

**CITY HALL
CEDAR FALLS, IOWA, AUGUST 19, 2020
SPECIAL MEETING, CITY COUNCIL
MAYOR ROBERT M. GREEN PRESIDING**

The City Council of the City of Cedar Falls, Iowa, met in Special Session, pursuant to law, the rules of said Council and prior notice given each member thereof, at 5:30 P.M. on the above date. The Mayor opened the meeting and announced that the meeting was being conducted electronically in conformance with the Governor's Proclamation of Disaster Emergency to limit the spread of COVID-19. Members present: Miller, deBuhr, Kruse, Harding, Darrah, Sires, Dunn. Absent: None.

52958 - It was moved by Dunn and seconded by Darrah that a resolution adopting a face mask mandate for the City of Cedar Falls, be adopted. City Attorney Rogers commented briefly and Mayor Green read a section of the proposed resolution. Following questions and comments by Councilmembers Darrah, deBuhr, Miller, Kruse, Harding, Dunn and Sires and responses by City Attorney Rogers, Mayor Green, Police Chief Berte and Black Hawk County Health Department Doctor Nafissa Cisse Egbuonye, the Mayor called for public comment.

The following individuals spoke in support of the proposed mandate:

Penny Popp, 4805 South Main Street
Sheryl Jaramillo, Community Main Street Board member, 1716 Clay Street
Laura Jimenes, University of Northern Iowa student, 204 Magnolia Drive
Kathryn Sogard, Executive Director of College Hill Partnership, 330
Columbia Circle, Waterloo
Dianne Larsen, 1016 Columbia Drive
Jessica Vickers, 1531 Andover Court
Doctor Catherine Zeman, University of Northern Iowa Professor of
Environmental Health Science

The following individuals spoke opposed to the proposed mandate:

Travis Biggs, 1515 Rainbow Drive
Vicki Van Hauen, 1315 Franklin Street
LeaAnn Saul, 1825 West Greenhill Road
Jenny Bagenstos, business owner, 220 Main Street
Lindsay Messerer, business owner, 922 Rainbow Drive
Zachary Thoma, 861 Maucker Road

The following individuals provided general comments:

Lauren Holst, 1212 West 16th Street
Mike Butler, 1022 Washington Street
Julie Shimek, 104 Main Street
Kim Bear, Community Main Street Executive Director, 3815 Union Road

Mayor Green announced numerous phone messages received both in favor of and opposed to a face mask mandate. It was then moved by Kruse and seconded by Darrah to amend the resolution to state "recommending" instead of "requiring" face

masks. Following additional questions and comments by Councilmembers Miller, Harding, deBuhr, Darrah, Sires, Kruse and Dunn, Mayor Green, Doctor Egbuonye and City Attorney Rogers, Councilmember Kruse withdrew his motion to amend.

It was then moved by Kruse and seconded by deBuhr to postpone the original motion indefinitely. Following due consideration by the Council, the motion to postpone carried 6-1 with Councilmember Dunn voting Nay.

52959 - It was moved by Miller and seconded by Kruse that the meeting be adjourned at 7:39 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Jacqueline Danielsen, MMC, City Clerk