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**From:** Quintana, Vanessa  
**Sent:** Friday, September 18, 2020 9:14 AM  
**To:** Comments, BCC Agenda  
**Subject:** FW: Online Customer Service Contact Us Form Result #18840001

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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Mask requirements
Message	I am a critical care nurse in Pinellas County and have been working in a COVID ICU. The thought of lifting the mask requirement at this point is far too risky without a vaccine in place. We have been overwhelmed in the hospitals. We are now getting back to normal routines, I feel that our numbers have declined greatly due to the use of social distancing and MASK requirements. I beg you NOT to lift the mask requirement!!!
Your Name	Jennifer Harry
Your Street Address	14064 Jennifer Terrace
City/Unincorporated County	Largo
Zip Code	33774
Your Phone Number	7274158152
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:jharry1@tampabay.rr.com">jharry1@tampabay.rr.com</a>

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**From:** Theresa Ziegler <tmsziegler@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 8:53 PM  
**To:** Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Long, Janet C; Peters, Kathleen; Seel, Karen; Welch, Kenneth; Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** [BULK] Mask Ordinance  
**Importance:** Low

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**Dear Commissioners,**

Please keep the mask ordinance in place in Pinellas County. This is life or death especially with flu season in the next few months. Pinellas County has a large population of compromised citizens and we need to listen to the experts like Dr Fauci. I work with compromised seniors every day and want to keep them safe. Both my husband and I are in the medical field and clearly understand the importance of a simple practice of mask wearing. Our numbers are down BECAUSE of mask wearing and social distancing. Nothing else has changed so if you remove the mandate, our numbers will again rise. Thank you for making the right choice. It doesn't hurt people to wear masks - but it can kill if we don't. Makes sense to err on the side of safety and caution.

Thank you,  
*Theresa Ziegler*  
Pinellas County Resident

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**From:** Stephen Kornfeld <stephen.kornfeld@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 8:03 PM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Fwd: Mask Ordinance

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Stephen Kornfeld <stephen.kornfeld@gmail.com>  
**Date:** September 17, 2020 at 5:05:17 PM EDT  
**To:** JanetCLong@pinellascounty.org, pgerard@pinellascounty.org,  
cjustice@pinellascounty.org, deggers@pinellascounty.org, kseel@pinellascounty.org  
**Subject: Mask Ordinance**

Dear Pinellas County Commissioners,

I am writing this letter in support of continuing the mask ordinance for Pinellas County. I have been a resident of the county for 38 years where I have worked as a clinical physician as well as a Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics at All Children's Hospital in the Department of Allergy and Clinical Immunology. I am board certified as well in Infectious Diseases and Internal Medicine. I strongly urge you all to resist the temptation to rescind the mask ordinance. The pandemic is not over and we have only a few tools to control the spread of the Coronavirus. At this point mask wearing, which greatly reduces the transmission of virus particles from an infected individual to a healthy person is one of the most effective means of slowing the spread of this disease and allowing people to carry on with somewhat normal daily functions. If the mask mandate is removed, the rate of transmission of the virus and thus cases will increase causing the economy to suffer further harm. I understand this is a mild inconvenience for everyone but the beneficial effects far outweigh the minimal inconvenience.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Kornfeld M.D. FAAAAI

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**From:** DHUDSON52@tampabay.rr.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 6:26 PM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Please keep mask ordinance

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Dear Honorable Commissioner Gerard,  
Please extend the mask ordinance. My wife and I are both vulnerable to Coronavirus. Without the mask mandate we will be forced to curtail our activities and spending. It is very likely that Coronavirus will make a comeback this fall and winter, and it is best to just keep the mask mandate in place.  
Thank you, Donald Hudson, Pinellas County resident

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**From:** Rachel Keller <gravitynvrholdme@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 6:04 PM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** THANK YOU....

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My name is Rachel Keller. I am a resident of Palm Harbor. I am not sure how you all keep a straight face and a closed mouth with some of the comments made during the "Citizens To Be Heard" portions of these meetings. I commend you, you have way more self restraint than many Pinellas County residents.

I am the mother of two slightly grown men. My youngest son is 19 years old and has a heart condition caused by being 6'9" because when you get that tall, your aorta gets floppy. Throughout the pandemic, he worked full time in a pizza restaurant, wore a mask and had absolutely no side effects. He is a happy, healthy, productive member of our community. Does his life and well being not count? Does his right to LIFE not outweigh someone else's slight discomfort? He deserves to die because he has a pre-existing condition?

Many people have said that they have the "right" to make healthcare decisions for themselves and their families. What they aren't realizing is that the choice takes away the choice I get to make for MY family. To me that says that the health and well being of MY child doesn't matter as much as their discomfort. Many callers have said that there are risks in "almost everything we do" but what gives them the "right" to risk the health of MY child? Wearing a mask doesn't put their child at risk, but them NOT wearing a mask does put the lives of other people at risk. The American Lung Association says that there is "ABSOLUTELY NO SCIENTIFIC evidence that mask wearing or physical distancing weakens the immune system." (<https://www.lung.org/blog/covid-masks>) I searched for hours to find a reputable article that offered the proof that the anti-mask crowd claims is there...but it eluded me.

Furthermore saying that business owners have to allow exemptions takes away the rights of the business owner to protect themselves and their employees. If the people who can't wear a mask claim a medical exemption, the only thing required of the business owner is that they offer citizens accommodations. Many callers have said that the mask mandate stops businesses from operating, but I'd argue that not being able to run their business because they (and their employees) are sick, hospitalized or worse....DEAD is far more detrimental to their business. It can also be argued that if more people feel safe and protected from the virus, they are more likely to go out and spend money in this community.

How is it "fair" to force high risk citizens to stay home but unfair to others to make them wear a mask? It seems to me that forcing citizens to stay home infringes on more rights than citizens wearing a mask. If everyone wears a mask, then ALL citizens have the ability to conduct business in the county. Ending the mask mandate puts a million lives in danger. Wearing a mask puts ZERO citizens at risk. There is a lot of conversation about free will and choice. Maybe we should switch things up and extend the mandate and tell the anti-maskers to stay home since they are so afraid of masks. It seems like it is in the best interest of both private citizens and businesses to keep the mandate so that ALL citizens of Pinellas County can function freely.

We are missing empathy in this country. We have become selfish and self centered. This is pretty evident if you listen to the comments at these meetings. It makes me embarrassed to be a resident of Pinellas County. Not one person on the anti-mask side has mentioned anyone other than themselves.

We have a responsibility as Americans to be good stewards of our country. This includes the CITIZENS. If our slight discomfort means that our neighbors are safe and healthy, then we are doing our job as Americans.

Thank you for extending the mandate. And more importantly, thank you for listening to the doctors and the science and not to the armchair epidemiologists. I had no idea that Pinellas County had hundreds of Infectious Disease Doctors from the University of Facebook. The masks are working. Let's keep it up. Why would we abandon ship when it's working?

Thank you  
Rachel Keller  
Palm Harbor, FL 34684

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**From:** Nicole Skalka <nicskalka@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 5:22 PM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth; Seel, Karen; Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Re: Continuation of Pinellas County Face Covering Ordinance

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Thank you to each and every one of you for voting to keep the mask ordinance in place. This move strengthens our response to the coronavirus and will help protect all of our families and neighbors. And, allow our businesses to remain open.

Your action is greatly appreciated.

Be well!

Nicole Skalka  
East Lake Woodlands, Oldsmar

On Sep 13, 2020, at 5:07 PM, Nicole Skalka <nicskalka@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Pinellas County Commissioners:

I was told that the Board of Commissioners is considering whether the ordinance referenced above should be continued or should be abandoned. My understanding is that there is some sentiment and possibly pressure from citizens to discontinue the ordinance as they believe that the requirement to wear a mask indoors is an infringement on their rights. I implore you to continue the face-covering requirement, or even to increase the situations under which one must wear a face covering to be more comprehensive and protective. The reduced number of cases experienced in our area is a direct result of the mask ordinance and should continue. Please do not let this critical safety issue become a partisan issue.

Science has proven that the COVID virus is spread through droplets that are airborne and that they travel far greater distances than originally thought. Furthermore, wearing a mask greatly reduces the chance that a person infected will spread the virus. Since it has also been discovered that persons can be infected and contagious without even having symptoms, it is even more critical that everyone wear a mask to protect from becoming ill and to prevent the spread from asymptomatic carriers. Respected medical journals, such as the New England Journal of Medicine, are publishing scientific articles with significant data proving that wearing of masks greatly reduces transmission.

As our children and teachers go back to school and our bars reopen, please do not allow the removal of face coverings to be another piece of tinder on this fire.

It is of the utmost importance that people keep wearing masks in all indoor establishments. It is the easiest way to ensure that schools and businesses remain open. I implore you all to continue the Ordinance that was so wisely adopted.

Regards,  
Ann Nicole Skalka  
East Lake Woodlands, Oldsmar



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**From:** Richard Kanter <rkanter48@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 3:56 PM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Masks in Public

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Dear Commissioners,

The health and safety of the public should be our primary concern. KEEPING MASKS SHOULD NOT BE POLITICAL , IT'S ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY.

I hope you vote accordingly.

Richard Kanter DMD, FAGD  
rkanter48@aol.com  
O: 813-961-1727  
Northpointedental.com

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**From:** marie lovelace <marielovelace@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 3:09 PM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Next vote

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Dear Commissioner Gerard,

I am asking you to please vote for the continuance of mandatory mask wearing in Pinellas County. Don't allow yourself to be bullied by a few ignorant, self centered loud mouths that are pushing for removal of masks. Listen to the most intelligent medical doctors and scientist across the world that are all saying the only way to fight this right now is to wear a mask! They are the voice of knowledge, I assure you, these few loud protesters do not represent the vast majority of our voters. We have an obligation to not think only of ourselves at this time. We must protect each other and you are in a position to help do that. Please do the right thing intellectually and morally and keep the mask mandate in place. Thank you.

Marie Lovelace

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<b>Direction of Inquiry</b>	General Information Commissioner Pat Gerard - District 2 (2020 Chair)
<b>Subject</b>	Mask order - Thank you
<b>Message</b>	As a business owner in Pinellas County I'm grateful the mask order is extended. We have signs on the door to our business and again on the inside. People who come in have been respectful of the order without a problem. Let's all stay healthy and beat this thing! Thanks again.
<b>Your Name</b>	Jeanne Donnelly
<b>Your Street Address</b>	11194 109th Way
<b>City/Unincorporated County</b>	Largo
<b>Zip Code</b>	33778__
<b>Your Phone Number</b>	7327576007
<b>Your Email Address</b>	<a href="mailto:jeannedonn@gmail.com">jeannedonn@gmail.com</a>

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**From:** Bill Hammond <ffcntr@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 1:44 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Cc:** Peters, Kathleen; Gerard, Pat; Long, Janet C; Justice, Charlie; Seel, Karen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Don't relax life saving protections

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It is against the law to threaten the life of others. Not wearing a mask threatens my life and that's a felony. As a life-long registered Republican, I find the GOP's obvious conspiracy to kill blacks, Hispanics and those with medical issues (1/3 of all Americans) who won't vote for Trump to be revolting. It could be considered as Genocide. If Trump had issued a mandatory mask rule, we'd be over this epidemic by now. If we drop the mask ordinance, the economy will never recover because businesses can't stay open if people are too afraid to come out & dine or shop!

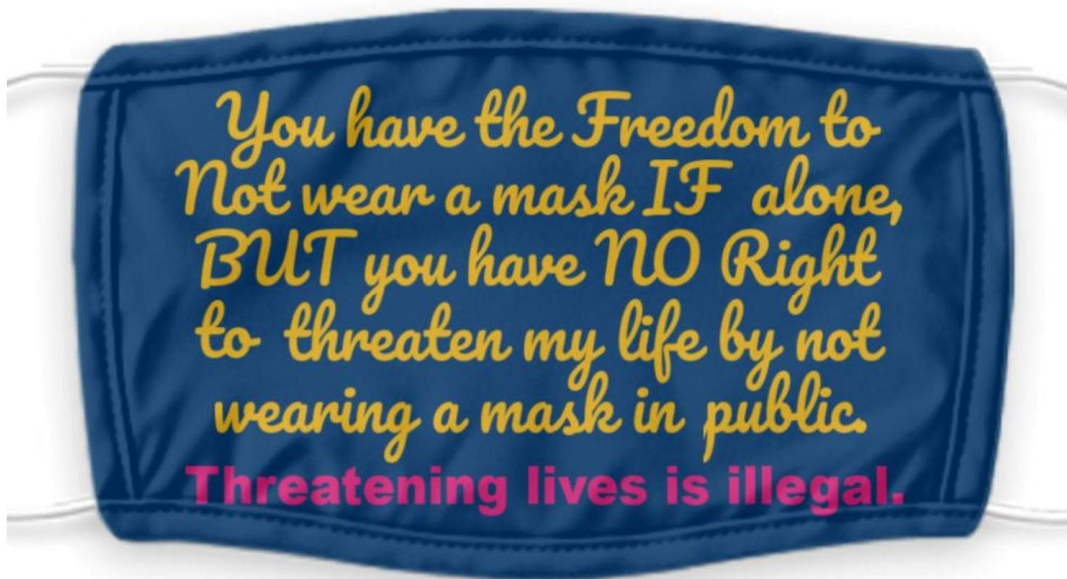
If anything, with the upcoming flu season, you should make the mask ordinance tougher. You can't claim to support law & order if you allow the maskless to go about threatening the lives of the vulnerable.

Bill Hammond

"Ready to switch"

BTW: Found these masks at: [statementmasks.savvyamericans.info](https://statementmasks.savvyamericans.info) Check it out. They say a lot. They have other opinion products (shirts & cups) at: [FACTS.politicallysavvy.info](https://FACTS.politicallysavvy.info) & [RealGOP@politicallysavvy.com](mailto:RealGOP@politicallysavvy.com) (for Lincoln Republicans)





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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Keep mask mandate
Message	<p>Hello I'm writing to express my interest in keeping the mask on mandate. I feel like the masks are essential for the well being of every citizen, customer and employee. It's important to protect the best interest of the whole county and not requiring masks is a direct violation of that.</p> <p>Thank you</p>
Your Name	Megan McDonald
Your Street Address	5257 36th Ave N
City/Unincorporated County	st petersburg
Zip Code	33710
Your Phone Number	7273047395
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:mcdonaldlmegan@gmail.com">mcdonaldlmegan@gmail.com</a>

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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Cover 19 protections
Message	I have heard that the Commission is considering easing of Covid 19 mask protections. Mask wearing is one of the best protections we have against this disease as per the CDC and other scientists and medical practitioners. KEEP OUR MASKS ON.
Your Name	Maurice Duffy
Your Street Address	324 Salem Street
City/Unincorporated County	Safety Harbor
Zip Code	34695
Your Phone Number	727-303-3205
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:duffymaurice3@gmail.com">duffymaurice3@gmail.com</a>

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Direction of Inquiry	Report a Problem
Subject	Masks
Message	<p>Dear pinellas co. Comm.</p> <p>How about leaving medicine and science To those that know what they are talking about?</p> <p>The current standard of care is to wear a mask which protects the wearer and those around the wearer.</p> <p>What part of this don't you get?</p> <p>In contrast, students in Mass., all have to wear masks, even those at home in virtual school, because " they are part of the classroom", despite being at home.</p> <p>The point being that politicians are not doctors or scientists, should mind their own business, and exercise a little common sense.</p> <p>Thanks</p>
Your Name	Gary K Keats, md
Your Street Address	615 Harbor Is
City/Unincorporated County	Clearwater/ Pinellas
Zip Code	33767
Your Phone Number	727-461-5724
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:keatsg@msn.com">keatsg@msn.com</a>

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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Face masks
Message	Please continue requiring face masks. The numbers are starting to go down but it is not over yet. Why take the risk! I am working the voting polls and will not feel safe with voters coming in without them.
Your Name	Patricia Cannon
Your Street Address	9430 45th St N
City/Unincorporated County	Pinellas Park
Zip Code	33782
Your Phone Number	727-424-0514
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:cdcannon1@yahoo.com">cdcannon1@yahoo.com</a>

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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Facemasks
Message	I think we should keep mandatory facemasks for at least 30-60 days. We are making headway need to keep them.
Your Name	Lynne Nelson
Your Street Address	2371 Israeli Dr. #79
City/Unincorporated County	Clearwater
Zip Code	33763
Your Phone Number	727-798-0940
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:bucschick53@yahoo.com">bucschick53@yahoo.com</a>

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<b>Direction of Inquiry</b>	General Information County Administrator
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<b>Subject</b>	Possible discontinuation of the facial covering mandate
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<b>Message</b>	I urge the County Board NOT TO DISCONTINUE the facial covering mandate until it has been determined that there are zero new cases and zero deaths in the State of Florida due to covid-19 for a period of at least 14 days.
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I am a senior who enjoys being able to go to a grocery store to get my food, or just shop for clothing or shoes or household goods. These are things I will not be able to do if others are not mandated to wear facial coverings. The danger from the pandemic is far from over, far from being in the rear view mirror. Thank you.

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<b>City/Unincorporated County</b>	St. Petersburg
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<b>Zip Code</b>	33708
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<b>Your Email Address</b>	<a href="mailto:joie.de.vivre.girl@gmail.com">joie.de.vivre.girl@gmail.com</a>
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**From:** Arielle Katz <arielle.katz1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 11:54 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Emergency mask mandate

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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to urge you to keep the emergency order, especially the county mask requirement.

If you take away this protection, many people will be forced back into their homes. How would this help local businesses? It is only the mask order that allows people who believe in science -- not just those who are especially vulnerable -- to go to the grocery store and do other essential errands without fear.

Wearing a mask during a shopping trip isn't an undue burden, nor is it unhealthy. It's a simple way to protect yourself and others.

I'm listening to a lot of ignorance during public comments today at your meeting from people who don't believe scientific experts such as leaders of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization. These experienced health authorities all say that masks are the most effective way to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The Foundation for a Healthy St. Petersburg agrees.

A campaign has been waged to deluge you with opposition to the mask rule and provide you with dangerous misinformation and slanderous accusations against respected experts. I hope you won't succumb to this pressure.

Please, please keep the mask order in place. In spite of what the opposition says, there's plenty of evidence that it's working -- not just in Pinellas County, but worldwide. Why would you want to take a chance and reverse that progress?

Thank you for listening.

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**From:** Quintana, Vanessa  
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**To:** Comments, BCC Agenda  
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<b>Direction of Inquiry</b>	General Information
<b>Subject</b>	Keep mask mandate
<b>Message</b>	Please keep the mask mandate. The CoVid infection rates are down so obviously it is working. I believe it does help the economy since older residents like myself feel more secure out in public.i was so relieved when you put the mandate in place, and I see good compliance when I am out.
<b>Your Name</b>	Charlene Wegman
<b>Your Street Address</b>	765 116 Ave,
<b>City/Unincorporated County</b>	Treasure Island
<b>Zip Code</b>	33706
<b>Your Email Address</b>	<a href="mailto:cwegma@aol.com">cwegma@aol.com</a>

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**To:** Comments, BCC Agenda  
**Subject:** FW: Online Customer Service Contact Us Form Result #18829857

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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Masks
Message	Being immune compromised, I firmly support mask wearing. Thank you
Your Name	Linda Morrissey
Your Street Address	2273 Springrain Drive
City/Unincorporated County	Clearwater
Zip Code	33763
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:lmo1130@yahoo.com">lmo1130@yahoo.com</a>

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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Mask mandate
Message	Please keep the mandatory mask mandate in place through winter. The reason our numbers are low is you rose to the occasion. Don't back down now! Thank you
Your Name	Eileen Conway
Your Street Address	625 Smallwood circle
City/Unincorporated County	Clearwater
Zip Code	33755
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:spoonitout59@gmail.com">spoonitout59@gmail.com</a>

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**From:** Dominic <misterwebs317@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 11:01 AM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** The Mask Mandate

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Dear Pat,

The Pinellas County Commissioners are meeting this Thursday, September 17, 2020 to discuss lifting the mask mandate that requires masks to be worn in public places. The Commission has been inundated over the past several weeks with well-organized and vocal anti-mask advocates emailing and calling in to public meetings, demanding the ordinance be repealed.

It is critical that Pinellas County Commissioners also hear voices reflecting sound science and a concern for public health and safety. Instructions for commenting on keeping the mask mandate at this Thursday's Board of County Commissioners meeting are below.

Dr. Angus Jameson, the medical director for Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services, described the COVID-19 as an unpredictable new disease that medical experts are still studying. Although disease rates are lower than they were at the peak of the pandemic, the epidemic is far from over. Consider the following:

- 1.
2. The drop in local disease and death rates are because we are wearing
3. masks; wherever there are no masks (North Dakota/South Dakota, for example) the highest increases have been observed.
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- 5.
6. If we stop wearing masks the risk of increased disease and death will
7. rise again, as we have seen in other parts of the world, requiring repeated shut downs.
- 8.
- 9.
10. We have just begun to re-open and re-enter bars– we risk inviting the
11. virus to spread more freely by encouraging more interaction without masks.
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- 13.
14. Hillsborough County continues with a mask ordinance. In a regional
15. economy with many people commuting between counties we need consistent mask mandates. Committing to stopping this deadly virus is the surest path to full economic recovery.
- 16.
- 17.
18. We are a tourist economy – people will be coming here from all over
19. the country and world. Adherence to the mask mandate will reduce the likelihood of disease transmission brought from areas experiencing a resurgence of cases.
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- 22.
23. The highest infection and mortality rates are among people of color, the elderly and essential service workers. These disproportionately harmed groups
24. need us to wear masks to protect their health and their lives.
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27. Wearing a mask is inconvenient, but they are the best way to stop
28. this disease and get our economy working again. There are many precedents for rules that protect public health, such as anti-smoking laws. Mask ordinances a life-saving policy tool.
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- 30.

Thank you! Dominic Howarth, Lealman Resident

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Kara Delemeester <kdelemeester@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 10:53 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Pinellas County Mask Ordinance

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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to you regarding the county's possible repeal of the mask mandate. I am also writing to you as an educator in a Pinellas County public school. We as a county, as a state, and as a country, have been rattled by this pandemic, our entire way of life shaken and turned upside down. Every day, I face a new anxiety regarding COVID-19 as we continue to find out more information about its symptoms and lasting effects. I, too, long to return to a sense of normalcy. However, at this time, we cannot return to our old way of life if we wish to maintain the health and safety of our community.

I love my students. I love my job. But over the summer, I applied to Florida Virtual School and even considered leaving the career field of education entirely because I was worried that Pinellas County would open brick and mortar despite the fact that many students, parents, and educators didn't think it was safe. But still, on August 13<sup>th</sup> I entered my classroom—the students desks dismantled from their groups and spaced three feet apart, my desk isolated in a corner, the front of my classroom a makeshift pulpit, 8ft of space from which I was supposed to teach. The small box I was to teach from reminded me of a bear I once saw pacing a rut into the ground at a zoo. The handler told us this was a sign of stress. And still, I sat down at my desk and started planning. I decorated my classroom, created a sanitary classroom library system, set up virtual activities that could also be done on paper (because while I would be simultaneously teaching virtual MyPCS students, the majority of the face-to-face students in front of me do not have devices).

I have not had much control over my job lately. It feels like every day I'm being told to institute a new procedure, to stop or start doing something my administration and/or the county needs me to do to make their jobs easier. All the while, I've maintained that we are not ready to have brick and mortar schools be open. During pre-planning week, I asked my administration if they had a plan for bathroom passes, a plan to replace the plastic passes we normally use, the ones multiple kids touch each period, each day. They did not have an answer. We're halfway through the first quarter of the school year, and they still don't have an answer.

I have had to isolate from my parents since the school year started. They are both close to the at-risk age range for COVID-19, and they help take care of my 92-year-old grandmother who has COPD. Friends reach out to spend time with me and more often than not I say no, too afraid that I have coronavirus in my system, that I'll unknowingly infect them and they'll end up being one of the cases doctors study—a patient who died or nearly died, despite the fact that they were young and perfectly healthy.

And in all of this, I have not had a choice. I could've left my job, sure, but teaching is the career I've wanted to have since I was 15 years old. I applied for a virtual teaching position with Florida Virtual School and with Pinellas County, but didn't get either. And if you vote to repeal the mask mandate, I will not be able to choose to keep myself safe. I can continue to wear a mask in my classroom, I can teach from behind a face shield, I can pace in my 8ft teaching space like the bear I saw in the zoo, but still I will have no control over the germs entering my classroom. I will have no control over the level of exposure I'll be facing every day. I'll be able to choose to get my groceries delivered instead of going to the store. I'll be able to choose whether I enter public spaces, knowing most people will no longer be wearing a mask to protect me from their germs. But I will not be able to choose whether I enter a school building filled with close to 2000 students who are not wearing masks. I am not a medical professional. I should not be forced to face exposure to this virus without my consent. That is not what I signed up for when I became a teacher.

The numbers in Pinellas County are encouragingly low, I agree. However, the only reason the numbers are low is because of the mask mandate. Commissioner Dave Eggers said that he's "not opposed to putting [the mask mandate] back in place if we see the numbers going the other way again." But why would we take that chance? Why would we risk more positive cases, why would we risk more deaths, when we could so easily prevent them by keeping the mask mandate in place for a while longer?

I, too, am anxious to return to a sense of normalcy. I would love to not have to wear a mask for 8 hours a day, to see the bottom half of my students' faces. But what's more important than what I want, than what Commissioner Eggers wants, than what inconvenienced citizens want, is the health and safety of our community.

Keep the mask mandate in place. Keep our students and teachers safe. Keep our community safe.

It's the right thing to do.

Best,

Kara Delemeester

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** JONATHAN TALLON <jtallon16@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 10:29 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Support for the Continuation of the Mask Mandate

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I fully support the continuation of the mask mandate, and implore you to do so as well.

Both Drs. Redstone and Fauci, have stressed that until there is a fully available vaccine, this is the primary way to save lives.

As a native Floridian and resident of Pinellas County, I know our Senior population counts on the rest of us to protect them, and make sure the Sunshine State stays a safe harbor. Please continue the mask mandate to help save their lives.

As David Bowie once sang, "We can be heroes, if just for one day."

Be a hero today.

Jonathan Tallon  
MLA-USFSP 2012  
5427 19th Avenue North  
St Petersburg FL 33710  
727.871.7084

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** deanna sapp phillips <deanna@photoannounceit.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 10:12 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Mask Wearing Mandate

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Good morning,

First I would like to thank all of you for your Public Service.

I am the owner of a Wedding Photography company, my entire income comes from the weddings and events industry.

I am asking you to **please keep the mask mandate in place**, it is one of the main reasons my industry has been able to begin working again, we are not back to full capacity or normalcy, but keeping the mask order in place, helps our industry from being deemed as "Super Spreaders". When covid 19 infections increase, we are forced to scale back, cancel or reschedule events. This has really taken a negative effect on our income.

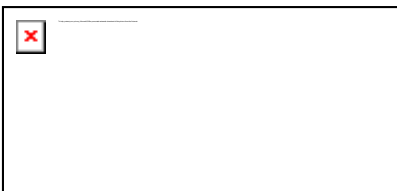
Help my industry begin and keep working, keep the mask mandate in place. Pinellas County has made great strides in reducing our infection numbers, greatly due to the mask wearing mandate.... let's keep up the good work.

Humbly Submitted,

**Deanna Sapp Phillips B.F.A**

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**From:** Kimberly Berfield <kberfie1@jhmi.edu>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 10:11 AM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat; Eggers, Dave; Peters, Kathleen; Long, Janet C; Welch, Kenneth; Seel, Karen; Justice, Charlie  
**Subject:** JHACH Pinellas County Face Masks Letter\_09\_17\_2020  
**Attachments:** Pinellas County Face Masks Letter.pdf  
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Good Morning ~

During the nine months of this pandemic, we have learned that COVID-19 is highly contagious, transmitted by respiratory particles while talking, shouting, singing, sneezing and coughing. Additionally, COVID-19 can be carried asymptotically in the respiratory tract and stool. Like adults, children can also spread the virus. Although the death rate is higher in older individuals, all age groups can develop an infection, which can result in hospitalization and death.

COVID-19 will continue to spread in Pinellas County until there is a safe and effective vaccine. There is no cure at this time. Masks have been effective in reducing the number of cases. Pinellas County implemented an appropriate public health intervention in late June by issuing the mask mandate. Since the policy went into effect, the cases have decreased.

Attached you will find a letter of support from Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital in continuing the mandatory mask mandate initially issued on June 23, 2020.

Thank you for your consideration.

Loyally,

*kb*

Kimberly Berfield  
Vice President, Government Affairs and Community Health  
Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital  
500 Seventh Avenue South, Suite 504  
St. Petersburg, Florida 33701  
[kberfie1@jhmi.edu](mailto:kberfie1@jhmi.edu)



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**From:** Shep Massar <shepmassar@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 9:05 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Continuation of Indoor Mask Requirement

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The experts know far better than any of us what actions are needed to best increase our chances of avoiding falling victim to this pandemic. To go against their advice now would be foolhardy and absurd. Could you sleep at night knowing your vote could have prevented numerous deaths and illness? Don't let a small vocal minority of selfish (politically motivated?) individuals sidetrack you from doing what you know is the "right thing." Keep the mask ordinance in place.

If you need some economic justification for maintaining the mask requirement consider this: I will not shop for groceries or anything else in a store where all employees and customers are not masked. I would leave Pinellas to shop and spend my money. I am sure I would not be alone in shopping outside of the County to avoid an unnecessary risk of exposure to the virus. Please help me and the rest of Pinellas' residents and visitors endure this pandemic. Keep the mask requirement in place.

Does the mask ordinance need an end date? Of course -- and it already has one. When a majority of you agree, based on science and common sense and not the selfish desires of a vocal uncaring few, the ordinance will be repealed. The end date will be determined rationally and not by an arbitrary date on a calendar.

Shep Massar  
Pinellas County Resident

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**From:** Renee Walter <rwalter440@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 8:30 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen  
**Subject:** Continuation of Face Mask Ordinance

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Dear Pinellas County Commissioners,

I am aware that the Board of Commissioners is considering whether the ordinance referenced above should be continued or should be abandoned. My understanding is that there is some sentiment from citizens to discontinue the ordinance.

I am writing to ask you to please continue the face mask ordinance. Since its implementation and widespread adoption by citizens we have seen a significant improvement in the numbers. While I understand why some believe that the ordinance is an infringement of their rights, I am hoping that you decide that a continuation of the ordinance for a limited time is best for the overall health and welfare of our citizens. Perhaps some criteria with regard to the numbers in Pinellas County would help to decide when to end the ordinance.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,  
Renée Walter  
Palm Harbor

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Quintana, Vanessa  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 8:11 AM  
**To:** Comments, BCC Agenda  
**Subject:** FW: Online Customer Service Contact Us Form Result #18817446

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<b>Direction of Inquiry</b>	General Information Report a Problem Request a Service
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<b>Subject</b>	Mask mandate
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<b>Message</b>	Hello, I am writing to encourage the county to continue the mask mandate. I understand that people are sick of thinking about the virus but it has not magically disappeared and a simple mask in public use spaces is so effective and the least we can all do to keep it at a low level of spread. As vocal as the small part of the population who don't have a basic understanding of physics and other sciences is, I feel like decisions need to be made from a place of logic not catering to their temper tantrums. Also, it is grossly unfair to expose people who are working in the public to anyone who doesn't want wear a mask, the mandate is the only thing keeping so many of these people safe. Without it even private businesses will have difficulty enforcing mask wearing due to confusion and consumer pressure. Public servants deserve to be protected. Thank you for your time and consideration. Monique Baughman
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<b>Your Name</b>	Monique Baughman
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<b>Your Street Address</b>	757 wood st
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<b>City/Unincorporated County</b>	Dunedin
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<b>Zip Code</b>	34698
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<b>Your Phone Number</b>	8133354615
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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Masks
Message	What a ridiculous idea to allow people who do not care about the safety of their neighbors to dictate the obvious need to wear a mask in public places. It has been shown that mask wearing greatly helps stop the spread of the virus. Be responsible for the health and safety of the adults and children in this county and keep the provision to wear a mask in public in place.
Your Name	Veda Roubideaux
Your Street Address	430 Bay St NE Apt 403
City/Unincorporated County	St Petersburg
Zip Code	33701
Your Phone Number	7273181132
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:vedabeatrice@gmail.com">vedabeatrice@gmail.com</a>

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<b>Direction of Inquiry</b>	General Information
<b>Subject</b>	Rescind General Public Mask Ordinance
<b>Message</b>	Just yesterday, 9/16, Dr. Redfield, Head of CDC, stated that he believes the currently our best defense against this Virus (Covid-19) Is wearing a mask along with handwashing, social distancing and being careful around crowds. I've experienced the devastation of this virus with a family friend dying and a Family member very I'll and now battling the aftermath of having the virus. I've been mindful and followed all protocols including initially staying away from my only grandchild. To stop mandatory mask wearing at a time when 198k dead and the flu season approaching is Irresponsible!
<b>Your Name</b>	Barbara Fleischer
<b>Your Street Address</b>	1337 Pine Ridge Circle E, Apt A2
<b>City/Unincorporated County</b>	Tarpon Springs
<b>Zip Code</b>	34688
<b>Your Phone Number</b>	7275150528
<b>Your Email Address</b>	<a href="mailto:doggie2005@outlook.com">doggie2005@outlook.com</a>

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Direction of Inquiry	General Information
Subject	Massks up
Message	Please keep the mask ordinance in place for the foreseeable future. Don't be be swayed the anti mask loud voices. You're doing a good job in a difficult situation. Thank you
Your Name	Tracey
Your Street Address	110 25th st
City/Unincorporated County	Belleair Beach
Zip Code	33786
Your Email Address	<a href="mailto:tmuffsfl@yahoo.com">tmuffsfl@yahoo.com</a>

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**From:** Arrows Yahoo <amc1977\_99@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 7:21 AM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Keep mask requirement

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Chairwoman Gerard,

I urge you to vote to keep the face mask requirement active. We have seen success in reducing our positivity rate. Wearing our face masks is our civic duty to protect our vulnerable populations, to avoid increased hospitalizations, and gives us our best chance to continue reopening the economy while we wait for a vaccine.

Please vote to keep the requirement.

Thank You,  
Arrow Woodard  
Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Paul Ray <pauleray@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 6:37 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Cc:** Ray, Paul  
**Subject:** RE: Reopening Pinellas County

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Morning Commissioners, I pray this email reaches you in good health and spirits.

First, being a Software Engineer and basically a numbers geek, I have been tracking every source available on the numbers regarding COVID 19 and the extrapolation is simple, the Masks are working, the spread has not stopped by any stretch but it has slowed considerably. I personally have many friends still recovering from COVID 19 and sadly have 9 family and friends that have passed from COVID 19 which included cousins, family attorney, and friends.

I know wearing a mask is not comfortable, I dread wearing them but I always do whenever I have to go, just ask my Husband who works in retail and has to wear one for 9 hours at a time. I know when he comes home from work he has followed the guidelines and protected himself and therefore a much less of a risk to me who is at high risk. When people say if you have health conditions than stay at home, they are being disingenuous at best as they do not consider the far reach of their or others inconsiderate behavior. Take for example the recent wedding in Maine where 65 people attended a rustic wedding in small town without masks and ended in a cluster of 175 reported infections and also the deaths of 7 people who did not even attend the wedding.

The 09/16/2020 statement by CDC Director Dr Robert Redfield who stated

"I might even go so far as to say that this face mask is more guaranteed to protect me against Covid than when I take a Covid vaccine, because the immunogenicity may be 70% and if I don't get an immune response, the vaccine is not going to protect me. This face mask will," Redfield explained, adding that the American public has not yet embraced the use of face masks to a level that could effectively control the outbreak.

I find even having a discussion regarding ending the mask mandate to be not only ignoring science but constitutes gross negligence of duties as a commissioner as well as pandering to a small percentage of self-centered residents who are opposed (who I might add are in the extreme minority) and threatening to vote against you. We did not accept responsibility as a County Commissioner nor I as a City Council Member to vote to get ourselves re-elected, we did so because we believe in doing the right thing and protecting our citizens.

I thank you all for all you are doing and trust you will keep the citizens of Pinellas County safe and not pander to the alarmists and extremists and the cost of others health and lives.

Respectfully

Paul E Ray  
Gulfport FL City Council Member

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Karen Davis-Pritchett <pritch.karen@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 6:32 AM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Face Mask Mandate

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Hello Commissioner Gerard,

As a resident of Pinellas County and I am writing to state that I think Pinellas County should continue the COVID19 precautions that have been enacted to keep our infection rate low. We are having success because of these precautions, now is not the time to reduce these efforts. Please do not repeal the face covering mandate.

Thank you,

Karen Davis-Pritchett

**Carpenter, Katherine**

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**From:** Nancy DiMauro Tomasetti <njitalia@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 1:59 AM  
**To:** Long, Janet C; Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Continuation of mask mandate in Pinellas County

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# ‘They Are Our Best Defense’: Redfield Renews Call to Wear Masks

**Dr. Robert R. Redfield, the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, told senators that if all Americans wore masks, the coronavirus could be controlled in six to 12 weeks.**

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Today, and even after we have a vaccine, C.D.C. encourages all Americans to embrace the powerful tools that we have right now — to wear a mask, particularly when they’re in public, maintain social distancing, routine vigilant handwashing. Be smart about crowds, and stay home when you’re sick. We’re going to continue to give Congress and the nation the best public health advice. We’re not going to let political influence try to modulate that. Face mask — these face masks are the most important powerful public health tool we have. And I will continue to appeal for all Americans, all individuals in our country, to embrace these face coverings. I’ve said it, if we did it for six, eight, 10, 12 weeks, we’d bring this pandemic under control. These actually, we have clear scientific evidence they work, and they are our best defense. I might even go so far as to say that this face mask is more guaranteed to protect me against Covid than when I take the Covid vaccine because the immunogenicity may be 70 percent, and if I don’t get an immune response, the vaccine is not going to protect me. This face mask will.

Sent from my iPad

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Sage Lewis <johnson.treyl@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 1:43 AM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Upcoming review of mask ordinance

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Dear Commissioner Gerard,

I am writing to you about the upcoming decision of the Pinellas Board of Commissioners to vote on a repeal of the local mask ordinance which was established to prevent the spread of Covid19.

As my representative to the county government I am asking you to vote against repealing the mask ordinance. While the death rates have gone steadily down statewide, the number of cases continues to fluctuate. Now that schools have reopened, and the governor has allowed bars to reopen, it is not yet time to take our masks off.

It seems like ancient history, but if you recall when the pandemic first arrived here, there was panic and confusion everywhere. We all took great measures to respond the best way we knew how, but the one thing that would have had the greatest effect--wearing a mask in public--was enforced far too late here. As a result, hundreds of people have lost their lives. Removing the mask mandate too soon could mean that all the sacrifices we have been making for the past 7 months would be for nothing.

I understand that to many, wearing a mask somehow represents an inconceivable intrusion on their freedom. I see mask-refusal as an intrusion on my freedom and all public safety. Somehow the pandemic has been politicized and even denied outright, causing great harm to Pinellas County citizens.

We must remember that Sars-CoV-2 is an impersonal force of biological nature. It cares about humans as much as a hurricane or an earthquake--not at all. Wishing it away will not make the problem disappear. The only thing that we can do is rely on our medical and public health scientists to guide public policy the best way. This includes most importantly the enforcement of mask wearing in public. Please do right by us, our lives may depend on it.

Sincerely,

Trey Johnson  
875 Addison Drive NE  
St. Petersburg, FL 33716  
727-409-8739

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- Sage Lewis

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Deborah Vena <deev62@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 4:26 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Mask wearing

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Dear M Deggers

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7. Wearing a mask is inconvenient, but masks are the best way to stop this disease and get our economy working again. There are many precedents for rules that protect public health, such as anti-smoking laws. Mask ordinances a life-saving policy tool. I hope you will make the right decision for the health and safety of our community.

Sincerely  
Deborah Vena

Sent from my iPhone

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Molly Barnett <jbarnet4@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 4:22 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Keep the masks!

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Sincerely,

Margaret Barnett, St. Petersburg 33702

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Karen Rosenthal <krosenthal@me.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 3:35 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Please Keep the Mask Requirement

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Sincerely,

Karen R. Rosenthal  
St. Petersburg, FL. 33703

Sent from my iPhone



## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** L. Rosenthal <lsjn2@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 3:35 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Please keep mask ordinance!

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Dear Mr. Eggers,

Please don't lift the mask requirement! Masks are the primary way we can help control Covid. I'm sure you will hear vociferously from people who don't want anyone telling them what to do. That would be fine if their actions didn't affect all of our lives. And I know you're smart enough to have seen that leaving this up to each person's individual moral code is going to fail.

This is also going to make a difference in the economy. I am starting to go into stores now, but I certainly won't if there isn't a mask ordinance.

Please use your position to help protect us all. Our lives depend on it!

Sincerely,  
Lisa Rosenthal  
St. Petersburg  
33703

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Betsy Gmail <betsytorop@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 12:58 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Please Continue the County Mask Requirement

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Dear Mr. Eggers,

I am writing to urge you, in the strongest possible way, to continue the requirement to wear masks in Pinellas County.

All of the best scientific evidence suggests that wearing masks dramatically decreases the risk of transmission of Covid-19. The fact that there is a decrease in cases and deaths is not a reason to abandon the masks; it is, in fact, the reason to continue the requirement. In those states with no mask requirements anywhere, the cases have dramatically increased. As a county with a high proportion of elderly residents, we have an obligation to be particularly careful. If we are not willing to take responsibility for each other, then what does it mean to create a community in our county? We institute public health requirements to ensure safety (for example, the ban on indoor smoking). Why should this be any different?

If I expect nothing else from my government, it is for government to protect its citizens. If there is any doubt or question, surely we err on the side of caution.

I am a long time resident, of Pinellas County, a dedicated voter, and a champion of what our area has to offer. I will be beyond disappointed if the commission makes a decision that reflects an anti-science viewpoint and disregard for human life.

Betsy Torop

*Betsy Torop*  
14099 Jennifer Terrace  
Largo, FL 33774  
[betsytorop@gmail.com](mailto:betsytorop@gmail.com)

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** edit4food <edit4food@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 12:08 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** PLEASE RETAIN the Coronavirus Mask Ordinance!

**Importance:** High

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Dear Commissioner Eggers,

I was alarmed to read that the Board of County Commissioners is considering repealing the Pinellas County mask requirement! This at a time when:

- Kids are returning to school
- Flu season is coming
- Restrictions on bars are loosening
- Early voting will start on October 19
- The virus is still out there!
- We have no vaccine yet

These factors are likely to INCREASE the risk in coming months! Pinellas numbers have flattened, and **masks are probably what helped** bring our numbers down. But dropping the mask requirement prematurely will allow it to flare again.

Wearing a mask is an incredibly minor, minimally invasive, and easy thing to ask the public to do in the face of such a virulent virus!

**Masks work** to keep the infection rate down. Now is not the time to drop our guard! **Please continue to require masks in public places in Pinellas!**

NANCY ARMITAGE  
308 LAKE PLACID CT  
OLDSMAR, FL 34677  
727-492-2042 (CELL)

**NOTES:**

According to *Tampa Bay Times* research statistics, our COVID-19 recovery is **stalling**:

- **The COVID-19 recovery is stalling in Tampa Bay. Here's how we know.** ANALYSIS: DATA SHOW A TROUBLING CHANGE IN PINELLAS AND HILLSBOROUGH — A SUDDEN LACK OF PROGRESS. <https://www.tampabay.com/news/health/2020/09/10/the-covid-19-recovery-is-stalling-in-tampa-bay-heres-how-we-know/>

Florida's recovery from the worst of the coronavirus pandemic is **slowing down**, and **Tampa Bay finds itself** at a **near complete stop**. This pause in what had been a steady descent from the outbreak's peak **could spell trouble, especially for Pinellas**, where the disease has already taken an outsized toll on elderly residents.

Of all counties to see this improvement stop, Pinellas County is among the most worrisome. The coronavirus has killed patients in Florida's sixth-largest county at a disproportionate rate. About **3.4 percent of Pinellas cases have been fatal**, the **highest rate in Florida's 20 largest counties** and double that of neighboring Hillsborough.

According to Dr. Anthony Fauci, the nation's leading infectious disease expert:

- "Masks are not 100 percent protective. However, they certainly are **better than not wearing a mask**. Both to prevent you, if you happen to be a person who maybe feels well, but has an asymptomatic infection that you don't even know about, to **prevent you from infecting someone else**," Fauci said.

"But also, it can protect you a certain degree, not a hundred percent, in **protecting you from getting infected from someone** who, either is breathing, or coughing, or sneezing, or singing or whatever it is in which the droplets or the aerosols go out. So **masks work**," Fauci added.

"The important thing is actually physical separation," Fauci said, adding that the combination of social distancing **and face masks** is the **best way** for the public **to mitigate the spread and reduce transmission** while maintaining some normalcy by venturing in public.

<https://thehill.com/changing-america/well-being/prevention-cures/502890-fauci-why-the-public-wasnt-told-to-wear-masks>

The evidence can't be any clearer that face **masks work** against coronavirus:

- Of all the coronavirus tips we've heard since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic some six months ago now in the US, one of the most essential has been the guidance to **wear a face mask** when you're outside of the home and can't socially distance from other people.

<https://bgr.com/2020/08/11/face-mask-effectiveness-against-coronavirus-in-kansas/>

Cc:

Commissioner Janet Long (Dist 1)

Commissioner Pat Gerard (Dist 2)

Commissioner Charlie Justice (Dist 3)

Commissioner Karen Williams Seel (Dist 5)

Commissioner Kathleen Peters (Dist 6)

Commissioner Kenneth Welch (Dist 7)

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** bregladyartist <bregladyartist@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 9:05 AM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** For your attention please

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**Show your support for the Pinellas County mask ordinance!**

| Ann Bregman Rascoe and Eric Rascoe  
[Bregladyartist@gmail.com](mailto:Bregladyartist@gmail.com)

## **Carpenter, Katherine**

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**From:** MaryAnn Beckley <mcb10842@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 11:56 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Mask ordinance

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I believe for the welfare of all the mask ordinance should stay in place.

MaryAnn Beckley

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## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** noreply@fs30.formsite.com on behalf of pckluga at gmail.com  
<noreply@fs30.formsite.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 10:59 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
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Commissioner Pat Gerard - District 2 (2020 Chair)  
Commissioner Charlie Justice - District 3  
Commissioner Dave Eggers - District 4 (2020 Vice Chair)  
Commissioner Karen Williams Seel - District 5  
Commissioner Kathleen Peters - District 6  
Commissioner Kenneth T. Welch - District 7

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**Subject** Mandatory Mask Order

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**Message** Dear Commissioners,

I know you're receiving a lot of communications from people opposed to the mask mandate. However there are many of us in the county who support continuing the mask mandate. The CDC has issued guidelines indicating that the best way to prevent people from contracting the virus used to socially distance and to wear a mask. Even with the mandate in place, I can attest to you that I have personally seen hundreds of violations in local grocery stores, convenient stores, restaurants and even the doctor's office. Lifting the mandate would significantly lessen county wide compliance with the CDC's guidelines, thus endangering even more of your constituents. Currently about 5% of those who contract the virus die. Increasing the chances of people contracting the virus, increases the chances of people dying. That is the entire issue. Thank you for your consideration

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**Your Name** Paul Kluga

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**Your Street Address** 3104 Windmoor Drive North

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**City/Unincorporated County** Palm Harbor

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**Zip Code** 34685

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**Your Phone Number** 203-731-7438

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**Your Email Address** [pckluga@gmail.com](mailto:pckluga@gmail.com)

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<noreply@fs30.formsite.com>  
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**To:** Eggers, Dave  
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<b>Direction of Inquiry</b>	Commissioner Dave Eggers - District 4 (2020 Vice Chair) County Administrator
<b>Subject</b>	mask ordinance
<b>Message</b>	I know that the commissioners will be meeting again soon to discuss the county mask mandate. The residents who want the mandate to be discontinued will likely be the most vociferous. As a resident of the county, I hope that you will continue this mandate. With schools now in session, and bars now open, it seems to be the most prudent thing to do. Schools will be in much greater jeopardy if the virus is allowed to spread as it did earlier this summer. Thank you, Linda Grace
<b>Your Name</b>	Linda Grace
<b>Your Street Address</b>	3869 Sunrise Lane
<b>City/Unincorporated County</b>	Tarpon Springs
<b>Zip Code</b>	34688
<b>Your Email Address</b>	<a href="mailto:lingra14@gmail.com">lingra14@gmail.com</a>

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**From:** Juanita Umana <juanitasu@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 10:12 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Thursday's Board of County Commissioners meeting

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Dear Dave Eggers,

The Pinellas County Commissioners are meeting this Thursday, September 17, 2020 to discuss lifting the mask mandate that requires masks to be worn in public places. The Commission has been inundated over the past several weeks with well-organized and vocal anti-mask advocates emailing and calling in to public meetings, demanding the ordinance be repealed.

It is critical that Pinellas County Commissioners also hear voices reflecting sound science and a concern for public health and safety. Instructions for commenting on keeping the mask mandate at this Thursday's Board of County Commissioners meeting are below.

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**Juanita Umaña**  
[juanitaumana.com](http://juanitaumana.com)

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Jeanne Feld <jfeld333@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 6:37 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Keep Mask Mandate

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Please keep the mask mandate in place for the health and safety of all. The masks have helped bring our numbers down, but the virus still lingers. Masks make us feel safer as we are out in the community patronizing businesses. This helps the economy.

Please listen to the medical experts and keep requiring masks to be worn. Pinellas County has done a fine job. Keep it going.

Jeanne Feld

Sent from my iPhone

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Fred Feld <fsfeld@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 4:58 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** masks in Pinellas County

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I urge you to continue the mask wearing in Pinellas County, at least until COVID-19 really abates. One of the first things we learned in Dental School was the value of personal protective equipment (including masks). We did numerous experiments that proved their ability to protect against disease. These protective devices are most effective if everyone uses them (to help contain the sneeze, cough or breath) and to filter it on the receiving end.

As for the rights some people claim they are giving up...we BAN SMOKING in most public places, and we BAN DRINKING & DRIVING.. We as a people have certain obligations to others for the greater good. It's a simple concept that seems to be accepted, and working, everywhere in the world.

Thanks, Fred Stewart Feld, DMD and the Feld Family

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Vicki Dinehart <victoriadinehart@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 11:10 AM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Please Keep the Mask Ordinance

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Dear Mr. Eggers,

I am a Pinellas County resident and I am frightened about the possibility that the mask ordinance for Pinellas County will be removed. I am 68 years old and live with my 70-year-old husband and my two grandchildren who are 8 and 10. My husband has a heart condition and my granddaughter has some autoimmune conditions.

The mask ordinance allows me to go to the drugstore and sometimes go to the grocery store to pick up a couple of items like produce and milk. For groceries, we still place online orders and have the order delivered. The delivery costs and the higher prices for delivered orders are putting a real dent in our budget.

I realize the wearing of masks is inconvenient for some people but please show respect for others and keep the COVID - 19 numbers under control so others can live. If this mask ordinance is removed we will be forced to again become prisoners in our own home. I am asking you to please keep the face mask ordinance in place.

Sincerely,

Victoria Dinehart

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Stephen Nelson <nelsonrace@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 9:03 AM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Please keep the mask ordinance

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I am asking you to consider keeping the mask ordinance until there is a safe vaccine available to all.

I am a public school teacher, and while I hate wearing the mask, but I believe it is keeping me and family, and my students safe at this time.

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4. Hillsborough County continues with a mask ordinance. In a regional economy with many people commuting between counties we need consistent mask mandates. Committing to stopping this deadly virus is the surest path to full economic recovery.
5. We are a tourist economy – people will be coming here from all over the country and world. Adherence to the mask mandate will reduce the likelihood of disease transmission brought from areas experiencing a resurgence of cases.
6. The highest infection and mortality rates are among people of color, the elderly and essential service workers. These disproportionately harmed groups need us to wear masks to protect their health and their lives.
7. Wearing a mask is inconvenient, but they are the best way to stop this disease and get our economy working again. There are many precedents for rules that protect public health, such as anti-smoking laws. Mask ordinances a life-saving policy tool.

I have a husband who also has a co-existing medical condition that would put him at higher risk for serious illness if he contracted COVID.

Please keep this ordinance in place!

Cathy Nelson  
1012 16th Ave. N.  
St. Petersburg 33704

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Sandy Merrill <sandycmerrill@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 8:38 AM  
**To:** Sandy Merrill  
**Subject:** [BULK] please make mask wearing required!

**Importance:** Low

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Please do the RIGHT THING and make mask wearing required at this time. I do not feel safe going to places where people are unmasked. Our economy and our people are suffering. Your constituents need you to take action and require mask wearing. Please do the RIGHT THING NOW and require masks.

Thank you.

Sandy Merrill

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Sandy Merrill <sandycmerrill@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 8:34 AM  
**To:** Sandy Merrill  
**Subject:** [BULK] Please make mask wearing required!

**Importance:** Low

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Dear Commisioner:

It is critical in this time of COVID (and also influenza) that you require mask wearing. It is a known scientific fact (for over 100 years) that mask wearing reduces the transmission of infectious respiratory diseases. How many more people need to die before everyone realizes this?

I am pleading with you to make the most responsible and possibly important decision of your tenure as Commissioner to make mask wearing required-in order to reduce the deaths from COVID.-it could be one of **your** loved ones that you save by taking this important step.

Mask wearing around the country has proven that fewer people get COVID and therefore fewer people die of COVID. How could you not take this important step?



## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Carpenter, Katherine  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 10:10 AM  
**To:** Comments, BCC Agenda  
**Subject:** FW: Face masks

**Categories:** BCC

-----Original Message-----

From: CLERKINFO,  
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2020 10:04 AM  
To: Carpenter, Katherine <kcarpenter@co.pinellas.fl.us>  
Cc: pendres, clk <CLKPENDRES@co.pinellas.fl.us>  
Subject: FW: Face masks

Kat,

Please see below.

Thanks,  
Karen

-----Original Message-----

From: Maureen Jarrell <reenij@icloud.com>  
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2020 9:32 AM  
To: CLERKINFO, <CLERKINFO@co.pinellas.fl.us>  
Subject: Face masks

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Please extend the face mask ordinance until we have reached a sustainable environment. Until rate of infection is less than 3%.

Thank you very much  
Maureen Jarrell  
4245 20Th Avenue N  
St. Petersburg, FL 33713

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Stephen Wiseman <signilsteve@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 2:43 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Face masks

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Dear Mr Eggers,

As a resident of Pinellas County and business owner I am writing to urge you to vote to require that people keep wearing their face masks in all indoor establishments.

Thank you,

Stephen Wiseman

Sent from my iPhone

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Alexa Matz <alexammatz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 12:35 PM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat; Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen; Peters, Kathleen; Welch, Kenneth  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate

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Dear Pinellas County Board of Commissioners,

We are in the midst of a pandemic where close to 200,000 people have died, about 1,000 people in this country die every day, almost 800 people died in Florida this week, flu season is approaching, a vaccine is months away and the discussion is about removing a mask mandate?

REALLY?

Why?!

Under no circumstances should this mask mandate be removed. Your job, your duty is to protect the citizens you represent. Do your jobs, continue to protect the citizens of Pinellas county! Keep the mask mandate in place!

Please do not place the people we love in danger!

Alexa Matz

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Glad McCurtain <gladmccurtain@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 8:20 AM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate

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Pat

I hope the County Commissioners will extend the mask mandate, a decision to be based on scientific findings. As a senior citizen with serious underlying health issues including metastatic breast cancer, I ask your consideration for a primary reason. By wearing masks the numerous number of "at risk" Pinellas county residents contracting covid 19 will be greatly reduced, thus reducing greater exposure to the larger population. The "at risk" persons I know are conscientious in practices to limit the spread of this dreaded disease. When we follow examples of other countries where masks are being worn by almost everyone, we would contain the Pandemic.

Thank you for your considerations. And thank you for your public service.  
Glad McCurtain

**Carpenter, Katherine**

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**From:** Matt Woodard <cormw@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 7:26 AM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate

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Commissioner Gerard,

I am writing to urge you to continue the mask mandate for Pinellas County. Please take heed and continue this mandate as we are not out of the woods with this virus and backing down now could be detrimental to our citizens.

Thank you,

Matt Woodard

Sent from my iPhone

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** jrambo2@tampabay.rr.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 8:02 PM  
**To:** Eggers, Dave  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate

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Councilman Eggers,

Please vote to continue the mask mandate. We need to continue to keep our citizens safe and decrease the spread of Covid.

Betty Rambo



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**From:** Wallace Gilbert <wgilbert621@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 1:06 PM  
**To:** Gerard, Pat; Long, Janet C  
**Cc:** Justice, Charlie; Eggers, Dave; Seel, Karen  
**Subject:** masks

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Hello, my name is Wallace Gilbert, I really think not wearing masks is a big health risk for everyone!!

I live in Belleair Bluffs I think it is a health problem for everyone if we don't continue to wear masks till we get a vaccine and get this under control!!

Please advise

Think about everyone old and young!!

Thanks Walli Gilbert

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
<noreply@mypinellasclerk.org> on behalf of noreply@mypinellasclerk.org  
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### Live Form

Topic Masks

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue

Comments

Please do not rescind the order to wear masks. It has proven to reduce the spread of COVID-19. My husband and I are older citizens with underlying conditions, hence very susceptible to the harrowing effects of this virus. I plead with the commission to continue to protect the residents of Pinellas County by extending the mask mandate. Otherwise, I fear for our health and safety. Please, please, please!

Citizen Name Sherrie Barnes

Address 15546 Redington Drive  
Redington Beach, Florida 33708  
United States

Phone 713-5166394

Email sherriemartin1962@gmail.com



## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
<noreply@mypinellasclerk.org> on behalf of noreply@mypinellasclerk.org  
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### Live Form

Topic	Emergency Order
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	I can't believe I have to say this, but KEEP THE MASK MANDATE IN PLACE!! COVID hasn't gone anywhere and we need to protect our citizens!!
Citizen Name	Isabel Muir
Address	5518 18th Avenue S Apt A Gulfport, FL 33707 United States
Phone	904-7900172
Email	isabel.muir23@gmail.com

## Carpenter, Katherine

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**From:** Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
<noreply@mypinellasclerk.org> on behalf of noreply@mypinellasclerk.org  
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### Live Form

Topic	Mandatory mask requirement
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Please maintain the mandatory mask requirement for Pinellas County. It is working, so do not let people decide not to wear one. Non-wearers can infect others and I have rights too- to not be infected. My husband is in health care and he knows they work.
Citizen Name	Jennie Jamison
Address	1202 12th Street n St. Petersburg, FL 33705 United States
Phone	727-366-3121
Email	jamisonj@mac.com

## Carpenter, Katherine

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### Live Form

Topic State of Emergency

BCC Agenda Date

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments I am writing to support the continuance of the mask mandate in Pinellas Co. We have seen an improvement in the positivity rate of Coronavirus since the institution of the mask mandate. I fear that dropping this mandate will return us to higher rate of infection. If you withdraw this mandate I will no longer feel safe to patronize local businesses. I will not eat out at restaurants, visit small businesses, or any establishment whose employees do not wear masks. Not wearing a mask is saying "we dont care about you". Not the message we should be sending.

Citizen Name Jessie Joy Herrera

Address 1408 Millstream Lane  
Dunedin, FL 34698  
United States

Phone 727-2187888

Email jessjoyh@yahoo.com

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### Live Form

Topic	Masks
BCC Agenda Date	
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	We need to keep wearing masks because it is working
Citizen Name	Anthony Yurick
Address	12100 Seminole Blvd lot 54 Largo , FL 33778 United States
Phone	762-2387106
Email	ayupt@aol.com

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### Live Form

Topic Mask mandate

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments Please keep mask requirements in place. As an at risk person with a business since 1997, with clients 50 - 70. I myself can only come in if everyone is masking. Masking has help to avoid bringing Covid19 into our business, and we have direct experience with this. Wearing a mask is my civil responsibility to the health and safety of others. A simple gesture can help to reduce the spread.

Citizen Name Patricia Welter

Address 1549 Chukar Ridge  
Palm Harbor, FL 34683  
United States

Phone 727-772-6772

Email pilates@suncoastpilates.com

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**From:** Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
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### Live Form

Topic	Mask Mandate
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	Masks are essential in protecting our county and helping us continue to reduce COVID-19. I oppose voting to rescind it, please help us continue to keep each other safe.
Citizen Name	Lashley Marks
Address	St. Petersburg, FL 33703 United States
Phone	
Email	lashfea@gmail.com

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**From:** Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
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### Live Form

Topic covid 19

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue

Comments Please continue the mask order. I and many other "snowbirds" are not returning to Florida now due to the high infection rates. The county is loosing a lot of potential \$.

Citizen Name Patricia Strempel

Address 123 Copleigh Dr  
Syracuse, NY 13209  
United States

Phone 315-4915720

Email pat28@aol.com

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**From:** Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
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### Live Form

Topic wearing masks

BCC Agenda Date

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments cdc director stated yesterdy under oath his belief that masks are the most important thing we can do to stop from getting the covid-19. Please continue the mandate to wear masks. I'd rather be uncomfi=ortable than sick or dead. Thank you

Citizen Name kathleen ingram

Address 1100 belcher rd s #674  
largo, Florida 33771  
United States

Phone 727-2163504

Email fl.kate31@yaoo.com



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**From:** Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
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### Live Form

Topic Mask Requirement

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

### Comments

I am very concerned by the number of speakers promoting inaccurate and false information regarding the efficacy of masks in preventing COVID spread as well as the statistics for infections and deaths in our county. COVID is not droplets, it is aerosole that floats. Masks block aerosoles released by wearers from reaching the air and infecting others. Lifting the mask requirement while we still have significant rates of infection that are starting to go up now that schools have opened,will cause deaths. This simple fact makes it clear that the mask requirement should no be lifted. Listen to the doctors and science. If you don't, our experience with this virus and science based facts show that we will have more infections and deaths. You will have blood on your hands.

Citizen Name Cathy Greenwood

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Dunedin, FL 34698  
United States

Phone 914-960-0801

Email cfgreenwd@gmail.com

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### Live Form

Topic	Please keep the mask mandate.
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	
Comments	Please do not rescind the mask mandate. Follow science and the recommendations of medical experts to keep businesses open and our residents safe from Covid-19. Our country did too little too late, and we cannot backtrack now.
Citizen Name	Crystel Calderon
Address	Safety Harbor, FL 34695 United States
Phone	
Email	crystel.calderon@gmail.com

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### Live Form

Topic	Face mask ordinance
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	Face masks need to be strictly worn until the scientists tell us we are free of covid. This is our only defense against this pandemic. It is a SMALL inconvenience with a huge impact. All publicly shared areas need to require patrons wear a mask covering NOSE and mouth to protect our fellow citizens from covid 19.
Citizen Name	Patricia Morrissey
Address	2424 Oakbend Street Palm harbor, FL 34683 United States
Phone	(727) 831-0920-(727) 831-0920
Email	tricia.sokell@gmail.com

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### Live Form

Topic	Mask mandate
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	Keep mask mandate. Read about Maine wedding-65+ attended, 175 cases resulted, 7 deaths. Nursing home and jail impacted. None of deaths attended wedding. Please let science guide your decisions re Covid 19.
Citizen Name	Lisa Nacrelli
Address	6294 bahia del mar circle St petersburg, FL 33715 United States
Phone	
Email	punta7chiqueros@yahoo.com

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### Live Form

Topic Face Mask

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

### Comments

I am a COVID19 survivor. When I had the virus in July, I did not have the normal symptoms. I did not have a fever. So, until I had symptoms, I did not realize I had it. My son and his girlfriend believed they had it and then tested negative so I let me guard down. Then when I symptoms began 7/11, I knew that I needed to walk to keep my heart from pounding outside my chest. So, I walked around my neighborhood, crying, careful not to put my bodily fluids to myself. I thought long and hard about empathy. Empathy is the characteristic I have inside me that made me care NOT to allow my bodily fluid to come in contact with others. I was free. I was an American. I could choose to stay home and quarantine or NOT. It was all up to me. I was ASTOUNDED at my FREEDOM. But I had to wear a mask going into a building. WHAT IF THERE WAS NO MASK MANDATE!!!! REQUIRING MASKS KEEPS THOSE WHO ARE COVID19 POSITIVE OR ASYMPTOMATIC FROM SPREADING THEIR BODILY FLUID. If you take the mandate away and give us total freedom you will be responsible for tragic deaths. Just like you are responsible for the unorganized, no tracing, testing that is unreliable. I tested negative and gave it to two people who tested positive. Our local government is responsible for allowing the testing to be so unorganized. Do not do the same thing with masks. In the end of all of this you will be held accountable because the death toll will be traumatic by the end of the year.

Citizen Name Margaret Rodriguez

Address 835 Jeffords St  
Clearwater, FL 33756  
United States

Phone 727-459-3008

Email

d835rod@aol.com

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Topic	Mask Ordinance
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	
Comments	Please keep the mask ordinance in place until we have a vaccine.
Citizen Name	Roxanne Fixsen
Address	2333 34th Street South St. Petersburg, Florida 33711 United States
Phone	727-895-4650
Email	roxanne@healthystpete.foundation

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### Live Form

Topic FACE Masks

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue

Comments As a citiizen I am requesting for the health of our family to KEEP the requirement of face masks in place, As a nurse I know that the only way for numbers of COCID19 to go down is though the use of FACE Masks and hand washing and social distance. The numbers went down after requirement of FACE Masks in buildings were mandatory.

Citizen Name Donna Davis

Address 1695 El Tair Tr  
Clearwater, FL 33765  
United States

Phone 727-2511993

Email donnad41@hotmail.com



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### Live Form

Topic	Face Mask wearing
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Definitely in support of continuing with this for the safety of all our citizens
Citizen Name	Gary McLamb
Address	1760 GREAT BRIKHILL RD Clearwater, FL 33755 United States
Phone	704-5606966
Email	gmsmail76@gmail.com

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### Live Form

Topic	Face Masks wearing
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	All the science says we continue to need masks. Please continue with the use of face masks to protect our citizens!
Citizen Name	Frank Prevatt
Address	1760 Great Brikhill Rd Clearwater , Florida 33755 United States
Phone	704-704-451-0519
Email	pwf75@hotmail.com

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### Live Form

Topic Keep the Mask Mandate

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments

Please continue to support the ordinance mandating wearing masks. Science and statistics reveal wearing masks in public has been a major contributor to the steady decline in COVID-19 cases. Conversely, COVID-19 clusters have been identified when evidence shows masks were not worn in public and/or places gathering individuals. Please, follow the science and consider the common good, despite opposition.

Citizen Name

Address United States

Phone

Email

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### Live Form

Topic masks mandate

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments Please listen to the scientist and medical experts. The head of the ccd stated yesterday that wearing a mask is better in fighting/controlling the virus then the vaccine because the vaccine may not be 100% effective and will take time for everyone to get. Our numbers are down, let's keep them down or lower then by wearing masks. Keep the mask mandate in effect till the medical expertise and scientists tell us it is safe.

Citizen Name kathleen novinski

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Clearwater , FL 33761  
United States

Phone 815-6031594

Email novinkat@yahoo.com

## Carpenter, Katherine

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Topic Keep the Mask Mandate

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

#### Comments

The public health scientists and professionals all tell us - the mask is the most effective and efficient method of COVID-19 mitigation. To borrow from the national dialogue - would you stop wearing seat belts because we got down to a tolerable death rate? It's a small bit of discomfort that can save lives. Our surrounding counties will be masked and we will not - tourists coming to town with bars opening - schools re-opened - and we want to tell the virus - go ahead - we'll make it easy for you.... Please keep the mask mandate.

Citizen Name Randall Russell

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### Live Form

Topic Please retain the mask mandate!

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue

Comments

Dear Commissioners, Please follow the science and protect Pinellas County residents and visitors by retaining the mask mandate. Masks diminish the transmission of a deadly virus and are a small inconvenient price to pay to protect one another at this unprecedented time. I realize that this simple safety measure is a political issue for some and that you get pressure to eliminate it. Please stand strong and protect the public health for a few more months as we flatten the curve of this horrible illness and get through it with fewer lives lost. Thank you for your consideration.

Citizen Name Karen Chassin

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Topic	MASKS
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	It's SCIENCE...not politics. Please, listen to the medical professionals. Yesterday, Dr. Robert Redfield, CDC Director, said MASKS are more important in prevention of covid than a vaccine. Look at the metrics where masks have been mandated. Cases go down.
Citizen Name	Janine Tibbatts
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Phone	727-3654863
Email	jaytee123@ymail.com

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Topic	Masks
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	I support extending the mask order. The CDC just yesterday stated masks are our best deterrent and this virus could be brought under control in 6-12 weeks if everyone would comply. Please encourage everyone to comply!
Citizen Name	Jeanne Wyatt
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### Live Form

Topic CONTINUE Mask Mandate

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

### Comments

Dear Commissioners, Please continue to KEEP the mask mandate. We know that there are three ways to mitigate this virus (1) FACE MASKS (2) Keeping Distance and (3) Good Hygiene. We are all in this together. We must protect our fellow citizens and those vulnerable populations. By keeping a mask mandate we reduce the risk of spread. Current transmission rates may be low, but they are not low enough to warrant eliminating the mask ban. Additionally, we are about to have an influx of snow birds, and at all times we are a top location for tourists who have the potential to bring in the disease and spread it thus increasing our current transmission rates. If we eliminate the mask order, we compound the likelihood of spread, death and devastation. The cost of additional spread is too great. Be a beacon of leadership in this time of misinformation and crisis.

Citizen Name Laura Konwinski

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Topic	Pinellas County mask mandate
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Please do not discontinue the mask mandate in Pinellas County. It will be a major step backward and cause confusion. We are moving forward in the fight against COVID-19 and should NOY move backward.
Citizen Name	Anne Barrins
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### Live Form

Topic	Mask Requirement Lift
BCC Agenda Date	
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	Masks are so important for controlling this disease, and should continue to be required until 2021.
Citizen Name	Richard Woods
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### Live Form

Topic	Mask ordinance
BCC Agenda Date	9-01-0202
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	Please DO NOT change the ordinance. We must wear masks, especially with the flu season just around the corner. Science and the doctors all agree, wearing masks is the best way To control The covid 19 pandemic. The majority of people i speak with all agree, keep wearing masks!
Citizen Name	John Drega
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### Live Form

Topic Face masks requirements LIFTED

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

### Comments

Commissioners, for your topic and Vote at Thurs's meeting, of removing the face mask requirements in stores and other public places, LISTEN TO THE CDC AND SCIENTISTS' WARNINGS!! How do some politicians think they know more than DISEASE EXPERTS??? We, the public, will probably need to wear masks for another six to twelve months to get Covid-19's spreading under control, due to the stupidity and self-centeredness of those not wearing masks, who do not care about the health of others AT ALL! KEEP MASKS MANDATORY, FOR ALL OF OUR HEALTH! Please do NOT let the stupid talk of these probable tRump 'supporters' on the Commissioners Board win, over the HEALTH OF THE PEOPLE who want to remain healthy and alive! COUNT all the Pinellas County residents who have gotten very ill or even died! The number is incredibly high!! VOTE TO KEEP FACE MASKS MANDATORY! PLEASE!

Citizen Name Donna Yarish

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### Live Form

Topic	Emergency Order
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Mask ordinance. Please continue to require citizens to wear face coverings in public in Pinellas county. It is the only responsible thing to do as we head into Fall and a predicted second wave of Covid.
Citizen Name	Jennifer Schaeffer
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Phone	941-5184183
Email	jlnandwbs@yahoo.com

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### Live Form

Topic Masking Ordinance

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

#### Comments

Public masking is working, but we aren't out of the woods yet. We don't need a spike in deaths to be our cue to re mask. Masking is how we safely keep our businesses open. Everyone wins. I'm sure our businesses and citizens at large don't want another lockdown. Stay the course on the Local State of Emergency. Folks in WWII sacrificed for years, and to a much greater degree. Let's do our ancestors proud and show we can put up with a "bother" to take care of each other.

Citizen Name Michael Fox

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### Live Form

Topic Mask ordinance

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

#### Comments

Please continue the mask ordinance! Prevention is never sexy and does not look nearly as good as solving a problem. The mask ordinance is working -like seatbelts. We don't get rid of those because they're working and people don't like them. The same goes for smoking. Some people don't like the law but it is saving lives. We don't get rid of it because of whiners. Please listen to health experts and don't give in to selfish individuals who reject science.

Citizen Name Joanna Baden

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Topic	Masks
BCC Agenda Date	
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	we need to keep the mask ordinance for public safety
Citizen Name	Nina Womack
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### Live Form

Topic Masks

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue

Comments Please keep the mask ordinance. I have had Covid19 and it was a nightmare. I was in the hospital for four weeks on a ventilator. This is so serious and I can't believe you are even entertaining this kind of discussion.

Citizen Name Lawrence Butard

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Topic Mask Ordinance

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments DO NOT RESCIND THE MASK ORDINANCE! I support masks. It is the one thing all of us can do to try to make things better. You have the ordinance to reduce cases, and the cases go down so now you are considering lifting the restrictions so the number of cases can go up again? THAT IS INSANE. Keep the ordinance!

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### Live Form

Topic Pro Mask Mandate

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Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments Please don't end the mask mandate. It is literally the only thing that we can do to keep covid at bay! Please listen to scientists, not the politically charged idiots. Please. I work in a small business and most of our clients check to make sure we enforce the mask mandate because they don't feel safe without the masks. Please listen to the science. Not the idiots. Thank you for your help!

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Topic Mask Ordinance

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Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments This is crazy. The reason cases are down is because people are wearing masks. If you do this, people will get sick, people will die. Period. Do not listen to a bunch of crazy people who are so selfish they cannot see that this little action can save lives. Please be a decent human being instead of calculating the political aspects of this.

Citizen Name Fawn Germer

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### Live Form

Topic Mask Wearing

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments Thank you for your leadership and concern for public safety. The pandemic is NOT OVER. Loosening the mask mandates will most definitely cause a spike in cases. Our community cannot handle the strain or loss. Please continue requiring residents to wear a mask to keep us all safe.

Citizen Name Chandra Tracy

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Topic	Mask Mandate
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Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	The head of the CDC says thiat wearing a mask is the best defense of transmission and protection of Covid 19. Please continue this mandate to wear masks indoors!
Citizen Name	Martha Terry
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Email	mst.terry@gmail.com

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Topic	Masks
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Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	I am 71 years old and if people are not required to wear masks I will no longer go to any store, and neither will my friends. This will be bad for both the economy and health of Pinellas county.
Citizen Name	Pennye Goldman
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Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	The director of the CDC said (today) that wearing masks might be more valuable than a future vaccine. Keep the mandate in place.
Citizen Name	Penny Cathey
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Topic	Mask Ordinance
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	I support a pro-mask ordinance. It is critical to keeping all of us safe.
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Topic Mask Ordinance

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

### Comments

I moved to Pinellas County about a month ago. I am looking to purchase a house here and make this county my home. One of the reasons I moved here was because I believed county government to be responsible and prudent. For me, this means ensuring our safety and keeping with a mask ordinance. A mask ordinance keeps people healthier which keeps our economy going. I want to be able to go shopping, out to dinner, and to cultural events. I don't feel safe doing this when I see people out wearing masks, and will instead stay home. Please keep the mask ordinance in place for the benefit of all.

Citizen Name Faithe Estes

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Topic	Emergency order
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Need to wear masks so as not to spread the virus
Citizen Name	Linda Scholten
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Topic Emergency Order

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments I support the wearing of masks! If all of us in Pinellas County continue to wear masks we can keep Covid-19 from spreading. It is working so far and it is too soon to stop wearing masks as this virus is still active in our county. I'm one of the Seniors that are over age 65 and I feel much safer with everyone (or most) wearing masks when inside.

Citizen Name Carol Hoyt

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Topic Masks

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

Comments Please extend the mask order. It is working numbers are improving in Pinellas. If you lift the mask order cases are going to surge Covid has not disappeared. It is still here and until we have either a vaccine or a treatment masks need to stay mandatory. Unfortunately you cannot depend on people to do the right thing.

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### Live Form

Topic The Mandate to Wear Face Masks

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Support

### Comments

Dear Madam or Sir; Below is an edited copy of a message I've sent to you before and will continue to send as often as I can until we have a reliable vaccine. My concern has not diminished and my rationale for keeping the face mask mandate in place has not changed. Keeping the citizens of our county as safe as possible from Covid-19 is not a political matter. It is a dire public health and safety issue best addressed by scientific experts from whom we should take direction. That includes all the measures you have put in place in the absence of leadership on this pandemic at the state level. I thank you for putting our health, indeed our lives, first in your decision-making. We see the wonderful difference that has made as the death count declines. Take away the masks and the cases and deaths will go right back up. Again. I will add here, however, my concern in re antigen testing which can result in false negatives. In re those who think wearing a mask is an infringement on their personal freedom: they have it backwards. To NOT wear a mask is to threaten my life. If the mask was to protect them from getting the virus and they wanted to take their chances by not wearing one, I'd say, "Have at and good luck." But it isn't to protect them. It is to protect the rest of us that they share this county with. They have no right to threaten our lives by not wearing masks. The freedom to stay alive is as personal a freedom as we can have. I am grateful for the strength you are showing in your public role. Please stay strong. Sincerely. Patricia F. Borowiec

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### Live Form

Topic	Emergency order
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Masks are required to keep our positivity rate down and continue to keep our community safe.
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Phone	727-5221775
Email	Jaycoxkaplan@yahoo.com

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### Live Form

Topic	Emergency Order
BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	We are not out of the woods yet. Masks are working. My friends bar JUST got a chance to reopen. Please give them a shot to get back on their feet and keep us all safe.
Citizen Name	Amy Dinovo
Address	2501 18TH AVE N St. Petersburg, FL 33713 United States
Phone	727-4203317
Email	AmyTheWebDiva@gmail.com

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Topic	Emergency order
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Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	I support masks. Our numbers are going down due to your support and the public's compliance.
Citizen Name	Hazel
Address	United States
Phone	
Email	

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BCC Agenda Date	9-17-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Please leave the mask ordinance intact, it's working!
Citizen Name	Kim Gregory
Address	556 14th Ave NE St Pete, Fl 33701 United States
Phone	727-898-2277
Email	kgkimmik@gmail.com

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### Live Form

Topic Local State of Emergency

BCC Agenda Date 9-17-2020

Your Stand on the Issue Undecided

Comments I support the Board of County Commissioners following science and the data for covid-19 cases locally. While the current data is encouraging we want it to stay that way. Lifting the mask ordinance prematurely risks a new wave of infections along with hospitalizations. Use of masks is the simplest, least intrusive way of preventing the spread of infection and allowing businesses to operate in a safe manner with customer and business confidence in their health and safety.

Citizen Name Mary Hanrahan

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Gulfport, FL 33711  
United States

Phone 972-772-9998

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### Live Form

Topic	Emergency Order (Mask Ordinance)
BCC Agenda Date	9-16-2020
Your Stand on the Issue	Support
Comments	Please do not repeal the mask ordinance! The loudest voices in the room do not necessary represent the majority. These decisions should be based on science and data, not politics and emotions. PLEASE HELP KEEP US SAFE. We need you to stand firm Thank you!
Citizen Name	Michelle Davenport
Address	416 Manor Blvd Palm Harbor, Florida 34683 United States
Phone	727-488-8282
Email	shellynet@gmail.com