

**CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 30
SERIES OF 2020**

**TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE WHEAT RIDGE CITY COUNCIL
REQUESTING THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS IN
ESTABLISHMENTS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Colorado declared a statewide state of emergency in response to coronavirus (COVID-19) virus and disease; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has issued a series of executive orders imposing stay at home requirements to slow the spread of the disease, and which orders currently extend until several dates in May, under revised protocols; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's executive orders have been implemented by public health orders of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE); and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2020, the CDPHE issued its Fourth Updated Public Health Order 20-24 implementing stay at home requirements; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order D 2020 039, ordering workers in Critical Businesses and Critical Government functions to wear non-medical face coverings while working, except where doing so would inhibit the individual's health, and to also wear gloves, to the extent possible when in contact with customers or goods if gloves are provided to workers by the employer; and

WHEREAS, On April 26, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order D 2020 044, introducing the "Safer at Home" phase of slightly relaxed state regulation. That Order, while permitting certain non-critical businesses to open as of May 1, including personal services (salons, dog grooming, personal training, etc.), directs the CDPHE to issue restrictions for such businesses similar to the requirements for Critical Retail, and which will include requiring customers to wear face coverings in such personal service establishments; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2020, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Safety issued its Fourth Amended Public Health Order 20-28, further defining requirements for face coverings for employees and others in establishments open to the public, which order has been extended by the Governor to June 30, 2020 and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Department of Public Health has issued orders mirroring the state orders; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the Wheat Ridge City Council adopted Resolution No. 16, series 2020 declaring an emergency as a result of the Covid-19 virus pandemic

and granting authority to the City Manager to take necessary enumerated actions to address that pandemic within the City; and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of that authority and at the direction of the City Council, the City Manager exercised the authority granted by Resolution No. 16 series 2020 by issuing an order of April 21, 2020 requiring face coverings when entering critical businesses within the City; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 26, Series 2020, the City Council repealed the City Manager's April 21 order and replaced the same with an amended and reissued face covering order, which order expired by its terms at midnight on May 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to request that face coverings to be worn by persons entering establishments open to the public as defined by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that the adoption of this Resolution is necessary for the promotion of health and the suppression of disease; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds and determines that the adoption of this Resolution is proper under Sections 31-15-401(1)(b), 24-33.5-703(3), and 24-33.5-709, C.R.S., and other applicable law

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wheat Ridge, Colorado:

Section 1. Face Covering Request. The City Council hereby extends its action regarding face coverings contained in Resolution 26, Series 2020, by enacting the following Request:

- A. All persons entering an establishment open to the public as defined by the Fourth Amended Public Health Order 20-28 (May 26, 2020) of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, are hereby requested to wear medical or non-medical cloth face coverings, such as to cover their nose and mouth, when entering any such business and in conducting any interactions within such business.
- B. This Request is necessary to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health of essential workers and the residents and visitors of the City. This Request shall go into effect upon adoption of this Resolution and shall expire at midnight on June 22, 2020, unless it is earlier terminated or extended.
- C. This Request is permitted to be more restrictive than any state-issued stay at home order or other public health order, as permitted by the Governor's stay at home orders and associated orders of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

D. The Council strongly urges all citizens, for your own health and safety, and for that of the brave citizens who are staffing the grocery stores, pharmacies and other businesses that are so critical to our daily needs, to comply with this Request. It is only through our collective efforts that we can protect those persons, ourselves and our families. The Council genuinely appreciates your voluntary cooperation.

E. The Council further recommends that business establishments post notice to the public of the recommendation contained in this Request.

Section 2. Effective date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

DONE AND RESOLVED this 1st day of June 2020.

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE



Bud Starker, Mayor

ATTEST:



Steve Kirkpatrick, City Clerk

