

RESOLUTION NO. R2020-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BOONVILLE, MISSOURI, SUPPORTING THE ISSUANCE OF A MASK ADVISORY WITHIN THE CITY OF BOONVILLE, MISSOURI AND CALLING FOR PROACTIVE MEASURES TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF ITS CITIZENS

WHEREAS, the City of Boonville has been closely monitoring the ongoing increase in positive COVID-19 cases in Cooper County; and

WHEREAS, along with increasing numbers of citizens in quarantine due to close contact exposures; and

WHEREAS, as of December 16, 2020, there has been a total of 1389 cases, 81 active cases in Cooper County and 130 hospitalizations in Central Missouri, taxing hospital capacity and impacting regular operations; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 spreads mainly among people who are in close contact with one another (within 6 feet); and

WHEREAS, Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance has shown that wearing a mask can greatly reduce the risk of infection from COVID-19, if residents follow proper mask protocol and wear a mask when social distancing is not possible; and

WHEREAS, since August 24th, all City staff have been required to wear a mask when interacting with the public or coworkers, when multiple staff are in a car together and whenever social distancing is not possible.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Boonville, Missouri, as follows:

SECTION 1: That due to COVID-19, an emergency exists within the City of Boonville, Missouri. This emergency continues to have an increasing impact on our community and the ability of the City government to provide needed services to its citizens.

SECTION 2: That the City Council finds extraordinary proactive measures by the City Administrator and Cooper County Public Health Department are necessary to prevent heath or injury of persons and to protect the public peace, safety and welfare and alleviate damage, loss, hardship, or suffering.


SECTION 3: Therefore, effective immediately, the City of Boonville is issuing a mask advisory. As such, there are no enforcement provisions associated with this Resolution. This is not a mask mandate, but all citizens of Boonville are strongly

encouraged to wear a mask in public places, especially indoors, when social distancing cannot be maintained. CDC recommends staying six (6) feet or more away from others when in public to reduce the possibility of spreading the virus and, remembering to wash your hands with soap and water as often as you feel necessary.

SECTION 4: Effective immediately, all visitors to City Hall and other City facilities are required to wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

SECTION 5: If a person with a health condition or disability is not able to wear a mask, local government and private businesses must consider reasonable modifications so that the person with the health condition or disability can participate in, or benefit from, the programs offered or goods and services that are provided.


PASSED THIS 21st DAY OF DECEMBER, 2020, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOONVILLE, MISSOURI



~~Not Beach~~, Mayor Pro

Morris Carter

ATTEST:



Teresa Studley, City Clerk