminole	33776		morganma1@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 19:02:53
Mental health/covid-19/face mask	Wearing a mask is not a big deal.what is big deal beaches shut down and we go backwards . What iam concern about is mental health in pinellas county. What county need is mental health professionals done on county web site zoom this would be a place where people have fears over covid-19 Would be able to talk in group sessions.Sometimes people need to talk what there facing. This can be done just like a board meeting by bringing in mental health professional who can answeare people's questions. Pinellas county residents are looking for answeares and we need to look at mental health in county. Thanks	David Fasel	5260 78th ave n #2286	Pinellas park	33781	7276570754	davidfasel@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 18:17:55
Mask requirement	I urge you to issue a broad mask order, holding business owners and individuals responsible for its execution with a prohibitive fine. Individuals should know to whom any infractions should be reported. If the Commissioners insist on giving each offender a second chance, may I suggest \$100 fine for the first offence and \$500 fine for the second and final offence. Giving more than two chances to the offender leaves one with the impression that the matter in question is not that serious. Thank you.	Arthur Hebert	10633 Frances Lane	Largo	33774	7275956834	mempep5@gmail.com	2020-06-23 17:50:31

Masks	Hello, Health and safety of residents are a priority. If we reach a critical mass of infectious there will be no businesses or tourism, only health care will survive. our business in Pinellas county requires masks, 6' distances and sanitizing. Unfortunately when my name came up, the mute was on my screen for a second . Please vote yes	Deborah schechner	Boca Ciega isle dr	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 368 9517	paxsez1@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 17:41:29
Mask	VOTE NO. I have a heart condition if I wear a mask there is a STRONG chance it could cause serious problems for me. Plus how can you enforce an order? Its not a law no penal code to put on citation. Its an illegal order. You dont have the authority to make laws	Mark Zurbruggen	1415 Main street	DUNEDIN	34698	7274816959	markhonka@gmail.com	2020-06-23 17:22:32
Masks	Hello, Health and safety of residents are a priority. If we reach a critical mass of infectious there will be no businesses or tourism, only health care will survive. our business in Pinellas county requires masks, 6' distances and sanitizing. Unfortunately when my name came up, the mute was on my screen for a second . Please vote yes	Deborah schechner	Boca Ciega isle dr	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 368 9517	paxsez1@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 17:17:56
Authoritarian mask mandate!	I will NOT allow you to FORCE me to wear ANYTHING!...this kung fu flu is nothing more than another attempt from the ANTI-AMERICAN communist party to remove our president from office...you are not our rulers. -you are our representatives!!!...you work for me!...these b.s. regulations are unconstitutional and not even backed by science...in case u have forgotten...this is america...u know...the place where u can burn down other ppls businesses with impunity...WITHOUT WEARING A MASK as long as u are an anti-American communist supporter...but ill go to jail and sue u before i let u tell me what i am or am not gonna wear!!!...whats the next line of order?...mandating everyone wear blm t shirts?...u need to stop overstepping your authority!...	James Hall		Largo	33770		jameshalljr68@gmail.com	2020-06-23 17:05:15
Vote no on wearing masks	I respectfully will not wear a mask. No where in the constitution says you can enforce this.	Eric Miller		Clearwater	33765		truthseeker5150@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 16:40:46
Please vote to require masks - please!	As a 23 year business owner in Pinellas county as well as a 28 year resident, I feel strongly that you should require people to wear masks. I am a fit 64 year old at-risk insulin dependent diabetes that has been working with the American Diabetes Association directly on a national level with physicians. Covid19 is deadly to people with diabetes of all ages. And to many others that are immune compromised. I want people coming into our business to be required to wear masks coming into and out of our business. Please vote YES to require masks! Feel free to contact me. I have been appalled at people all over Pinellas that are thoughtless about not wearing masks.	Patricia Welter	1549 Chukar Ridge,	Palm Harbor	34683	727-946-2621	pilates@suncoastpilates.com	2020-06-23 16:32:13
Masks	Please do not give in to this vocal minority calling with ridiculous claims that masks are going to make us sicker. Please continue to listen to the doctors and scientists while you consider this vote. Please vote in favor of masks for all residents in public indoor spaces.	Jamie Bennett		Palm Harbor	34685		minafair@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 16:31:50
Face masks	Please vote to require face mask use in all areas of Pinellas County . Thank you for your consideration.	Shirley Knox	1095 Pinellas Point Dr So, #312	St Petersburg	33705	7278647312	shirleyknox312@gmail.com	2020-06-23 16:17:03
Today's Pinellas County Commission Meeting	It was a bit disheartening to hear the first several or more public feedback on today's Item 21 (Masks) I was intrigued that the people who were able to have their voices heard we very anti-mask and all seemed to quote the exact same data ... I don't believe that was an accident. If people actually had common sense and any concern for their fellow man I don't think we would have to get to this point. Not that it really matters but I am pro-mask if not for my safety for those that I may come in contact with I have been practicing social distancing and managing my contact with any one else just in case. I was just getting to the point of going out to restaurants and unfortunately one I went to has just had to close due to workers being diagnosed with COVID ... guess I will not be going again for awhile It's unfortunate that the public doesn't have the information it needs to truly understand the issues or understand that masks aren't the be all and end all but they do slow the spread. Thanks for all you are doing ...	Elizabeth Flynn	914 Harbour House Drive	Indian Rocks Beach	33785	2019142567	eaf1@aol.com	2020-06-23 16:16:10
Masks in Pinellas Co	To each of the commissioners: Please consider keeping masks mandated for a time so that Pinellas Co can finally BEGIN to decrease its numbers. School is going to be such a nightmare issue in less than 2 months unless we work TOGETHER to flatten this curve. Please mandate that masks should be worn. This is for everyone!!! Thank you for your consideration. I do realize all the pushback you're up against. God bless each of you!	Paige Jackson	2630 57th Street North	St Petersburg	33710	7276980889	lpjgr@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 16:08:26
Please - no mask wearing requiremnts.	Covid is on the way out. Please don't require us to wear masks if we don't choose to. And don't use non compliance as an excuse to raise funds thru fines. This would be government out of control.	JOHN FOLEY	1811 APACHE TRL	CLEARWATER	33755	7276742998	jcfoley@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 15:47:29

Mask mandate	Please consider this. Unless people have surgical masks or the equivalent, they are not protected from contagion. Our current spike is due to poor decisions and risky behavior. It began when bars and restaurants opened for Memorial Day, combined with close contact protesting and looting. The vast majority in the spike are 35 or younger. I'm 70 and do not wear a mask unless I can't socially distance. If I can't distance, I don't go. Please don't do another one size fits all knee jerk decision. Please consider all options before making a heavy-handed decision.	Eleanor White	7701 Starkey Rd	Largo	33777	727-742- 5718	ellie1112@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 15:25:46
Mandate mask wearing in public	Norine Mungo is very close friend of mine. I ask that you please read about her experience and listen to her plea. "A testimony and a plea from a Covid-19 Survivor" by Norine Mungo I'm blown away at how very insidious this virus is, and how little is really told about it. It's like when there's been a terror attack and you hear of 3 dead, with multiple injuries. When you look closer, there's like 50 injured, and closer, some lost limbs and some are now vegetative, and some are so deformed, and for the injured or onlookers, all are traumatized. You never hear of that after an attack. That is the TRUE horror. And so it is with this virus. It's like there's an attitude forming in the young, a bravado, 'it won't happen to me, and so what if a few really old people die?' Numbers. Bean Counters. It's what America is becoming. The Heart, the Compassion, the Soul, to me anyway, feels missing. All the folks from Youth to Elderly, who get this virus fully, are forevermore changed by its ravaging and relentless invasion into their life force . Yes the elderly, and those with underlying conditions, are a magnet. And they are making up a majority of those death numbers. Pan out though, and see the full trauma of the millions who've survived. Those who are now living with less functional bodies, diminished lives, pain, damaged lungs, damaged organs, some in vegetative state, inflammatory diseases now present, where before there were none. Millions upon millions of Americans, whose lives are forever changed because they were infected by a pandemic virus, could have been saved from this ravaging disease if we'd been stronger and had put forth absolute clear mandates in every corner of our country. The notation that there are more positive results because we're testing more is really an insult to any intelligent American. There's more testing because more people are getting sick, therefore the numbers are truly going up on how many of us are exposing ourselves needlessly, because of our leaders fear to take action.I'm now a Covid-19 survivor. My life is changed. I don't know what my future health holds for me. I do know how it broke me in many ways, and some issues are irreparable. After 26 days, from exposure, 12 days in the hospital fighting for my life, and home now with continued challenges and uncertainty, I'm compelled to tell America the full truth of what this disease does to you. My story is graphic, it's not pretty. I'm not cute and pretty. I'm not young. But, I've paid my dues, and have always been a viable and vibrant contributor to society. I'm	peter eugene grace	95 Rachel Drive	Tarpon Springs	34689	7273162898	peugene2004@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 15:05:31
Wearing a mask	I am shocked at how many people I observe in Pinellas County not wearing a mask in confined spaces. Not everyone has access to information that shows how dire our situation is and how masking can lead to a lower transmission of Covid 19. Not everyone that accesses the information has the background to understand best practices. I completely support a mask wearing mandate. Being a health care professional I know this is the only way we can protect eachother. Be a good neighbor and citizen and let's protect eachother.	Lydia Bailey	4711 Paradise Way S	St.Petersburg,	33705	7277678914	lydia.bailey@jhmi.edu	2020-06-23 14:44:50
Covid Forum Meeting 6/23/2020	I feel strongly that our county needs to make face masks mandatory. Please protect our county and lead through science.	Brian Harrison	12400 Chickasaw Trail	Largo	33774	7273656508	coyneen13@gmail.com	2020-06-23 14:05:18
Mask policy	Support your community fo thre right thing mandate wearing a mask in indoor locations! We need leadership and need to save lives!	Lindsay Dicus-Harrison	12400 Chickasaw Trail	Largo	33774		ldhsells@gmail.com	2020-06-23 13:53:57
You MUST make masks mandatory	You have to make masks simple and widespread: wear them inside any business. Whether customer or worker. People from Hillsborough already widely threatening to come here because we are more lax. Don't be so greedy for their dollars that you put our whole county population at more risk. Make it easily enforceable by making it everywhere indoors! And social distancing outdoors. When these rules keep saying '50 max' people think they can go and hang out with 40 strangers. FIX IT and stop jerking around.	Dorothy Gross Hunt	13818 Mission Oaks Blvd.	Seminole	33776	5433363	dgrosz26@aol.com	2020-06-23 13:39:27

Mask Ordinance, Serious Issue, M.D.	<p>I am a retired pediatrician who has adopted three special needs children, all African-American, two of whom are now special needs adults. I am not a political person with any kind of political agenda; and I am very accomplished. This is difficult to write, and I have debated doing it because I don't want to remember or share my trauma. But someone has to stand up for people who are caretakers and are needed to grocery shop, advocate for the disabled in medical settings, etc, but are not capable of wearing facial coverings. In my case, I suffered multiple severe suffocation incidents in my youth. The mere idea of a facial covering causes terrible anxiety. I can do it for very short periods or with the mask pulled under my nose or over my mouth only. So far, stores have accommodated me, but a legal ordinance will mean that I can and will be ejected from businesses and/or have to explain my personal issues to every store manager (thus having to relive the nightmares) and quite likely cause me to suffer at minimum nasty comments and eye rolling. I will be questioned and reported by every holier than thou shopper who thinks I am a "danger." I am very careful about social distancing and have kept myself and my family healthy to this point, but mandating masks is a terrible idea and will only cause acts of violence to be committed against people like me who have already suffered enough. Anything that singles out people by appearances is dangerous, foolish and discriminatory, especially when it has so many people hyped into a political frenzy.</p> <p>Mind you, I have no trouble staying out of bars, restaurants and entertainment places to make myself less of an issue to others. But I really have to do some shopping and go to medical appointments to keep myself and my family alive and healthy.</p> <p>Thank you for your time,</p> <p>Mickey</p>	Mickey Zucker, M.D.		Pinellas	33778	3194301146	mickeyzucker@gmail.com	2020-06-23 13:29:01
Masking Ordinance	<p>Commissioners, I encourage you to consider the implication of enforcing a masking ordinance on your citizens. This is not only unconstitutional it is also highly dangerous considering how much time citizens spend outside and how long that will require for people to mask. Consider the decrease in oxygen and how this directly affects the brain. Consider the respiration of ones own breath in a constricted space for extensive period of time which leads to an increase in Sinus infections and other issues were already seeing an increase in. Consider those who have medical conditions for which even a 20% reduction could be life threatening.</p> <p>Our nation is being desecrated and disrespected at alarming rates. As an American who is grateful and proud to have grown up in this nation when my families fled from communist Cuba in the 80s, I cannot explain how traumatizing it is right now to see this nation slowly degrade itself into a more communist behavior in the name of "progress".</p> <p>Enforcing masking stops being about public health and starts being about control and manipulation. It is unconscionable that leaders not take a stand against such a degrading and offensive ordinance. It is unconscionable that instead of helping educate the public about preventative health, something like masks, most of which are ineffective, are being forced upon its citizens.</p> <p>I still believe in good leadership. I believe if you are a leader of this county it's because you want to serve and set an important example for your people. This is NOT okay. And i know if you allow yourself to check in with your heart about this you will also know this to be true.</p> <p>May God be with you in your decisions and may our nation refuse to succumb to tyrannical oppressors who would rejoice to see this nation a slave to dark controllers.</p>			Pinellas Park			christinagdlr@gmail.com	2020-06-23 13:17:06

Request to NO to mandatory masks	<p>I would like to share with you why I do not believe in mandatory masks for our county.</p> <p>So Masks? I am OSHA 10&30 certified. I know some of you are too. I don't really know WHY OSHA hasn't come forward and stopped the nonsense BUT I wanna cover 3 things</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N95 masks and P95 masks with exhale ports • surgical masks • filter or cloth masks <p>Okay so upon further inspection OSHA says some masks are okay and not okay in certain situations. If you're working with fumes and aerosol chemicals and you give your employees the wrong masks and they get sick you can be sued.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N95 masks and ported P95: are designed for CONTAMINATED environments. That means when you exhale through N95 the design is that you are exhaling into contamination. The exhale from P95 (ported) masks are vented to breath straight out without filtration. They don't filter the air on the way out. They don't need to. <p>Conclusion: if you're in Stewart's and the guy with Covid has P95 mask his covid breath is unfiltered being exhaled into Stewart's (because it was designed for already contaminated environments, it's not filtering your air on the way out)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgical Mask: these masks were designed and approved for STERILE environments. The amount of particles and contaminants in the outside and indoor environments where people are CLOGG these masks very Very quickly. The moisture from your breath combined with the clogged mask with render it "useless" IF you come in contact with Covid and your mask traps it You become a walking virus dispenser. Everytime you put your mask on you are breathing the germs from EVERYWHERE you went. They should be changed or thrown out every "20-30 minutes in a non sterile environment" <p>Cloth masks: today three people pointed to their masks as the walked by me entering Lowe's. They said "ya gotta wear your mask BRO" I said very clearly "those masks don't work bro, in fact they MAKE you sicker" the "psh'd" me.</p> <p>By now hopefully you all know CLOTH masks do not filter anything. You mean the American flag one my aunt made? Yes. The one with sunflowers that looks so cute? Yes. The bandanna, the cut up t-shirt, the scarf ALL of them offer NO FILTERING whatsoever. As you</p>	Kathryn Cachet		Tarpon Springs	34689		spongediversupply@gmail.com	2020-06-23 13:11:30
Mandated Masks	<p>I am writing you today to ask that you make masks mandatory for the time being. We stop at stop signs, we don't drink and drive, we even cough into our hand/sleeve as common curstisty and law. I do not understand why so many oppose the use of masks to keep the publis safe during a pandemic. I do not want pinellas to become the next epicenter of this virus and we are trending that way unless we do something about it. It seems the general public's believes because places are open, that means the threat is gone, when that clearly is not the case. Masks will provide individual protection and allow the economy to not completely tank again. Thank you for "listening" to my concern.</p>	Leah Smajlovic	1574 Jasmine Way	Clearwater	33756		lmbarchie85@gmail.com	2020-06-23 13:02:58
Please make masks mandatory indoors, when unable to social distance outside and enforce occupancy regulations	<p>Dear Commissioners, Please vote to make masks mandatory indoors, when unable to social distance outside, and enforce business occupancy regulations. My family would like to look forward to being able to go into stores, indoor/outdoor restaurants, and more, knowing that we are somewhat protected. Those premature openings that didn't follow the guidelines have only prolonged this crisis and accelerated it because sadly most people only care about themselves. I own a business and I understand the desire to reopen but without any preventative measures employees will only become sick and will not be able to work even longer. Not to mention the danger of asymptomatic people infecting others and this increase in community spread and surges. Masks are not fun but it's not too much to ask to protect our community and shortening this crisis. Thank you, Jana Wiggins</p>	Jana Wiggins		Clearwater Beach	33767		janawiggins@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 12:50:11
No Required Face Masks	<p>There is no evidence that shows face masks prevent the spread of Covid. If you don't find it necessary to wear them during flu season, there should be no necessity here either. They do not work and the survival rate of Covid is far greater than that of Flu. This whole "pandemic" is ridiculous</p>			Palm Harbor			mike3cpo@gmail.com	2020-06-23 12:48:16
Mandatory Masks	<p>Hello, Commissioner Eggers, I wanted to voice my support for mandatory mask-wearing in all public places in Pinellas County, especially indoors. I understand the board is voting on this today and wanted to be sure I expressed my opinion.</p> <p>We may not have complete solid evidence that wearing a mask will entirely prevent the spread, but we do know that it's a completely risk-free attempt worth taking.</p> <p>Thanks for your service.</p> <p>June</p>	June Connell	4244 Preserve Place	Palm Harbor	34685	7275151664	juneconnell2013@gmail.com	2020-06-23 12:45:33
Masks	<p>Please vote to pass a ruling requiring everyone to wear masks in public buildings. We have to slow down the virus growth!</p>	Brenda Riggins		Dunedin			bbriggins@msn.com	2020-06-23 12:41:55
Masks	<p>Please vote to pass a ruling requiring everyone to wear masks in public buildings. We have to slow down the virus growth!</p>			Dunedin	34698		bbriggins@msn.com	2020-06-23 12:41:04
Masks	<p>I want to urge you to pass a ruling requiring everyone to wear a mask in public buildings! We have to slow down the virus!</p>	Brenda Riggins	1625 Cinnamon Lane	Dunedin	34698		bbriggins@msn.com	2020-06-23 12:36:28

Vote "NO" on Mandatory Face Mask Wearing	I am a Pinellas county resident. I do not want mask wearing to be mandatory! This is an infringement of my rights and my health! There are conflicting opinions from medical & health professionals on whether or not masks help. OSHA guidelines support that they don't prevent virus spread and may actually cause more harm than good. 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. This is just bad policy. It is going to damage our local economy, tourist economy and be the final nail in the coffin of numerous businesses in our community. Be careful of those who point out that a bunch of other counties and cities have done it. They have not. Orange County is actually based on voluntary participation with no enforcement. Hillsborough County has no enforcement other than to put the onus on the businesses. That is very unfair to business employees who should not have to confront customers coming in the doors on whether they have on a face mask or not. Not to mention they unfairly exempted a number of organizations such as churches. This makes their logic about mandatory face mask wearing faulty. Sheriff's and other at large elected officials, such as school boards, have not been supporting these attempts at mandatory face masks. Counties such as Alachua tried and were sued by civil liberties attorneys. Alachua ended up dropping the rule. Seminole County is facing the same issue. Monroe County has lost tourist business as a result. I typically visit down there on a regular basis and have not this year and will not until they lift their mandatory face mask wearing rule. They have lost my business. Counties and cities can't afford to be defending these cases either and are wasting tax payer dollars in the process. However, if you insist on pursuing extremely bad policy, then civil lawsuits are justified. Don't make that mistake with our community. I will be making note of all Pinellas County commissioners who vote in favor of making wearing masks mandatory in ANY situation. All who run again in future elections will NOT receive my vote, and I will vigorously promote and support campaigns against them.	Chad Smith	1956 Fairway Circle E	Dunedin	34698	727-470-7972	gatorflyer1@gmail.com	2020-06-23 12:00:02
Mandatory use of face masks-VOTE NO!!!	Vote NO! "Mandatory" masking is against current recommendations by hundreds of physicians and healthcare experts. It is also against our Constitutional rights! Thank you! Coleen Verdon 80 Rogers Street, 2C Clearwater, FL 33756	Coleen Verson	80 Rogers Street, 2C	Clearwater	33756	728-460-2920	coleen_v@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 11:58:39
Masks in the public Stores. Everywhere outside ones home.	Please require masks for everyone s sago	Katharine Meacham Conove	2095 Pinellas Pt Drive So.	St Pete	33705		meachakm@eckerd.edu	2020-06-23 11:56:55
Please Make Masks Mandatory	We are in a public health crisis and Covid-19 is spreading in Pinellas County. Now that Tampa, St. Petersburg and Hillsborough County have all made the declaration, it's time you also make public mask wearing mandatory. If you don't, we could see our numbers continue to rise putting our health and the health of our loved ones at risk. All of the leaders in our area need to be in unison to stopping the spread. If Pinellas County doesn't help in containment, it will only be detrimental to the entire region. Let's all work together to stopping the spread. Thank you.	John Havens	1009 Canterbury Rd	Clearwater	33764	727-744-3868	jdvnvs@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 11:30:11
Use of FACE MASKS	I'm one of the retired folks, who are hanging in there trying to do what's good for us retirees and hopefully good for all citizens. Clearly, the older groups will need more protection than the general population,, who need things more open in order to eat. But when opening up, it seems to make sense for all to take, separation, face masks, and no groups, as an approach. And as things are going with confued instructs, it's you local folks who need take the lead. Don MacNary 33705	Donald MacNary	1095 Pinellas Point Drive, S	St Petersburg	33705	508 566 7544	donmacnary@mac.com	2020-06-23 11:28:23
Yes masks	Masks are required	Robin Becker	1095 Pinellas Point DR so. Apt 33	St pete Pinellas	33705	727 8647334	robin072650@gmail.com	2020-06-23 11:22:21
Face Masks	I would like a mandate that everyone has to wear a face mask in indoor public places within Pinellas County. It is in the publics interest to protect all of our citizens. I live in Palm Harbor and usually do all if my shopping locally. Tomorrow I am going to drive into Tampa to go to Publix and to Home Depot and Lowe's. When I have been to local stores about 80% of the people were NOT wearing masks. My daughter lives in NYC. Just now NYC is opening up. All of the citizens there have been diligent in protecting each other, wearing masks and social distancing as was mandated. A city that was in a public health crisis is now in recovery. The Tampa Bay area is now heading towards the same crisis and needs to take the same measures	Sally Mallery	152 Annwood Road	Palm Harbor	34685	727-492-4462	samallery@msn.com	2020-06-23 11:09:24
Face Masks	Please protect all Pinellas County Citizens - vote yes on the mandatory face mask issue.	Allen	1095 Pinellas Point Dr. South, Apt	St. Petersburg	33705	7278647359	unkoneah@msn.com	2020-06-23 11:01:40
Mask ordinance	Please pass a mask ordinance to save people's lives.	George Schott	2581 Indigo Drive	Unincorporated	34698	727-692-6440	george@imbedded.com	2020-06-23 10:59:45
Covid 19	The website covid act now ranks Pinellas County's covid risk level as critical, with active cases increasing exponentially, and predicts that Pinellas County hospitals will reach overload by July 13, 2020, if current trends continue. CDC recommends everyone wear masks when in public. The Hillsborough County Commission, and the mayors of Tampa and St Petersburg have all ordered that masks be worn in public areas. We implore you to vote that masks be worn in public in Pinellas County, in order to slow the spread of covid-19.	Burrell and Norma Wood	1817 Bayou Grande Blvd NE	St Petersburg	33703	7275284015	burrellandnorma@verizon.net	2020-06-23 10:58:56
No Masks	Please DO NOT make masks mandatory. This is only delaying and prolonging the virus. People concerned about exposure can stay home or take extra precautions when they do go out. I have a pre-existing condition that compromises my immune system. I am much more afraid of contracting an illness from being forced to breathe through a contaminated mask because cross contamination is impossible to avoid since you can 100% disinfect every surface. I can social distance from people, but I can't social distance from a mask that is forcing me to breathe in contaminants that are likely far more dangerous to me than Covid. I am not worried about Covid or illness from Covid because I am smart enough to use common sense principles to keep myself healthy to the best of my ability and take my chances. I can not do that if I am being forced to breathe in air through a contaminated facemask.	Cliff Nokes	3780 Sweepstakes Ct Apt 2202	Palm Harbor	34684	8608365943	cnokes01@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:45:21

Wearing masks in public places agenda	I would like the option to wear a mask or not. This should not be mandatory but should be based on each individuals situation and responsibility.	Michelle M Chandler	2717 Seville Blvd, #10104	Clearwater	33764	727-776-5989	scred1971@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 10:41:21
Mask requirement	Please , please, please enforce masks in Pinellas County. A minor inconvenience for the health of thousands!			Oldsmar			16mforte@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:33:39
Covid 18	I support mandatory mask wearing.	Sandi Johnson	2717 Seville Blvd # 1108	Clearwater	33764		slj710@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:29:41
Face Masks	PLEASE! Make it mandatory to wear them inside all public places, stores, etc., etc. I have remained in my home for 3 1/2 months now because people will not wear masks and I don't feel safe. I am 75 years old, most of our county is "elderly", PLEASE PROTECT US! Thank you.	Sharon James	505 Hidden Harbour Dr.	Indian Rocks Beac	33785	7274301678	sharon@sharonjames.com	2020-06-23 10:27:30
wearing masks	I would like to encourage the county commissioners to make the wearing of masks mandatory for employees AND customers in businesses in Pinellas County. I live in a large senior community and we are doing our part in curbing this virus by keeping our community closed this summer. We need this mandate to keep safe when we go to area businesses.	Dale R Krumreich	3918 97th Ave N	Pinellas Park	33782	7275733946	dkrumrei@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:26:32
Mandated Masks	Hi there, I just wanted to quickly say that I work in a restaurant in Pinellas County and I would really like to see masks mandated in Pinellas County. Our employees are required to wear masks but the customers who come in aren't, even when they're ordering at our counters. We want to make masks mandatory, but we know it will hurt our business if we individually do it. We are really hoping the county will do it, because we know it's our best chance to stay open and avoid another shut down. Thank you.	Jade Klosgardner	2022 Sunset Grove Ln	Clearwater	33765		jadeklosgardner@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:18:57
Face Masks....	Just returned from a small UPS store in Tarpon Springs. Numerous people entered without wearing a mask. When I asked on guy, "Where's your mask?" he yelled at me and told me "Don't tell me how to live." That's the attitude we're dealing with. The only thing that will turn this pandemic around is the requirement for people to wear masks in public. The ONLY way to make that work is to treat it like smoking or underage drinking. The businesses have to be responsible for enforcing your regulations. If a business let's someone in without a mask, close it down for a day or two. Second offense, close them for a week. Third offense, close them until the pandemic is over. Let people submit photos of people without masks in a business. Make it clear you are serious. Otherwise these lug heads will continue to think this is all about "their" freedom. This pandemic is NOT going away easily. Our government (you) have to be responsible. Step up and take a stand against ignorance, selfishness, and arrogance. Thank you	Brent Armstrong	39650 US Highway 19 North Unit	Tarpon Springs	34689	7277995432	brent@brentarmstrong.com	2020-06-23 10:17:03
Mandatory Masks in Pinellas	https://www.businessinsider.com/americans-dont-need-masks-pence-says-as-demand-increases-2020-2?fbclid=IwAR2DU7hW8Jw29_nznAtDKCO-En_1hpKq0Jjic9ITtkdEx79kLrB5Ja2s please take warning from our US Surgeon General whom is very qualified to have an educated understanding of illness of all kinds. US Surgeon General Jerome Adams said Monday that wearing face masks could actually increase a person's risk of contracting COVID-19, echoing remarks he made on Saturday that called for people to "stop buying masks."	Farah Vann	732 Charlotte Avenue	Tarpon Springs	34689	727-919-6737	vannhaus@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:08:56
Customers should werlar masks	Everyone should be required to wear masks indoors to reduce the spread of the coeonavirus.	Siobhan Gorham	2737 3rh ave n	St pete	33713		siobhan23@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:06:40
Please require masks for pinellas county	Please require masks in public spaces. Its vital to us surviving this viral outbreak. Thank you.	michelle pendenza	30 pinewood ct	PALM HARBOR	34685	7272710280	michelle.pendenza@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:06:15
Please Advance Mask Wearing Mandates	Please step into your full leadership role & with expanded voices, give incentives, place mandates require enforcements of resturants, bars, businesses, offices, Doctors staff, amazon delivery people....all.. to wear masks! Come up with something they lose if they don't wear masks! Make it cool! Make it loud! Take out ads. Set by example. It makes it EASIER on ALL of us if EVERYONE outside of their own property Masks! USE THE FACTS TO educate public. To stop this surge!!!!	Laura Hubbard	200 Glennes In	Dunedin	34698		llhubbproducts@gmail.com	2020-06-23 10:04:00
Face masks	Please pass an ordinance requiring face coverings for everyone in public areas. The coronavirus is infecting and killing too many people, and face coverings are a proven to mitigate infection. We need to keep each other safe.	Rosemary B. Trukenbrod	1095 Pinellas Point Drive South, #4	St Petersburg	33705	727-643-9183	thetruks@aol.com	2020-06-23 10:00:08
Mask requirement	Please vote for the requirement to wear masks! Elders like me will be trapped at home until most people wear masks. I watched the line of cars at the Carillon site yesterday for 45 minutes. The drivers were all young. As long as young people are not masked, elders must stay home—where we have been now for almost 4 months with no visitors. Your economy will not return until you get this virus under control.	Richard Shivar, Westminste	1095 Pinellas Point Drive South	St. Petersburg	33705	727-864-7470	rick4ann@gmail.com	2020-06-23 09:50:31
Mandatory Face Masks	Dear Commissioners YES! PLEASE! Vote for mandatory face masks. Can we learn from Greece and New York and the countries that played it smart from the start? Each day it gets worse and worse in Florida--I beg you--take action. It is a little too little and a little too late, but at least it will show that you "get it."	Barbara M. Hartwell	1095 Pinellas Point Drive South, #4	St. Petersburg	33705	727-867-9393	wbhrtw83@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 09:44:00

No mandatory masks	<p>Please do not make masks mandatory. I will travel far to take my dollars elsewhere. Corona will never ever go away- just like chicken pox or the flu. I will not have my children growing up in a brave new world.</p> <p>It is Unamerican and violates the constitution - infringing upon life liberty and pursuit of happiness. It is also plain unhealthy.</p> <p>Think of all the workplace sexual harrassment- or anywhere that can be done with impunity because we cannot identify the attackers. Or on children. Think of all the small business theft and shoplifting - because we cannot see them.</p> <p>Quarantine the sick. Not the healthy.</p> <p>PLEASE</p>	Christa Mella		Clearwater	33764		christa.echo@gmail.com	2020-06-23 09:42:44
Masks in Public	<p>Dear County Commission,</p> <p>I encourage you to pass a temporary ordinance requiring that everyone wear masks at all indoor places of business and public gathering until we are able to flatten the curve again. It looks like we are going to need to learn to live with COVID for some time. The absolute worst thing that could happen for our local business community and economy would be another forced shut down. This is a minor and temporary individual inconvenience for a greater public good. Let's be generous with each other.</p>	JAY L MILLER	723 17th Avenue NE	St Petersburg	33704	18134954800	jmiller@j2developers.com	2020-06-23 09:40:46
masks	Please mandate masks! we need to control the spread of covid-19. Julie MacNary 33705	Julie Macnary	1095 PINELLAS POINT DR S APT 30	saint petersburg	33705-6371	7278647304	juliemacnary@mac.com	2020-06-23 09:39:32
NO MANDATORY MASKS	<p>Hello Commissioners,</p> <p>Even the WHO World Health Organization in Switzerland decided that masks are counterproductive and will NOT help you from catching Covid! Doctors recommend that SICK PEOPLE wear masks in public NOT the well! Hand washing, keeping your hands from your face and if your sick staying out of public is recommended only! CDC put out a report stating that a mask can actually make you ill. It keeps your blood from being properly oxygenated and may cause headaches, dizziness and even a person to pass out. Have you thought for a minute about how the police are going to attempt to enforce this? How about the lawsuits that will follow if you require a healthy public wear face masks?</p>	Mary M	1720 hampton lane	clearwater	33756	7272353438	marymccarth0514@gmail.com	2020-06-23 09:38:55
Mask proposal drafts	<p>I am strongly in support of the most restrictive proposal that will apply to all people over the age of two to wear masks inside any public establishment in Pinellas county. For example, Publix requires employees to wear masks but the vendors that set up their merchandise do not wear masks and the aisles aren't wide enough to be 6 feet apart.</p> <p>Also, once restrictions were lessened less than 50% of people I've seen have been wearing masks.</p> <p>I am trying to avoid going into public establishments but there are times I am the only one who can go to a store to purchase an item.</p> <p>I also prefer that this requirement be long term. We need to learn from what happened in NY State.i</p>	Judy Fisher	8496 118th St N	Unincorporated Semir	33772		pabu2345@gmail.com	2020-06-23 09:37:53
Masks	PLEASE make masks mandatory in Pinellas County. COVID19 cases are rising, almost out of control! This will help save lives. Step up to the plate and do what is necessary. Thank you.	Joyce	1095 Pinellas Pt. Dr. S. #324	St. Petersburg	33705	727 864 7324	joycebibs1963@gmail.com	2020-06-23 09:30:26

Plea for Mandatory Face Masks & Social Distancing Mandates	<p>Dear County Commissioners,</p> <p>First, please allow me to thank you for your public service. I am most grateful for your work and dedication to our beautiful county and all its residents.</p> <p>I am writing to express my grave concern about the fire-like spread of COVID-19 in our communities, and to implore you to mandate face masking in all public settings.</p> <p>I am a resident of Dunedin and have a young daughter. We have been sheltered in place since the middle of March and associating with only a few families who have been sheltered in place and wearing face masks when they go out for essential business.</p> <p>This past weekend I drove through downtown Dunedin and could not believe my eyes! It was completely packed with people, there was no social distancing and I only saw one or two people with masks. Honestly, it was as if COVID-19 never existed.</p> <p>There were people walking on crowded sidewalks, people inside completely filled restaurants clustered in groups with no social distancing. And no masks! They are also in grocery stores, pet stores, pharmacies, the malls! Packed with people and no masks!</p> <p>This is a matter of public safety and as stewards of our county, I am pleading with you to do the right thing for everyone's safety! Please vote to mandate face masks in ALL public settings! Moreover, please mandate continued social distancing.</p> <p>There are many families who have been responsible citizens in order to protect themselves and others from this terrible virus. We would like to get back to some sense of normalcy; unfortunately, that will never be possible so long as others have a choice about wearing face masks and social distancing. The fire-like spread of COVID-19 will continue to ravage our communities without your intervention.</p> <p>Again, thank you for all you do to serve the public and protect its greater good.</p> <p>Regards,</p>	Stephanie M. Scotti	764 Pinewood Drive	Dunedin	34698	646-352-1916	scotti.stephanie1@gmail.com	2020-06-23 09:18:23
Face masks	Pass requirement to require their wearing. We are in crisis!	Ray Petty	1095 Pinellas Point Dr S	Saint Petersburg	FL	727-864-7342	araypetty@msn.com	2020-06-23 09:11:51
Facial coverings	<p>Please require facial coverings for everyone, employees and customers, who are inside any business. This needs to be done at a county level since there are too many little towns that a person can traverse through while doing simple necessary errands in one trip. Home Depot in St. Pete, Publix in Pasadena, hardware store in Gulfport, etc. if every town has their own requirements, it's difficult for the customer to be aware of every towns rules.</p> <p>Businesses will have the backing of the ordinance to get customers to comply, but businesses should be fined if they allow customers in without facial coverings. If an individual doesn't comply or won't leave the premises then law enforcement can be called to remove that person. If the business has called for assistance, the business should not be fined. Individuals who don't comply should receive a citation starting at \$25 dollars.</p> <p>It's all about perception. Just like when the beaches were closed, most people complied. If you put a penalty on non-compliance you will get the word out that it's serious and many people will comply. It's important that the exclusions for people that have a medical reason not to wear one, not be the predominant word that gets out. That will just create a bunch of excuses. In my opinion, those who do have a valid medical reason should be carrying a doctor's note and if they are not, then they should get a citation and can get the fine waived if they produce a doctor's note before the fine is due.</p>			St Pete Beach			saintpetebeach@aol.com	2020-06-23 09:10:12
Face Masks	For the health and safety if our communities, I support a mandatory order requiring facemasks in the public.	Glen Stewart	6322 Palma Del Mar Blvd S	St Petersburg	33715		glenprop@icloud.com	2020-06-23 09:07:34
NO ON MANDATORY MASKS	<p>There is no credible data I've seen that says its necessary for COVID-19 that all citizens mask up.</p> <p>If they wish to, fine. The stats on this 'pandemic' are paltry compared to early flu epidemics. Herd immunity is a standard part of how species respond and survive. Governments imposing a rule like this is without merit.</p> <p>Thank you for opposing Mandatory Masks</p>	Dwight Smith	1115 Jackson	Clearwater	33755		rick@asouthernfamily.com	2020-06-23 09:06:52
Face Masks in Public	Please vote YES on mandatory face masks. Listen to the medical experts , not the politicians!	Grace Lindsay	1095 Pinellas Point Drive S	St Petersburg	33705	727-224-6135	gclindsay@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 09:01:25
Mandatory use of facemaks	<p>Good morning.</p> <p>Please make the use of facemasks MANDATORY everywhere regardless if it is in a working environment,, walking on the street, in a gym, shopping, EVERYWHERE FOR EVERY SINGLE PERSON. People are NOT respecting social distancing and in many many cases nobody is wearing a facemasks, that includes businesses.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>	Elisa Lenk	123 Test St54	Test City	94102		lizzyL@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 08:56:16
Mandatory Mask Wearing	I support Mandatory Mask wearing in all indoor places. starting immediately.	Deborah Anderson	11014 Huron Rd	St Petersburg	33708	7274327737	deborah.anderson.mb@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:55:17
Suggested reading	<p>Please review the attached research paper prior to any consideration of more draconian measures with respect to Covid.</p> <p>Thank you.</p> <p>https://jamesfetzner.org/2020/06/swiss-research-report-facts-about-covid-19/</p>	Michael McCarthy		Palm Harbor	34685		mmccarthy1@protonmail.com	2020-06-23 08:48:20

Mandatory Masks	I strongly support the mandatory wearing of masks in public with fines for non compliance. Instead of continuing with the governor's approach of "thinning the herd" and "building herd immunity," Pinellas County needs to take a moral and ethical approach to this current situation. We need to protect our most vulnerable citizens. We need to stop the rising death toll. It is your job as County Commissioners to protect us- sometimes even from our less educated selves. We are not "a herd". We are living, breathing, thinking and voting human beings. Mask up.	Lisa DesCoteaux	5062 Manchester Court, #106	Palm Harbor	34685		lisa.descoteaux@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:48:01
Face masks	To save lives, face masks must be required in all public places indoors and outdoors. It must be enforced. Thank you.	Ellen Levett	1095 Pinellas PT Dr S #464	St Petersburg	33705	727-460 6954	ellenstpete@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:45:31
Masks	Please make masks mandatory for all of Pinellas County businesses. I suffer from 2 autoimmune diseases and I am on immune suppressants. I also have 2 small children. Currently it is unsafe for me to leave the house to go into any store or business. Most of the citizens of Pinellas County have chosen not to ever wear a mask in public and this puts people like me in a grave amount of danger. For me COVID-19 could have life threatening consequences. Wearing a mask has to be mandatory for the people of this county (and state) because on their own the majority of people have not chosen to do so. If we all wear masks we can protect each other. Thank you in advance for making the right choice to protect me and your citizens of Pinellas County.	Melissa Rosen	2968 Saber Dr	Clearwater	33759		m3miss@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:45:15
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face masks	We need to continue required face masks at least until there is a significant drop in cases.	Phil Coleman	1095 Pinellas Point Dr.S.	St. Petersburg	33705	727 290 9050	pcoleman19@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 08:44:17
MASKS PLEASE!	Please Please Please vote for mandatory masks in ALL public places in order to protect our communities. Seat belt laws are in place to protect lives, why not masks? Premature reopening, no mask laws, no limit on vacation rentals has significantly endangered the lives of those who live here. Those of us on the beach have worked their entire lives to be able to live here and now we are seeing the numbers climb dramatically. You represent us...please respect us enough to keep us safe!	Cindy Winters	11901 Lagoon Ln #303	Treasure Island	33706	3172922933	c_kirch06@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 08:38:05
FACE MASKS REQUIRED	It should be mandatory for all persons to wear a mask in indoor spaces and some outdoor settings. Wearing a mask helps minimize the spread of COVID-19.	Reneta Osenova	2890 25th Ave N	Saint Petersburg	33713-3822	7274581063	reneta101@yahoo.com	2020-06-23 08:38:03
Mandatory Mask Wearing in Pinellas County	I support a vote that would require all residents of Pinellas County to wear masks when they are in public indoor spaces. As a resident of a CCRC, I am part of what has been identified as "vulnerable" to the pandemic, and as I wear my mask to protect others, I would ask fellow county citizens to have the same consideration for me and other seniors by wearing their masks.	Karen L Peters	1095 Pinellas Point Dr. S #427	St Petersburg	33705	7278647427	karenpeters69@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:37:55
masks in Pinellas	Our State Representative encourages us to reach out to you in support of mask-wearing. While I personally believe it would be very difficult to enforce the fines, fines are another deterrent to prevent the spread of this horrible disease. Given that our numbers of Covid cases are steeply rising in our county, mask ordinances remind us we are all in this together. I leave these facts with you today: What they don't tell you about surviving COVID-19 'Recovered' doesn't mean healthy again. By Mike Moffitt, SFGATE Updated 7:47 am PDT, Monday, June 22, 2020 Most people who catch the new coronavirus don't experience severe symptoms, and some have no symptoms at all. COVID-19 saves its worst for relatively few. ICU nurse Sherie Antoinette has seen the serious cases first hand. The lucky ones — if you can call them that — recover, but not in the sense that their lives are back to normal. For some, the damage is permanent. Their organs will never fully heal. "When they say 'recovered,' they don't tell you that that means you may need a lung transplant," Antoinette wrote in a Twitter post. "Or that you may come back after discharge with a massive heart attack or stroke, because COVID makes your blood thick as hell. Or that you may have to be on oxygen for the rest of your life." These are my observations (of hospitalized patients): 1) Everybody is so swollen their skin has blisters and is so tight it looks like it's about to burst, from head to heel. And skin so dry peeling and flaky that to slather Vaseline on every shift is almost necessary — all over. 2) Everybody's skin is weeping clear fluid and has sores and the skin just slides off with slightest turn or rub, all over the body. 3) Everybody's blood is thick as slush. Can't figure out what's making it clot like that, but it's dark and thick. 4) Everybody's kidneys are failing. Urine dark or red, which could contribute to the swelling, but we don't know yet. 5) Everybody has an abnormal heart rhythm. Not sure of the cause. But even without underlying heart problems, it's not beating normally. 6) Seems counterproductive, but the ones that are not breathing on the ventilator have to lay flat on their stomachs to breathe better. And even some on the ventilator are on their stomachs. And the slightest turn for some is what leads to their almost immediate death. Bathing, cleaning and turning to prevent skin breakdown causes most to code blue, so a decision has to be made on which is most important. 7) Everyone has a Foley catheter and a rectal tube — incontinent of bowel and bladder. 8) Everybody on tube feeding. Everybody.	Ginger	9815 Harrell Ave.	Treasure Island	33706	7275921253	gingerjgoepper@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:34:11
Masking in Pinellas County	Please make masking indoors and at public establishments mandatory for ALL of Pinellas County. It is so crucial to halting the further spread of the virus and at this point, people wearing masks are the minority. Our numbers are terrifying and it would only hurt our communities to continue to not wear masks. Eventually we will be so overloaded with cases that all businesses will be forced to close down due to health code violations. This has to stop. Please don't let the county down.	Gianna Tsesmelis	1072 17th Ave N	Saint Petersburg	33704		giannatsesmelis@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:29:04
mandatory wearing of masks in public in pinellas county	Please VOTE TO MAKE IT MANDATORY ,WITH A FINE, TO WEAR A MASK IN PUBLIC IN PINELLAS COUNTY. Please do this to keep the residents safe	Bonnie Granger	1809 Gulf Beach Blvd.	Tarpons Springs	34689	860-985-5646	jrbg325@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:25:31

Mask Wearing Vote	Please say NO to mandating individuals wear mask. If you make it mandatory for me to wear a mask to go into any retail establishment then my spending STOPS for both my wife and I. I'm struggling to think of anything more depressing than looking at a bunch of face-covered individuals. Nothing about a mask makes you think that someone is smiling under that cover. Thanks Ken & Susan Smith age: 69 & 68	Kenneth Smith	17817 Lee Ave.	Town of Redington Sh	33708	8133352128	ken.smith@highperftch.com	2020-06-23 08:20:13
masks requirement	We urge you to support the movement to require masks be worn in Pinellas County. As senior citizens we recognize the importance of make being worn as an important step for community health while we await the creation of a vaccine for COVID-19.	Alan & Ann Cutter	1095 Pinellas Point Drive South Ap	Saint Petersburg	33705	727-864-7439	cutter2658@bellsouth.net	2020-06-23 08:11:53
Mandatory masks to be worn in public	Please require mandatory masks to be worn in public .	Dia Stoner	1095 pinellas point dr. S, # 482	Saint Petersburg	33705	8046904987	lv2laf2@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:06:54
COVID Spread - statistics	Dr. Mark Ghaly, California Secretary of Health and Human Services reinforcing Gov. Newsom's mask message, warned that a single infected person, unmasked, can spread COVID-19 to more than 400 people in a 30-day period. If the same person wears a mask, stays home as much as possible and socially distances, he said, that number drops to 2.5. "And that is exactly how we control the spread in California," Ghaly said. WE NEED TO DO THE SAME IN PINELLAS COUNTY!	Candace S Porter	1095 PINELLAS POINT DR S, Apt 38	SAINT PETERSBURG	33705	3173747904	cporter2020@gmail.com	2020-06-23 08:01:37
Face Masks	Please vote for wearing face mask at ALL TIMES. Thank you. Reed and Tom Gregory	Reed and Tom Gregory	1095 Pinellas Point Drive S, #467	st Petersburg	33705	727 403 5241	tgregor1@tampabay.rr.com	2020-06-23 08:00:07
Wearing masks	Dear Sir, I add my name to the many who request a universal face mask ruling be made. Everyone, with few exceptions, should wear a mask when they are inside a commercial establishment. This means business owners and customers as well. This is simply common courtesy and an attempt to protect each other.	Madalynne Warren	947 Wellington ct	Dunedin	34698		maddyg.warren@gmail.com	2020-06-23 07:57:56
Face masks	Please vote to require the use of face masks by all individuals in public spaces. Unless it is made a requirement will we be able to control the spread of this virus. I am in an at risk category and currently fearful of exposure if I go to a restaurant,store, etc. last week I observed people walking on Beach Drive and no one had a mask on. ACT NOW.	Roy Duttweiler	1095 Pinellas Point Dr S	St. Petersburg		727-460-2232	rwduitt@gmail.com	2020-06-23 07:54:49
Mandatory Face Masks	Dear Commissioners, As your constituent and an immunocompromised adult over 65, I urge you to make the wearing of face masks indoors a mandate in Pinellas County. This is the most effective way to prevent the spread of Covid-19. Thank you for your consideration in this crucial matter. Diane Lajoie	Diane Lajoie	7450 14th St NE	SAINT PETERSBURG	33702	7274200976	dilajoie@aol.com	2020-06-23 07:46:28
Today's Face Mask Vote	As a senior citizen residing in Pinellas County, I request that you vote to mandate face masks. This should not be a matter of personal preference -- We are in the midst of a dire public health crisis! People are dying due to others poor judgment. Please, please, please do the right thing for your constituents. Thank you for your consideration and leadership - Candace Porter	Candace S Porter	1095 Pinellas Point Dr S #384	St Petersburg, FL	33705	3173747904	cporter2020@gmail.com	2020-06-23 07:39:38
Masks	I will be voting AGAINST everyone that votes to implement an illegal mask law! Masks are not the answer, do the math (if you can), masks do not filter small enough to filter out a virus! In addition the Surgeon General recommends NOT wearing a mask. There is NO scientific evidence that masks reduce the risk of contracting this virus, the virus started in China where they were masks everywhere and they still spread it! the virus started in China where they were masks everywhere and they still spread it! The side effects of masks include increased breathing of CO2 and reduced Oxygen, people do not change them so they are carriers, not preventions for infections just like gloves, masks do not cover eyes which is another place for virus to infect a person, Masks are intended to spread fear and give a false sense of security. The only way out of this pandemic is to develop immunity and to quarantine the sick and at risk, not the entire population! Let people that want to wear masks where then and do not force everyone else to wear them. Remember YOU are public servants and your constituents will voting to remove you if you continue down this road!	Ray Chaple	1482 Admiral Woodson Ln	Clearwater	33755		rchaple@hotmail.com	2020-06-23 07:25:46
No Mandatory Masks!!!!!!!!!!!!	I am a Pinellas county resident. I do not want mask wearing to 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. All who run again in future elections will NOT receive my vote. Note, my doctor is seeing many people from the illness caused by wearing a mask.	Steven Klein	330 3rd St S, #420	St Petersburg	33701	8137286924	superkonnector@gmail.com	2020-06-23 07:14:52
Please make masks mandatory	Hi Karen We are friends with your brother Kent and Jean. Thank you for all the great work you do! I heard that today there is a voting process to decide if masks will become mandatory in Pinellas County . I hope this becomes mandatory and helps to prevent the spread and to save life's ! If I can do anything to help please let me know Thank you	Vicki Izquierdo		Pinellas county	34685	7274539381	vickyleft@apl.com	2020-06-23 07:01:54
Take a Stand	Take a Stand - the MINIMAL you can do to reduce COVID-19 is to impose universal masks in public places. Don't spend hours thinking that it is a big deal..... We need "Big Ball" that focuses on the virus and not politics. Don't worry about the President or the Governor. Listen to Dr. Jameson who only wants to reduce the number of sick and dead in Pinellas County!	Step Up Commissioners	stepupcommissioners@pinellas.cc	Countywide			me@stepupcommissioners.com	2020-06-23 02:32:25