

**From:** [Jill Adams](#)  
**To:** [Maria Marsh](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Sierra Vista city council, mayor backtrack decision, mandate face masks amid COVID-19 spike  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 01, 2020 10:05:01 AM

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**From:** Rick Mueller <Rick.Mueller@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 01, 2020 9:45 AM  
**To:** ccrandal <ccrandal@hawaii.edu>  
**Cc:** Jill Adams <Jill.Adams@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV>  
**Subject:** RE: Sierra Vista city council, mayor backtrack decision, mandate face masks amid COVID-19 spike

MS Crandall, As requested, I will place your comments in the record of the 9 July 2020 City Council meeting. Rick Mueller

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**From:** ccrandal [<mailto:ccrandal@hawaii.edu>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020 6:11 PM  
**To:** Rick Mueller <[Rick.Mueller@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV](mailto:Rick.Mueller@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV)>  
**Subject:** Re: Sierra Vista city council, mayor backtrack decision, mandate face masks amid COVID-19 spike

I am sending you this link as part of my displeasure of the mandatory mask wearing mandate that you and the council recently signed. I want this email to be my testimony rather than to go in person to your open public meeting because social distancing is much more effective than mask wearing. If this email is not good enough to be accepted as testimony then let me know if I have to have this email notarized.

**Testimony for the Call to the Public is on 9 July at the Council Meeting in Council Chambers at 5 PM.**

From:  
Carolyn Crandall  
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To:  
Mayor and Council of Sierra Vista, Arizona in reference to the mandatory mask wearing for an indefinite period of time until the "numbers go down for State of Arizona".

<https://technocracy.news/blaylock-face-masks-pose-serious-risks-to-the-healthy/>

In an article published by Technocracy News, Dr. Russell Blaylock wrote that the side effects from prolonged wearing of a face mask "can vary from headaches to increased airway resistance, carbon dioxide accumulation, to hypoxia, all the way to serious life-threatening complications."

"The researchers found that the mask reduced the blood oxygen levels (paO2) significantly. The longer the duration of wearing the mask, the greater the fall in blood oxygen levels," Blaylock wrote.

The potential for masks to reduce oxygen levels in the wearer are important not only because this can lead to passing out, but also because they have been linked to reduced natural immunity.

On 6/29/20 14:35, Rick Mueller wrote:

Ccrandal, I have yet to speak to KVOA on this subject. The next scheduled Call to the Pubic is on 9 July at the Council Meeting in Council Chambers at 5 PM.  
Rick Mueller

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From: ccrandal [<mailto:ccrandal@hawaii.edu>]  
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 2:22 PM  
To: Rick Mueller <[Rick.Mueller@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV](mailto:Rick.Mueller@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV)>  
Subject: Re: Sierra Vista city council, mayor backtrack decision, mandate face masks amid COVID-19 spike

Thank you for replying to me. So you never talked to KVOA? And the quote is fake? Wow. But the order is real. A friend sent me the PDF and it was signed and sealed over the weekend. Will there be a future public comment in the future? If so via the internet, I would like to publicly comment.

Thank you again for your prompt reply to my inquiry.

On 6/29/20 11:58, Rick Mueller wrote:

ccrandal, I did not see the KVOA report. Thank you for making me aware of it. There was no prior decision that was changed and I am quoted, in your email, as saying something I did not say. Unfortunately this is the type of low quality coverage we have come to expect. Rick Mueller

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From: ccrandal [<mailto:ccrandal@hawaii.edu>]  
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 10:31 AM  
To: MayorAndCouncil  
<[MayorAndCouncil@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV](mailto:MayorAndCouncil@SIERRAVISTAAZ.GOV)>  
Subject: Sierra Vista city council, mayor backtrack decision, mandate face masks amid COVID-19 spike

(EDIT: 2x typos fixed)

According to [kvoa.com](http://kvoa.com)

It says, " a mandate that face masks are now required in public." but there is no official directive that I can find @ [www.sierravistaaz.gov](http://www.sierravistaaz.gov), please send link to official directive that hasn't been signed yet according to Adam Curtis who said Friday June 27, 2020, "The mayor's final order on the mask mandate still must be signed."

Is the following a typo?

"“Cases of COVID-19 are increasing rapidly throughout our state and we that have community spread in Sierra Vista,” said Mueller. “

Please clarify, "we that have community spread in Sierra Vista", when the numbers in Sierra Vista are very low percentage in comparison to Maricopa county where most of the cases are in prisons. Mueller's reasoning for the mandate is "Cases of COVID-19 are increasing rapidly throughout our state". It seems to me that mandating face masks in Sierra Vista where the numbers are low is akin to stopping at a green light because five blocks away there is a red light.

And as to the exceptions: it says:

When exercising outdoors alone and in work spaces not open to the general public.

Believe it or not Mr. Mueller, there are people who work HARD lifting 90 pound toilets inside a building in the freight department. Not to mention oversized cabinets, and other heavy lifting. Is that not 'exercise'? Generally working alone with no public access freight team puts the 'exerts' and 'exertion' in the word 'exercise'.

Was there ever an open for public comment period prior to the

mandate? It seems to me to have a Friday night mandate that is unsigned to be effective in 24 hours is an surreptitiously forced fed statute that is a Class 1 misdemeanor and that is not within the City of Sierra Vista rule making procedure

Or is this not even about public health but a form of tax revenue enhancement by going after low hanging fruit? What is the time period for the public to submit comments? Rules are adopted by a process known as "notice and comment" rulemaking. Did the mask mandate go through this process?