



Department Source: City Manager
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: July 6, 2020
Re: Mask usage

Executive Summary

At the request of the Mayor and City Manager, the Law Department has prepared legislation relating to mandatory mask usage.

Discussion

Due to the community spread of the COVID-19 pandemic within the City of Columbia and for the immediate preservation of public health, safety and welfare, this ordinance is enacted as an emergency ordinance within the meaning of Article II of Section 15 of the Home Rule Charter of the City. This ordinance shall go into effect immediately after its passage by six-sevenths (6/7) of the members of the City Council and shall remain in effect for ninety (90) days after the effective date or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded or amended in writing by later adopted ordinances.

The major points are:

- Masks must be worn if indoors and outdoors if closer than six feet. This applies to anyone 10 or over.
- Employers must provide masks to employees.
- There is a list of exceptions, including when with your own household, when exercising and when required to remove the mask by law or based on a medical condition or direction.
- The ordinance may be supplemented or extended by order.
- The fine for violation is \$15 for individuals and \$100.00 for business, non-profit or governmental entities.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A
Long-Term Impact: N/A



Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Public Safety, Secondary Impact: Economy, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action

None.