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6:30 p.m. - STUDY SESSION

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Executive summary

Title: Racial equity update and check-in

Recommended action: Provide time for council to understand city’s current racial equity snapshot and discuss council’s next step related to racial equity.

Policy consideration: Is the council’s work and learning in the area of Racial Equity & Inclusion in line with council vision and strategic priorities?

Summary: On January 9 and 10, 2020, council participated in their annual workshop. The majority of the January 10 meeting consisted of a guided conversation on council’s role and responsibility in advancing racial equity within policymaking “building council’s racial equity house.”

The discussion at the special study session will focus on the city’s current racial equity snapshot, continue conversation on the council’s work and learning in advancing racial equity, as well as, reintroducing the Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI).

The city council took the IDI assessment in 2018 as a part of the city’s overall racial equity and inclusion work plan. The IDI is an online, theory-based assessment of intercultural competence that can provide profile results at an individual or organizational level. The results indicate a position along an intercultural development continuum indicating a target for the next stage of growth. It includes questions that allow respondents to describe their experiences in terms of cross-cultural goals, challenges, and critical incidents they face and the ways they navigate those cultural differences.

Financial or budget considerations: Not applicable.

Strategic priority consideration: St. Louis Park is committed to being a leader in racial equity and inclusion in order to create a more just and inclusive community for all.

Supporting documents: None

Prepared by: Alicia Sojourner, racial equity manager
Approved by: Tom Harmening, city manager
Executive summary

**Title:** Connect the Park discussion

**Recommended action:** None at this time. Staff is seeking direction from the council on the construction of the new bikeway, sidewalk and trail segments included in the Connect the park implementation plan.

**Policy consideration:** Does the city council wish to have a series of discussions regarding all the remaining segments of the Connect the Park implementation plan (bikeways, sidewalks, and trails) or only specific types of facilities?

**Summary:** At the Aug. 26, 2019 study session, staff provided the council with a Connect the Park status update and asked the city council the following policy question: ”Does the city council wish staff to continue to pursue the installation of the sidewalk, trail, and bikeway segments identified in this report?”

The council provided staff with feedback that they support the installation of bikeways, sidewalks and trails; however, they felt that there were additional policy questions that needed to be asked, giving staff direction to return at a future study session for additional discussion.

It is anticipated that this study session will be the first of a series of study sessions related to this topic.

**Financial or budget considerations:** The funding source for the Connect the Park segments is General Obligation bonds. This report focuses on a policy discussion as it relates to the Connect the Park implementation plan. The city council’s direction on this policy discussion will likely result in financial or budget considerations in future reports.

**Strategic priority consideration:** St. Louis Park is committed to providing a variety of options for people to make their way around the city comfortably, safely and reliably.

**Supporting documents:**
- Discussion
- The Active Living Sidewalk and Trails Plan
- Aug. 26, 2019 Connect the Park study session report (page 8-18)
- Aug. 26, 2019 study session minutes (page 2-4)
- June 17, 2013 public hearing council report (page 318 – 354)
- Original Connect the Park approved map
- Connect the Park construction status map

**Prepared by:** Jack Sullivan, senior engineering project manager

**Reviewed by:** Debra Heiser, engineering director

**Approved by:** Tom Harmening, city manager
Discussion

Background: There has been extensive public input into the planning and implementation of the city’s bikeways, sidewalks and trails over the years. Plans and policies have been formulated, adopted and updated through citizen committees, action teams, task forces, broader neighborhood and community meetings beginning in 1971 with a sidewalk study, then again in 1999 to develop the Sidewalk and Trails Master Plan, and most recently in 2008 for the Active Living Sidewalks and Trails plan which is the basis of the Connect the Park implementation plan.

Community-wide engagement from those efforts highlighted and rejuvenated interest in expanding and improving the city-wide network of active transportation. The reasoning and focus of each of those efforts evolved and included safety, recreation, economic development, transportation, health, affordability and the environment, but the priority on improving walking and biking has been a constant. These many committees of 8 to 16 residents and business owners devoted months or even years to provide guidance to the plans we are implementing today. Also, many more people attended evening and weekend workshops, information meetings and public hearings.

As part of Vision St. Louis Park in 2007, the city heard from community members that we needed more infrastructure for pedestrians and bicyclists. A group of community members was brought together to create the Active Living: Sidewalks and Trails Plan (linked to this report). The plan called for the creation of a connected network of bikeways, sidewalks and trails throughout the community. They recommended a system that provides sidewalks approximately every 1/4-mile and bikeways every 1/2-mile. These proposed facilities directly connect the city’s residents to parks, schools, restaurants, shopping, jobs, commercial, transit, surrounding communities and the region.

This plan was included in the 2008 Comprehensive Plan update. In 2011, the city council directed staff to develop bikeway, sidewalk and trail implementation plan for the segments identified. This kicked off a city-wide community engagement process prior to the adoption of the Connect the Park implementation plan. Many communications were shared with the public, including two direct mailings to every single address in front of which bikeways, sidewalks or trails were proposed to be built. Multiple meetings were held with the city council to share feedback from the community, consider financing alternatives, assessment policies and determine the priorities of various segments. The engagement process culminated with the city council approving the Connect the Park 10-year capital improvement plan (CIP) on June 17, 2013. It should be noted that not all the segments identified in the Active Living: Sidewalk and Trails Plan were recommended for implementation. Several segments were removed as the result of public feedback.

For an overview of the council policy direction and community feedback that have shaped how staff approaches the design for the bikeway, sidewalk and trail segments included in the Connect the Park CIP, see the Aug. 26, 2019 Connect the Park study session report linked to this report.
**Approved/ completed segments:** Since 2013, the city has made considerable progress in completing the goal of creating a connected network of bikeways, sidewalks and trails throughout the city. As projects are approved, added or deferred, the exact number of miles has shifted. The current CIP will be approximately two thirds complete with the projects built or currently approved by council as of this report.

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<td>3.3 miles</td>
<td>3.7 miles</td>
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Attached to this report is a map showing the location of the facilities built across the community and the segments that are planned to be completed in subsequent years.

**Policy discussion:** Connect the Park is an implementation plan that includes specific segments of bikeway, sidewalk and trail. These segments are shown on the attached map. Much of the focus of the discussions over the last year have been related to bikeway construction.

During the Aug. 26, 2019 study session, the council provided staff with feedback that they support the installation of bikeways, sidewalks and trails; however, they felt that there were additional policy questions that needed to be asked.

Staff heard from the council that they are interested in policy discussion on the following topics:

- Route selection and exploration of alternative routes
- Bike facilities for all age and experience levels
- Construction cost
- Impacts to boulevard trees
- Impacts to street parking
- Public process
- How other Council policy and plans impact the recommended design (Climate Action Plan and Living Streets policy)

Since that time, there have been the addition of two new council members and some time to reflect. Are there any additional policy topics that are not covered in the list above?

The feedback from council was generic to the entire Connect the Park implementation. However, the discussion at the time was during the public process for bikeways on Dakota Avenue and in the Southeast area of town. Since bikeways, sidewalks and trails each have their own distinct design characteristics, they generate different responses to the policy considerations. Better understanding councils’ position on the following policy questions will help staff focus our efforts.

- Does the city council support the routes identified on the Connect the Park map?
  - Is additional discussion needed for bikeway routes?
  - Is additional discussion needed for sidewalk routes?
  - Is additional discussion needed for trail routes?
**Next Steps:** To move forward with a policy discussion on the topics listed above, staff is recommending that a preliminary feasibility review be completed for the remaining segments. This would be done for each facility type where the council believes this additional discussion is necessary. This review would occur prior to moving forward with public engagement and preliminary design.

This feasibility review for all remaining segments could be completed all at once or on a per-segment basis. Staff would bring back to a future study session a more refined list of the policy topics included in the feasibility review.
Exhibit B1
Trail CIP
By Year

Legend
● Future Bridges

Future Trails
- 2013
- 2014
- 2015
- 2020
- Existing Trails
Connect the Park

Study session meeting of July 13, 2020 (Item No. 2)
Title: Connect the Park discussion

Proposed Bikeways - 14.7 miles
Approved Trail Bridge - 0.3 miles
Completed Trails - 2.0 miles
Completed Bikeways - 16.0 miles

Legend
- Completed Sidewalks - 5.0 miles
- Completed Bikeways - 16.0 miles
- Completed Trails - 2.0 miles
- Approved Sidewalks - 0.3 miles
- Approved Bikeways - 5.0 miles
- Approved Trails - 1.0 miles
- Approved Trail Bridge - 0.3 miles
- Proposed Sidewalks - 3.5 miles
- Proposed Bikeways - 14.7 miles
- Proposed Trails - 0.4 miles

City Boundary
Existing Trails
Existing Sidewalks
Approved Trail Bridge
Approved Trail Bridge
Completed Trail Bridge
Approved Bikeways
Completed Bikeways
Completed Sidewalks

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Executive summary

Title: Prioritizing transit options/Operations update

Recommended action: None at this time.

Policy consideration: Should staff implement a pilot program for removing snow from certain bus stops?

Summary: At the request of councilmember Rog, at the October 21 study session council discussed measures that could be taken to improve access, especially during the winter, to transit options in the community (link to minutes). Council directed staff to meet with representatives from Metro Transit and US Bench to better understand capabilities and work towards improved operational response times. Staff has talked to both agencies and information is provided below.

Bus stops with shelters or benches
- Snow is removed at all 35 bus shelters: 12 by City/SSD; 16 by Metro Transit; 7 by private party
- US Bench removes snow at all 49 benches (three are collocated with Metro Transit shelters)
  Note: the timing of removing snow from these facilities varies widely by entity.

Bus stops without a shelter or bench
- Metro Transit does NOT remove snow from any of these sites (311)
- Some of these bus stops have paved surfaces which would make them easier to plow (133)
- Some of these bus stops do not have paved surfaces making plowing difficult (178)

Metro Transit and US Bench indicated they will improve the responsiveness of their winter maintenance crews at bus shelters. The “sign only” bus stops are more difficult to maintain because less than half have paved surfaces. If Council concurs, a pilot program proposed by staff will explore removing snow at some paved stops. Engineering and Operations and Recreation staff will work with Metro Transit staff to explore what it would cost to install concrete pads at their high ridership unpaved stops. For effective public safety and transit operations, unless directed otherwise by the council, city streets will continue to remain the highest snow removal priority.

Operations and Recreation staff have also worked closely with Information Resource staff to create a pilot program for tracking our snow clearing operations on the regional trails. Trail users will be able to track the status of the trail system via the web prior to starting their trip.

Financial or budget considerations: The city typically spends $400K-$500K each winter on snow removal efforts across the entire city network (streets, alleys, sidewalks, trails, parking lots, etc.). A pilot program could be accomplished this winter with minimal overtime costs. Actual costs will be tracked and shared with council next summer.

Strategic priority consideration: St. Louis Park is committed to providing a variety of options for people to make their way around the city comfortably, safely and reliably.

Supporting documents: Examples of the various types of “sign only” bus stops; Oct. 21 mtg. minutes

Prepared by: Mark Hanson, public works superintendent
Reviewed by: Cynthia S. Walsh, director of operations and recreation
Approved by: Tom Harmening, city manager
Figure 1. Sidewalk with paved outwalk to curb line. Candidate for clearing.

Figure 2. Sidewalk with no paved outwalk to curb. Candidate for adding concrete pad in future.
Figure 3. No sidewalk, no paved surface. Possible candidate for concrete pad in future.

Figure 4. Eight-foot trail adjacent to curbline.
Executive summary

Title: COVID-19 pandemic: face coverings

Recommended action: The purpose of this study session is to provide time for the council to consider face covering requirements.

Policy consideration: Does the city council need additional information on COVID-19 pandemic considerations regarding face coverings?

Summary: At the council meeting on July 7, 2020, the council asked for time at the next study session to discuss face coverings. During this meeting staff will provide an update to the city council on:

- COVID-19
- Face covering requirements by other communities
- Face covering campaign
- Race equity considerations
- Election considerations
- Enforcement considerations

Financial or budget considerations: Not applicable at this time.

Strategic priority consideration: Not applicable.

Supporting documents: Discussion
- City of Edina Local Emergency Order No. 2020-03
- City of Minneapolis Proclamation No. 2020-12
- City of St. Paul Executive Order 2020-09
- City of Mankato Ordinance 2020-4
- City of Rochester Third Amendment
- City of Winona Proclamation dated July 7, 2020

Prepared by: Maria Solano, senior management analyst
Reviewed by: Alicia Sojourner, race equity manager
Melissa Kennedy, city clerk
Jacque Smith, communications and marketing manager
Brian Hoffman, building and energy director
Bryan Krueelle, deputy police chief
Steve Koering, fire chief

Approved by: Tom Harmening, city manager
Discussion

Background: The CDC recommends that individuals wear a cloth face covering or face mask over their nose and mouth in all public places where it is difficult to stay 6 feet away from others. On June 28, 2020, the CDC issued the following guidance on face coverings:

- CDC recommends that individuals wear a cloth face covering in public settings and when around people who don’t live in their household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain.
- Cloth face coverings may help people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others.
- Cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings.
- Cloth face coverings should not be worn by children under the age of two or anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

Face mask requirements: To reduce the spread of COVID-19, many communities across the nation and in Minnesota including Minneapolis, St. Paul, Edina, Mankato, Rochester and Winona have adopted face mask requirements (see attached resolutions/ordinances). These requirements ask that people wear face masks in public settings where maintaining social distancing measures is not possible.

It’s important to note that such mandates create expectations by the public for enforcement which would be problematic. In most communities, violations of the face masks requirement are not a criminal offense and are not enforced. Instead cities are focusing on educating the public on the recommendations set by the CDC through face mask campaigns.

Face mask campaign: Although the city does not have a face mask mandate, the city supports the guidelines set by the CDC and MDH. To help reduce the spread of COVID-19 the city has shared the following messages with the community since the end of June in an effort to raise awareness and encourage wearing cloth face coverings. This does not include face mask messaging that took place as part of overall COVID communications from March through the end of June. More communications are planned in the upcoming days and weeks and will be tailored to fit guidance from the state and city.

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| 6/26/20 | mail, email, phone calls | Message to businesses requesting their cooperation in encouraging customers to wear masks
- TwinWest Chamber sent an email to their St. Louis Park members with the message
- Discover St. Louis Park featured the message in their Facebook Live video 7/2/20, including wearing a City of St. Louis Park face mask |
<p>| 6/26/20 | Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor, GovDelivery | As we take cautious steps forward with #StaySafeMN, it’s more important than ever that we protect those most at risk and all do our part to slow the spread of COVID-19. Stop your germs from spreading to others by wearing a mask or cloth face covering |</p>
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<td>MDH videos about proper face mask use in English, Spanish and ASL</td>
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<td>Facebook, Twitter, City website</td>
<td>Wearing a mask or cloth face covering in public can help slow the spread of #COVID19. However, some people with health conditions might not be able to wear a mask. Be kind and wear a mask if you can. Learn more: <a href="http://health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/guidemasks.pdf">http://health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/guidemasks.pdf</a> #StaySafeMN #MaskUpMN</td>
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<td>7/2/20</td>
<td>Twitter</td>
<td>Retweet of MDH message about wearing a mask for Independence Day</td>
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<td>7/6/20</td>
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<td>This spring, we spotted Mayor Jake Spano doing his part in the fight against COVID-19 by wearing a cloth face covering while in public and keeping his germs to himself. Show us how you’re helping to keep Minnesota and St. Louis Park moving in the right direction by sharing your mask selfie! Use the hashtags #MaskUpMN #StaySafeMN</td>
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<td>Tips for face coverings: considerations for people with special health needs, how to make your own, how to clean and wash</td>
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**Race equity considerations:** According to the CDC, “long-standing systemic health and social inequities have put some members of racial and ethnic minority groups at increased risk of getting COVID-19 or experiencing severe illness, regardless of age.” In comparison to whites, BIPOC communities are disproportionately diagnosed with COVID-19. In Minnesota, Black people are 10 times higher, and Latinx people are 15 times more likely than white people to contract COVID-19. In addition to the increased risk of contracting the disease, the BIPOC community is also faced with the following:

- Black men and Asian people, as well as the overall BIPOC community are experiencing racial profiling and harassment due to wearing/not wearing face coverings in public.
- Across the state there are reports of racial profiling by:
  - Police
  - Retail owners/workers
  - Overall public
- White people “policing” BIPOC bodies, as well as, BIPOC choices for wearing/not wearing a mask.
- Frontline workers at retail stores and at restaurants are disproportionally BIPOC. Often frontline workers are tasked with enforcing mask policies that have the potential of leading to confrontations.
- Enforcement of such policies by police could potentially create higher anxiety within the BIPOC community.
- Access to “CDC approved masks” could potentially be a racial and economic issue.
**Elections considerations:** Currently the recommendations of the CDC and MDH are that face coverings are recommended to be worn in public, including when voting. There are significant concerns related to requiring face coverings for voters due to the high risk of legal challenges and practical issues with enforcement. The main issue becomes one of access to voting. Denying service to otherwise eligible voters because they are unable or choose not to wear a face covering is not a recommended practice and such a requirement would not be enforceable by election workers. All eligible voters must be allowed to vote. A voter’s eligibility is not related to anything they may or may not wear. Polling places must find a way to let everyone vote who is eligible to do so. Accommodations should and will be made to limit risk to other voters and election workers from voters who cannot or will not wear a face covering. Should additional requirements be issued through an executive order by the governor, elections staff will work with the city attorney’s office to determine what that means for voters at city polling places.

The following health and safety measures have been implemented by the city clerk and elections staff for early voting and at polling places on Election Day to protect voters and election workers:

- All election workers will be required to wear a face covering while on duty. If they do not have a face covering, one will be provided.
- Table-top plexiglass shields have been purchased for each polling place and will be used at every station to reduce the face-to-face interaction between voters and election workers.
- Single-use pens have been purchased. Voters will be issued a pen upon entering the polling place and will be instructed to either keep the pen or discard it on their way out of the polling place.
- All voting equipment and surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected at a minimum of every 30 minutes or upon request of a voter.
- Hand sanitizer will be offered to all voters as they enter and exit the polling place.
- Election workers will each be issued their own bar of hand soap to be used throughout the day to wash their hands at regular intervals. They will also have hand sanitizer for use as needed at their workstations.
- The total number of people (election workers and voters) allowed in the room used for voting at one time will be limited based on the size of the particular facility and the ability of people to maintain at least a 6-foot separation at all times. This number will be determined for each polling place by the city clerk in accordance with the most current recommendations of the CDC and MDH and in consultation with the city’s emergency management coordinator.
- Election workers will monitor the total number of people in the room used for voting at their polling place and will control the flow of voters into the room. Once capacity is reached, voters will be asked to line up (in some cases this may mean outdoors) and to maintain a minimum 6-foot separation.
- Election workers will offer a disposable face covering to any voter who is not wearing one but would like to.
- Election workers will provide curbside voting service for any voter who requests the service because they cannot wear a face covering or are otherwise unable to enter the polling place. Under current conditions, curbside voting is an opt-in service only. It is not recommended that we require eligible voters who cannot or choose not to wear a
face covering to use an alternative voting process because this could raise questions related to unfair or unequal access to voting services.

- Special signage will be posted at all polling places asking voters to voluntarily choose to wear a face covering, practice physical distancing, and to wash their hands after they have left the polling place as a means of helping the community protect one another from the spread of COVID-19.

- Elections staff have already launched a “Campaign Kindness” effort focused on a community-wide initiative to ask for voluntary compliance and to wear a mask if they choose to vote in person either on Election Day or early at city hall. This campaign will continue for the remainder of the year and also encourages people to vote by mail in 2020 if they are able to do so. This campaign is about protecting one another in the community to help everyone vote safely, stay healthy, and to practice kindness to one another when voting.

The measures outlined above are flexible and subject to change as new or different recommendations are released by the CDC, MDH, or through a governor’s executive order.
CITY OF EDINA
LOCAL EMERGENCY ORDER #2020-03

Amending Local Emergency Order #2020-02
Regarding Required Face Coverings

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Gov. Tim Walz declared a statewide emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Mayor James Hovland issued a Declaration of Local Emergency, to which the City Council consented; and,

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2020, Mayor James Hovland issued an Amendment to the Declaration of Local Emergency, Order #2020-02, to which the City Council consented; and,

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §12.29 authorizes the Mayor to declare an existence of a local emergency, invoke necessary portions of the City's Emergency Operations Plans, and authorizes aid and services in accordance with mutual aid agreements. That authority is also found in Edina City Code, Section 14-23; and,

WHEREAS, James Hovland is the duly elected Mayor of the City of Edina and wishes to invoke the authority provided for in Minn. Stat. §12.29, subd. 1, and Edina City Code section 14-23; and,

WHEREAS, many individuals with COVID-19 are asymptomatic, yet risk transfer of coronavirus to others; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2020, the CDC issued the following guidance on face covering use:

1. CDC recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings and when around people who do not live in your household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain.
2. Cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others.
3. Cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings.
4. Cloth face coverings should NOT be worn by children under the age of 2 or anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance; and
WHEREAS, a substantial number of health care professionals in Edina are recommending the use of face coverings in public spaces to reduce the spread of coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, in a scientific article published in *The Lancet* 2020; 395:1973-87, June, 2020 the study authors found, from a searched review of studies across 16 countries, that face masking could result in a large reduction in the risk of infection; and

WHEREAS, many businesses have already required face coverings for employees and customers and others have indicated they would if the local jurisdiction requires them; and

WHEREAS, wearing a face covering may greatly reduce the community spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of State Orders requiring limitations on both businesses being open and capacity limits is to prevent hospitals and supplies from being overrun; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Order is to minimize the need for future re-closing of businesses based on public health data and to reduce the risks of spreading coronavirus in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES HOVLAND, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EDINA, WITH THE CONSENT OF THE EDINA CITY COUNCIL, DO HEREBY ORDER THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REGULATION:

1. The existing Emergency Declaration, as amended, remains in effect as drafted so long as the State of Minnesota remains under a Peacetime Emergency or further Council action.

2. It is hereby Ordered that starting July 9, 2020, and continuing until the sooner of:
   a. Gov. Walz enacts a statewide order requiring face coverings.
   b. An end to the State's Peacetime Emergency Declaration.
   c. A Resolution of the City Council rescinding the Order.

3. All individuals shall wear a face covering in indoor areas accessible to the public, unless exempted under section 4 below:
   a. Specific to the face covering mandate in section 3, the following shall also apply:
      i. **Restaurants and Bars.** Must include in their COVID-19 Preparedness Plan that all customers wear a face covering when not seated at their table.
      ii. **Spaces of Public Accommodation.** Owners and managers of spaces of public accommodation must include in their COVID-19 Preparedness
Plan that all employees wear a face covering when the individual is within any area open to the public or within six feet of another person. Customers are required to wear a face covering before entering the spaces of public accommodation and must wear the face covering until exiting.

iii. **Public Transportation.** Users are required to wear a face covering before boarding a bus and wear the face covering until the user exits the bus.

iv. **Entertainment Venues.** Users are required to wear a face covering when the user is within six feet of another person. When the user is seated and not within six feet of a person they can remove the face covering, but must wear the face covering when walking to or from their seat and while standing in or walking through public areas such as lobbies and restrooms.

v. **Common Spaces in Multi-Family Residential and Multi-Tenant Office Buildings.** Residents of multi-family housing buildings, and their guests; and tenants, employees and their guests in multi-tenant office buildings shall wear a face covering when in common spaces such as hallways, corridors, lobbies, restrooms, mail rooms, elevators, trash and recycling rooms, fitness rooms, recreation rooms, laundry rooms and other space owned and used in common by the residents, employees and tenants of the building.

4. **Exemptions:** This Order does not apply to:

   i. Facilities operated by the County, State or Federal Government.
   ii. Personal Care Services/Salons that already have State face covering requirements.
   iii. Medical facilities that already have face covering requirements.
   iv. Children 5 years of age or younger.
   v. Individuals actively eating or drinking.
   vi. Individuals temporarily removing the face covering for identification purposes.
   vii. Individuals unable to wear a face covering due to medical, disability, or developmental reasons.
   viii. Individuals speaking to an audience, whether in person or through broadcast, as long as the speaker remains six feet or more away from other individuals.
   ix. Individuals speaking to someone who is deaf or hard of hearing and requires the mouth to be visible to communicate.
   x. Participants in youth sports, as defined by the City of Edina, are exempt from this Order but subject to all requirements under the State's Executive Orders.
xi. Indoor athletic facilities. Indoor athletic facilities shall follow CDC and MDH guidelines. Patrons are not required to wear face coverings or masks while actively participating in permitted athletic activities but are encouraged to wear face coverings when not actively training.

xii. Places of worship

xiii. Public and private school facilities

5. Enforcement:

i. Any individual who fails to comply with this Order will be asked to leave the property by an authorized representative of the business or organization. If the individual continues to refuse to leave, law enforcement may enforce trespassing laws or any other law the individual may violate.

ii. An individual’s subsequent failure to comply with this Order may be subject to the penalty provisions of Sec. 14-23 and Sec. 1-18 of the Edina City Code which provides that in any case other than those in which a violation is expressly stated to be a petty misdemeanor in this Code, any person violating any provision of this Code, or Code any rule or regulation adopted under this will, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be subject to a fine of not more than $1,000.00 or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days or both, plus, in either case, the cost of prosecution. The cost of prosecution may be added to the penalty imposed on every person convicted of violating any provision of this Code.

iii. Businesses and organizations may rely on an individual's statements if they claim to be exempt from the Order due to medical, disability, or developmental reasons.

iv. Any business violating this Order shall be subject to administrative action for any licenses they possess with the City.

6. For purposes of this Order, "face covering" shall mean a manufactured or homemade cloth, paper or plastic covering that fully covers an individual's nose and mouth, secured to the head with ties or straps or simply wrapped around the lower face. The terms "mask" and "face covering" are synonymous.

7. For purposes of this Order, a “space of public accommodation” means a business, refreshment, entertainment, or recreation facility, or an institution of any kind, whether licensed or not, whose goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations are extended, offered, sold, or otherwise made available to the public. Examples include retail stores, rental establishments, City of Edina government buildings, and service establishments as well as recreational facilities, and service centers. This definition includes establishments and facilities that offer food and
beverage not for on-premises consumption, including grocery stores, markets, convenience stores, pharmacies, drug stores, and food pantries.

8. All employers of businesses that are spaces of public accommodation, as defined by this Order, shall require their employees to wear a face covering whenever such employees have face-to-face contact with the public, unless other physical barriers are in place or at least six feet of separation is maintained according to CDC guidelines.

9. The requirement in this Order that face-coverings be worn in certain circumstances is intended to add to (and not substitute for) other practices (such as hand washing, staying home when sick, and maintaining appropriate physical distancing of at least six feet) as recommended by public health officials to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

10. It is recommended that any individual cover their nose and mouth with a mask or a cloth face covering when physical distancing standards or at least six feet of separation cannot be maintained among all individuals in accordance with CDC guidelines when in outdoor spaces.

11. Owners or managers of property subject to this Order shall post written notice of this Order at all points used by the public to access the property.

12. Businesses and organizations are encouraged to provide masks for customers at no or nominal cost.

13. To the extent anything in this Order is inconsistent with the Emergency Executive Order 20-74 of Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz, the language of Emergency Executive Order 20-74 shall take precedence.

This Order is effective 12:01 a.m. (CST) on July 9, 2020.

By: __________________________
Mayor James Hovland
City of Edina, Minnesota
July 8, 2020
Emergency Regulation
Issued pursuant to MCO Section 128.60

I, Jacob Frey, Mayor of the City of Minneapolis, subject to the authority granted to me pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Ch. 12.29, and Minneapolis Code of Ordinances (MCO), Sections 128.50 and 128.60 do hereby proclaim the following Emergency Regulation:

PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR
Emergency Regulation No. 2020-12

Whereas, on March 16, 2020, I declared a local public health emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic in the City of Minneapolis and assumed executive responsibilities attendant thereto; and

Whereas, Governor Walz signed Executive Order 20-56 to rescind the Stay at Home order put in place by Executive Order 20-48, and included in the order that all Minnesotans are strongly encouraged, “to wear a manufactured or homemade cloth face covering when they leave their homes and travel to any public setting where social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies) and to follow face covering guidelines issued by MDH and the CDC until this Executive Order is rescinded. Such face masks and coverings are for source control (to help limit the person wearing the covering from infecting others)”; and

Whereas, pursuant to the authority granted to me pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Ch. 12.29, and Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, Sections 128.50 and 128.60, I am authorized to promulgate emergency regulations to protect the public health, safety, and welfare during this declared emergency; and

Whereas, it is a priority that race and equity be of paramount consideration in enacting and carrying out emergency regulations during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, the data shows that older individuals and those suffering from underlying conditions are prone to more severe disease, and also shows that in Minneapolis Black, Indigenous, people of color, and immigrant community members are testing at a higher rate with Black community members accounting for 35 percent of cases and Hispanic accounting for 18 percent of cases; and

Whereas, COVID-19 cases of community contact or unknown transmission continue to account for over 50 percent of the cases in Minneapolis; and

Whereas the City’s workers and other essential workers continue to provide essential services during this emergency, and some of these critical workers face an outsized risk of exposure, and we must protect these essential workers from infection; and

Whereas health officials are increasingly urging non-medical workers to wear non-medical grade cloth face coverings to help curb the spread of COVID-19, by preventing the transmission of respiratory droplets that contain the virus; and
Whereas, public health experts have determined that it is possible to transmit COVID-19 even before a person shows symptoms; and

Whereas, public health experts have determined that the use of a cloth face covering may reduce the risk of transmission by an infected person as a force multiplier for physical distancing, hand washing, and other prevention measures, understanding that face coverings are not recommended as a replacement for these activities; and

Whereas, according to the CDC, because COVID-19 is primarily transmitted by respiratory droplets, population density plays a significant role in the acceleration of transmission and cities like Minneapolis, the densest city in the State of Minnesota, are at a higher risk while also serving a greater proportion of vulnerable populations; and

Whereas, Minneapolis has 10 percent of the state’s population and 12 percent of the COVID-19 positive cases, in addition Minneapolis accounts for 14 percent of the state’s deaths, including large outbreaks in congregate health care facilities; and

Whereas, as state leaders continue to dial back restrictions in spaces of public accommodation, the City of Minneapolis has redoubled its efforts to maintain good hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette, and physical distancing while proceeding cautiously and with a focus on slowing community spread and avoiding unnecessary strain on our medical system; and

Whereas, to aid in our efforts, under the emergency authorities vested in the Mayor pursuant to the emergency declaration, to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency and adopt additional protections for the preservation of public health and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacob Frey, Mayor of the City of Minneapolis, do hereby order the following emergency regulation:

1. Effective May 26, 2020 any individual who is over age two and able to medically tolerate a face covering shall be required to cover their nose and mouth with a mask or cloth face covering in accordance with CDC guidance when in indoor spaces of public accommodation.

2. All employers of businesses that are spaces of public accommodation as defined by this Order shall require their employees to wear a cloth face covering whenever such employees have face-to-face contact with the public.

Definitions:

3. A space of public accommodation means a business, or an educational, refreshment, entertainment, or recreation facility, or an institution of any kind, whether licensed or not, whose goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations are extended, offered, sold, or otherwise made available to the public. Examples include retail stores, rental establishments, government buildings, and service establishments as well as educational institutions, recreational facilities, and service centers.

4. Cloth face-covering means a covering that fully covers a person’s nose and mouth but is not a Medical-Grade Mask.

5. Medical-Grade Mask means an N95, KN95, surgical, or other mask that would be appropriate for a healthcare setting, or a setting in which direct patient care is provided.
Additional Terms

6. This Order is effective 5:00 p.m. (CST) May 26, 2020 and continuing until further notice or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended.

7. A violation of this Emergency Regulation may be enforced by the issuance of warning letter(s), administrative citation to City-licensed businesses, and/or misdemeanor prosecution. Minn. Stat. § 12.45; MCO § 1.30.

MAY 21 2020
Date

Jacob Frey, Mayor of Minneapolis

ATTEST:

City Clerk

MAY 21 2020
POSTED:
EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-09

I, Melvin Carter III, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, on May 27, 2020, pursuant to Saint Paul Legislative Code Section 13.06, do hereby issue the following Executive Order:


Saint Paul Leg. Code Chapter 13.06(b) provides that, “whenever necessary to meet an emergency … the mayor may by executive order promulgate regulations … for which adequate regulations have not been adopted … respecting the conduct of persons and the use of property during emergencies; the repair, maintenance and safeguarding of essential public services; emergency health, fire and safety regulations; and all other matters which are required to protect public safety, health and welfare in emergencies.”

Governor Walz on March 25, 2020 issued Executive Order 20-20 directing all Minnesotans to Stay at Home with limited exceptions. On April 8, 2020 and April 30, 2020, Governor Walz issued Executive Orders 20-33 and 20-48, respectively, extending and modifying the previous Stay at Home orders. On May 17, 2020, Executive Order 20-48 expired, and Minnesotans are again allowed to leave their homes for certain non-work activities outside of the home, including activities that are not conducive to social distancing and hygiene, for many reasons.

There are documented community acquired COVID-19 cases in Saint Paul. The potential for community contact transmission is especially concerning for vulnerable individuals, emergency workers, and other essential workers who continue to provide services to the community. The CDC and local public health officials recommend that everyone wear a cloth face covering when leaving their homes, regardless of whether they have fever or symptoms of COVID-19. This is because of evidence that people with COVID-19 spread the disease even when they do not have any symptoms. While such coverings are not personal protective equipment, face coverings, whether manufactured or homemade cloth, provide “source control” by helping to limit the person wearing the covering from infecting others and by helping to control the spread of the virus.

Governor Walz’s Executive Order 20-56 issued on May 13, 2020 “strongly encourage(s) all Minnesotans to wear a manufactured or homemade cloth face covering when they leave their homes and travel to any public setting where social distancing measures are difficult to maintain. . . and to follow face covering guidelines issued by MDH and the CDC.”
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Melvin Carter, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, do hereby issue the following Emergency Executive Order:

Regulations:

1. **Individuals At City-Controlled Property:** Must wear a face covering at all times when social distancing of at least 6 feet is not maintained.
2. **Businesses Licensed By the City of Saint Paul:** Must require all Individuals to wear a face covering at all times when social distancing of at least 6 feet is not maintained.
3. **All Businesses:** Strongly encouraged to include in their COVID-19 Preparedness Plan under Governor Walz’ Executive Order 20-56 a requirement that all individuals wear a face covering at all times when social distancing of at least 6 feet is not maintained.

Terms:

1. **Individual:** all persons except young children at risk of suffocation and persons who cannot medically tolerate wearing a face covering.
2. **City-Controlled Property:** includes park facilities, libraries, and City offices and workplaces.
3. **Face Covering:** includes manufactured or homemade cloth face coverings. Face coverings must fully cover an individual’s nose and mouth. Face coverings are not required to be medical-grade masks.

Enforcement:

1. Any Individual who fails to comply with this requirement will be asked to leave any city- controlled property. Any individual who subsequently refuses to leave said property upon request will be deemed to be trespassing and may be subject to criminal penalties as provided by law.
2. Any business licensed by the City of Saint Paul found in violation of this requirement may face adverse licensing action and penalties under Chapter 310 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code.

Pursuant to Chapter 13 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code, this Executive Order will take effect on June 1 following my signature and, if not sooner rescinded or later extended, shall expire at the end of forty (40) days after its effective date or at the end of the declared local emergency to which it relates, whichever occurs first.

Signed: May 27, 2020

Mayor Melvin Carter III
EMERGENCY ORDINANCE UNDER SECTION 2.15 OF THE MANKATO CITY CHARTER RELATING TO COVID-19 AND FACE COVERING REQUIREMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CDC GUIDANCE WHEN IN INDOOR SPACES OF PUBLIC ACOMMODATION (#2020-4)

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Governor Walz issued Emergency Executive Order 20-01, declaring a Peacetime Emergency and coordinating Minnesota’s strategy to protect from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz signed Executive Order 20-56 to rescind the Stay at Home order put in place by Executive Order 20-48, and included in the order that all Minnesotans are strongly encouraged, “to wear a manufactured or homemade cloth face covering when they leave their homes and travel to any public setting where social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies) and to follow face covering guidelines issued by MDH and the CDC until this Executive Order is rescinded. Such face masks and coverings are for source control (to help limit the person wearing the covering from infecting others)”; and

WHEREAS, it is a priority that race and equity be of paramount consideration in enacting and carrying out emergency regulations during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the data shows that older individuals and those suffering from underlying conditions are prone to more severe disease, and also shows that Black, Indigenous, people of color, and immigrant community members are testing at a higher rate with Black and Hispanic community members accounting for a higher percentage of cases; and

WHEREAS, the city's workers and other essential workers continue to provide essential services during this emergency, and some of these critical workers face an outsized risk of exposure, and we must protect these essential workers from infection; and

WHEREAS, health officials are increasingly urging non-medical workers to wear non-medical grade cloth face coverings to help curb the spread of COVID-19, by preventing the transmission of respiratory droplets that contain the virus; and

WHEREAS, public health experts have determined that it is possible to transmit COVID-19 even before a person shows symptoms; and

WHEREAS, public health experts have determined that the use of a cloth face covering may reduce the risk of transmission by an infected person as a force multiplier for physical distancing, hand washing, and other prevention measures, understanding that face coverings are not recommended as a replacement for these activities; and

WHEREAS, as state leaders continue to dial back restrictions in spaces of public accommodation, the city has redoubled its efforts to maintain good hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette, and physical distancing while proceeding cautiously and with a focus on slowing community spread and avoiding unnecessary strain on our medical system.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Mankato that the following emergency regulations be enacted effective July 10, 2020:
1. Any individual who is over age twelve and able to medically tolerate a face covering shall be required to cover their nose and mouth with a mask or cloth face covering in accordance with CDC guidance when in indoor spaces of public accommodation.

2. All employers of businesses that are spaces of public accommodation as defined by this Ordinance shall require their employees to wear a cloth face covering whenever such employees have face to-face contact with the public.

Definitions:

3. A space of public accommodation means a business, refreshment, entertainment, or recreation facility, or an institution of any kind, whether licensed or not, whose goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations are extended, offered, sold, or otherwise made available to the public. Examples include retail stores, rental establishments, City of Mankato government buildings, and service establishments as well as recreational facilities, and service centers. In addition to, establishments and facilities that offer food and beverage not for on-premises consumption, including grocery stores, markets, convenience stores, pharmacies, drug stores, and food pantries, other than those portions of the Place of Public Accommodation.

4. Spaces not considered places of public accommodation are health care facilities, child care facilities, residential care facilities, congregate care facilities, and juvenile justice facilities. Crisis shelters, soup kitchens, or similar institutions. Restaurants and food courts inside the secured zones of airports. This would also include indoor spaces within the campus of Minnesota State University, Mankato.

Exceptions: A face covering or mask shall NOT be required for:

a. Children twelve (12) years of age and under. Face coverings or masks may pose a risk of choking, strangulation, or suffocation to infants and young toddlers

b. Eating or Drinking. Persons may remove face coverings while eating or drinking, when seated at a table with at least six (6) feet of social distance from other patrons, provided that they re-cover their faces when interacting with persons not at their tables or when not seated.

c. Indoor Athletic Facilities (i.e. fitness centers, commercial gyms, etc.). Indoor athletic facilities shall follow CDC guidelines. Patrons are not required to wear face coverings or masks while actively participating in permitted athletic activates, but are encouraged to wear face coverings when not actively training.

d. Movie Theaters and other indoor Entertainment Venues. Persons may remove face coverings when seated in their assigned seat with at least six (6) feet of social distance from other patrons, provided that they re-cover their faces when not seated.

5. Cloth face-covering means a covering that fully covers a person’s nose and mouth but is not a Medical-Grade Mask.

6. Medical-Grade Mask means an N95, KN95, surgical, or other mask that would be appropriate for a healthcare setting, or a setting in which direct patient care is provided.
Additional Terms

7. A violation of this Emergency Regulation may be enforced by the issuance of warning letter(s), administrative citation, and/or misdemeanor prosecution. Minn. Stat. §12.45. City Code.

   a. Licensed Establishments - voluntary compliance will be requested with warning being issued. Further violations would constitute a strike/administrative penalty (Resolution R-16-1212-272 and matrix to include strike and corresponding administrative penalty ($200 plus associated court fees).

   b. Unlicensed Establishments – voluntary compliance will be requested with warning being issued. Further violations would constitute an administrative penalty ($200 plus associated court fees).

   c. Individuals/Patrons – voluntary compliance will be requested with warning being issued. Further violations would be cited as a misdemeanor offense per MS 12.45. The city could request that the district court designate this violation as a payable offense approved by the Minnesota Judicial council. The payable offense would follow the class II nuisance violation of $100 plus applicable court fees. Individuals could elect to not pay the fine and chose a court appearance process with a judge prescribing a different penalty/enforcement.

Repeated violations by an individual or a business would be handled the same. The city would seek voluntary compliance and cite only when the individual or business refuse to comply with the request for compliance.

This Ordinance shall, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.15 of the Mankato City Charter, become effective immediately and shall be published and printed as prescribed for other adopted ordinances.

This Ordinance shall stand repealed as of the 61st day following the date on which it was adopted, unless it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended as adopted by the City Council.

Adopted this 6th day of July, 2020.

Najwa Massad
Mayor

Attest:

Renae Kopischke, MMC
Designated City Clerk
THIRD AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

Amending Local Emergency Regarding Required Face Coverings.

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2020, Governor Tim Walz declared a statewide emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, On March 20, 2020, Mayor Kim Norton issued a Declaration of Local Emergency, to which the Common Council consented; and

WHEREAS, On May 25, 2020, Mayor Kim Norton issued an Amendment to the Declaration of Local Emergency, to which the Common Council consented; and

WHEREAS, On June 27, 2020, Mayor Kim Norton issued a Second Amendment to Declaration of Local Emergency, to which the Common Council consented; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §12.29 authorizes the Mayor to declare an existence of a local emergency, invoke necessary portions of the City’s Emergency Operations Plans, and authorizes aid and services in accordance with mutual aid agreements. That authority is also found in Rochester Code of Ordinances, Section 8-1-5; and

WHEREAS, Kim Norton is the duly elected Mayor of the City of Rochester and wishes to invoke the authority provided for in Minn. Stat. §12.29, subd. 1, and R.C.O. §8-1-5, to declare a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, many individuals with COVID-19 are asymptomatic, yet risk transfer to others. Wearing a face covering greatly reduces risk of community spread; and

WHEREAS, Mayo Clinic supports the wearing of cloth facemasks in public settings. The proper use of facemasks helps to reduce the spread of COVID-19 to vulnerable adults; and

WHEREAS, Olmsted County Public Health Services follows Centers for Disease and Prevention (CDC) recommendations and supports the wearing of cloth face coverings in public settings; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2020, the CDC issued the following guidance on mask use:

1. CDC recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings and when around people who do not live in your household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain.
2. Cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others.
3. Cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings.
4. Cloth face coverings should NOT be worn by children under the age of 2 or
anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

WHEREAS, Rochester is the Med City and has thousands of daily visitors here for medical treatment. Rochester wants these visitors, many with serious underlying medical conditions, to feel safe when they visit; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of State Orders requiring limitations on businesses being open and capacity limits is to prevent hospitals and supplies from being overrun. The purpose of this Order is to minimize the need for future reclosing efforts based on public health data; and

WHEREAS, many businesses have already required masks and others indicated they would if the local jurisdiction requires them.

NOW, THEREFORE, MAYOR NORTON ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The existing Emergency Declaration, as amended, remains in effect as drafted so long as the State of Minnesota remains under a Peacetime Emergency or further Council action.

2. It is hereby Ordered that starting July 8, 2020, and continuing until the sooner of:

   a. Governor Walz enacts a statewide order requiring face coverings.
   b. The City of Rochester Emergency Management Director, in consultation with Mayo Clinic, Olmsted Medical Center and Olmsted County Public Health Services recommends it is no longer necessary.
   c. An end to the State’s Peacetime Emergency Declaration.
   d. Council Resolution.

   f. All individuals shall wear a face covering in indoor areas accessible to the public and while riding in any public bus, unless exempted, as follows:

      i. **Restaurants and Bars** must include in their COVID-19 Preparedness Plan that all customers wear a face covering when not seated at their table.

      ii. **Retail Businesses** must include in their COVID-19 Preparedness Plan that all employees wear a face covering when the individual is within any area open to the public or within six feet of another person. Customers are required to wear a face covering before entering the retail business and must wear the face covering until exiting the retail business.

      iii. **Public Transportation** users are required to wear a face covering before boarding a bus and wear the face covering until the user exits the bus.
iv. **Gyms, Fitness Centers, and Sports Facilities** participants, staff, and spectators are required to wear a face covering at all times when the individual is within six feet of another person. For purposes of this Order, pools, trampoline parks, gymnastics facilities, hockey/skating arenas and climbing walls are considered Sports Facilities.

v. **Entertainment Venue** users are required to wear a face covering when the user is within six feet of another person. When the user is seated and not within six feet of a person they can remove the face covering, but must wear the face covering when walking to or from their seat and while standing in or walking through public areas such as lobbies and restrooms.

g. Exemptions: This Order does not apply to:

i. Facilities operated by the County, State or Federal Government.

ii. Personal Care Services/Salons that already have State face covering requirements.

iii. Medical facilities that already have face covering requirements.

iv. Children two years of age or younger.

v. Individuals actively eating or drinking.

vi. Individuals temporarily removing the face covering for identification purposes.

vii. Individuals unable to wear a face covering due to medical, disability, or developmental reasons.

viii. Individuals speaking to an audience, whether in person or through broadcast, as long as the speaker remains six feet or more away from other individuals.

ix. Individuals speaking to someone who is deaf or hard of hearing and requires the mouth to be visible to communicate.

x. Participants in youth sports are exempt from this Order but subject to all requirements under the State's Executive Orders.

h. Enforcement: Violation of this Order is not a criminal offense. However:

i. Any individual who fails to comply with this Order will be asked to leave by an authorized representative of the business or organization. If the individual continues to refuse to leave, law enforcement may enforce trespassing laws or any other law the individual may violate. Businesses and organizations may rely on an individual's statements if they claim to be exempt from the Order due to medical, disability, or developmental reasons.

ii. Any business violating this Order shall be subject to administrative action for any licenses they possess with the City.
3. For purposes of this Order, “face covering” shall mean a manufactured or homemade cloth covering that fully covers an individual’s nose and mouth. The terms “mask” and “face covering” are synonymous.

4. Businesses and organizations are encouraged to provide masks for customers at no or nominal cost.

5. Restaurants and bars are encouraged to take advantage of outdoor seating.

Dated at Rochester, Minnesota this 6th day of July, 2020.

Kim Norton, Mayor

City Clerk
Mayor’s Proclamation Requiring Face Coverings in Indoor Areas Accessible to the Public
(Pursuant to Winona City Code § 23.06 and Minn. Stat. § 12.29)

WHEREAS, Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019, commonly known as “COVID-19,” which is a respiratory disease that can result in serious injury or death, is spreading globally and has been identified by the World Health Organization (“WHO”) as a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Governor Tim Walz declared a Peacetime State of Emergency to authorize any and all necessary resources to be used in support of the COVID-19 response; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Mayor Mark Peterson and the City Council declared a local emergency regarding COVID-19 that continues in effect until its rescission by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz signed Executive Order 20-56 to rescind the Stay at Home order put in place by Executive Order 20-48, and included in the order that all Minnesotans are strongly encouraged, "to wear a manufactured or homemade cloth face covering when they leave their homes and travel to any public setting where social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies) and to follow face covering guidelines issued by the Minnesota Department of Health (“MDH”) and the Center for Disease Control (“CDC”) until this Executive Order is rescinded. Such face masks and coverings are for source control to help limit the person wearing the covering from infecting others; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2020, the CDC issued the following guidance on face coverings:

1. CDC recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings and when around people who don’t live in your household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain;

2. Cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others;

3. Cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings;

4. Cloth face coverings should NOT be worn by children under the age of 2 or anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance; and
WHEREAS, Winona County Public Health Services follows CDC recommendations and supports the wearing of face coverings in public settings; and

WHEREAS, Winona Health supports the wearing of facemasks in public settings. The proper use of facemasks helps to reduce the spread of COVID-19 to vulnerable adults; and

WHEREAS, many individuals infected with COVID-19 show no symptoms, yet risk transferring the disease to others. Wearing a face covering greatly reduces the risk of COVID-19 being spread through the community; and

WHEREAS, a primary purpose of the above-mentioned State Executive Orders requiring limitation on business operations is to prevent hospitals and supplies from being overrun. The purpose of this declaration is to protect health and safety, and minimize the potential that local businesses and employers may need to reclose due to an increase in state or local COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, many businesses have already required masks within their premises; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.29, subd. 2, necessary aspects of the City of Winona’s disaster plan were invoked by the Mayor’s declaration of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, Section 23.06 of the Winona City Code permits the Mayor to promulgate necessary emergency regulations by proclamation respecting “the conduct of persons . . . during an emergency,” “emergency health . . . regulations,” and “all other matters which are required to protect public safety, health and welfare in emergencies or disasters.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Mark Peterson, Mayor of the City of Winona, hereby declare:

1. All individuals shall wear a face covering in indoor areas accessible to the public and while riding in any public bus or for hire transportation, unless exempted as follows:
   a. Individuals within facilities operated by the County, State or Federal Government;
   b. Individuals within personal care services/salons that already have State face covering requirements;
   c. Individuals within medical facilities that already have face covering requirements;
   d. Children two years of age or younger;
   e. Individuals actively eating or drinking;
   f. Individuals temporarily removing the face covering for identification purposes;
   g. Individuals unable to wear a face covering due to medical, disability, or developmental reasons;
h. Individuals speaking to an audience, whether in person or through broadcast, as long as the speaker remains six feet or more away from other individuals;

i. Individuals speaking to someone who is deaf or hard of hearing and requires the mouth to be visible to communicate;

j. Participants in youth sports who are subject to all requirements under State Orders.

2. Restaurants and Bars must include in their COVID-19 Preparedness Plan that all customers wear a face covering when not seated at their table.

3. Retail Businesses must include in their COVID-19 Preparedness Plan that all employees wear a face covering when the individual is within any area open to the public or within six feet of another person. Customers are required to wear a face covering before entering the retail business and must wear the face covering until exiting the retail business.

4. Public and for hire Transportation users are required to wear a face covering before boarding and entering a bus or for hire vehicle and wear the face covering until the user exits the vehicle.

5. Gyms, Fitness Centers, and Sports Facilities participants, staff, and spectators are required to wear a face covering at all times when the individual is within six feet of another person. For purposes of this declaration, gymnastics facilities, hockey/skating arenas and climbing walls are considered Sports Facilities.

6. Entertainment Venue users are required to wear a face covering when the user is within six feet of another person. When the user is seated and not within six feet of a person they can remove the face covering, but must wear the face covering when walking to or from their seat and while standing in or walking through public areas such as lobbies and restrooms.

7. Enforcement: Violation of this emergency proclamation is not a criminal offense. However:

   a. Any individual who fails to comply with this proclamation will be asked to leave by an authorized representative of the business or organization. If the individual continues to refuse to leave, law enforcement may enforce trespassing laws or any other law the individual may violate. Businesses and organizations may rely on an individual’s statements if they claim to be exempt from the proclamation due to medical, disability, or developmental reasons;

   b. Any business violating this proclamation shall be subject to administrative action for any licenses they possess with the City.
8. For purposes of this proclamation, “face covering” shall mean a manufactured or homemade cloth covering that fully covers an individual’s nose and mouth. The terms “mask” and “face covering” are synonymous.

9. Businesses and organizations are encouraged to provide face coverings for customers at no or nominal cost.

10. Restaurants and bars are encouraged to take advantage of outdoor seating.

11. Effective Date. This emergency proclamation shall take effect at 12:01 a.m., Friday, July 10, 2020. This proclamation shall continue in effect for the effective date until the earlier of the following:

   a. The enactment of a statewide order by Governor Walz requiring face coverings in indoor areas accessible to the public;
   b. The City of Winona Emergency Management Director, in consultation with Winona Health, and Winona County Public Health Services recommends this proclamation is no longer necessary;
   c. The State’s Peacetime Emergency Declaration ends;
   d. The Winona City Council resolves to rescind this declaration;
   e. 30 days after the effective date of this declaration.

Dated this 7th day of July, 2020.

Mark F. Peterson
Mayor

Monica Hennessy Mohan
City Clerk
Executive summary

**Title:** Future study session agenda planning and prioritization

**Recommended action:** **Due to the COVID-19 emergency declaration, this item is considered essential business and is Categorized as *Time-Sensitive***
- The city council and city manager to set the agenda for the regularly scheduled study session on July 27, 2020.

**Policy consideration:** Not applicable.

**Summary:** This report summarizes the proposed agenda for the regularly scheduled study session on July 27, 2020.

**Financial or budget considerations:** Not applicable.

**Strategic priority consideration:** Not applicable.

**Supporting documents:** Tentative agenda – July 27, 2020
  Study session discussion topics and timeline

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**Reviewed by:** Maria Solano, senior management analyst

**Approved by:** Tom Harmening, city manager
July 27, 2020

6:30 p.m. Study session - To be held via videoconference

Tentative discussion items

1. Police use of force policy review – Administrative services/Police (60 minutes)
   Discuss and review the police department’s use of force policy.
   **Due to the COVID-19 emergency declaration, this item is considered essential business and is Categorized as Time-Sensitive**

2. Policing: structural analysis – Administrative services/Police (60 minutes)
   Develop a framework for reviewing the city’s policing model. Discussion will be led by a facilitator.
   **Due to the COVID-19 emergency declaration, this item is considered essential business and is Categorized as Time-Sensitive**

3. Future study session agenda planning – Administrative services (5 minutes)

   Communications/meeting check-in – Administrative services (5 minutes)
   Time for communications between staff and council will be set aside on every study session agenda for the purposes of information sharing.

Written reports

4. P2 Climate action in time of COVID
5. June 2020 monthly financial report
7. Wooddale Station RFP and developer selection process
8. Public art update
9. Arlington Row development update
## Study session discussion topics and timeline

### Future council items

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<td>Discuss public process expectations and outcomes</td>
<td>Staff is working on the approach for undertaking this discussion.</td>
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<td>Revisit housing setback, FAR, &amp; more related to affordable housing</td>
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<td>4&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; qtr. (Oct. 2020?)</td>
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<td>Home-based businesses (HBB)/accessory dwelling units (ADU)</td>
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<td>ADU – 9/29/20; HBB - 1&lt;sup&gt;st&lt;/sup&gt; qtr. 2021</td>
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<td>Public forums at council mtgs</td>
<td>9/23/19 SS. Staff doing research of other cities</td>
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<td>Community and neighborhood sidewalk designations</td>
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<td>Remove mint &amp; menthol exemption from existing</td>
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<td>Easy access to nature, across city, starting w/ low-income</td>
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<td>Changes to sign ordinance</td>
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<td>Sept. 2020</td>
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<td>WHNC Access Fund</td>
<td>*On hold pending direction from school district.</td>
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### Council items in progress

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<td>SS discussion 10/21/19. Staff met with Metro Transit Dec., 2019</td>
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<td>Council asked staff to consider lending options to assist STEP in buying a new bldg.</td>
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<td>Revitalization of Walker Lake area</td>
<td>Council approved updated parking ord. Dec. 2019; Planning Commission working on new zoning ord. and design guidelines for the district – recommendation to council Q4; Construction of phase 1 completed summer 2019</td>
<td>Discussion of ordinance and design guidelines late 2020</td>
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<td>Crime free ordinance/affordable housing strategies</td>
<td>Council reviewed ordinance; Certain provisions of CF ordinance suspended; Workgroup formed; Workgroup presented recommendations to council 6/8/2020.</td>
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Executive summary

Title: 2020 Census update

Recommended action: Please help promote the census through your individual networks, newsletters and communications with residents.

Policy consideration: None. This report provides a status update.

Summary: The 2020 Census is well underway. People can respond now to the census online at www.2020census.gov or call 844-330-2020. The U.S. Census Bureau recently again sent out paper forms to addresses that have not yet responded and that form can be returned in the mail, postage paid. People can self-respond through October 31, 2020; however, the U.S. Census Bureau will begin non-response follow up (door-to-door visits) beginning in August 2020. In-person follow up is the most resource intensive and costly way to collect the information. The Census Bureau will be also be counting people experiencing homelessness in September 2020.

The self-response rates as of 7/1/2020 were:
- 61.9% nationally
- 71.4% Minnesota (best in the nation)
- 75.3% Hennepin County
- 76.6% St. Louis Park
- between 65.6% to 88.5% for the individual census tracts in St. Louis Park

The city was awarded a $7,000 grant from the National League of Cities Census Rapid Response Program. These funds will go to directly support our efforts to increase the count among historically undercounted and hard-to-count communities by deploying more resources to areas with lower response rates and boosting our social media messages to historically undercounted communities. Mayor Spano notified staff of this funding opportunity while he was attending the NLC conference and community development prepared a successful application.

COVID-19 caused disruptions to many of the in-person events and activities staff planned to promote the 2020 Census. Our focus since March has been on social media, emails and text messaging, various paper mailings, virtual phone bank (which has reached more than 12,500 Minnesotans) and communications through rental property owners and managers. The racial equity and inclusion team includes census messaging in their outreach to POCI and rental communities, and work with partner LatinX organizations (i.e. HACER) to promote the census.

Financial or budget considerations: None. This was a budgeted item and the grant funds supplement what the city has used to date.

Strategic priority consideration: St. Louis Park is committed to being a leader in racial equity and inclusion in order to create a more just and inclusive community for all.

Supporting documents: Current 2020 census response rates by neighborhood for St. Louis Park

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Reviewed by: Karen Barton, community development director
Approved by: Tom Harmening, city manager
2020 Census Response Rates

2020 self-response rates (as of 7/1/2020)
2010 self-response rates (final)

Self-Response Rate (%)