



ORDINANCE

RESCINDING THE FACE COVERING ORDINANCES

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-One

WHEREAS the Board of Aldermen passed O-20-018 “Relative to Face Coverings” on May 21, 2020;

WHEREAS the Board of Aldermen passed O-20-029, Amended “Supplemental Requirements Relative to Face Coverings” on September 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS both of these ordinances provide that they shall continue in effect until rescinded by action of the Board of Aldermen.

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Nashua ordains that Ordinance O-20-018 and O-20-029 are hereby rescinded as of 12:01 a.m. on May 26, 2021 with the following guidance to be provided via the ordinance to the citizens of Nashua.

1. In accordance with the Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People established by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, members of the public who are fully vaccinated are no longer required to wear a face covering over their mouth and nose outdoors or indoors where business is conducted unless required by that business, organization or worksite in Nashua.

2. The Board of Health and the Board of Aldermen highly recommend members of the public who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a mask for their own protection and that of others until they are fully vaccinated or until the appropriate health organization deems it safe to not wear a mask. In accordance with CDC recommendations, unvaccinated persons are recommended to stay 6 feet apart from those they do not live with and are recommended to avoid crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces.

3. The Board of Health requires that people traveling on public transportation (planes, trains, buses), in large crowds in indoor settings and healthcare facilities continue to wear masks that cover their nose and mouth in accordance with federal guidelines.

4. The Board of Health recommends local businesses establish their own policies and protocols with regard to face coverings and mask use to protect their staff and patrons. The Board of Health strongly urges that essential businesses, at a minimum, establish hours,

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processes or environments where masks must be worn for the comfort and safety of vulnerable persons.

5. The Board of Health recommends that businesses weigh the risks of protecting the patrons and their staff. If a business requires mask wearing, this would mean both vaccinated and unvaccinated people must comply as at present, they would not have any universally accepted way to distinguish between the two.

6. The Board of Health strongly recommends that schools continue to require mask use until students are vaccinated but the final decision remains with the Board of Education.

7. The Board of Health strongly recommends that all those with conditions who are taking medications that weaken their immune system continue to take all precautions even if they are fully vaccinated as they may not be fully protected.

NOTWITHSTANDING, that the Mayor shall have the authority to adopt rules regarding mask wearing in non-educational city buildings not governed by the Board of Education.

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IN THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

1ST READING May 25, 2021

Referred to:
Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee

2nd Reading May 25, 2021

3rd Reading _____

4th Reading _____

Other Action _____

Passed May 25, 2021

Indefinitely Postponed _____

Defeated _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Kari Wilshire
President

Approved *James W. Donohue*
Mayor's Signature

5/25/21
Date

Endorsed by

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Vetoed: _____

Veto Sustained: _____

Veto Overridden: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

President