

City of Ketchum

July 6, 2020

Mayor Bradshaw and City Councilors City of Ketchum Ketchum, Idaho

Mayor Bradshaw and City Councilors:

Recommendation To Adopt Resolution 20-016 Establishing Face Covering Measures

<u>Recommendation and Summary</u> The Mayor is recommending the council adopt Resolution 20-016 and adopt the following motion:

I move to adopt Resolution 20-016.

The reasons for the recommendation are as follows:

- There is a desire to establish measures for wearing face coverings
- A resolution is proposed due to the challenges of enforcing mandatory regulations

Introduction and History

The city of Ketchum has taken a number of actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 in the community. The proposed resolution, similar to that adopted by Blaine County, is proposed for Council action. Also included as an attachment is a Health Order should the Council decide to mandate face coverings. The health order is similar to the order adopted by the City of Hailey.

As proposed, the Resolution would be in effect until December 31, 2020. The health order, similar to what was adopted by the City of Hailey, has no expiration date. The health order provides for a \$100 penalty for violations.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact associated with the recommendation.

Attachments: Resolution 20-016 Health Order 20-03

CITY OF KETCHUM RESOLUTION 20-016

RESOLUTION OF THE KECTHUM CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR FACE COVERINGS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHEN THEY ARE IN PUBLIC PLACES

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person. The virus is spread between individuals who are in close contact with each other through respiratory droplets; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 a public health emergency of international concern; and

WHEREAS, the CDC reports that people are most contagious when they are most symptomatic (the sickest) however some spread might be possible before people show symptoms although that is not the main way the virus spreads; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Idaho Governor Brad Little signed a declaration of emergency for the State of Idaho in response to concerns that cases of COVID-19 are imminent in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, as of June 29, 2020, Idaho was reporting 5752 total cases of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the risk of community spread throughout the city of Ketchum impacts the life and health of the public, and imperils public health by the person-to-person spread of COVID- 19, it is, therefore, necessary to reduce opportunities for the person-to-person transmission of COVID-19 to combat the spread of the disease; and

WHEREAS, infection rates in Idaho have significantly increased in urban areas in recent weeks, and have begun to increase in Blaine County partially due to a swell of summer visitors; and

WHEREAS, the increase in infections is likely to result in an increase in hospitalizations and usage of ICU beds and ventilators; and

WHEREAS, there are no ICU beds or ventilators in Blaine County and there is concern among health care providers in Blaine County that a spike in COVID-19 cases in Blaine County will result in a need to divert critically ill patients, which need will not be met due to a lack of available ICU beds and ventilators statewide; and **WHEREAS**, wearing face coverings is an effective, inexpensive, and simple method of lessening community spread of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, there is a continuing and urgent need to protect all residents, employees and visitors in the city of Ketchum from the risks relating to the COVID-19 pandemic through the protection provided by wearing facial coverings;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. Every person is expected to wear a face covering that completely covers the person's nose and mouth when the person is in a public place and others are present. For purposes of this Resolution:

a. "Public place" means any place, indoor or outdoor, that is open to the public and includes, but is not limited to, businesses or other establishments where people assemble and interact, or members of the general public may enter.

Section 2. Facial coverings are not expected to be worn under the following circumstances:

- a. Children under the age of 5. Parents or guardians are responsible for ensuring that children between the ages of 5 and 17 wear appropriate face coverings as identified under this Resolution.
- b. Persons with medical conditions that prevent them from wearing a face covering.
- c. Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- d. Persons, including on-duty law-enforcement officers, for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
- e. Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose, face, or head for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- f. Persons who are eating or drinking at a restaurant or other establishment that offers food or beverage service, so long as they engage in social distancing.
- g. Persons who are engaged in outdoor activities, work, recreation, or exercise, so long as they engage in social distancing.
- h. Persons who are engaged in indoor exercise, so long as they engage in social distancing.

Section 3. All individuals are expected, except as exempted above, to comply with these standards.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption and shall expire on December 31, 2020 unless repealed, amended or extended.

Passed and approved by the Ketchum City Council on the 6th day of July 2020.

APPROVED:

Neil Bradshaw Mayor

ATTEST

Robin Crotty, City Clerk

CITY OF KETCHUM PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ORDER 20-03

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person. The virus is spread between individuals who are in close contact with each other through respiratory droplets; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 a public health emergency of international concern; and

WHEREAS, the CDC reports that people are most contagious when they are most symptomatic (the sickest) however some spread might be possible before people show symptoms although that is not the main way the virus spreads; and

WHEREAS, on and after March 13, 2020, Idaho Governor Brad Little signed a declaration of emergency for the State of Idaho in response to concerns that cases of COVID-19 are imminent in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, on and after March 13, 2020, the Idaho Governor issued a series Orders addressing public health measures to slow the spread of COVID-19 including the current Stay Healthy Guidelines signed June 11, 2020, and inclusive of the Idaho Rebounds Plan; and

WHEREAS, as of June 30, 2020, Idaho was reporting 5752 total cases of COVID-19, including 209 new cases on June 29, 2020 and 91 deaths to date; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020 the Mayor of the city of Ketchum declared a local disaster emergency, and on March 23, 2020 the Ketchum City Council consented and adopted the Declaration as per the Disaster Preparedness Act (Title 46, Chapter 10 of the Idaho Code), in the city of Ketchum due to the threat that COVID-19 poses to the health and welfare of the residents of Ketchum; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Council for the city of Ketchum adopted Ordinance 1207 establishing emergency powers that provide the authority, purpose, and intent of emergency powers to address the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, infection rates in Idaho have significantly increased in urban areas in recent weeks, and have begun to increase in Blaine County partially due to a swell of summer visitors; and

WHEREAS, the emergency services and local healthcare facilities have limited capacity to handle a significant increase in COVID-19 confirmed cases in Blaine County; and

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain; and

WHEREAS, there is a continuing and urgent need to protect all residents, employees and visitors in the city of Ketchum from the risks relating to the COVID-19 pandemic through the

WHEREAS, the city of Ketchum Mayor and City Council find it necessary to enact additional regulations to strengthen the June 13, 2020 Stage 4 Stay Healthy Guidelines to slow the community spread and protect the health, safety, and welfare of individuals living, working and visiting the city of Ketchum; and

WHEREAS, this Order was considered and approved by the City Council in accordance with provisions of Emergency Ordinance 1207;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council do hereby adopt the following regulations, which shall supersede all prior Public Health Emergency Orders issued by the city of Ketchum, and which shall be in effect until rescinded, superseded or amended by the Mayor or City Council.

SECTION 1 FACE COVERINGS

Every person, shall, when in any indoor public place, completely cover their nose and mouth when members of the public are physically present for otherwise unprotected social interaction.

1. DEFINITIONS: For purposes of this Public Health Emergency Order "public place" shall mean any place open to all members of public without specific invitation, including but not necessarily limited to, retail business establishments, government offices, medical, educational, arts and recreational institutions, public transportation, including taxi cabs and ridesharing vehicles. "Members of the public" shall mean persons not therein employed, present without invitation.

2. EXEMPTIONS:

- a. Children under the age of 5.
- b. Persons who cannot medically tolerate wearing a face covering. A person is not required to provide documentation demonstrating that the person cannot medically tolerate wearing a face covering.
- c. Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.

- d. Persons, including on-duty law-enforcement officers, for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
- e. Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose, face, or head for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- f. Persons who are eating or drinking at a restaurant or other establishment that offers food or beverage service, so long as the person is able to maintain a distance of 6 feet away from persons who are not members of the same household or party as the person.
- g. Outdoor public places where people can employ social distancing as recommended by CDC.

SECTION 2 PENALTIES

Any person who violates any provision of this Order, shall be guilty of an infraction, punishable by a fine of \$100.

SECTION 3 EFFECTIVE DATE AND SUNSET DATE

This Emergency Order shall take effect at 12:00 a.m., on July 7, 2020 and shall remain in effect until rescinded, superseded or amended by the Mayor or City Council.

Passed and approved by the Ketchum City Council on the 6th day of July 2020.

APPROVED:

Neil Bradshaw Mayor

ATTEST

Robin Crotty, City Clerk