Continuing to propagate an attitude of fear and helplessness among citizens in the Sedgwick County community will only lead to further division and animosity. Despite a gross lack of evidence-based, scientific research to show that wearing a "face-covering" around others offers any definable protection from Coronavirus, many individuals continue to live in a state of panic and anxiety. We now look to you, our local leaders, and ask that you take a thoughtful and unbiased look at the benefits and downfalls of requiring Sedgwick County citizens to wear a mask in public. For my part, I believe that the social, physical, and emotional division caused by compelling individuals to live in fear, poses a much greater risk in our community than does allowing individual freedom.

Clare Morgan
Dear Commissioners,

I fully support the mandate and believe this is the BEST way to keep our economy strong and businesses open. It's not enough that some of the business community is requiring masks of their employees and team members, although KUDOS to them for doing it. Customers and the general public should also have some responsibility in keeping employees and fellow citizens safe. Our community and our economy depend on these businesses being open!

I'm deeply concerned that this has become a political issue. This is a public health issue, and the County should have every authority to regulate for the public health, safety and welfare. If this isn't the best example we will ever see in our lifetimes, I don't know what is. Use your power wisely and in the best interest of the public.

Thank you,
Kelli Reid
NO WAY!! Cases going up...so what...let it happen so immunity can be increased. The only vital numbers are hospitalizations and deaths which have remained steady. And...some say the case numbers are padded anyway by the agencies using too wide a definition. Keep the county OPEN!
Please, please support the policy of requiring everyone to wear a mask when indoors, both in public places including retail and in businesses.

We all sacrificed to get the case rate down to about 1.3 cases per day per 100,000 people in early to mid May and now it is over 5 cases per day per 100,000 people. Simultaneously, the Positivity Rate has increased from 1.5% to about 5%. In short, what we have done between late May and now is not working and needs to change.

The best way to help the health and economy of Sedgwick county is to turn that right back around and get those numbers back down to the lower May levels.

I think the best first step is the mask requirement.

Not only am I asking you to support this with policy but I am asking you to enthusiastically support it and to do all you can to persuade businesses and people to comply.

Thanks,

Joe Camenzind
1909 S. Cooper St.
Wichita, KS 67207
As I’ve been out & about in the city, I have noticed how each business has implemented their own mask policies, most of which have been stringent. If there is a need to implement a policy for large box stores or restaurants or bars, that is one thing. To mandate that all people have to wear a mask, EVEN OUTSIDE, is WAY too restrictive. What happened to the statement that a group of 40 people could meet?? Where are we now, that I can’t even have my mother-in-law over to be by the pool without social distancing & a mask. This is getting ridiculous!

Harriet Rosa
(316)722-4404
Communications

From: Vicki Hardaway <VLH51@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:58 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Gov Kelly's Executive Order

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Dear Sedgwick County Commissioners,

It is 100 degrees outside. Forcing anyone to wear a mask outside does not make any sense.

If a business requires their employees to wear a mask and the employee wants that job, so be it. But, I do not plan to frequent any business that requires me to wear a mask.

I attended a baseball game as WSU last Tuesday. 150 people in a stadium that seats 7,800 with every other row blocked off AND WSU still requires you to wear a mask. It was so hard to breathe due to the heat.

The information the state is sharing on the COVID 19 rise in cases does not explain why. Is it because of the increase in testing? Are the young people who are getting the virus going to the hospital? When the state reports deaths, it does not share whether the individual had underlying conditions and died with the virus or from the virus. There are too many unknowns for anyone, including the Governor, to make an educated decision.

Thank for all you do!
Vicki Hardaway
Derby, KS

Virus-free. www.avg.com
Communications

From: Jamie Stolz <dandjstolz@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:55 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Protect our freedoms

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Please allow Sedgwick County citizens to decide for themselves whether they want to wear a mask. I urge you to take action AGAINST the Governor's mandate.

Thank you,
Jamie Stolz
Derby, KS
Good afternoon,

As someone who lives and works in Sedgwick county, I would prefer masks be DISCRETIONARY NOT MANDATORY. We need some rational thinkers in the room.

I want to support local businesses and exercise at my gym without the hinderance of a mask, especially if risk factors are decreased by improved health. Requiring masks will not support either the economy or personal health.

Let us be adults....

Thank you for your consideration

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Joanna Chadwick <joannachadwick20@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:58 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Please vote for mandatory masks

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Please take the politics out of this first of all.

Please vote for mandatory masks.

People continue to prove that they won’t make decisions to help others stay healthy. This is when you need to step in.

Thank you.

Joanna Chadwick
Good afternoon-

I am in favor of masking in public places. I really don’t wish to see a repeat of the lockdown because of an increase in community spread. I do hope that the Commission will heed the medical advice to keep our community safe and healthy.

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From: Julie Elder <julieelder@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:58 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Yes to masks!

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Please mandate masks in Sedgwick County.
Thank you,
Dr. Julie Elde

Sent from my iPhone
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From: Lisa C Quinn <lcq@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:57 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask feedback

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Please follow the governor’s executive order for Sedgwick county

Lisa C Quinn
9411 e bent tree circle
Wichita
Communications

From: Scott Norton <norton3476@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:57 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Please follow through with governors order to mandate masks. We need to come together as a community and start wearing them to avoid more deaths and to avoid shutting down businesses again.

Scott Norton
Good afternoon,

I would like to take this opportunity to urge Sedgwick County Commissioners to stand with Governor Kelly's Executive Order regarding mandatory masks.

Enforcement of masks combined with social distancing will enable our community and economy to remain open while helping to flatten the curve. We recognize that masks are not a cure, but they are proven protection.

I recognize that the enforcement of masks is a challenge, but I encourage this community and group of elected officials to choose to rise to the challenge instead of pushing this back on the individuals.

The choice to not wear a mask stems from selfishness. I wear a mask not only because I am in the high-risk category, but also because I choose to show my love and respect for my friends, family, and strangers I interact with in this community. Should future research show that mask wearing is ineffective, I should hope the worst consequence I experience is the small inconvenience of covering my nose and mouth with some fabric.

Please, take into consideration the legitimate scientific research, listen to the medical community, and support your community through action by the enforcement of face masks.

Thank you for your time.
Nina Longhofer

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Nina Longhofer
ninalonghofer@gmail.com
Communications

From: Louis Cicirello <LCicirello@valleymcenterks.org>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:56 PM
To: Communications
Cc: Brent Clark
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor’s mask order

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Commissioners,
I am asking you to please accept the Governor’s order for mask wearing. We can not afford to go through another shutdown. I understand this would be difficult to enforce and I am not asking for that. I feel if there is an unanimous decision that just says what I stated above that we should all wear masks in public it would go along way in helping keep Sedgwick County’s numbers low like they have been.
I surely don’t want to see what is happening in state like Texas and Arizona happen here.

Thank you.

Lou Cicirello
Mayor
Valley Center KS
mayor@valleycenterks.org
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I do not support the masks. There is too much information on both sides, both for and against, to mandate this. Let us be adults and decide for ourselves.

Thank you for your time.

Sent from my iPhone
Hello,
I understand people not wanting to wear a mask. But this should not be a political issue. This is a health issue. I have a very young daughter who is newly diagnosed with type 1 diabetes (an autoimmune condition). We have been strictly quarantined since the beginning of this nightmare. Our family was so relieved when the mask order was announced. Because it meant our family could return to some normalcy. If everyone wore masks who can’t social distance this would significantly decrease the chance of spreading the virus to others, especially high risk individuals. We could resume life again! Especially in our case, my poor girl fights this horrible disease daily. This would allow her more freedom to do normal children’s activities. The lives of our community are in your hands. Please uphold required masks if unable to social distance! This will get our community, our economy on the right path again. If we all work together we can kill off this virus!
Thank you,
Kayleen

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Nancy Jewell <nejewell@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:53 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) I support the mask mandate

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I am a Sedgwick County resident.
I am afraid to go shopping because people are not wearing masks.
Save our economy.
It’s not about my liberty.
It’s about protecting others.
Use common sense. That’s what Kansans are know for.
Support the mask mandate.

Nancy Jewell
2266 N Belmont
Wichita, Kansas. 67220
We need to implement the face mask mandate because the majority of people are not choosing to wear one out of the goodness of their hearts. They also clearly aren’t even trying to practice social distancing or trying to stay home as much as possible. If I have to go to my essential job during a pandemic, that’s already taken 125k American lives, and help the public, then I need to be as protected as possible from that public. The easiest way is by requiring everyone to wear a face mask.
This will be a trampling of our freedoms that shouldn't pass anywhere. People were willing to be nice and wear a mask while the weather was nice. But wearing a mask in 100 degree weather will raise the amount of heat related injuries and people will not follow the mandate anyway. This mandate would also open the door to other mandated things that are unconstitutional.
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From: Archie Eutsler Jr <archie.eutsler@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:49 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask mandate

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Please. NO MASKS!!
Communications

From: Samantha Paulsen <samantha@cpsglc.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:49 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks - COVID

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No on Masks
I would like to express my SUPPORT for the mask mandate that was issued by the Governor. Sedgwick county needs to get the spread of this virus under control. The mere fact that several residents are spreading this virus both knowingly and unknowingly is getting out of hand. We need to be the example to the rest of Kansas on how to handle this situation.

Everyone needs to realize that me wearing a mask protects you and you wearing a mask protects me. When it comes to making this decision for certain businesses, like restaurants, then you do need to be reasonable about the requirements in that aspect. You should have to wear your mask until you are seated at your table. With Bars and Night Clubs, definitely need to limit the capacity to a strict 50% if not less, you can remove your mask to drink your beverage, but should put your mask back on when you are not drinking anything. We need to quit making this a free for all. The commissioners have a duty to the citizens of Sedgwick county to protect us and do everything necessary to keep us all SAFE!!

This is not about politics AT ALL, this is about humanity and doing what is right for our community so we all can continue to strive and move forward. This mandate has to be ENFORCED for it to work. Businesses should not be afraid to enforce it, law enforcement should not be afraid to enforce this and other establishments should not be afraid to enforce this. If our case count can get down to a manageable amount, then all of this can be looked at again and adjustments can be made.

This unfortunately is our new normal for a while. We cannot do anything else about the spread of this virus until a vaccine and other medical treatments are officially in place to get us out of this. Backlash will happen, we all know that, but those individuals will soon understand that this is for the best and honestly they will get over it. All of us want our lives back to normal, me included and we need the economy to run. Remember the 10th Amendment: Under the U.S. Constitution’s 10th amendment, state governments have the primary authority to control the spread of dangerous diseases within their jurisdictions.

I thank you for taking the time to read my comments and take my thoughts into account. I hope you all make the right decision and enforce the mandate on masks, we all, as a community, will be better off for it and its the only solution that we have until a vaccine is available.

Thank you,
Jonathan Standridge
Communications

From: Sharon Dickgrafe <lou82@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:48 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Please implement the governors mask order. It is the easiest way to stop the continued spread of the virus. This decision should not be a political one, but one for the safety of the community.

Thanks

Sharon Dickgrafe

Sent from my iPhone
Dear Commissioners,

I ask that you please adopt in full the governor's executive order requiring the wearing of masks in public locations. Recommendations from the CDC and the WHO, as well as research on how COVID-19 spreads, indicate that the wearing of masks can significantly decrease the spread of the virus.

My son wrote this on his Facebook page, and the message is the message I'd like you to consider:

"Masks don't protect you. They're not supposed to. They protect everyone around you because during the ~14 day incubation period, carriers are infectious. It also prevents asymptomatic carriers from spreading the disease without knowing it.

"You are NOT preventing yourself from getting the disease by wearing a mask, you're mitigating the transmission of the disease should you have it and not know it.

"Masks prevent spreading, not contracting. Make sense?"

In other words, I wear a mask to protect you, and I hope you would wear a mask to protect me. It's a simple action that indicates you are concerned for the well-being of those around you.

Please take the politics out of this. I ask you to please simply do the right thing and stand behind Gov. Kelly's executive order.

Sincerely,
Cori Dodds
District 5
Thank you for meeting at 4pm today.
My opinion is that the mask mandate from the Governor is an overreach. I know she means well but we are all adults and have been keeping the rate in Sedgwick county low.
We wash our hands and social distance and do all that we can to help fight this.
Right before the holidays seems too much. We don’t have that big of an outbreak. And putting masks on 5, 6, 7, 8 year olds is way too much. That is silly
Thank you for your efforts and time.

Gil Bergkamp
Commissioners,

Thank you for your hard work to be honest I never cared much about the county commission before this all ever even happened! You are obviously working hard to ensure that Sedgwick county runs efficiently while keeping the public’s health in mind.

As a citizen of West Wichita I ask that first of all the WPD and Sedgwick county Sheriffs DO NOT I repeat DO NOT impose any sort of penalty on people who are not wearing a mask. Let’s be honest we have so much bigger fish to fry with a county with 500,000 + people!
I mean in Wichita alone how many shootings, stabbings and crimes have we had during this? I can think of shootings almost everyday in the last couple weeks. What about people who throw fireworks in a crowd of people eating and enjoying a drink on the patio of the Pumphouse?

Come on this should be a personal choice. I believe it is okay for business to recommend or even mandate a mask. They own the business, they should have say whether or not they want accept people who aren’t wearing masks. Also once school gets started as a teacher in the county don’t make me wear a mask, one of the huge reasons I am a teacher is to smile at them, for them to smile back and have that personal interaction.

Don’t make people who are walking together outside wear a mask we’ve had days and heat indexes over 100 Come on. If people want to go to sporting events let them go! If they want to run the risk let them go but don’t tell me where I can go.

If I don’t want to go to a business that makes me wear a mask I just won’t go in and find another business that will accept my business.

Thanks for listening and we will say I’m glad I’m not in your shoes, and ask you take my words as you see fit.

Thank You,
Nathan Lind

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Communications

From: Robert Gilbert <jars557@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL)

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Vote NO on wearing mask when outside. I live in the county. why should we wear masks. like city folks were not living on top of one another like you city folk are.
Communications

From: Patty Quilty <pquilty@live.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I do not support the movement that masks should be mandatory to be worn even when outside! Thank you for listening to my opinion!
Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Carrie Rosell <crosell0308@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:41 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Agree with Mask Mandate- My Covid test pending

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I believe masks are important to public health. I am currently waiting on a covid test to come back. Let me share why we must wear masks until we can get covid results back with faster turn around.

Last Wednesday I had a runny nose. I thought it was likely allergies with the Sahara Dust. It turned into a sore throat. Friday evening, I developed a cough and a fever of 102. I looked up testing sites. I chose CVS because they advertised 2-4 days for results and other places were showing 2 weeks. I wasn't able to get an appointment for a test until Sunday. I took the test, I had been miserable all weekend with flu like symptoms. I woke up Monday of this week and felt great. I still had a lingering cough and runny nose but no fever, no body aches. Wednesday evening I spiked a fever again. My cough is worse. I'm fatigued. I feel horrible. I've added gastrointestinal issues to my symptoms. I call CVS to get results because today is day 4. I am now told it may take 2 weeks. Two freaking weeks!

The limited people I've been around before I had a fever have been going places. They've been in contact with others. They haven't been concerned because I was so much better for 3 days. Since my runny nose, I have personally been in contact with 4 people, 1 is in my household. Those 4 people have had close contact with numerous people. One went to church. Some have started to get a cough. Fourth of July is coming up. I'll be stuck at home. But the people I've come into contact with won't. This is a nightmare. I don't know if my test will be positive or if I just have a cold. But until we can have a 24 hour turnaround on testing, masks should be a requirement.

Thank you,
Carrie Rosell
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Please enforce the Governor’s mask executive order. Numerous other countries have demonstrated the effectiveness of masks, but it only works if we all do it.

Wearing masks saves lives and the economy.

Ian Santry

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Michelle Miller <millermich06@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:41 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask requirement

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I respectfully ask that you lead Sedgwick County in requiring masks. I do not get my information from the media. I follow research through medical sources such as University of Kansas, University of Texas, Johns Hopkins, etc. Across the board, wearing masks and social distancing are quite effective. This is not a political issue. It is a PUBLIC HEALTH issue.
Citizens sometimes need guidance to take care of themselves and others. Hence, we have seatbelt laws, speed limits, and no smoking buildings and areas.
Please require masks for at least several weeks.

Michelle Miller
Hello,

I am writing in expressing my concerns for our public health. The number of COVID-19 across the United States is very alarming. Due to this I believe it is our duty, and more importantly, your duty to do what is necessary to protect life in our communities. Please lay your emotions aside and take the advice of medical professionals and scientists and make masks mandatory in Sedgwick county. This is not a time for a political statement, but instead a time to do what is right and protect the communities you swore to protect. Please do the right thing and make masks mandatory.

Sincerely,

Candice Sullivan

Sent from my iPhone
Hello, my name is Austin Shaw. I have strong opinions about the masks. I have don’t s lot fo research into it and made an academic decision. The masks do not do anything. It is actually doing worse. Everyone most of the day sitting there positioning and touching the mask. So they’re getting a lot of stuff on their mask. And the ones that aren’t that great they’re actually blowing it on to other people and just creating more of a mess. Also the message actually good at keeping things in and out we’re actually doing more harm. Is actually trapping the CO2 you exhale inside the mask. In return actually breathing in CO2 which you shouldn’t do. Why the masks are a problem for me because a lot of people don’t know what’s actually happening. They’re listening to what the media is telling them. There’s a lot of evidence that shows at the coronavirus is not a big deal. You won’t find it on most mainstream media. You have to do more research. It just takes more time. Put a lot of the numbers are skewed and that’s also why people are worried. Also in the median they just put out the numbers of having people died or tested positive. They don’t turn into percent taking that from the population. Which is making the numbers look very high and getting people freaked out. Which is making the numbers look very high in getting people freaked out. The percent would be very small. Another thing about testing positive. Is it that does not mean you have a virus. Just means you tested positive for the new test that is going to be faulty. Another reason why we shouldn’t have a mask wear. It’s just getting people more worried. That will keep people from going out to businesses. They were closed for so long. They cannot afford to lose any more business. It’s not for the sake of the business owners only. It’s also for the workers that can’t afford rent and to buy groceries basic things I need to survive. But also the business owners are still struggling to keep their business alive. I was lucky enough to get a job pretty quickly after things start lifting up. Some people aren’t as lucky as me. I could barely afford rent and groceries. I was worried how much longer I could go. Please take this into deep consideration. I have strong feelings about this and I hope they get expressed. I may be one of the few people actually think like this. But I hope you don’t shut me down just because my viewpoints.

"I can get obsessed by anything if I look at it long enough. That's the curse of being a photographer."

— Irving Penn
Communications

From: Sira Gavin <siragavin@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:39 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask requirements

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Mask requirements are no more infringing than seatbelts, car seats and DUI limits. They are there to keep the masses safe. I pray that our commissioners are capable of putting their political aspirations on the line for the sake collective good. It is hard to go against the masses, but sometimes as leaders we have to be able to do so. We have very little to lose but a lot to gain.

Sent from my iPhone
I fully support Gov. Kelly's recommendations of wearing and enforcing masks, restricting crowd- gathering events, and continuing strict social distancing.
Renee Eberle
Sedgwick Co. resident

Sent from my Verizon Motorola Smartphone
To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Stacey Calderone and I am a resident of Wichita in Sedgwick County. I am writing to implore you to please uphold Governor Kelly’s mask mandate. If we want to get COVID-19 under control it will take all of us, as a community, working together and taking care of each other. This means all of us doing our part by wearing masks in public places to stop the transmission of this virus. The masks work, as proven by the countless other countries around the world that largely have this under control already. Let us please put politics aside for a moment and think about one another as human beings and not with D’s and R’s attached to our names. Let us take care of one another for once, and put the good of us all above the comfort and convenience of one person in one moment. Take the time to think about this logically and with an open mind and with all the facts on hand. Masks, when worn appropriately by a large portion of a population, DO help to stop the transmission of this virus. So please, do the right thing here and uphold the mandate and potentially save some lives.

Thank you.

Stacey Calderone
Communications

From: Fred Farris <ffarris@goddardks.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:35 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I am the Police Chief for Goddard and am adamantly opposed to the latest mask executive order. The data does not support this new mandate as hospitalizations and mortality rates have not increased. We were asked to “flatten the curve”, which we did, and now it is time to let people make their own decisions. If you want to wear a mask and that makes you feel safe, great. If you feel like you are a healthy individual and are comfortable washing your hands and using common sense, great. But this “one size fits all” approach to COVID makes absolutely no sense.

Thank you,

Chief Fred Farris
Goddard Police Department

Sent from my iPhone
I can understand the mask wearing. However I believe it should be everyone's choice. This virus will never go away. When there is a vaccine so many will not go and get it. When I'm out in public I truly see most everyone staying 6ft away from each other. Are we sure the figures didn't rise due to the protests that went on for a few days. Most people didn't wear a mask when they were protesting and yelling. No one seems to want to acknowledge this and it might have been the biggest contributor to the spike increase. I also worry about individuals that work in the heat all day and how wearing a mask may affect their heath. These are just my thoughts.

Enjoy the rest of your day and be safe.
Hello,
My name is Judy Ledbetter. I am a resident of district 5, Jim Howell’s district. I am in favor of keeping the mask requirement for our county. I truly believe this is the only way to be able to continue to move forward with businesses open. It is becoming clearer and clearer that spreading Covid cases will require businesses to be shut down as we have seen in Arizona, Texas, California, and Florida. Please consider the advice of Dr. Minns and Dr. Norman and keep the order in place.

Thank you,

Judy

Sent from my iPhone
First of all, thank you for taking comments from the public on this matter.

I think the most important question to answer on this matter is: what is our goal here? **Specifically**, Are we trying to reach a certain daily case rate? A certain death rate? Something else **quantifiable**?

I imagine many people are resistant to this order because they're concerned that it will go on indefinitely. That this is a feeble effort by the governor to signal the correct "virtues."
Communications

From: Juanita Watkins <kswanderer@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:34 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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YES!!!!!!!! We need masks. Enforce this please. SAVE SOME LIVES
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Please uphold the mask mandate. Citizens lives depend on as do the livelihoods of business owners. Science over politics.

Ashley

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Strom Sloan <stromsloan@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:33 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mandatory facemasks

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To the Sedgwick county commissioners. My name is Strom Sloan I voted for and have previously supported my commissioner, Pete Meitzner. I am commenting and writing in 100% favor of the County commission enacting mandatory face masking for the future until health officials believe there is a consistent and constant downturn in positive cases. Regardless of an uptick in testing, This is not a political matter. It does not matter that a Democratic governor put out an executive order that for Republican men want to push back on. I have never voted Democrat. But your only response to Dr. Gerald men’s previously this week was we need to check with the business community. All you need to check with the business community, if you must, is about the 50% capacity with in person dining recommendation. That has nothing to do with the facemasks. I could list off restaurants that have no employees or management wearing facemasks dishing out food. Shame on the people who go there wearing masks. This is about public health which should be you’re number one concern. If you do not set the example and wear facemasks privately and in public at your meetings talking through them then you’re not doing your job and will no longer have my support unequivocally. Who would’ve thought that commissioner Cruse is the only one with any common sense. She has my full support. Please quickly and expeditiously enact mandatory masking for an indefinite period of time in Sedgwick county. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone
Dear Commissioners,

I’m writing to plead with you to vote to not enforce the Governors executive order. This would be VERY restrictive to our business, if not prohibitive. More importantly, I feel this is a huge overreach from our government and quite frankly will refuse to wear a mask. If this mandate was enforced, as soon as it will be lifted we will be right back in the same spot. Please don’t give into such demands and allow the citizens to deicide for themselves and their families what course of action is best for them as our constitution allows.

Thank you for your service!

Brent Cary
Hollow Metal Door Company
316-630-0300
Wichita, KS 67226
www.hollowmetaldoorcompany.com
I understand that many feel masks decrease risks, but please consider not mandating masks. If stores want to mandate, thats fine. Those who don’t want to wear them will not go into those stores.

Thanks

Tiffany Felmlee
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Please follow Govern Kelly’s advise in its full and unchanged as written. Public’s safety is at stake. Please
Communications

From: Amber Vaughn <e76a88@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:32 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask mandate

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My family fully supports the mask mandate and hope that it will be enforced, if not with fines, at least with businesses being supported in not serving customers without masks. As nurses, we find the level of selfishness and ignorance running rampant in our community right now disheartening, to say the least.

Thanks,

Erica Vaughn
316 993 5404
I attempted to leave a comment using the public comments link, but it was not working. It kept giving me an error message about limiting characters to 750 - I was at 257 characters. I was attempting to send the following comment:

I would just like to encourage you to take this opportunity to opt out of Governor Kelly’s mask mandate.

Wearing a mask should be an individual decision. Keep encouraging common sense actions like hand washing, covering your mouth when you cough/sneeze, and staying home when you are sick. Of course, extra care should be taken around the most vulnerable - hospitals and nursing homes have special safety precautions in place. Enough is enough. Let’s back to the business of living our lives.

Thank you...
Lanna Pincock
1308 S Todd Ct
Wichita, KS 67207
The Governor’s mask order makes perfect sense and is in line with what medical experts think will help slow the spread of this virus. It’s no big deal to wear a mask out in public. The businesses and people have shown that they need government intervention and guidance, so please support the mask order as issued by the Governor. Laura Ice
As someone who works in the medical field and has been exposed first hand to the novel Covid-19 I ABSOLUTELY do NOT agree with wearing masks in public. Many are not even worn properly. How will people get these mandatory masks if they do not already have some laying around? What if they can not financially afford to buy masks for their whole family? We NEED natural herd immunity. Which looks like what is happening. As of the beginning of this week, my understanding was there were 4, yes only 4 Covid patients in our wichita hospitals. None of which are/were on ventilators and none of which will require rehab after. Death rates are going down as are hospitalizations. Why are we not reporting these numbers? Do we really want our officers having to go to calls over a mask?? I try my best to get out and help this economy get going again, but, will not do so if i am forced to wear a mask. I have no idea if anyone will actually even read this. Just a citizen of Sedgwick county tryin to make my voice heard.
I would like to register my opposition to the face mask order. It is unnecessary and unconstitutional. The rates are increasing because of the increase of testing. In addition by allowing the protests which obviously brought together large amounts of people together the government has forfeited any right to try to reinstate any portion of controls. The virus has to have a chance to burn itself out as we need to reach herd immunity. This virus is not as deadly as the flu and most people only suffer minor symptoms. I and many people are tired of this overreaction by the government that is hurting many people. It appears to be political in nature. The health community has lost most of it's political capital as it has repeatedly shown its own incompetence including the county health commissioner who should immediately be fired or resign.

Are hospitals in any danger or being flooded? They are not.

I will give by my money and energy to defeat any commission who votes in favor of requiring masks. I noticed that several commissioners have primary challenges coming up.

Lucas Jacobsen
My name is Alice Bailey living in Sedgwick county. I am a retired RN. There is no scientific information out there that proves masks are effective. I have seen so many people wearing dirty, nasty looking masks especially under their nose. The public has not been trained on wearing masks. There is no specification on these face coverings. Who knows if they are ever washed! People should have the option to wear or not wear. Who is going to enforce this? What will be the punishment? This is another way to divide us! There is no way this virus will ever be contained unless we develop a vaccine or herd immunity. I pray there will not be another shutdown. We will not survive another one.

Thank you. Please prayerfully consider your decision.

Sent from Mail for Windows 10
Communications

From: Jennifer Marcum <jenniferkmarcum@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:30 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Wearing masks

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Please, please make wearing a mask a mandate. It is imperative to keep all residents safe.

Thank you,
Jennifer Marcum

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Debbie Messamore <messamored@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:29 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Make masks mandatory in Sedgwick County!!

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I strongly support the governor’s order and believe the county should uphold and mandate masks.

Debbie Gann

Sent from my iPad
Communications

From: Mitch Morgan <mollyshome@att.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:28 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) mask requirement

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Please do not make us wear masks in public!! It's ridiculous especially outside and especially for children! There is no scientific proof it negatively affects the transmission of covid 19, they only serve to make people more fearful and this will lead to altercations.

Jenny Morgan

Every day is a Gift
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Please vote to support Governor Kelly to mandate masks. I'm afraid if we don't mandate this, people will ignore it and we will end up in another shut down. I am a republican, but I still support her on this critical issue. Thank you!

Kindest regards,
Sue Clay

Sent from my iPad
The commission needs to mandate and enforce the wearing of masks.

If any (R) states that it infringes on their personal rights or masks are bad because you can't breath while wearing one, THEY HAVE BECOME PRO CHOICE AND ARE NO LONGER ALLOWED TO FIGHT AGAINST A WOMENS RIGHT TO CHOOSE AND NO LONGER TELL WOMEN TO COVER UP BABIES WHEN BREAST FEEDING.

Killing Sedgwick County Citizens will not make them richer and keep the economy going.

Matthew Roberts
Valley Center KS
Communications

From: Angie Bielefeld <angiebielefeld5@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:27 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Michael O'Donnell for Sedgwick County created a poll.
23 hrs · 📆

For residents of Sedgwick County Commission District 2: Do you support Governor Kelly's order to force Kansans to wear a mask in public?

60% Yes I support the order ☑

40% No I oppose the order

This poll ends in 43 minutes Undo Vote

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To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this communication as support for mandating the use of masks in public. I am not in a "high-risk" category, but I feel that all those who are should be protected. The data supports that transmission is slowed down with the use of face masks. My family will only shop at places which mandate that their customers wear masks. I would go to so many other stores and eat often at restaurants if everyone wore masks. There are many others like me who would stimulate our local economy.

It is sad that protection of American citizens is now a national political topic. Please vote in the best health interest of the people of Sedgwick County, and not succumb to the political divisiveness of most of the rest of the country!

Thank you for your time and service!
Communications

From: Michael Owen <ems8@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:26 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face masks

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It seems that most of the medical community in Wichita, including Dr Means, strongly believe that face masks along with proper social distancing, is the only way we will be able to stop the spread of Covid-19.

The daily increase in cases in Sedgwick County should send a strong alarm to the Sedgwick County Commissioners and it should be an easy decision to insist that everyone should wear a mask while out in public.

It’s only the simpleminded people who aren’t smart enough to know that a mask might just save their life, and they need direction to do the right thing.

The Sedgwick County Commission can be part of the solution by endorsing the wearing of masks, or be the problem. The decision seems easy.

Thank-you for the consideration,

Michael E Owen
SCEMS-Retired
Communications

From: Nancy Johnson <nejott@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:25 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I think that masks should be worn as per recommended. This should not be a political issue. It is a public health issue. Thanks

Sent from my iPad
Communications

From: Crista Strong <bugsy1977@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:22 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask mandate

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It is illogical to the law abiding public that requirement and enforcement of masks has again come to the forefront of debate considering the hundreds of protests all across the country, including Wichita, where masks and social distancing were not encouraged or enforced in the MEDIA or by the GOVERNOR or MAYOR. The PEACEFUL protestors were utilizing their constitutional rights the same way we are as FREE citizens who choose not to wear a mask. When we free citizens feel like our government and medical institutions both locally and nationwide are being transparent and truthful about masks and their impact and the TRUE Covid death toll (rather than attributing all deaths to COVID despite pre-existing conditions), we may then choose to heed their advice. As this has not this occurred thus far, I will err on the side of choosing for myself and my family not to wear masks since we are not in a high risk group. In society, if you have any health condition that puts you at risk it is your choice to avoid high risk situations, not the rest of society’s responsibility. If I have a compromised immune system I must take precautions for myself. It is called personal responsibility, but society has forgotten what that is these days. I cannot expect the rest of society to completely alter their life for my situation.

Furthermore, Governor Kelly is a big advocate of “My Body, My Choice” when terminating the life of the unborn so I don’t think it is such a stretch to use that same phrase regarding masks. My body, my choice if I expose myself to COVID. And before any rebuttal of my choice affecting someone else’s health, remember all the demands/choices of the current pandemic/anarchist climate are affecting my health too.

Respectfully Yours,
A Concerned Tax-Paying Voting Citizen

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: dustin@metalarts-wichita.com
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:19 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask Requirements

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I ask the following be read and listened to. I believe masks should be optional.


https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/covid-19/podcasts-webinars/special-ep-masks
Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

Begin forwarded message:

On Thursday, July 2, 2020, 2:15 PM, Julie Thorpe <jthorpe55@yahoo.com> wrote:

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

Begin forwarded message:

On Thursday, July 2, 2020, 1:35 PM, Julie Thorpe <jthorpe55@yahoo.com> wrote:

I hope you will support the governor’s executive order on masks. I am a full time caregiver in addition I have a compromised immune system. I am tired of being home because the general public can not be respectful to their fellow citizens. I wear my mask to protect others, but they do not wear theirs to protect me. I order most items online. I have also used curbside but have found that the employees are not wearing masks so it is hard to be exposed to someone who might be a carrier. Our numbers in Sedgwick County are climbing at rapid rate. Let’s try and stop this before it gets so out of control we cannot. It is just like a seatbelt. Put it on when you leave the house. It is for everyone’s protection. Such a simple act of consideration. People say they are not going to be told what to do and their rights are being infringed upon. What about the right of those who have compromised immune systems. I have had others say well you stay home anyway. Maybe they should live in my shoes for abit. Please do not make this a party issues. Put aside your political affiliations and think of the people in Sedgwick County.

Sincerely,
Julie A. Thorpe

Sent from my iPad
There is research that shows masks don't work to prevent the spread of viruses, as well as masks can CAUSE spread of virus.

See

New meta-analysis on whether masks work to prevent or cause:


Thanks for all the work you do and we pray you will make the right decision in this area.

The Duersken family
I am In Favor of the mandate of masking.
I live in the one of the zip codes with the highest rates of infection in Sedgwick County and I feel like this request of the public is warranted.

Thank you,
Michelle Gronewold
Communications

From: amh8203@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:14 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Please, please, please support and uphold the mandatory mask mandate. Our state needs this to get cases under control and schools back in session. This is not a political issue. It is a public health issue. If we want our business and restaurants to remain open, it is a small sacrifice to make. Please do what is right for the people of Sedgwick County and uphold this mandate.

Thank You
Aundrea Hanson

Sent from my iPhone
**Communications**

From: mcrabtree2 <mcrabtree2@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:14 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Executive Order #20-52 Vote No MASK INFO

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https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=pZiGJUbqww

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device
No masks!!!!!!!
Communications

From: Keven Junk <mcjmail15@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:13 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Yes to masks!

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I am writing to say Yes! In this current pandemic, something none of us have had to battle before, why would we not try to do all we can to keep people safe - people alive?

Make face masks mandatory!

Keven McDonald
5311 Stoneborough, 67217
Register Republican

Via Keven McDonald - iPad
Communications

From: Ryan McCoskey <rmccoskey@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:13 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Executive Order #20-52

First, thank you for all your hard work on behalf of Sedgwick County residents. This is a tough season for many, and your jobs have not been made any easier. So thank you for leaning in and serving the best you can!

Here's my question:

After viewing Dr. Garold Minns' talk about masks and social distancing on Tuesday, I figured that organizations like churches could perhaps be exempt from masks if services were intentionally smaller to allow for ample social distancing. This would certainly help parents to not have to manage their young children (6+) playing with masks and such all throughout a service. People are seated during a service, of course, and not moving around.

Although the governor's executive order doesn't allow for such an exemption in section 3 of the document, I would like to recommend that Sedgwick County make for this allowance.

If a church works hard to spread out over multiple services, and to maintain plenty of distance, could you please consider allowing such an exemption? This would be a great relief to many parents, especially with multiple kids, in view of them sitting together for a service. The goal here is not to subvert any government order, or to treat COVID as a matter of little significance, but to allow for means of stopping the spread in a way that serves families who attend a church service, and allows a corporate church gathering to feel a little more welcoming & normative in this odd season.

Thank you kindly for the consideration!
I support the enforcing of the governor’s mask mandate. Law enforcement officers write tickets for not wearing seat belts. I see this as a similar infraction that deserves a similar response.

Thank you,

Penny Cornett
Plane of Mercy Travel Coordinator
Topics Editor
Midian Shrine
130 N Topeka
Wichita, KS 67202
316-265-9676, ext 1
Good afternoon. I am writing in full support of Governor Kelly's mask mandate. I beg the commissioners to follow this order. We are seeing a tremendous spike of COVID infections in our community, and this is one of our few tools we have to possibly stop the spread. As a small business owner (Wave & Cotillion), I have been deeply impacted by the economic effects of this virus. In fact, we just decided to close Wave just today for the foreseeable future as we're hemorrhaging money by simply being open. Our business model is based on large public gatherings at concerts. There are no concert tours going out right now, and there is no model to gather thousands of people together safely. My businesses cannot function in our current pandemic dominated world. Currently our only hope to get this virus under control is by mandating people wear masks. Recommending an action does not work with large groups of people. I implore you, as a constituent and a small business owner, please please allow the executive order mandating wearing masks to stand.
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I am writing in SUPPORT of mandated mask use! Please do not continue to allow the ill-informed make the rest of us ill!

Thank you!

Kellie Ochsner

Sent from my iPhone
Thank you for taking the time to read my email. Please heed the warnings and MAKE the people of Sedgwick County WEAR A MASK! Don't think that "we" as a collective will do the right thing, we clearly will not! I know that this isn't a popular idea, but Science has spoken, logic has not!

Thanks
Tessa Feliciano-Case
The sooner we all get to controlling this problem, the sooner we can all get back to normalcy as much as possible. Wear it not to only protect yourself, but others who are vulnerable, weak and susceptible to the effects of covid19. If everyone in the world wore a mask for 2 weeks at the same time, we’d be done with this pandemic.
We hope that the county will decide that masks are NOT mandatory! It is so hot here now and wearing the masks is very uncomfortable. We are grown adults and can make our own decision as to wearing or not wearing the masks.
Thank you,
Sue & Ralph Vautravers
Communications

From: Amy Cox <amy@thesunshinegroup.biz>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:08 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) FW: Please support Gov. Kelly's mask mandate

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-------- Original message --------
From: Amy Cox <amy@thesunshinegroup.biz>
Date: 6/30/20 10:26 AM (GMT-07:00)
To: pete.meitzner@sedgwick.gov
Subject: Please support Gov. Kelly's mask mandate

Hello Commissioner Meitzner,
I am a resident in your district and am asking that you follow the governor and the health officers recommendations to mandate masks in public. They are proven to be partially effective in helping spread COVID-19. As our county and state's numbers are on a dramatic rise, something must be done to slow the spread to ensure our medical community can keep up. This is a simple step without negative economic consequences, unlike having to shut businesses again. Please demonstrate your leadership and ability to put the safety of your constituents first.

thank you,
Amy Cox
1726 N. Cypress St, Wichita, 67206
Communications

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Please do the right thing for the county and leave the mask requirement in place. It is the only way the economy will continue to recover. People who are concerned about their safety don't openly participate in the economy. Also it is a matter of basic respect. Your wearing a mask shows your concern and respect for my health and safety. Rhonda Sullivan
Communications

From: Kris Rogers <krisrogers58@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:07 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mandatory mask requirement discussion

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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing in support of a mandatory mask requirement for Sedgwick county.

Medical and economic experts agree that mask use is needed to control disease spread and for economic recovery. Your decision should be based on both of these realities.

I live in a part of the county where Covid19 cases are rising. A mask is a small inconvenience to keep those that live, work or play here healthy. Unintentional spread is easily curbed with a mask.

I am also concerned about legal liability the county takes on if its policy is less restrictive than the Governors order. I urge you to do your due diligence and obtain legal advice regarding this prior to making a decision.

In addition, consider a small fine for noncompliance, with $$ going to a covid19 fund for those who refuse to mask up without cause. At the least, it can offset the cost of providing these individuals with a mask.

Kris Rogers
912 N Spaulding Ave
Wichita, KS
I am writing this in regards to the current Executive Order given by Governor Kelly for the mandated use of masks. Although we have seen evidence by both sides of the issue with regards to the efficacy of wearing masks, there is still no hard data that supports the continual use, both indoors and out, that masks will make enough impact in the community to stop the spread of COVID-19. Without submitting an overload of evidence that is contrary to mandated masks, I’m asking to consider, instead, the legal and Constitutional criteria for implementing such an order.

Attorney General William Barr recently stated that the “Constitution isn’t suspended” for COVID-19. This is perhaps the single most important statement in recent weeks concerning elected officials and the decisions being made. Elected leaders, while here to serve the people, are not above individual liberty (or responsibility) and freedoms afforded to us in the Constitution. Our nation has weathered many wars, pandemics, epidemics, and other catastrophes, yet never was the Constitution thwarted because of a virus. While our cases in Sedgwick County continue to rise because of aggressive testing, our mortality rates and hospitalizations have remained low. This indicates a movement towards herd immunity, which is vital to achieve until a safe vaccine can be distributed. We must give guidelines, but let the citizens be responsible for their own lives, and maintain our liberties. It is VITAL that we hold our freedoms sacred, especially in lieu of a virus that has a 99% survival rate. An order like this, especially given during the Independence Day holiday, would be a slap in the face to liberty and to the citizens, who will NOT forget that they will have to celebrate their independence from tyranny by being forced to conform to it.

Lori Kraus
Colwich, KS
Communications

From: Nicholas Myers <nemyers1111@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:06 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) MASK ORDER

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I Nicholas Myers, United States Citizen and 20 year resident of Sedgwick County am 100% against mandatory mask order. Especially when the Kansas Legislature exempt, what is their exemption based on? Rules for thee but not for me? Are they better than regular citizens?
This is absolutely ridiculous.
I will not comply! thankyou

Concerned Citizen,

Nicholas Myers
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I cannot for the life of me figure out why people are fighting this! As an RN, I am 100% in favor of this mandate. Sadly, we don’t have federal leadership on this issue, but please please please do everything you can to keep us safe!

Thank you
Stacie Hydock
Sent from my iPhone
Please overturn the governor’s mask mandate. If you don’t, every one of you that supports the mandate, will not be re-elected. I WILL NOT wear a mask. I haven’t worn one yet and guess what???? I haven’t contracted the Covid 19. Look at the real numbers!!!! It is unconstitutional to require masks!!!! Do the right thing please!!!!! Thank you!
Communications

From: Suz <t whoreinks@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:04 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) COVID-19

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Follow Governor’s guidelines- It’s the only way to get this over with so we can move on. Your previous choice not to comply with her orders didn’t work.

Sent from my iPhone
Sedgwick County Commissioners,

Please allow individuals the choice of wearing masks and businesses the choice of requiring a mask to be worn in their business.

The data on the Sedg Co. Dashboard does not demonstrate the need for Gov Kelly's extreme action for our area. The original reason for wearing of masks was "so the hospitals would not be overrun with cases - flatten the curve" and here in Sedgwick county that objective has been accomplished. Yes, hospitalizations continue to fluctuate but the total has never gone above 10 since the reopening in mid May and were actually down 40% from last week. The incidence rate of 6 hospitalizations last week for a population of over one half of a million people WITHOUT masks is VERY manageable.

A second reason for consideration would be that this directive would unfairly target our hospitality industry making small business survival/jobs all the more precarious.

We repeatedly hear the buzz phrase "data driven decisions" and I encourage us to follow that pattern and not succumb to decisions driven by anxiety and other emotions.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Nancy Dahlinger
Wichita, KS
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Please enforce the mask policy. At the bare minimum all officers should be given disposable masks to hand out to people that aren’t wearing one. This is the only way we can prevent the spread of Covid. Please learn from other countries and states that have greatly reduced and nearly eradicated Covid.
Communications

From: Sheri Razook <sherirazook@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:01 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Say NO to Mask Policy

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This executive order is an absolute overreach and masks should not be mandated!! Many of us have figured out how to safely stay our distance in businesses. Most businesses have figured out how to protect their employees. It wouldn’t have mattered if we had waited to open businesses in July, August or beyond, we knew cases would continue and be more widespread. But yet we have a governor that wants to continue pushing executive orders. Executive orders that she has no power to execute as I understand it. We know enough about this virus to know who is most vulnerable. We need to stop punishing an entire population. We are given limited information regarding this surge in cases -where are they coming from (a great majority have been from nursing homes, prisons, meat-packing plants, and long-term facilities), what ages and how many of them have underlying conditions, and what is the severity of the illness - but yet we are supposed to comply with another set of orders. For every study that says masks make a difference, there are another 3 that say the opposite. I also fear the requirement will further create division, and in some cases violence, for those who choose to comply and those who don’t. We the people will decide when and where we need to wear a mask, and what businesses we feel comfortable occupying, not politicians. Our freedoms have been trampled for months now. Enough!!! Let us live our lives, and in doing so, many of us will always take into consideration the welfare of our community.

Say No to the Mask Order!!!!
Communications

From: Steve Ricke <snmkricke@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:01 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) NO mask mandate

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We do not need a Nanny state telling us how to keep ourselves healthy by mandating a mask that cannot possible stop any virus. Anything other than a professionally fitted N95 will NOT stop not only Covid 19 --but any virus. Even an improperly fitted or improperly constructed N95 will not slow down or stop any virus.

I have worked in and been registered in the health field since 1973 and did work in a major trauma hospital here in Wichita. Strict Isolation is no stranger to me. There are so many diseases that can either make one seriously ill or cause death.

Covid 19 is one of many viruses that exist every year. It is faulty reasoning to believe that it is more important than HIV/AIDS,, E coli, Salmonella, Hepatitis A B C Mandating flimsy and hand made thin masks make one feel like they are doing something, but in fact, they can only block dust or pollen. If you can smell smoke or perfume thru a mask, it cannot possibly block a virus that can only be seen with a microscope.

If there was no Presidential election this year, no one would know what Covid 19 was. It would be just another virus that existed causing you to get sick like our yearly cold/virus season. The reaction to this virus is highly overboard.

Do not get fooled twice by the "experts" that keep changing their minds on how to approach this virus.

I am an adult with Constitutional rights and still exist in a Republic. Do not treat me and the people of Sedgwick county as irresponsible serfs.

Mary Kay Ricke
104 N Tarabury
Wichita KS 67212
snmkricke@yahoo.com
Communications

From: Carol Wasylk <cwasylk@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:01 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Of course a mask should be worn when a person is out in public or where there are other people around. The Dr from Wesley commented - it's just a mask and if you can't wear one to stop pain and suffering you should rethink what a mask means. It's not political.

On your webpage it has a notation that says wear a mask. It seems like some of you are thinking way too hard about things that just make sense. Keep it simple and wear a mask like our governor said.

Carolyn Wasylk - voter

3372 Riverdale Rd

Wichita KS 67204
sYou know that this is a smart thing to do. Anyone that thinks that it is her overstepping her boundries is crazy at a time like this. I wear a mask when I am away from home and in the public. Do I really like it (NO) but I know that I am protecting myself and others. But I would feel safer if all others wore a mask.

IT IS NO ONE’S RIGHT TO GET THIS VIRUS AND SPREAD IT TO OTHERS JUST BECAUSE THEY DO NOT WANT TO WEAR A MASK.

Now is the time for the govenor to be stepping in because people just do not and will not make smart choices to protect the public and their family and friends etc.

If you guys on the commission are going to go against her wishes then you do not deserve to be where you are at and I wonder why you are acting against something that is for all of us so that we may survive this horrible virus.

Someone such as the govenor needed to step in and make a jugement because it seems like the people are too stupid to make their own for the health of us all. We pay for the leadership that we have in Kansas /Local and state to help keep us safe and make good decisions for the good of us ALL. I feel that she is making a smart choice for us all to help us get through this. Otherwise this is going to go on for how long? How many people will lose their lives because they do not want to do such a simple thing as following guidelines set up by even our health officials.

God help us if we can't make a little better judgments to protect all that are presented with this virus knowing it and not knowing it. Thank god that we have the medical profession to follow behind and TRY and clean up the mess of people that spread this killer virus around and willing to lose their own lives to help us heal. If this the beginning of the end?

Estle Adair
Communications

From: sharon ziegler <srz2856@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 2:00 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Yes to wear masks

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Yes Sedgwick County should follow the Governor's order.

Sharon Ziegler
Hello,

I will not be wearing a face mask because they don't work and make things worse. First off I have asthma and i wear glasses. I cant breathe with it on and it fogs up my glasses so I can't breathe or see. I also work at a daycare and it's already hot in my room there. I cant be expected to wear a mask i will pass out in there. Please only let people wear a mask if they want to. Do the right thing!

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
People should have the freedom to do their own risk analysis and do what they think is necessary to protect themselves.

Given the hospitalization rates and fatality rates, the governor's current panic appears unwarranted.

The CDC is still uncertain if cloth face masks help. While recommending them, they only state (repeatedly) that the "may help". If there's no measurable benefit to masks, the wearing of masks should NOT be mandatory.
Communications

From: Sandra Reinhard <sreinhard850@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:59 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask

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Just wear the mask! And some consequences for businesses that don't enforce it that will keep people from blowing it off.
Communications

From: Carol Hirsh <cghirsh@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:58 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) masks

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We ABSOLUTELY need to require masks in Wichita!
Carol Hirsh 1933 S 127th East
Wichita, KS 67207
I couldn’t get the public comments to work, so I figured I’d email it to you instead.

You have the right to stay home if you desire to to stay away from people without masks. Businesses also have the right to require masks to come into their stores, but no one should be able to force someone to wear a mask. There’s many people who have trouble breathing as it is because of medical conditions. They shouldn’t be required to wear a mask. Even though Governor Kelly specifically stated those people with medical conditions do not have to wear one, many of the Walmart workers telling people they can’t come in without a mask won’t let them in because they will be power hungry or simply because they will think they are lying.

I personally cannot wear a mask. I have done so when asked to by stores, but I’ve almost passed out from wearing them. I do not have the lung capacity for it. I do not have a specific medical condition, I’m just 7.5 months pregnant with a 4 lb. child laying on my diaphragm. If I restrict my oxygen levels and pass out, it could be detrimental to my child’s health. Even though I have this issue, I doubt it would be considered “a medical condition”. I fear that I would be forced to put a mask on, and instead would just have to stay home again. I also fear that due to Governor Kelly’s order, I’ll have to wear a mask while in labor and delivery at the hospital. This is my first successful pregnancy, and I’m very concerned about losing another child due to this. Basically, I feel if you feel comfortable going out into public, you should be able to do so freely. If you feel unsafe or uncomfortable because I’m not wearing a mask, you are welcome to stay the recommended 6 feet away from me or you can stay home and use services like Amazon, Doordash, Instacart, and many many other services who are thriving during this time.

Thank you for your time. I’m praying for your decision.
Communications

From: Bill Van Deventer <kawboybill@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:58 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) COVID

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Sent from my iPhone This needs to stop being a political issue. This is the health and safety of our community. Business are not having to shut down. People are just being asked to put a mask on when entering a public place. It’s ok different than no shirt no shoes no service. Please do the right thing and put politics aside
Communications

From: l_friess83 <l_friess83@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:57 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I do not support mandatory face masks. Do not give in to this dictator we have for a Governor!

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
Communications

From: Julie White <brianewhite@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:57 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) County Commission special meeting of 7/2/2020, re virus prevention.

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Please pass onto the county commission how vitally important it is that they follow & adopt the county health officer/dr’s advice. Our county is quickly becoming a hot spot & we will only increase these next few weeks because of the contact the commissioners have allowed this past 6 weeks. We will see an upswing continue because of the contact at bars & sporting events going on now. I am so upset about seeing the doctor’s advice politicized & used for political advantage rather than accepting the fact that he is giving advice to a degree of medical certainty to prevent illness & death! I want to see my elderly parents whom I haven’t been able to see since February! I want our high schoolers (& all students) to be able to attend school & have sports & graduations & dances. I want an end to the perception that using preventative measures to end a pandemic somehow is unconstitutional! If we had followed the governor’s guidelines in May we would not now be in this situation!

Thank you for your attention.
Julie White

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Garret Moyer <garretmoyer6@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:56 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly's Executive Order #20-52 (Confidential: my address included for proof of residency)

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Sedgwick County Commissioners:

Although I agree with what I like to call 'physical distancing,' I do not agree with mandating a face mask under Governor Kelly’s Executive Order #20-52 because this is a personal choice (i.e., freedom). Finally, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) only says a mask should be worn when 6 feet is not available and not mandating them.

Wear cloth face covering:
"Cloth face coverings should be worn over the nose and mouth. Cloth face coverings are especially important when it is difficult to stay at least 6 feet apart from others or when people are indoors to help protect each other. Cloth face coverings may slow the spread of the virus and help people who may have the virus and do not know it from transmitting it to others. Wearing a cloth face covering helps protects others in case you’re infected, while others wear one to protect you should they be infected". (see https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html).

Thank you for your in this matter,

Garret Moyer
9911 E. 21st N
Wichita, Kansas
Hello,

I do not believe it is the government’s responsibility to mandate that everyone wears masks. It should be a recommendation only, the government does not have the authority to mandate that masks are worn. I live in Butler county however travel and shop daily within Sedwick county and my fiancé works in downtown Wichita. If the order is adopted in Sedwick county, enforced or not, I will not comply with the order based on principle.

I think this will also be the case for many residents who appreciate the freedoms this county offers and I think that any attempt at enforcement action will certainly overwhelm local resources.

Thank you,
-Shane
Communications

From: Molly Noon <behavierbynoon@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:55 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) masks

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I work in education and travel throughout Kansas to public schools. I work with students who don't always understand new rules and I will likely be exposed to the virus in the fall.

I have 70 year old parents and a 95 year old grandmother. I have stayed at home and have not engaged w/ the ICT economy much since schools were closed, so I could spend as much time as possible with my family until schools re-open. A mask order for Wichita would allow me to engage more with local businesses again, instead of spending my money with national online companies. I would love to feel safer in my community again, instead of feeling trapped in my home.

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Molly Noon, BCBA, CCC-SLP
Behavior By Noon
Hello,

I'm hopeful that **all commissioners** will take today's meeting more seriously than your previous meeting May 26th!

I live in the Jim Howells 5th district and I was SOOOO Unimpressed with the handling of the prior meeting and am hopeful that you would recognize that you failed to keep the public's health a priority. What I witnessed during that meeting was an uninterested smug like behavior by the leader, as if it was somehow all a Joke. For **those of you who voted** to lift all restrictions that day show it was an OBVIOUS Failure, especially in ensuring the public health and safety of our community.

You should look at the data  **(Seriously this time)** collected since the May 26th decision to lift all restrictions. Maybe then you will see where you went wrong and take the correct actions today! I'm hopeful, but will be watching.

You know the old saying, Hindsight is 20/20, take off your blinders and put on your thinking Caps...for Goodness Sake!

Regards,

Karry Jacobson
Communications

From: Shelly Crader <schristine5@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:53 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks in public

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As a nurse practitioner, I was taught to seek out the evidence. Nurse for 23 years, NP for 5. First let me say, epidemiological studies CANNOT AND DO NOT PROVE CAUSATION. That is basic statistics. Only a randomized controlled trial can do that. We have multiple RCTs showing masks do NOT prevent transmission of respiratory viruses. This is excellent evidence. I highly doubt any of the studies on COVID and masks are RCTs, but I haven’t seen any so I’m not 100% sure.

Also, we know for a fact that masks do cause decreased O2 and headaches. OSHA states it is unsafe to breathe less than 19.5 % oxygen. There are videos on YouTube of people using sensors with masks and they ABSOLUTELY lower inhaled oxygen to below 19.5%. Those of us forced to wear masks all day for work can tell you they definitely cause headaches. And it’s not fair to ask us to then wear masks in our free time WHEN THEY DON’T WORK. Fauci himself initially said we didn’t need them. All they do is give a false sense of security. People touch their faces 50 times more while wearing them.

PLEASE DO NOT TAKE MORE OF OUR RIGHTS AWAY FOR A FALSE NARRATIVE.

LOOK UP the studies on Pub Med - they are there!! I don’t have links handy or I’d provide them.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Shelly Crader, APRN
Wichita, KS 67213

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Marti Smith <marthajanesmithii@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:53 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Support for mask requirements

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Dear Commissioners,

As long-time residents of Sedgwick County, my husband and I urge you not to do anything to limit the new Kansas mask requirements in Sedgwick County.

- Business people should be aware of their responsibilities in relation to the health and safety of the community, including both customers/clients and their own employees. These should be their top set of priorities.
- People who reject wearing masks on First Amendment grounds should be aware that Constitutional rights are not without restrictions where their exercise puts other people at risk of serious physical harm.

You should not allow selfish interests to prevail. Please put the community’s health and safety first in this matter.

Sincerely yours,
Martha J. Smith
Communications

From: Christopher Parisho <christopher.parisho@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:53 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Re the Governor's Mask Order

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I do not agree with the order by the Governor requiring people to wear masks.

People, including the Governor, are panicking and living in hysteria about COVID.

They are letting fear override facts and reason.

Hospitalizations and deaths are not rising. The vast majority of the new cases are people who are healthy and low risk so they recover with minimal symptoms or complications.

From the beginning of this outbreak the bar has been changed. First we needed to prevent overwhelming our medical care facilities. We did that. Then the standard became stopping the spread, which is a nearly impossible standard.

I'm all for voluntary precautions for the average person. Those who are at high risk (like our elderly or people with compromised immune systems) might need to take extra precautions. People might need to limit contact with high risk people if they've been out and about where they could have been exposed. Most of the deaths in SG County have been in elderly care facilities, so I could understand strict rules about visiting and having workers at those facilities be tested regularly.

Please do not approve to impose the Governor's order.

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Christopher Parisho
311 S Exposition
Wichita KS, 67213
316 806-2198
Our limited research shows that masks are helpful in preventing the spread of Covid. You have the ability to error on the side of caution and require masks in all public areas. If we are wrong and we over reacting, people live. If we do nothing people will die. This is an issue of public safety. We have stop signs and require seat belts because it saves lives. Masks have the ability to do the same thing. It is time to act!

Jennifer Talkington Sy

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
I have so many issues with this executive order:

1. It is not voted on by the governed.
2. Masks absolutely do not work. Even if they did, it’s not up to any government to tell me how to best protect myself and/or my family.
3. The numbers and data regarding infection rate, severity of and rate of death are no greater than an average year of influenza.
4. This one of many steps taken by government to trample on the liberty of the individual.
5. If you are scared, at high risk or whatever your reasoning maybe you can CHOOSE to wear a mask or stay home. I CHOOSE to not wear a mask.

Please do not encourage this unconstitutional behavior. Our liberties as Americans have been gradually and steadily stripped from the governed for generations. I expect you as politicians to, above all else, defend the rights of the individual.

Thank you,
Greg Cary

Greg Cary
316-630-0300
Hollow Metal Door Co.
www.hollowmetaldoorcompany.com
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Our family supports the governor in mandating masks for Sedgwick Co.
Stupid idea, let the herd mentality run its course. If people feel safer then let them make the decision to wear a mask. Vote the Liberal Democrat Hacks out of office, they have no common sense and can’t act without the DNC making all decisions for them!!

Sent from Mail for Windows 10
Communications

From: Sara Askew <sarabrooke@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:51 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I am absolutely for masks. They are an easy, affordable way to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus. While studies have shown they only do a modest job of keeping the virus from infecting the wearer, they do an excellent job of keeping the virus contained to the wearer. This means that if I am positive and I wear a mask, that mask helps reduce the chance of me giving to another person. Whereas if I am not wearing a mask, and I cough while being positive, another person near me wearing a mask may be infected. Because they are not as effective worn this way. My mask protects you, and your mask protects me.

Masks are a great way to help stop the spread from a symptomatic or presymptomatic person to others in the community. While our numbers are not terrible yet, they are on the rise. It’s great to say social distancing will make masks unnecessary, but Wichitans have proven they do not plan to social distance themselves from others.

If we want businesses to remain open, and school to start in the fall like normal, now is the time to stop the spread. And masks can help stop the spread. If we do not mandate masks, and our numbers increase, the economy and our school children will suffer the consequences.

Please listen to the health experts!!!!!

Thank you
Communications

From: marylnielsen@msn.com
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:53 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask rule

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Please Commissioners, support the state-wide mandate for masks in public places.

The lives of our people are at stake. The evidence is overwhelming that universal wearing of masks in public places reduces the spread of coronavirus-19. Our economy will not recover until we get this virus under control.

Please support the state rule.

Sincerely,
Mary L Nielsen, MD
Communications

From: Ali Marchant <ali.mchant@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:49 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask Mandate

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Masks have the potential to mitigate the spread of this horrible disease with the least economic impact on the residents of Sedgwick County. Skyrocketing Covid-19 cases aren’t beneficial for anyone, regardless of your political beliefs. Additionally, requiring residents to wear masks in public is no different than requiring them to wear shirts or pants. It’s all about public health. Please stop politicizing this outbreak and do what’s best for our citizens and adopt the Governor’s mandate for wearing masks.

Sincerely,
Ali Marchant (a Sedgwick County resident)

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Derek Tanner <d_tanner68@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:48 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask

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With 1278 cases out of over 500,000 people in the county and 548 active cases. There is no reason for the government to require anything of its citizens. This is a political stunt!! We should not be required to wear a mask!!!!
Sent from my iPhone
I do not feel we should be required by government to wear a mask. It should be my personal choice. If I don’t want to be around others without masks, there are plenty of pick up options for necessities. Most businesses have made accommodations for this. This will cause civil issues between all the citizens.....based on personal beliefs. I feel like the Governor is following suit with her party and our numbers do not warrant a mandate like this on every individual to wear a mask.

Kelly Stephens
Wichita Resident

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Teri Leedom <ceoteri@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:48 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Don’t you think we are just delaying the inevitable and probably going to make things worse for the economy, the health system, and individuals by not wearing masks? It is just common sense. Being in denial and trying to appease those that oppose will most likely lead to preventable community crisis in the near future. Look at other states that are basically in crisis, it all began the same as things are here now. It inches it’s way into communities. It seems to me that it is better to make masks required now while things are still manageable so businesses can remain open and though different, people can remain active in the community than to delay and have to start closing businesses and activities.

Teri Leedom
You've heard the science and the medical that say mandatory masks are a need. You asked the doctor questions and he gave you solid answers. You approved money for the expansion of the morgue due directly to anticipated Covid deaths so you must know the prignosis is real and grim. Masks hurt no one to use. They are a very minor inconvenience at best. They can keep our state, our county, from ending up with record cases, that is not in doubt. Climbing numbers will hurt our economy. We will face another shut down if we don't control this. People will simply stop going and doing things if our numbers continue to climb. Unfortunately people and places are not willing to voluntarily do what is right and best for all, they need an order. Vote yes on mask. Do the right thing.

Lea Payne

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
I will keep this short. As commissioners and local officials elected by us, the citizens of Sedgwick county, please do NOT attempt to try to enforce a "mandate" from the Governor's office. This "mandate" is in direct violation of my civil liberties. If others want to protect themselves from illness, please let them; let us be responsible for our own health and wellbeing. In all due respect, you were elected to represent, "We The People", and as for this person, I say DO NOT ENFORCE or adopt this "mandate" from the Governor. Thank You.

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Jon G
Communications

From: Kathy Linnebur <klinnebur@datacenterinc.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:47 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Exec Order #20-52 - Requiring Face Masks

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Please veto this or put as much of a stop to this as you can. People need to be responsible for themselves. And, the police have already said they are not going to enforce it. So why even “require” if its not going to be enforced.
The number of cases have gone up because the number of tests available have increased. I urge you to let us be “free” to make our own decisions.

Thanks,

Kathy Linnebur
If you check, not only with scientists but with medical doctors in the relevant field, you will find many different conclusions. Some say masks are only cosmetic, some that possibly they might work, and some say they only stop 2% of any possible infectious particles.

WE THE PEOPLE are tired of the government (whether Federal or Local) trampling on our INALIENABLE RIGHTS.

IT was okay to go to Wal-Mart or Dillon or Home Depot, but we couldn't attend Church services. It's okay to protest without masks, but you'd better wear one when you step out of your home. TWO INALIENABLE RIGHTS according to the First Amendment, Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Assembly.

I believe, on the whole, we are a responsible people. Those in government elected BY THE PEOPLE should remember, they can also be un-elected.

To wear a mask or not should be a responsible decision made by each citizen according to their circumstances and in consideration of the people with whom they come in contact.

Thank you for asking for input rather that making an "executive decision".
Communications

From:  
   wesley shockey <shockeywt@yahoo.com>
Sent:  
   Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:46 PM
To:  
   Communications
Subject:  
   (EXTERNAL) Mask mandate

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How could our county officials possibly justify Following this mandate from our governor after we've been told one incorrect and inaccurate thing after another from the beginning of this Covid outbreak not to mention that we are now 3+ months into it and we're just now being asked to wear masks the smartest and healthiest thing this community could do would be to let people get back out there and develop herd immunity as 95 of people are asymptomatic or have no issues And 99% survive if they do get it. Frankly the worst thing about this entire virus outbreak has been the governments response to it at all levels federal state and local this virus is proving itself to be nothing more than the seasonal flu or perhaps even less effective the government just needs to leave it alone get out of peoples life's and let us move forward. This is playing itself out to completely look like a political game after politicians at all levels the last two weeks have cheered mass gatherings in protest in the streets and then this week want to mandate everyone who dares go outside wear a mask. This is ridiculous and the public sees the charade for what it is! If people are feel fearful or have health issues let them wear their mask they have always had that freedom and the option toand leave everyone else alone to manage their own risk individually!
To whom it may concern,

My thoughts and feelings are that we as citizens of Sedgwick county should uphold and be required to wear masks in all public spaces re: the Governor's mandate. Thank you for your time.

Kindly,

Katherine Ulloa
Communications

From: Dr. Eric Farmer <eric@ericfarmerdds.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:45 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask requirement

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I wholeheartedly stand with Gov Kelly supporting masks in public. For my protection, for the protection of others and especially for the local economy and my business. I own a large dental practice and we are already hurting from being shut down for 6 weeks and if the numbers continue to increase it will only make it harder on my business and many other businesses in the medium and long term if we do not take action now. But not only would I like to see the county not nullify the governors order, I would like a strong show of leadership from the commission to encourage the citizens of Sedgwick County to wear masks and practice responsible social distancing. Pretty please with sugar!

Dr Eric S Farmer DDS

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From: mark7399 <mark7399@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:44 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face Masks

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Please support the Governor’s Face Mask Order. Many companies are requiring employees to wear masks, with disciplinary action if not worn. Not trying, as a community collectively, to also mitigate the spread by not supporting, is simply the incorrect approach. WEAR MASKS for an identified time to see if the curve is flattened.

Thanks,
Mark Day
Communications

From: Zachary Bush <zacharybush92@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:42 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask Mandate

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I fully support the governor’s order. I think a county as large as Sedgwick County needs to tackle this seriously and fully comply with the governor’s order.

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Sent from my iPhone
I’m writing you asking that you uphold the governor’s mandate. For the sake of our economy and our safety.

I’ve spent the last 3 months staying home except for essential needs. My stimulus money has been spent on Amazon or other online buying sites when I would normally buy locally because nobody is wearing a mask. I think you would see more economic growth from the mandate in place and a chance at a recovery from C19. I’m not alone in this newer era of buying almost everything else online instead of locally. I’ve talked to many through social media that are doing the same thing now. Locally.

Thank you for your time.
Barbara Owen

Sent from my iPhone
No to Mandate.
Communications

From: David Bjornstad <norwegiancop22@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:40 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask

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Sir/Ma’am,

I’m writing about the governor’s mask mandate well I just want to share my experience’s. Prior military and traveling all around the world there are some Asian countries and cultures who still wear mask when they leave their homes in fear of getting sick, these mask did not stop them from getting the virus. With Asia having high numbers as well as the United States of America that should be enough to realize that the mask that people will wear are not effective! Also since the beginning of this pandemic they have said that with more testing the number will rise... so we all where told number would climb, why is this such a shock to the government and society? With the mandate of the mask there will be less people going back to work and continuing to fall behind on bills, I personally have friends being threatened of eviction because they are unable to go back to work and unemployment is not enough to survive and at the same time their are people who where making more money by not working u til the extra money stops.

The mask does not work, we the people have the right to decide if we want to take the chances of going out into public or stay home. With modern technology just about everything can be ordered online and sent to your home.

At some point governor Kelly needs to come back to reality and understand that this virus has (I believe) 98% chance of recovery and is not the end of the world. And what’s next come fly season she will then mandate mask again?

This Mask deal will finish off the small mom and pop business that she will not support! It’s proof in her actions already!!!!!

Sincerely,
A man who wrote a blank check so she could make unrealistic decisions!

Sent from my iPhone
From: Ardent Stroh <ardeststroh@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:39 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) No to Mask Mandate
Attachments: FB_IMG_1593709556817.jpg

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No to Mask Mandate.
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This commission has not been honest with Wichita about the virus. Because of this, businesses will have to shut down again or postpone openings. More people will be infected and die.

The CDC at the first of June showed a death to confirmed cases rate of 5.8%. If the population of the United States is infected then that could result in 19 million deaths!!

Where is your science- where is your math- where is your brain??
You have made a terrible mistake.
People will die, because of you.

Tommy

Sent from my iPhone
WARNING:

THIS PRODUCT IS AN EAR LOOP MASK. THIS PRODUCT IS NOT A RESPIRATOR AND WILL NOT PROVIDE ANY PROTECTION AGAINST COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) OR OTHER VIRUSES OR CONTAMINANTS.

Wearing an ear loop mask does not reduce the risk of contracting any disease or infection.

The manufacturer is not responsible for the selection of
Communications

From: Tommy Green <tgray71@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:39 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Corona-19 opening

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Tommy

Sent from my iPhone
I support Governor Kelly on the mask mandate, she made the call on suspending school and we should all be thankful for her quick actions from the beginning. I don't believe any of her decisions are based on a political agenda! She wants what the majority of Kansans want; to see our state recouped from this virus and get opened back up. But as it has been proven over the last few months, we have to be smart in this plan or we will keep going back! I do believe most of the commissioners should quit playing politics, because that is what the majority is saying, your playing politics! Stop! Just do the right thing, do what you were elected to do, do your job! You're working for our health, well being, our future, think about those things before supporting the red or blue. It's not about that, people are dying our elders, everyone is now at risk. Its a tough job, but we elected, people voted for those officials we thought to have our best interests before and above anything! Thank you.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
I understand that the Sedgwick County Commissioners are talking about overriding the Governor’s mandatory mask-wearing order. I want to let you know that I am very hopeful that you will decide not to do that. If masks are mandatory I will be able to visit so many places of business that I have to avoid right now. Wearing masks will enable us to keep our places of business open. I will be able to spend money at brick and mortar stores, instead of relying on out-of-state mail-order shopping. I wear a seatbelt. I drive the speed limit. I don’t touch wet paint. I am happy to wear a mask, like the rest of the world, in the hope of keeping my neighbors safe. The way I look at it is by considering the penalty for error. If the CDC is wrong and masks don’t help, then I will have been mildly inconvenienced. If the people who refuse to wear a mask are wrong then they could inadvertently kill me. See? The penalty for error is severely lopsided. I am hoping that you will decide to look out for the economic and physical health of Sedgwick County and decide to cooperate with the state-wide wearing of masks. Thank you.
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From: Sharon Powell Quincy <jspquincy@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:36 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks enforcement

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PLEASE fully support the Governor’s Executive Order re the Wearing of Masks! By allowing wearing masks to be a choice, you are limiting my personal access to retail, business, and leisure activities! Which allows you to sleep at night? Consistent enforcement or inconsistent enforcement?
Please stand up first for the health of your residents! If you do that, then we can ALL go about supporting businesses and activities to return to normal.

Otherwise, you show me and those who elected you that you only care about economics.

Do the right thing! It may get you re-elected! Otherwise, I (& others) will work hard to put someone else in your seat at the next opportunity!

Sharon Powell Quincy
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Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Michelle Burlison <michelle.burlison@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:34 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) "mask order"

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No way! This is absolutely ridiculous!
This is America! WAKE UP!!!!
Communications

From: Lori Chrisman <chrismanlori@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:34 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face Masks - health conditions

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I am writing to ask that you consider not following the mandate for mandatory facemasks. I have a child with severe asthma and I have a heart condition and we both have been told not to wear them by our physicians.

Because of the governor's mandate, we have already been turned away from Walgreens and my daughter's foot Dr - even though we explained about our conditions! Wal-Mart told me they would turn away those without one regardless of the exceptions for health reasons.

I'm really concerned about forcing children to wear them during sports and exercise as well. I had a conversation with my children's pediatrician today and he is against them as well. Thus, he is writing letters of exception for them for school, etc.

This has really gone too far.... I hope that you all will take into consideration how silly this has become and it's moving into the scary.

Thank you for your time.

Lori Chrisman  
VYPE Magazine  

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From: Steve Hitchcock Jr <srhitchcockjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:34 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask Requirements

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To the Sedgwick County Commissioners;

The mask ordinance that has been put in place by our Governor is necessary and should be observed.

Please do the right thing and protect our county from the rising numbers we have seen. This only helps to mitigate the spread and keep our economy open.

It is time to make decisions that better serve the safety of our community.

Sincerely,
Steve Hitchcock

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Elaine Stephen <elainestephen@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:33 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask mandate

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Dear Commissioners,

Masks are a simple and effective way to protect both lives and the economy. If our COVID trajectory continues on its path, the disease spread will do far more economic harm than we've already experienced.

If there are concerns about mandating masks, please, at minimum, encourage public mask use and lead by example. People had a tremendous response to your example on testing. Please do the same for masks. We don't want to have to use that extra morgue space and you are the ones in our county with the power to determine whether or not we will.

Masks are simple and proven effective. Do we act now and save lives or delay, costing lives and the economy?

Thank you for your work.

Kind regards,
Elaine Stephen

*****************************************
Elaine Stephen
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316-250-2090
County Commissioners,

My husband and I are both healthcare providers. I am a pharmacist and he is an emergency medicine physician at Ascension.

Masks are critical in slowing down and containing the spread of Corona Virus for both the public and health care workers.

As health care workers, we are exposed on a daily basis. We wear our masks at work and while out in public. It should be noted that few healthcare workers have contracted the virus despite frequent contact because we consistently wear masks.

We need to learn to live with the virus because we can't go back to total quarantine. We need to contain this pandemic by wearing masks, frequently test, socially distance, wash our hands, and track cases. All of this needs to be done constantly and consistently.

We hope you will listen to the health experts and do what is right.

Lisa Vayda, RPh, MS and James Vayda, MD
Communications

From: Dela White <grumpys79rugrats@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:32 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Hello, as a worker outside and with asthma please dont enforce this law or recommend it. I have been lucky enough to keep working threw all this. I will not be able to work with a mask on. As it is hot and mucky outside I wont be able to breath. I dont want to stop working. Please dont encourage this.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
Really, how hard is it to wear a mask???? Not the most comfortable, but we'll get used to it. And if one type doesn't work for a person, they should try another. Some definitely are less bulky and more breathable. During my working career I was a surgical assistant for a while, so wore one for hours at a time. Doesn't take long before you totally forget you're wearing one. I think we should do whatever it takes to help get this disease under control, and masks seem to be part of that equation. I love the “Keep ICT Open 1-2-6” campaign! And personally, I don’t think the county should have the right to overturn what the governor has mandated. I know her decision was made with advice from the most-informed of counsel. Please, please, please, mandate that everyone in the county abide. Why even have a governor if every county is just going to do what they want? This is not just about us individually, but about protecting everyone. We have absolutely got to slow the spread. Even though the hospitalization rate is remaining stable, there are still lots of people getting sick, and more doing so every single day. I think we can be inconvenienced for a while until this is better under control. Also, I agree that wearing masks can help the economy. Being fearful of contracting this virus because of the lackadaisical approach keeps me home, but I would be much more likely to visit a store, restaurant, or whatever, if I feel more protected.

- Dale Weir
PLEASE VOTE TO FOLLOW Governor Kelly's order requiring masks. Just to be clear, I am a tried and true Republican. I did not vote for Governor Kelly and don't really even like her but I support her efforts on this.

Why is this even a hard decision for you? There is so much I would like to say. People are so selfish and you will be selfish right along with them if you make any other choice. This virus is not going away and the reckless nature of people and refusal to make the right choices to do what we humanly can doesn't help. Perhaps none of you have had to stay away from a family member due to potential exposure. Perhaps none of you have not been able to even see an aged family member in a long-term care facility. Perhaps none of you have experienced the death of someone near and dear to you and you couldn't even have an actual service and have friends hug and comfort you. Perhaps you haven't heard or don't understand the long-term effects that previously healthy people are now having after "recovering" from COVID-19. This list could go on and on....

I wish I could make a plea in person instead of having to watch you sit at your table and "talk". You should take the advice of Dr. Minns who has tried to make you understand.

Thank you in advance for making the right decision.

Ronda Hoover
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Keep Kansas open, listen to health experts, wear masks. It's the easiest way to reduce the spread of Covid 19.

Sincerely,
Wichita Resident

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As a long time member of this community and someone with an existing health condition who also cares for her elderly parents, I am asking that you support the governor’s mask mandate for the good of our community. There is proof that the wearing of masks will slow the spread of the virus. I urge you to comply in order to protect our community from more spread of Covid. Wearing a mask is a sign of respect for others. With the asymptomatic potential that individuals have, I believe we should all be wearing masks not only for ourselves but to respect others within our community.

Dyan Thornton

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From: Mary Pat <marypat121@sktc.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:30 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Please act responsibly and not politically and continue the governor's order for all residents to wear masks Sent from my iPhone
Commissioners,

I ask that you take serious consideration in following the Governor’s mandate. When does the leadership of this great state stop the fear. But more importantly, when does the leadership of this good county step up and lead against fear?

Fear is driving the issue.

Our security does not depend on a mask. Our security rests on citizens of the county, standing together and allowing free choice to move us forward without judgement.

Some will still choose to wear a mask, some will not. But if you follow her mandate, you will be placing those who will and will not wear the mask an enemy to those who do. You will be validating their actions and attitudes.

For such a time as this, it is time to take a stand for freedom. I have served in both the military and law enforcement community in my younger years, so I do not say this lightly nor take the situation lightly.

Praying you all will as well. Leadership is lonely at the top. But you are called to lead based on the foundation of our constitutions, both US and Kansas.

Blessings,

Pastor Wayne
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From: Joe Boller <joe.boller@alltite.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:28 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask

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I believe it is in the best interest of all to allow the people to make the choice whether they want to wear a mask or not. I do not believe that requiring a mask is either legal or necessary.

Talk to you soon.
Joe

Sent from my IPhone please excuse typos

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From: Ifleming4131@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:27 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face Masks

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Please support and enforce the wearing of face masks. It is unfortunate that you must help people be responsible caring adults. A few days/weeks or months of being uncomfortable is worth NOT possibly being the cause of someone’s death.

Linda Fleming
Communications

From: Patricia Blessant <pblessant@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:27 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Hi Commissioners,

I don’t envy the job you all have during this pandemic. It seems no matter what you decide there will always be someone who is not happy.

Our Governor has, I believe, done a great service to the citizens of KS in trying to put forth executive orders that have the safety, health and well being of Kansans in mind. In the beginning I felt the same about you as a Commission, until you broke from the Governor’s recommendations.

The number of COVID cases is on the rise and we don’t have an end in sight. You need to make decisions based on the bigger picture. Commissioner O’Donnell even had a FB survey which showed over 60% of over 13K respondents in favor of wearing masks.

Bottom line is that you should support the Governor’s latest executive order. We need to be able to keep our economy open and one way to safely do that is by telling people that they need to wear their mask.

Please do the right thing which is not always the easiest or most popular thing - we need you to take care of the community which you serve.

Thank you,
Patricia B.

Sent from my iPhone
In regards to the recent mandate to wear masks- I feel this is a huge violation of rights as a US citizen. I may have other health conditions that prevent me from safely wearing a mask in the heat. Also, I can not find and data (not recommendations and or/ opinions) that support this mandate. If this mandate occurs, it will directly affect my willingness to go out in public therefore affecting our businesses and economy.
I think it is my right as a citizen to decide if a mask is necessary to my health and should not have to consider it an act of wrong doing against others if I choose not to as there is no evidence that masking protects those near me. Nor do I feel it the governments responsibility to tell me what to wear, how to shop and how to care for my community.

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android
Communications

From: Karen Vines <kdv60@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:26 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Covid -19 Mask

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As a lifetime resident of Sedgwick County I'd like to express my opinion regarding a potential mask requirement related to COVID-19.

Since I’m sure the Commission has thoroughly research the medical information supporting masks do not provide significant protections outside of hospital settings and in fact can be harmful, I won’t belabor those details but the New England Journal of Medicine is an excellent resource.

With COVID -19 related hospitalizations and mortality rates not increasing at a statically significant rate I do not support a mandatory requirement. This should remain a personal choice and hope Sedgwick County Commissioners have the courage to allow each citizen to make their own decision on this topic.

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Shirlene Jacobs <shirlene.jacobs@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:26 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks/face coverings

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Sedgwick County,
Educated people should be aware of how to obtain information that is accurate and complete. However, within our world we tend to rely on those educations that can’t seem to make up their minds. Taking into consideration that first it’s "on" and the results prove nothing basically. People continued to test positive, but the negative results and the recovering rates are not attentive to any positive encouraging results

Then we’re "off". Low testing or no testing in two weeks proves low numbers. Our attention was focused on world havoc and not testing or allowing a population to do essentially whatever they wanted without question, without consideration, without remorse.

Now we’re considering "on" again, for numbers that the CDC has continually reported incorrectly. And so, now the reports are that the testing has been skewed due to incorrect calculations from regular tests and antibody tests. Lets not forget their "scroll back" from how the virus was incorrectly evaluated in the amount of time it remains on contact surfaces. There are numerous accounts where these professionals have made prefabricated statements based on no or little research. And these are our professionals. Essentially, testing does not mean you are going to die, I am going to die.

I believe at this point we are all aware of the "cleanliness" we need to follow. An individual, a family, an organization, washes, cleans, sanitizes. We are all aware of being cognitive of each other. We are all aware of "distancing". We are all aware of the safety to project towards the elderly and the medically compromised. If these measures work, or if they have worked, and I’m talking World wide, then why are there still positive tests?

Comparable to the flu, we have the same results, however in the flu results we do not wear a mask in the "season" and year after year we have the same results with the flu. Perhaps just like the flu, this will never go away.

Logically, in the same manner as the flu, we are more coherent and protect ourselves and others in the same manner as we are approaching the coronavirus. Logically, we are continuing to berate each other as individuals on whether or not we are contaminating each other, while at the same time we are failing to acknowledge that we contaminate each other continually. Day after day, week after week, month after month, year after year.

Whether it's this virus, the flu, another virus, HIV, AIDS, Hepatitis or a cold. There is nothing we should "enforce" on individuals that mentally protects them when a fear factor sets in.

The people on both sides are "screaming" their proclamations. I am simply observing and stating the facts. We are a society that walks freely, speaks freely and mobilizes freely without restraints. We have victory in ourselves and our country in good times and in bad times. We acknowledge both sides knowing that there are two sides of a story, a report and results.

Without objecting or supporting either side, I write this to open up awareness. We need to be a society, a person, an individual that we have always been that has not changed through it all. Although, at times it appears we are at war with
Hi,

I believe that if you can maintain a six foot distance from other individuals a mask should not be required. I also believe that wearing a mask anywhere that you cannot maintain a social distance of at least six feet is necessary.

Thank You, Neil Holley
Owner

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From: Sheree Nikkel Dixon <sdixon@howertonwhite.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:24 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) In Support of Mandatory Masks

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Please vote to make wearing masks mandatory in public.

This is not a personal freedom issue, but a public health issue.

I have three very close relatives with health concerns, all of whom would be more susceptible to the most dangerous effects of COVID-19 should they acquire it.

We are all possible carriers, as the virus can be transmitted by people who are asymptomatic. Feeling well does not mean you ARE well, or are not a danger to others.

Requiring people to wear a mask in public is asking us each to love our neighbor as ourselves, to protect each others' families, and to preserve the economic health of our community by keeping businesses open.

Thank you!

Sheree Nikkel Dixon
Associate Creative Director | Brand Strategy
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Last time I checked we live in America, land of the free. This is an infringement on our rights and hopefully you will let the people decide what is best for themselves and their families. Cases may be up but deaths are down.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
Communications

From: Eugene Miller <gene15mary15@att.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:24 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Gov Kelly's orders

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I strongly support restrictions being placed on bars, restaurants, and large gatherings. We need to get a control Covid-19; doing great until county started opening everything back up. Don’t see anything wrong with requiring the wearing of face coverings/masks.
Eugene Miller
Eastborough, KS

Sent from my iPad
Communications

From: Mark Kuhn <mkuhnie50@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:59 PM
To: Communications
Cc: Bryce Kuhn; Mark A. Kuhn
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly's over reaching Executive Order 20-52

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I am emailing today to urge the BOCC to use God-given common sense as it reacts to Governor Kelly's executive order. Specifically, the mandated requirements are so pervasive and overreaching that it becomes difficult for meaningful business to occur. I am offering input on behalf of restaurants (I am a part owner). For example, Section 2(b) states that masks are required in "any space where food is prepared or packaged for sale or distribution for others". In a restaurant extreme precautions are already in effect throughout the house and most already wear masks. However, much of what happens is in the back of the house in the prep areas (which are not public areas). These areas are typically already warm and uncomfortable to employees, and to require them to use masks (again they are apart from the public), and to require the use of masks is a step too far. In our restaurant our prep employees, to a person, have told us they will quit their jobs and happily just file for unemployment instead of continuing to work under such extreme circumstances. Please, please use some common sense in deciding how to react to the extreme Governor Kelly's Order.

Also, I am no expert, but I hear frequently that the virus is not spread through the preparation and consumption of food. Restaurants already (even before Covid-19) go through a rigid process to insure safety, cleanliness and sanitary conditions in prepping food, and adding masks to the requirements is a step gone too far.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer input as you deliberate, and I will await your common sense decisions.

Respectfully,

Mark A. Kuhn
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With the drastic upward curve in infections - now across 40 states including Kansas - we MUST put regulations in effect for Sedgwick county residents to wear masks. If we want our USD 259 public schools to open as planned and businesses to stay open, we must be wearing masks.

Sent from my iPhone
Good afternoon, please vote no!

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device
Communications

From: Andrew Bauer <andrewtbauer@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:19 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) No Masks

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Please do not approve the mask mandate. As an analyst I’ve been tracking the data from KDHE and the trends do not support it.

Regards,

Andrew Bauer

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Drew Sent from my iPhone
Hello!

Resident of the 4th district here.

Please support the requirement of masks/face covering in all public spaces where social distancing isn’t possible.

I know that I’m not alone with this concern, but my job is at stake if this virus continues to spread uncontrollably. The science is clear, masks slow the spread and we must give the requirement a chance to prove that to all of those who deny this critical fact.

Thank you and your team for all the great work you do in our county.

We can do this TOGETHER!

Regards,

- Isaac Unruh
- (316)- 303-7241
Hey there,

I tried to submit the following comment on the form on the website, but I got a contradictory error message. I'm attaching a screenshot of the error message, and below is my comment. Thank you in advance for ensuring that my voice is heard. Take care!!

-Ginger Cullen

As the most densely populated county in the region, Sedgwick County has both the opportunity and the duty to be a leader in the state's battle against COVID-19. We must set a good example for our neighbors to emulate and supporting Governor Kelly's order to wear masks in public is the very least we can do. The age of Sedgwick County's youngest victim is immaterial. The number of hospital beds available is immaterial. Kansans are dying and that's all that matters.

Every single citizen in Sedgwick county should be looking out for each other, but if county leaders don't set a good example then I don't have much hope in the general population. Mandate masks for the greater good. Do it today. Thank you.
Sedgwick County has both the opportunity and the
as the most densely populated county in the region.

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Please follow the mask mandate in Sedgwick County. I consider it my civic duty and wear one for you. Please return the favor.
Communications

From: Sherry Ibrahim <sherry_ibrahim@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:17 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Please require face masks

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I am a veterinarian. Our business must stay open to remain afloat. Masks help protect our business. Please make masks mandatory to help protect Sedgwick County businesses. It’s difficult to convince the public to cooperate without more pressure from government leadership.

I am comfortable shopping where people wear masks consistently. I will be forced to use more online shopping and send more money out of state if masks are optional.

Sherry Ibrahim, DVM
11411 W Birch Ln
Sherry.ibrahim@icloud.com
316-249-4926
I am writing in support of Governor Kelly’s Mask Order. I hope the County Commissioners will support her in this effort.

Joshua Larson (he/his) | Patron Services Director/Box Office Manager | Music Theatre Wichita
225 W Douglas, Suite 202 | Wichita, KS 67202
(316) 265-3253 | Josh@MTWichita.org

Join our new Spotlight Society!
I strongly recommend the county requiring masks in public spaces. Anything else would be irresponsible. My wife and I are in our 70s and expect our leaders to do the responsible thing. Masks are not a political choice but an IQ test.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
Communications

From: Estin Talavera <estint1@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:17 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask mandate

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My name is estin Talavera I live in west Wichita. I do not think that masks should be mandated. For me it makes it hard to breathe and negatively impacts my ability to travel independently. Masks should be encouraged but not mandated. Another issue is that it will encourage fear and hatred of those who choose not to use a mask for medical reasons. the police have already stated that they will not be enforcing this order. More time and energy should be put in to education and finding a safe way to fight this dease. The other problem with masks are that even if everyone wears them for 2 weeks Are we really Going to hit this going to keep this up until a vaccine is developed. because that’s the only way that cases will not spike again so we need to Find a more effective way to combat this virus.

masks in order for masks really to be affective you need to change them every hour or so and wash them every day and I doubt most people will be doing this.
I hope this letter finds you blessed and your families well.
Sincerely,
Estin
Communications

From: Jack, Alison <ajack@goddardusd.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:17 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Please vote YES for the mask requirement in Sedgwick County

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Please vote YES to enforce the statewide mask requirement in Sedgwick County. We are fighting a worldwide pandemic and don’t have much to use to combat the rising infections. As an educator in Sedgwick County, I believe we have to find a way to make it as safe as possible for students and staff to return to school in the fall.

Thank you,
Alison Jack
USD 265 School Librarian
Communications

From: Linda White <ljwhite2@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:15 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly's Mask Executive Order

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To the Sedgwick County Commissioners:

I am a resident of Sedgwick County.

PLEASE support Governor Kelly's Order and mandate that EVERYONE wear masks.

Thank you,
Linda White
Communications

From: Cathy VanDeventer <cathyy55@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:15 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Covid

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Sent from my iPhone this needs to stop being a political issue and needs to be about the health of our community. Mike O’Donnell public poll showed that 70 percent of the citizen favored mask wearing when in public places. But when he saw people were in favor of that he pulled his poll down. What does that tell u. It’s so simple u put the mask on when u go into a public place and remove it when u come out. What is the difference in no shirt no shoes no service. I am so disgusted with all of u I along with many other will be voting against all of you.
Communications

From: Pat Knipp <pknipp1@cox.net>  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:15 PM  
To: Communications  
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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The wearing of masks should be by individual choice.
If you want the economy to stay open, businesses to stay open, kids to return to schools, hospitals to be able to maintain control of emergency rooms and ICUs ... a gesture as small as wearing a mask can do all of those things! Uphold the Governor’s mandate!

Michelle Brenwald-Johnson
I will wear mask. I have three strikes against me. Heart condition, COPD, Age 73.
Thank you
Jp Huber

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Renee Weir <renee@renee.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:13 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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It is absolutely ridiculous to mandate people to wear masks in public, you may ask and recommend, we are not under dictatorship. Why are we still trying to lead with fear? I had COVID and I had a bad case so I understand its real, but to make these people believe something by using fear is crazy. We as Adults understand precautions to take and stay home if your sick. Why all of the sudden is the Government or higher powers so interested in the lay persons health? I will not be wearing a mask while out in public. NO TO REQUIRING MASKS TO BE WORN IN PUBLIC AREAS, OR WHILE OUTSIDE

Thank You
Renee

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy Note10+, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone
Get Outlook for Android
In response to order #20-52 requiring face mask, I ask that Sedgwick County NOT enforce this order. Although, I appreciate the important of keeping our community safe, it is also important to educate people and allow them to make their own decisions on what is the best for their own health. I understand the concept of "my mask protects you and yours protects me" but we also have to understand that enforcing such a measure has will have implications on individual freedoms, intended or otherwise. Taking into account all of the facts that we now know including percentile of population positive and recovered, percentile of hospitalized with COVID-19 and our knowledge that (at this current time) the best course of action is herd immunity we should instead allow this to run its course and let the people of Sedgwick county make their own decisions on their individual health.

Matthew Flint
Yes masks should be mandated. Enough with the going rogue. You are contributing to the problem by not requiring masks. Don’t compound the mistake you made by letting people use their best judgement, because that did not work.

Cynthia Hull
A voter

Sent from my iPad
Dear Board of Commissioners for Sedgwick County:

I am writing to you today to urge you to adopt the Governor’s executive order regarding the use of face coverings in public places. As I am sure you are aware, this mandate aligns with the guidance of our county’s health officer. It is unfortunate to see so much misinformation circulating regarding the use of face masks, but the scientific data backs their effectiveness. However, as you likely know, masks are only effective at limiting the spread of COVID-19 if with widespread usage.

I believe strong local support of this executive order will encourage our people to use masks, thereby saving lives. Containing the covid 19 outbreak by requiring face masks is critical to keeping Wichita and Sedgwick county open. We can’t afford another mass shutdown of our economy, and face coverings are a very easy, readily available way to help prevent the need for another shutdown. Please voice your support for the face covering order and help keep our county safe and open.

Thank you for your consideration.

Claire Drevets
Constituent in Wichita
Communications

From: dougdowns88@gmail.com
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:12 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) No Mask

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Commissioners,

The mandatory mask ordinance that our governor is trying to put on us in Wichita and Sedgwick county is nothing more than a political play to advance the democratic liberal agenda. I do not support this. I have been a resident of Sedgwick County for 52 years and this is the most asinine thing I’ve ever seen a governor try to do to the citizens of the state. Please override this order as I will not follow it even when I go to public places. Thank you

Doug Downs
I wanted to take some time to urge you to encourage the appropriate people to not adopt Governor Kelly's order mandating masks. I believe this would be harmful to our community in a variety of ways:

- This is essentially another stay at home order, as many will choose to not go out. A lot of business are already on the brink and this could potentially be devastating to our economy.
- I work directly with elementary age children and their families in my job, and anxiety and depression have skyrocketed in many kids and their families, as I am sure you have heard many mental health professionals speak up about. The impact on community mental health is mounting and it is time to weigh the risks from other factors, and refrain from further dividing the community that is already strung tight emotionally and economically.
- When you talk about risk, using Monday’s numbers, the virus is something that has impacted 0.6% of the total Kansas population to date, with a much lower statistic for Sedgwick county population. The amount of economic and mental loss that has mounted in the past months is a gross over reaction to the scale of impact to date. Additionally, Sedgwick county's hospitalization rate so far has remained steady. Overall, the areas of biggest risk are nursing homes and meat packing plants. Making such a sweeping, state wide mandate is absurd considering the potential ramifications.

I urge you to take a stand against our Governor's sensationalist style rulings. It is time to consider what is best for the community in many categories, not focused on fear-based rulings against a virus that statistically has not impacted even close to half of 1% of the worldwide population.

Thank you for your service to Wichita and to Sedgwick County.
Kara Shaw
316-516-7351
Begin forwarded message:

From: Wendy Letter <wletter@yahoo.com>
Date: June 30, 2020 at 4:25:18 PM CDT
To: pete.meitzner@sedgwick.gov
Subject: Mandatory Mask Wearing

Hello Mr. Meitzner,

I wanted to express my hope that you will vote “No” on Governor Kelly’s extreme overreach of authority in issuing a public mask mandate.

While I appreciate that coronavirus is a concern for many due to the CDC’s flip-flop in recommendations coupled with the media’s usual penchant to stir chaos in the public, I feel that mask-wearing in public should be a personal choice. If someone who is at great risk for complications due to Covid-19 feels they should wear a mask, they should do so. Since it is a novel virus, ALL of us are susceptible to it & will either contract it & beat it or contract it & suffer complications, & due to the knowledge our medical community has gained in learning how to treat it successfully, I strongly feel that “herd immunity” is the quickest path to our “new normal”. Our kids must be allowed to resume school, also, so that their overall immunity is not completely shut down since we have been confined to home since March.

When is mass antibody testing going to be available? What other methods do we have to gauge what immunity currently exists in the community? Shouldn’t that be part of the duty here by our government, to ensure that overreach does not occur? And if reports of infections 10x what is currently known are accurate, that means the death & serious complication rate is actually FAR lower & all these shutdown efforts are truly much ado about nothing.

Thank you for listening to my words, & I hope that more of the people who are thinking rationally & researching the facts have contacted you about their concerns. First it was “masks won’t help you”, so then they shut the state down, & closed schools. Now they say the infection rates are up but death rates are down, so we’d all better wear masks. If the governor shuts the state down again, I hope you’ll ask her why she mandated masks then, because if masks are so effective, there is no reason to shut businesses down, close schools & limit social gatherings.

If one wanted execute a plan to undermine our trust in the government, this is it.

Sincerely
Communications

From: Diana Fowler <fowlergram@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:10 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) No

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What we are doing is working. Deaths are down, cases are less serious. People are following guidelines. Can we get on with life?
Respectfully,
Diana Fowler

Sent from my iPad
Communications

From: ddp4823 <ddp4823@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:10 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask requirement

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I work in Wichita as a RN and live in Kingman, KS. Please overrule the Governor's mandate of mask wearing starting tomorrow. I believe the increase in cases is due to increased testing. Also I believe the testing to be flawed in that it appears to be testing positive for covid when in fact it could be the common cold or remnants of asymptomatic covid. Thank you! Also, great job overruling all that you have thus far. Total DNP inflation of this disease

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
I fully support Governor Kelly's order for wearing masks to suppress the spread of Covid-19. I believe you should support this also as your support will help prompt people to comply even without any enforcement effort.

My family would like to support more local businesses but we refuse to patronize establishments where they do not wear masks during this pandemic. With a statewide standard we wouldn't need to worry we would show up some place that didn't comply and then have to leave.

John Welch
Bel Aire City Council
Communications

From: knoebermd <knoebermd@att.net>  
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:09 PM  
To: Communications  
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Please do not vote "no" to wearing masks. We must do all we can to keep businesses operating. We can work with masks, but can't operate with sick employees.

Thank you.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
Pete Meitzner,

You are my commissioner for my district. I am emailing you about the Governor's mask mandate. I am asking for you to not vote in favor of forcing us to wear masks. The decision should be up to me how I see fit for my health and my families health. I do not want the government to force me to do something I do not agree with. I would never condemn anyone for wearing a mask if they feel that is the best plan of action for them. I am asking for the same consideration.

Sincerely,

Penny Wilmeth
I believe commissioners should strongly support face mask in public and social distancing in all businesses including restaurants and bars. I want Business to stay open with these 2 requirements. I do not want wide spread virus here and we need to place importance on safety measures and Dr Minns advice. I will not vote for anyone that does not believe in these safety measures.

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Kenneth and Alison Jack <kennethjack@prodigy.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:08 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Please vote YES for mask requirement

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Please vote YES for the mask requirement to be enforced in Sedgwick County. I am a Sedgwick County business owner. I see the mask ordinance as a positive step toward fighting the Coronavirus in our community. We all need to help each other in this fight and we don’t have many options. This is a worldwide pandemic—

My employees and I will thank you!

Sincerely, Kenneth Jack
Davis and Jack, LLC
2121 West Maple Street
Wichita, KS
Communications

From: Dee Dunlap <dee@netwerxcreative.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:07 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly's mask mandate

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To the Sedgwick County Commissioners:

I implore you to leave the mask mandate as is – at least for the next 30 days. I think within 30 days we would see whether it works or not. If it doesn’t, no big loss and at least our businesses can remain open in the interim. If it does work, we can finally put all this vitriol to rest.

The health of your constituents should NOT be a political decision. The alarms are going off, please do not ignore them until it is too late. Listen to the experts on this, the science, the statistics, even the survey results. The majority of Sedgwick County would prefer masks be mandated in public, they are just not as vocal as the naysayers. We are counting on you to keep our beautiful area safe for everyone.

Respectfully,
Dee Dunlap
NetWerx Creative, Inc.
dee@netwerxcreative.com
316.213.3483
Communications

From: Rachel Deutsch <rachelrdeutsch@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:06 PM
To: Communications
Cc: Jeremy Deutsch
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask mandate

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Please accept the terms of the governor’s mask mandate. The residents of Sedgwick County have proven that they can’t do the right thing. We need to wear masks so that the cases come down.

Keeping the cases down keeps businesses and schools open. I don’t want to homeschool again. We will - if our residents continue to act like this isn’t happening.

Please put politics aside. This is NOT political. Our state and nationwide leaders made it political. Doctors and scientists do not make it about politics. Please listen to Dr Minn’s and Dr Lee Norman’s advice regarding masks.

My husband, Jeremy Deutsch, is an oncologist in Wichita. Every day, he hears concerns from his patients that they don’t see people wearing masks when out or practicing social distancing (large groups and parties). They are disheartened to say the least. They want to be able to go to the grocery store or go to the park. And, you can’t expect them to stay home 100% of the time. That is not fair. It is not good for their emotional health.

Please, I’m imploring you to the the right thing. Adopt this mandate for Sedgwick county and adopt other measures if necessary. (I’m looking at you - MAYB basketball). Don’t wait until it affects you personally to take action. By then it will be too late.

Respectfully,

Rachel Deutsch

Sent from my iPhone
Dear Sirs and madame of the BOCC,

I would like to urge the BOCC to support Dr. MInns suggestion of wearing masks when indoors in public and outdoors when not able to socially distance. I realize that it is an inconvenience but it is much less of a inconvenience than having to close businesses down again. My parents are in a long term care facility in Mulvane and we have not been able to see them since March 13th. Please do what is necessary to get the virus under control rather than what is politically expedient.

Thank you,

William & Deborah Thompson
1425 E. Summerlyn Dr.
Derby, Kansas 67037
Just say no to mandates! There is no proven benefit in wearing a non-medical mask to prevent the spread of a virus. The social distancing and good sanitation practice is best. Individuals are responsible for their own health, not that of others. If people feel better wearing one, wear one, if people prefer to not wear one, that too should be respected.

Please vote no to mandated face covers!

Thanks,

D'Ann Landis  Sedgwick County resident/voter
Communications

From: Appy Rider <appyrider77@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:06 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I am not in favor of wearing a mask. You can't breathe in them. It's a farce. Don't allow the government tell us what to do. It's unconstitutional. This is the Land of the Free and home of the brave. Not home of being paranoid.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
Communications

From: Jason Wells <jawells2021@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:06 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL)

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I highly recommend mask for public that I fill like that if you do mask it will limit the virus numbers

I encourage the commissioners to follow scientific advice and require masks and social distancing. Our commission appears to be fixated on the economy. The best way to sabotage the economy is to encourage no masks and have a major outbreak. It is a shame that so many sacrificed during the shutdown only to have the sacrifice nullified by those who will not take simple precautions. Having a reopening that was a free for all without guidelines was a mistake both for public health and the local economy.

As for the people who insist that the State can not require them to wear a mask, the state mandates wearing cloths, wearing seatbelts and not driving drunk among other things. Should we ignore these items?

Harry Clayton
Ph (316) 644-9117
I strongly believe that if everyone starts wearing facemasks that we would be able to slow the spread of Covid 19. We really need to do something with cases rising so much.

Thank you

Jeanne Hood
Communications

From: Alexandra Adkins <ksustenaalexandraadkins@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:05 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Continuing mask order in Sedgwick

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As a 22 year old student, I truly believe that we need to listen to Gov. Kelly and require face masks. The numbers in our county bare so high it’s embarrassing. No one is distancing themselves, like my generation, we’re spreading it just by going out to clubs and not having a mask. Since were the only country in the world still struggling with this, I really ENCOURAGE you to have a mask order. Please. I don’t want my family getting sick.

-Alie
Doctors and Nurses are trained on not touching their masks for their entire shifts that they wear them.

Touching the mask spreads the germs and increases face touching. Face touching spreads the virus the fastest out of all of them. Touching the mask also spreads MY germs to others faster because I am touching other substances.

For this reason, I am fully against a mask order and hope you see the logic and reasoning behind wearing a mask rather than the false sense of security.

Jared Ragsdale
Good afternoon,

I would like to ask that the commission take a stand for the community and NOT require masks to be worn. I feel our numbers of sick and those in the hospital do not warrant all of us wearing masks. It should be our right to decide what is best for ourselves.

Please take this in consideration.

Thank you,
Kim Woods
Dear Commissioners:

Please do NOT enforce Governor Kelly’s mask mandate here in Wichita and Sedgwick County! I feel as if she is trying to close the barn door after the horse has gotten out, and it is not as bad here as it is further south. It should continue to be up to individuals and businesses.

Thank you,

Shawn Aeby
Wichita
Communications

From: zack kaiser <cbugy1983@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:59 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I for one am against the mask mandate. I feel our bodies our choice. Other states have shown even with a mandate in effect stores are pretty much ignoring it so kinda pointless.
Sent from my iPhone
Dear County Commissioners,

I write today as a citizen of Sedgwick County and as a pastor who is trying shepherd a congregation here in Wichita.

I urge you to uphold and enforce the Kansas governor’s order mandating face masks in public places. The number of new cases is rising rapidly in our county. Based on the data I have reviewed from several sources, we need to consider how we can slow the spread of this virus before it gets out of control and drastic measures must be taken. In my opinion, requiring people to wear masks is a simple way to allow people to move about more freely and stimulate the economy while still slowing the spread of the virus.

My congregation’s phased plan for reopening the building requires for masks to be worn at all church events, in all phases of our plan. However, due to the level of community spread, we have not yet been able to resume in-person worship services. I and my congregation are anxious to be able to do this safely. Help us to get to that point by requiring masks to be worn in public places in accordance with our governor’s mandate.

Leadership doesn’t mean doing what is easy, it means makes hard decisions on behalf of the common good. Please lead us.

Thank you for your service during this time.

Peace,
Pastor Jill

Rev. Jill Sander-Chali
Senior Pastor
College Hill United Methodist Church
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Wichita, S 67214

Home address
11105 E. Funston St.
Wichita, KS 67207

Sent from Mail for Windows 10
Herd immunity IMO is the only viable path to take.
False sense of security of mask is not good.

If people are compromised or if they want to wear mask, that’s their business but remember everyone has that same choice.
We should plan on opening schools m-f (full days) with only kids and staff wearing masks if they want to.
Open all business back up.
Everyone use the common sense that our God gave us and practice personal hygiene (we all were taught this at least in kindergarten). Stay home when your sick. Wash your hands, cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze.

Yes the covid numbers are going up, all doctors, for that matter everyone should’ve expected that. More test, false positive results and the such.
With the estimate of 25 million people that have caught this virus and the actual mortality rate (using whole numbers) at .25 %, thankfully this virus is nowhere close to hat CDC and others predicted (2.2 million dead with stay at home orders and business closings figured in).
Also, good news, is the biggest age group that is leading new cases is the younger/healthy adults group.
This in return has lowered the hospital visits and the deaths. This is what we want, this is what the experts wanted once we flattened the curve.

When a vaccine is discovered, it will take time to get approved, manufacture and distribute but only half of the population will get the vaccine.

Herd immunity!

I haven’t even touched on the economic impact of this mask mandate but for sure it would not be good at all.

Use common sense and opt out of the Governor’s mandate.

Brian Foster
Communications

From: Linda Sheets <l.sheets@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:00 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Just came from getting our wellness checkups. Virus is real and we need to wear masks and stay home as much as possible. I have great faith and trust in our doctor and this is his opinion. I don’t get what the problem is with doing this.
Sent from my iPad
Sue Sheets
Communications

From: Connor Christensen <connorchrist25@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:00 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Executive Order #20-52 - Face Mask Opinion

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Good Afternoon,

I would like to state my support for Executive Order #20-52 requiring masks or face coverings in public. It is a small task to ask the public to wear face coverings when in public. If we want to improve our economy and reopen schools, we need to take these necessary precautions now.

I hope you take my opinion into consideration. Thank you for your time and service.

Connor Christensen
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Thanks, Connor Christensen
I respectfully ask you to consider the citizens of Sedgwick county the freedom of choice to decide if wearing a mask will benefit their own health.

Thank you.

Deanna Miller
Valley Center
Sent from my Verizon LG Smartphone
Hello County Commission,

I'm strongly in support of the statewide masks in public order. It seems to be about the only way to get somewhat normalcy back without excessive risks.

I am also in support of a ban on interstate sports tournaments being held in the county.

Please do not be reckless here. There's enough evidence that public life without masks is not likely possible for the foreseeable future. Economically, those in higher risk groups or living with people in higher risks groups will stay out of regular economic life if it appears unsafe. Public spaces without masks are unsafe, therefore the economy will be harmed.

Sincerely,
Nicholas Willis
1008 Shady Way
Wichita Kansas 67203
316 841 2930

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I feel that if wearing a face mask protects a person from the virus then why does everyone have to wear one? My health should be my responsibility. What about freedom, ones right to chose.

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Melanie Smarsh <melanie.smarsh@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:58 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face Mask Issue

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Please do not require residents of Sedgwick County to wear face masks.

Face masks should be reserved for those individuals who want to wear them or are sick. The government should not force healthy people to wear masks.

Personally, I wear a mask while at work, because my employer requires me to - certainly not because I want to. I do not wear a mask anywhere else.

Masks are an extremely volatile subject. We have done our due diligence with the lock down order issued in March. It is time for our community to take reasonable precautions and move past this issue.

Tuberculosis killed 1.8 million people in 2018 and you didn't hear one ounce of anyone saying to wear a mask. That illness is spread identical to COVID-19. And we have a vaccine for it.

Don't force the mask issue, please!!
Communications

From: Ericka Byington <ericka247@live.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:57 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face masks

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I would like to vote NO on making face masks mandatory. It's been proven that common masks do not help to prevent getting the virus anyway and are actually unhealthy to wear. If people want to wear them fine, but I feel we should retain the right to choose.
Thank you,
Ericka Byington
Communications

From: Paul M <pmdatzek@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:55 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) NO MASKS!!

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We are not in favor of mandatory masks.

Paul and Cindy Matzek
I previously sent this message to Pete Meitzner.

Commissioner Meitzner:

I am a longtime resident of Wichita and your district. I am writing to implore you to reject Gov. Kelly’s mask order.

I am adamant that the effects, virulence, and morbidity of this virus have all been grossly overstated. Additionally, I believe this order is a violation of my rights, and represents a stepping stone to further erosion of my privacy in the future.

Please help me, as my neighbor, and tell Gov. Kelly, no.

Thank you for your consideration.

Matthew Marble
Communications

From: Katherine Keith <kathyk2017@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:55 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL)

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Masks need to be worn all our governor is trying to do is save lives and all you guys are doing is trying to fight her y'all need to think about what you're doing

Catherine Keith
Dear County Commissioners,

I wear a mask all day at work as I am a physical therapist. We require our patients to wear mask and we take temperatures upon entry. I wear a mask to protect others and appreciate when others wear one to protect me. One can make a choice not to wear their seat belt and they are only putting themselves in danger. When someone chooses to not wear a mask, they put everyone around them in danger. My family, and many others I know, will only go to a business, like Costco, because everyone is required to wear a mask. If we are to keep non essential businesses open, we need to wear mask. If we are going to return to school anytime soon, we need to wear mask. It took mask and social distancing to bring the curve down in New York. We need to do the same here in Kansas.

Thank you for your time.

Steven Vequist PT
Communications

From: Sarah <sarahroomonly@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:54 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Of COURSE mask wearing should be required AND enforced. This is just common sense. One only needs to read the local papers from 1920 to see how we haven’t learned from the last pandemic!

When I wear a mask, I protect others. When others wear a mask, they protect me. I need help with your enforcement to protect me! To protect everyone! I don’t want the city I live in to be the laughing stock of the country.

Our numbers are UP. One only needs to look to other countries statistics to see the US is NOT handling this appropriately.

Respect our governor. Respect our healthcare professionals. Respect each other. Respect me.

PLEASE enforce mask wearing!

This graph is truly embarrassing. Please be a part of the solution!
US #COVID19 cases are surging higher - close to 30k daily v 3k in the EU. We graphed 7 day rolling cases since March. #GraphicTruth

The Graphic Truth: Two different pandemics - EU vs US

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From: Kenneth Sublett <kennethmsublett@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:52 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Re: Mask mandate sorry forgot the link

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I'm sure you've heard this, but I'm going to make sure you know.

Here is I think the best study on face masks and it makes points that both sides won't be happy about. Yes, masks help the forward movement of droplets, so yay masks, but they concentrate the side and rear movement of the virus, so it's pretty much a wash…we are lessening the forward movement, but adding side, downward, upward and backwards movement so in essence we are spreading the virus around even more, none of them keep the virus out… the cloth mad hat that most people wear are not even considered PPE by OSHA and the CDC, the only one that is rated to protect aga6 viruses is the n95, but it spews the virus more forcefully out the front, plus these are being horded for the medical community and been outlawed by many communities in California. None of this matters if you are not social distancing, continually washing the cloth one daily changing the medical ones a minimum of 8 hours or when they get wet and continually washing your hands and not touching your face, which this study acknowledges doesn't happen like it should. Bottom line, if you want to wear one i have no problem with that, but the study does say the false sense of security masks give is a concern. For me, masks don't offer enough protection for me to give up my liberties and this is a risk reward issue do the risks outweigh the benefits, making it mandatory is a no go for me, because the risk of losing my liberties outweighs the minimal protection masks actually provide.

From the study:
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On Thu, Jul 2, 2020, 12:47 Kenneth Sublett <kennethmsublett@gmail.com> wrote:
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From the study:
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I feel masks can help with lowering the curve and help keep people well. However, people need to wear them correctly.

Sent from my iPhone
As a small business in the Wichita area I feel it is an American right to choose. Please do not limit our freedoms. If this is allowed what is next

Thanks
Jason

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From: Lori Tos <northridgeacademy@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:52 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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To Whom It May Concern,

As the Director and Owner of a licensed childcare facility serving over 200 children, I firmly believe that requiring children and employees to wear masks is unproductive and ultimately creates more challenges than preventing any spread of illness. We follow very stringent guidelines with our cleaning practices and have opted to check temperatures and keep our parents outside of the classrooms during drop-off and pick-up. Adding mandatory masks would add another dimension of uncertainty to these children’s lives. Our goal is to create a sense of security within the children—-masks do not foster a sense of security in a child who is being cared for outside of their home. We were asked to remain open during the quarantine and our teachers worked day in and day out to care for essential workers’ children. Forcing them now to wear a mask is unfair when we didn’t give them the choice as to whether or not to continue working during the quarantine.

The issue of masks is not simply a matter of what is right or wrong. It isn’t necessarily a matter of human rights. There are so many differing opinions of medical officials, both locally and nationally. I don’t believe that the evidence supports wearing masks mandatorily, especially in Sedgwick County, where the numbers just don’t support it.

Thank you for your consideration.

Lori Tos
Director/Owner
NorthRidge Academy, LLC
316-729-0830
Hello, I am a healthy sedgwick county resident. I am an essential worker. I have 3 healthy children who are also residents one who is also an essential worker. I find it unconstitutional to be told what i must wear to shop for my childrens food or our household needs. The unhealthy & vulnerable should protect themselves, The healthy should not be forced to. The protests & riots that have happened in our city and in our country have not mandated masks even when the recommendation called for it. Unless there were fines and arrests with those protestors there should not be any repercussions for myself and my children. The mandate put forth by Governor Kelly is a disgrace to the power she was elected to hold. We The People have a Right to stand against this injustice because this is the Land of the Free. We have freedom of speech, Freedom of Religion and Freedom to stand against discrimination of any sort including not wearing a mask. Local business' will be subject to lawsuits as this is also against HIPAA and the American Disability Act and has a $75,000 fine. Osha requires certain guidelines including oxygen levels for workers. I believe requiring my children and I to wear a mask is not only unconstitutional but it is effecting our natural breathing and our overall health. Multiple Police Departments and Sheriff departments throughout Kansas have stated that they will not be enforcing this injustice. I encourage you to do the same.

Thank you
Sincerely, A Concerned Citizen.
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Short and sweet nope nope nope. Have heard too many stories of false negatives being reported, multiple tests being given to known positives, and death rate holding steady or going down. This should be a personal choice. If you know you are at risk, wear a mask.
Hi I am writing to you because I am concerned about the mandate of wearing masks. I personally do not agree with wearing them. However, if wearing them is enforced can you please consider making an exception for youth sports? If wearing masks become mandatory for youth sports many if not all sports will get canceled. My kids as well as many others have had a lot taken away from them already this year. Please don't add to it. Maybe have parents sign a waiver?

I would also like you to consider making an exception for elementary school aged kids. If masks are required once school goes back into session it's going to be complete chaos especially with the younger grades. If we encourage mask wearing but not make it mandatory I think that would help.

Thank you for your time and consideration :)

Beckie Eason

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
To whom it may concern:

We have enough stress, financial strain and issues to enforce this mask mandate. People can not afford masks, SG County needs to move forward with reopening the County and regaining as much "normalcy" as possible during this pandemic. If everyone would continue to wash their hands, be more cautious of social distancing and if they aren't feeling well stay home.

We are NOT supporters of this new mask requirement and want our voices to be heard. I so believe employees working businesses should be mandated to wear them while working but these masks should be company provided.

Thank you,

Dustin Miller & Nathan Hayes
Communications

From: Gmail <sierramariebonn@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:49 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mandatory Face Masks NEEDED

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To the Board of County Commission:

Face masks or other facial coverings MUST become mandatory in public gatherings (indoor and outdoor) before an at-large quarantine is required. We must follow the Governor’s mandate.

Kansas was late to the COVID-19 cases, and we reopened too early. Data shows that our failure to take this seriously will have incredibly detrimental effects. We need mandatory face coverings, we need more testing capabilities, and we need people to take this seriously.

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As a SG county citizen I oppose the mask mandate, especially for her mandate of children 6 years and older are required to wear a mask in public. Some of our children have sensitivities to objects on their faces and requiring them to wear one will increase trauma and behaviors. We need to think about our children!!
Communications

From: Rose Stanley <rosestanley70@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:45 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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We need to wear masks. If a business requires them I will go to that business. Example: Costco. Cyclists are required to wear helmets that only protect them. Yet some folks don't want to wear masks that protect others. Makes no sense. Yes masks are inconvenient and make it hard to breathe. Small sacrifice for greater good.

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Andrew Miller <Andrew.Miller@pathwaychurch.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:45 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Sedgwick County Commissioners Meeting 07/02

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Please address churches specifically and how the order will affect them.

Andrew Miller
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Communications

From: Le Carpenter <lechild82@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:45 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask wearing in public

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If you support this initiative then you should be registered into a pool of tax payers. When all the economic damage is dealt those who are in the pool should pay for all the economic damages through a tax even if it guarantees poverty for the rest of there lives. The media is lying and blowing this out of proportion. Lauren kelly should spend the rest of her life in poverty so her money can help others since she cares so much about other people laying for the economic damage she has caused.

I do not support wearing masks.
Communications

From: Scott Mitchell <s.mitchell80@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:45 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mask

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Hello
Enforcing mask is unconstitutional, you may suggest people wear them when in businesses. To enforce this would be a total waste of resources that’d be better served somewhere else!

Thank you.
Communications

From: Tim Thorpe <tntlowrider@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:43 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Mandatory Masks

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I do not support the mandate issued by the governor for mandatory mask wear. It is another example of government overreach and infringement upon our freedom. If people are sick or not feeling well, they should remain home. Having a mandatory mask requirement is an unnecessary requirement. People should be free to make their choice of whether to wear a mask or not. Therefore I respectfully ask that you vote to not accept or comply with this order.

Tim Thorpe

Sent from my iPad
Communications

From: candle-mama <candle-mama@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:43 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly face mask order

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Council Members,
I am in favor of the face mask order!!
We need to support her decision based on information from many doctors, scientists and health care workers.
I have not felt safe here in sedgwick county since you have only recommended and not enforced her phases.
You even allowed a MAYB tournament with 400 teams from many states come into Wichita knowing Covid was a health risk to others. Stop allowing everyone to continue to put others health at risk!
People are not taking this seriously but I'm sure when a family member or they personally get Covid, they will start understanding the importance of precautions!!
Do the right thing, vote to uphold the face mask order!

Lori Mayer

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
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To the Sedgwick County Board;

PLEASE adhere to the advice of the health professionals and require masks, limit restaurants and outside visitors for large events. This is urgent and important to our community and our children.

I have two daughters that I would like to start school in 6 weeks so my family can get back to work. This is the ONLY way we can get there.

Thank you,
Cara Kliewer

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It should be up to each individual to decide whether or not to wear a mask anywhere. Thanks, Lynne Hankins

Sent from my iPhone
Please mandate masks! Having to work with the public and seeing the large amount of people not social distancing or wearing masks is becoming stressful. Meanwhile my wife has to suffer in pain, waiting for a surgery and hopping I do not have to get tested again, since that causes her surgery to get canceled until results are in. We have already been pushed back once during diagnosis. Please support masks and help those that are suffering get the medical attention they need in a timely manner!

Thank You
Communications

From: Karen Robl-Vinduska <krobvinduska@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:39 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face masks

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Please use science as the guide and make face masks mandatory. Wearing masks by all IS WHAT will keep our economy open. Please, please read the data and scientific research and move forward logically.

Action expresses priorities.
-Gandhi
Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Ashley Carpenter <ashley.carpenter@csuglobal.edu>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:37 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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I live in downtown Wichita and I feel that wearing masks should be our choice and not required. Let's leave it up to businesses to decide or lift it entirely. This is dividing our community.
Commissioners,

We wanted to write today to voice our support for the mask mandate statewide and especially in Sedgwick County. My husband, a physician, and I are very concerned about the current rising numbers and the impact on health of residents and of course school happening in the fall. Please do not over rule this mandate. It will hurt Wichita, Kansas, business, schools and kids when we end up with more closures because steps weren't taken now. Do the next right thing. Trust the research and the physician community. Lead with integrity and others will follow.

Sincerely,
Dr. Will and Mrs. Katie Messamore
67206
Communications

From: Amy Ringer <amychristine611@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:35 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly's executive order #20-52

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> I support Governor Kelly's Executive Order #20-52
>
> Governor Kelly order is completely reasonable and well thought out. I fully support the order, in protecting the citizens of our community.
>
> If the commission doesn't believe the government has a right to tell its citizens to wear face masks, how do you have a right to tell women what to do with their bodies.
Communications

From: Glenda <gfred58@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:34 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) KS Governor's Mask Mandate

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We all have our opinions. I like the approach the South Dakota Governor took. Tell people you trust them being responsible and they will trust you to be responsible. Mutual respect. For those who are vulnerable and the elderly should wear masks or stay-at-home. People should use good hygiene and be responsible. If a person has an allergic reaction to masks or to sanitizer, what are you to do?

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From: Dawne Lowden <dalowden@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:34 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Hello,

As a physician in the community, I beg you to support the governor’s mask mandate. We are on the brink of being overwhelmed with cases I fear. The only change we can make is a united effort to reduce transmission. This is not about rights or freedoms, it is about good common sense and human decency. Please be supportive and not divisive. Thank you

Dawne Lowden, MD

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Elizabeth Mattke <reverend_0717@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:34 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Don't Give In To Tyranny

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Dear Sedgwick County Commissioners,

I will never comply to any executive order set forth by Governor Kelly, and neither should you. This is tyranny, and you know it, especially since it's all based on lies for something that never existed. Please don't make businesses conform either. Otherwise, I will do everything to shut everyone down that conforms. Thank you.

Shalom,

Jared and Elizabeth Mattke
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Without Prejudice
Without Recourse
Non-Assumpsit
We will just sit home and not put any money into the community. Mask should be optional. This is America us. Not Iraq
Communications

From: Amy Ringer <amychristine611@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:32 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly's executive order #20-52

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I fully support the order to help keep everyone safe from COVID-19.

This spike in cases just means we all have to be more careful and wearing masks should be mandatory.

Amy Horton
Communications

From: Nathan Horton <nathanhorton53@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:32 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly's Executive Order #20-52

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I support Governor Kelly’s Executive Order #20-52

Governor Kelly order is completely reasonable and well thought out. I fully support the order, in protecting the citizens of our community.

If the commission doesn’t believe the government has a right to tell its citizens to wear face masks, how do you have a right to tell women what to do with their bodies.

Nathan Horton
Communications

From: Heather Johnson <hjohnson206@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:32 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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Please do NOT make masks mandatory in Sedgwick county. We have the right to protect ourselves how we see fit. If people WANT to wear a mask that is their choice, but it should not be required at all.
Communications

From: e.gates18@gmail.com
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:31 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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As a long time Sedgwick county resident with elderly parents I am horrified that you all would even be considering not requiring masks. Masks are the key to keeping Kansans safe and businesses open. You certainly have a right to not wear a mask but you don’t have a right to enter an essential public space I’m in and get me and my loved ones sick. It’s a minor inconvenience and quiet frankly I’m appalled that you all would be so selfish and so anti science that this would even be a discussion. How many more folks need to die before you take action to keep us safe?

Sincerely,

Evan Gates
Please enforce Gov. Kelly's mask order. It is the only way our businesses will remain open. It will save lives.

Thank you,

Ward Jewell
2266 N Belmont
Wichita, KS 67220
Communications

From: flydogg2@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:27 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Facemask Mandate

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Dear Commissioners,

My position on this issue is more than the wearing or not wearing face masks. There is no scientific evidence to back up their success in the general public. In Dr. Minns own words which he stated at the board meeting, there is no scientific data - they may help 75% or 25%, they aren’t sure. The CDC states they ‘may’ help to stop the spread of Covid-19.

My concern is that there is legislation happening on an ‘opinion’ and a ‘may’ without any scientific evidence to back it up. Many men and women have fought and died for our freedom to be able to have a choice - it is a fundamental freedom - and to legislate without having anything solid to back it up is very dangerous in our society.

In our court of law, there are no grey areas and the facemask issue at this point is in the grey. When the science is behind the legislation, then it clarifies the justification for it.

Please vote to keep our freedom to be able to choose that so many have paid such a high price for.

Thank you for your consideration.

Stefani Bowling
2931 N Governour St
Apt 316
Wichita, KS. 67226
414-916-5920
E-mail - flydogg2@yahoo.com

Sent from my iPad
Hi there,
I respectfully request that the commission supports the Governor’s mandate requiring masks in public places. I am an audiologist at Via Christi Hospital in Wichita.

I know but you know there are so many ripple effects of COVID-19. Let me tell you about one more. During the shut down, our department was not able to see babies under the age of one. That means that any baby who failed their newborn hearing screening at the hospital could not come in to get their hearing aids until after the shut down was over. So now we have about a dozen babies from Sedgwick County with hearing loss who are already behind on learning speech and language.

The more we can protect our community and prevent another shut down, the better. This affects everyone!

Thank you for your service.
Susie Ternes, Wichita

Sent from my iPhone
This is not a matter of personal preference this in some cases is a matter of life and death. It is so unfair for folks with underlying health issues to be afraid to get out because so many people don’t care. Just because some are young and can fight it does not give them the right to pass it on to someone who can’t and cost them their life. Wearing a mask may be an inconvenience for some but if it saves lives and lowers numbers then we should do it as a community.
Communications

From: P Kitterman <pkit15@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:25 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL)  Masks

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I would like to see Sedgwick county make masks mandatory per the governor’s order.

Our numbers are going up dramatically right now, if numbers go down then relax the order.

Pat Kitterman
Derby, KS

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Desiree Huff <desireehuff.25@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:25 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Sedgwick County doesn’t need a mask mandate!

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Commissioners,

Please do not mandate masks for our county! There is no statistical reasoning for them. The Governor is trying to rule by instilling fear in Kansans. We can see what is really going on! Those who want to wear masks can. Those who want to stay home can. Enough is enough! I will campaign against any Commissioner who votes to enact a mandatory mask mandate. This is America. The land of the free and the brave. I will bravely fight for freedom in the face of oppression and fear mongering.

Sincerely,
Desiree Huff
Communications

From: tom.stoll@att.net
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:22 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Covid-19 face masks

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My husband and I believe that it is common sense to be required to wear face masks. Medical experts clearly support this action and why would we dismiss their expertise? Wearing a mask in no way harms the economy. And to those who say it threatens their liberty, we say get over yourself. Think of someone other than yourself, if possible!

Stacy and Tom Stoll
1702 Country Walk Lane
Mulvane, KS 67110
Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Sarah Hall <sarahjo83@att.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:20 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) No masks

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No masks

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Marty <martylmac@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:20 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Governor Kelly Executive Order

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Commissioners:

I write to strongly urge you to implement the provisions on the wearing of face masks effective Friday, July 3. I understand the concerns about the harm caused to the economy by shutting down businesses. This act will ensure that businesses can continue to operate and avoid that possibility.

This order plainly and simply tells Kansans that they need to follow the recommendations of virtually all medical experts to slow the spread of this virus. It has been argued that mandating masks is not necessary, that we should leave people to their own good judgement. Sadly, all evidence indicates that good judgement is woefully lacking.

It has also been argued that forcing the wearing of masks violates a person’s constitutional rights. I do not find any clause in the Constitution that provides a right for anyone to put my life at risk. That argument ignores the fact that my wearing a mask protects YOU not me. I am protected only by you wearing a mask.

Commissioners, the simple fact is that wearing a mask is the healthy, moral and, I believe, the Christian thing to do. I urge you all to vote to implement this executive order.

Martin L. McCormack, Jr

Sent from my iPhone
To whom it may concern,

A mask mandate is not going solve the problem. The covid 19 virus is here and not going away. I understand the need to keep hospitalizations down, but this will have little to no effect on that. Masks do no good outside vs common Sense social distancing. Businesses can already require masks if they deem it nessesary. This mandate is stupid at best. Similar to closing highly chlorinated public pools.

B. Falk
Hello,

My question is will employers need to provide masks to employees in our county/state? Or does that fall in the responsibilities of the employee?

Thank you!
Communications

From: Michelle Harms <mdharms24@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:14 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks

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All medical professionals everywhere recommend masks. This is not a political issue, it's a public health issue. Listen to your own physician advisor and mandate masks. If you don't have the courage to do that, at least recommend masks.
Michelle Harms, RN, BSN
Communications

From: David Sanford <dsanford3@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:13 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face Masks

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Commissioners:

Scientific evidence is inconclusive regarding the wearing of face masks to prevent the spread of viruses like Covid19. I personally prefer to make the wearing of face masks voluntarily rather than mandatory. Thank you!

Dave Sanford, Retired

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: henrietta hutchins <rett.1951@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:10 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face Mask

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I think the Governor is doing the right thing requiring face mask. She’s trying to do all she can to keep people safe & healthy.

Sent from my iPhone
Communications

From: Sheryl Hiebert <hieberts@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:04 PM
To: Communications
Subject: (EXTERNAL) Face Mask Mandate

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Dear Sedgwick County Commissioners
I am writing to let you know that I DO NOT support Governor Kelly’s most recent Face Mask mandatory executive order. Please do not subject Sedgwick County residents & especially Sedgwick County businesses to forced wearing of masks. I certainly don’t want to become ill from Covid 19 as I am certain no one does. Please DO NOT make the requirements mandatory & instead place your trust in the residents of Sedgwick County to follow guidelines to protect themselves as well as their neighbors & fellow residents. Thank you for your service to our county & our community.
Sheryl Hiebert
Wichita, KS
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<td>Cook</td>
<td><a href="mailto:crussellcook7559@gmail.com">crussellcook7559@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Of course we should be required to wear masks to protect everyone we come in contact with. The governor is correct in asking us to wear a mask when we go out. We need to help her help us in this terrible time we are all faced with. Think about your fellow citizens.</td>
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<td>Terrilene</td>
<td>Espinoza</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tjr1211@aol.com">tjr1211@aol.com</a></td>
<td>masks requirement</td>
<td>I request that you follow the Governors directive to wear mask in public. We only have one life please help us protect it.</td>
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<td>Mcintosh</td>
<td><a href="mailto:johnmcintoshderby@gmail.com">johnmcintoshderby@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Greg</td>
<td>Stewart</td>
<td><a href="mailto:gregstewart09@gmail.com">gregstewart09@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Wearing health masks</td>
<td>This Commission’s previous abdication of responsibility in the name of ideology has already directly caused increased infection and suffering. It is sometimes your duty to make decisions that are not universally popular. You have been given a second chance not to be on the wrong side of a life and death issue. If you are going to pretend to be a Board of Health, then act in the interest of public health, rather than short-term political fad. The petulant children protesting masks today will be the first to turn on you when their friends and family start getting ill. Do your job— mandates masks everywhere. The virus doesn’t care about your ridiculous dogma.</td>
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<td>Robert</td>
<td>Adams</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Adamsrc1978@gmail.com">Adamsrc1978@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>NO MASKS</td>
<td>This Commission’s previous abdication of responsibility in the name of ideology has already directly caused increased infection and suffering. It is sometimes your duty to make decisions that are not universally popular. You have been given a second chance not to be on the wrong side of a life and death issue. If you are going to pretend to be a Board of Health, then act in the interest of public health, rather than short-term political fad. The petulant children protesting masks today will be the first to turn on you when their friends and family start getting ill. Do your job— mandates masks everywhere. The virus doesn’t care about your ridiculous dogma.</td>
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<td>Lisa</td>
<td>McIntosh</td>
<td><a href="mailto:McIntosh529@gmail.com">McIntosh529@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Masks should be made mandatory to be worn in public for the health and safety of our community. It is a public health issue not a question of liberty or choices.</td>
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<td>Tim</td>
<td>Moore</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Timmooremail@cox.net">Timmooremail@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mandate masks without delay</td>
<td>Requiring masks to be worn in all public areas is the simplest and most effective way to keep Sedgwick county residents safe and keep the economy moving. Data has shown that areas that have mask requirements the rates of COVID infections have gone down or stayed flat as they have re-opened, but areas that have not mandated this have had huge increases in COVID-19.</td>
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<td>Daniel</td>
<td>Boger</td>
<td><a href="mailto:d.l.boger@gmail.com">d.l.boger@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>I was on the Wichita/Sedgwick County Board of Health for a decade when it really was a board of health professionals. Listen to the health professionals and make wearing a mask when out in the public arena compulsory. You will save many lives, maybe even your own.</td>
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<td>Barb</td>
<td>Mulcahey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Barbmulcahey@cox.net">Barbmulcahey@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>MAKE MASKS MANDATORY!!!!</td>
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<td>William</td>
<td>Skaer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:wcskaer@aol.com">wcskaer@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory mask order</td>
<td>We are not a communist country. Gov Kelly does not have authority to ORDER us to wear mask. Tired of her trying to push her powers beyond the constitution!! NO MASKS!!!! NO MORE CONTROL TACTICS BY KELLY!!!!! Kansas does not want another hitler! Would love to see her removed from office</td>
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<td>Susan</td>
<td>Rosell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Susan.rosell.1962@gmail.com">Susan.rosell.1962@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Yes we need to wear masks!</td>
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<td>Kaitlin</td>
<td>Boger</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kaitlinwalmsley@gmail.com">Kaitlinwalmsley@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask wearing-please mandate</td>
<td>Please mandate mask wearing for the health of our community and businesses. As a community member, I will vote for public officials including commissioners who support our community being healthy.</td>
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<td>William</td>
<td>Brittendall</td>
<td><a href="mailto:druidbros@gmail.com">druidbros@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>PLEASE pass an order requiring masks. Not doing so is irresponsible for our residents. It's for the public welfare.</td>
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<td>Teresa Christner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:trchristner0107@yahoo.com">trchristner0107@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Please make masks a requirement for the sake of people like my 5 year old daughter. She was recently diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes which makes her much more susceptible to serious complications from COVID-19. Everytime I go to the store, I wear a mask, but I encounter countless people who do not, and every single one of them is a risk to my daughter’s health, and possibly her life. It may not be comfortable to wear a mask, but it just might save a life. You never know what is going on at home when you encounter someone out in public. I will leave my comment with a quote from JFK. “Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country.”</td>
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<td>David Gregory</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dgregory@starlumber.com">dgregory@starlumber.com</a></td>
<td>Please do not override the Governor’s orders. I know 9 people with confirmed Covid-19 and a former Barton County Commissioner who has passed away from COVID-19. Let the Governors’ order stand. I’m a teacher. We need to have students in school. That isn’t going to happen if this gets worse. Masks have proven to decrease the spread of the virus. This isn’t about individual rights any more. It needs to be for the greater good. I have experience in the medical field where I wore a mask most of my shift. It is vital to our economy that kids be in school so parents can work. Make the best decision for our kids. Make masks mandatory. We can’t keep acting on the faith that everyone will do the right thing. That’s proven to not be true.</td>
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<td>Malissa Long</td>
<td><a href="mailto:malissalongwilson@gmail.com">malissalongwilson@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I do not support the mandate to wear masks. Being an asthmatic makes it particularly hard, for me, to wear one. It restricts my natural ability to breathe and causes me extreme discomfort and distress. I can’t quite explain to you what it feels like. All I can say is, a few seconds after I put it on, I take it right back off again, because it feels weighty ...heavy, like I’m breathing for two people. Please consider asthmatics, and other with breathing problems, in your decision. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Paula Simon</td>
<td><a href="mailto:paula84922@gmail.com">paula84922@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Regarding the wearing of masks I do not support the mandate to wear masks. Being an asthmatic makes it particularly hard, for me, to wear one. It restricts my natural ability to breathe and causes me extreme discomfort and distress. I can’t quite explain to you what it feels like. All I can say is, a few seconds after I put it on, I take it right back off again, because it feels weighty ...heavy, like I’m breathing for two people. Please consider asthmatics, and other with breathing problems, in your decision. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Joey Hogan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:joey_hogan@hotmail.com">joey_hogan@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>As a citizen of Sedgwick County, I believe it is of the utmost importance that you stand behind Governor Kelly’s mask mandate. If you truly care for the citizens of this state’s health and well-being, masks will be mandatory. I believe if masks are not made mandatory it will have great negative affects on business in Sedgwick County. If there is any sort of outbreak in a business they will be forced to shut down until everyone working there is no longer sick. If we look to other states, we can see that our hospitals will be overrun and understaffed without a mask mandate. Please show that you care for the people of Sedgwick County and support it. Please vote on favor of mandatory masks in public. My daughter has a heart defect as well as asthma. Normal colds land her in the hospital, so I don’t want to see what Covid-19 would do to her. Please protect our fragile kids! Masks save lives.</td>
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<td>Stephanie Tovell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Stove037@gmail.com">Stove037@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please vote on favor of mandatory masks in public. My daughter has a heart defect as well as asthma. Normal colds land her in the hospital, so I don’t want to see what Covid-19 would do to her. Please protect our fragile kids! Masks save lives.</td>
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<td>Cheryl Bannon</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Lcbannon@cox.net">Lcbannon@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Please endorse the Mask Mandate. It’s Economic and safety.</td>
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<td>Kristina Zerger</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kristinazerger@yahoo.com">kristinazerger@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>I believe that we should not be required to wear masks. There are much bigger concerns that our amazing police force should handle first. To not wear a mask is a freedom I didn’t know I’d ever have to fight for. Also...COVID-19 has been “handled” against everything we have learned from immunology. When one hog gets sick with a virus/disease. You purposely infect everyone. Quarantining yourself only weakens your immune system. Using hand sanitizers kills both good and bad bacteria. The reason we have functioning immune systems is because we have exposed ourselves to bacteria/disease/viruses/etc.</td>
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<td>Kathy Randal</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kathlynrandall@gmail.com">Kathlynrandall@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>We need a mask mandate in Sedgwick county. I hate govt restrictions in general, but people have shown that guidance isn’t enough to change their behavior. Our numbers are going higher and higher. People will complain but Todd the most part will comply, even knowing there is no enforcement. Leadership matters. O’Donnel your district’s numbers are rising faster than others, please help them out.</td>
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<td>Allie Feigeles</td>
<td><a href="mailto:afeigeles1@gmail.com">afeigeles1@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Laura Kelly’s Mask Mandate</td>
<td>I’m asking as a concerned Sedgwick County citizen that you enforce masks in public spaces. As an essential worker it is nerve-wracking to know I could be infected at work by people who are not wearing masks, even though I’m required to wear one at work. It is unfair to expect essential workers to wear masks for shifts but not enforce this same expectation for people who visit public spaces. As Sedgwick County cases continue to rise, it is imperative that masks are worn to slow this spread back down.</td>
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<td>Valerie Reimers</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lucindas@cox.net">lucindas@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Gov. Kelly’s Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Forgive me if this is a repeat. I am a small business owner in Old Town. I am strongly in favor of Governor Kelly's mask mandate and would love for it to be enforced. Putting the onus on business owners is wrong, it should be mandated. Masks will save lives and save the economy.</td>
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<td>Leah Miller</td>
<td><a href="mailto:elberethikm@gmail.com">elberethikm@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandate</td>
<td>Please don't do the mask mandate</td>
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<td>Andrea Anglin</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Andreaanglin@ymail.com">Andreaanglin@ymail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please vote to uphold the mask mandate. If you care about keeping the economy open, we must slow the spread of this virus. Nobody wants to wear the masks but it’s necessary. Thank you for your time.</td>
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<td>Belyndae Johanningsmeier</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lindasue_03@hotmail.com">lindasue_03@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>COVID 19</td>
<td>Please support the majority of residents who want to wear a mask. Allow us to keep social distance. We want to continue to support our local businesses in a safe environment but take care of each other.</td>
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<td>Austin Shaw</td>
<td><a href="mailto:austinjsphotography@gmail.com">austinjsphotography@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks shouldn't be required</td>
<td>Hello, my name is Austin Shaw. I have strong opinions about the masks. I have done a lot of research into it and made an academic decision. The masks do not do anything. It is actually doing worse. Everyone most of the day sitting there positioning and touching the mask. So they’re getting a lot of stuff on their mask. And the ones that aren’t that great they’re actually blowing it on to other people and just creating more of a mess. Also the message actually good at keeping things in and out we’re actually doing more harm. Is actually trapping the CO2 you exhale inside the mask. In return actually breathing in CO2 which you shouldn’t do. Why the masks are a problem for me because a lot of people don’t know what’s actually happening.</td>
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<td>Sharon ONeil</td>
<td><a href="mailto:soneill14@cox.net">soneill14@cox.net</a></td>
<td>face masks and COVID</td>
<td>Responsible leadership requires you to have the community wear face masks while in public. It is the best way to help local businesses stay open. Have you noticed the local restaurants that have closed for at least 2 weeks due to an employee being positive for COVID? Sedgwick County residents lives are at risk here. I speak as one who is at high risk and my husband is high risk as well. I would hope that you are your family members do not have to be infected prior to you taking this risk seriously. We will be watching carefully and this will be a deciding factor for us when you are up for reelection.</td>
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<td>Vonda Schuster</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Vschuster@cox.net">Vschuster@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Ordinance</td>
<td>I am baffled by the decision today, to ignore the Governor’s mask ordinance. This goes against common sense and general decency. Our hospitals are overflowing! This is not acceptable!</td>
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<td>mauree saad</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mauree1996@yahoo.com">mauree1996@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>masks</td>
<td>Do Not need to be mandatory.</td>
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<td>Kelly Steadman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:socrfn2@gmail.com">socrfn2@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Kansas Mask Mandate</td>
<td>I completely agree with Governor Kelly’s Mask Mandate for the state of Kansas. I believe that this needs to be enforceable by local law enforcement where tickets should be issued for non compliance. People need to stop being selfish and only thinking about themselves so we don’t end up having another lockdown!</td>
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<td>Jennifer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jenandthepugs@yahoo.com">jenandthepugs@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Facemasks</td>
<td>Why did Mike O'Donnell delete his survey about facemasks? Was it because he doesn't want to see what his constituents think? Over 60% were in favor of Gov. Kelly's order. Face masks help us keep businesses open.</td>
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<td>Jamie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dandjstolz@gmail.com">dandjstolz@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Please protect our freedoms and take action AGAINST the mandate!</td>
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<td>Judy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Judyvanlandingham@gmail.com">Judyvanlandingham@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>I think Sedgwick county should absolutely enforce the mandate from Governor Kelly. We should all be wearing masks in public to protect others and slow the spread of Covid-19. This is our best defense especially when we are unable to socially distance by 6ft. If we want our businesses to be able to stay open, we must put the health of our community as a top priority. Otherwise our numbers will continue to increase and we will not move be able to move forward.</td>
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<td>Nancy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Njfalkner@att.net">Njfalkner@att.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I am in favor of all people wearing masks outside their homes for all residents</td>
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<td>Megan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:masmith227@gmail.com">masmith227@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Wear Masks</td>
<td>Kansas residents should absolutely be required to wear masks in public spaces. Please look around the world at the measures being taken in countries that have faired better than our country. Wearing masks is the bare minimum we can do.</td>
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<td>Rannfrid</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rannfrid.thelle@gmail.com">rannfrid.thelle@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please take responsibility as community leaders and support the governor’s mask requirement. Please model this good behavior yourselves to save lives, as now GOP Senate leaders have also done. You, as Commissioners can play a great role in serving as models in Wichita. Let’s all do our part to keep our city safe and allow us to move around and do business safely!</td>
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<td>Jeralyn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jjohnson@filter-tech.com">jjohnson@filter-tech.com</a></td>
<td>Covid mask</td>
<td>We don’t need mask when we are outside biking and walking.</td>
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<td>Dawn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:shatterthatglass68@gmail.com">shatterthatglass68@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks</td>
<td>I am in favor of all people wearing masks outside their homes for all residents</td>
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<td>Kathleen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:katfrancesallee@gmail.com">katfrancesallee@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Support for Masks!</td>
<td>Your stance of strongly encouraging people to social distance and wear a mask has done nothing to improve the situation. All the science and health experts state that if everyone would wear a mask when social distancing isn’t possible, this virus rampage could be greatly curtailed. Too many people think that wearing a mask is only about themselves. Businesses need your support of the mask mandate to give them cover for requiring one in their place of business in order to protect their employees.</td>
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<td>Debbie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Damaltbie@cox.net">Damaltbie@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>It is my belief that we owe it to our fellow citizens to enforce the wearing of masks in public to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community. It is a very small ask to keep everyone safe and work toward ending the spread of this disease at continual increased rates. The lack of leadership and response from the county commissioners to the pandemic has been greatly disappointing. It is time to follow the science – masks work! There can be a balance to allow businesses to continue to operate if we start to communicate. Compromise is the art of democracy and our county commission would do well to remember that, especially in unprecedented times. Put the politics aside and protect your community.</td>
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<td>Amy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:amyddraut@gmail.com">amyddraut@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Enforcement</td>
<td>I believe it is a small request to wear masks while in public and it should be implemented. I do not want the economy to stop again and we should take actions to keep the economy going that are still in our control.</td>
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<td>Nikki</td>
<td><a href="mailto:inmanwn@gmail.com">inmanwn@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Wearing masks in Sedgwick County</td>
<td>Wearing a mask is not going to cause someone to lose their job or die. Not wearing one might. Everyone needs to do their part to get us back to the normal we all want.</td>
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<td>Joanna Hupp</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jlynnhupp77@gmail.com">Jlynnhupp77@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I do not think that masks should be mandated. We have done a great job of minimizing this virus without mandatory mask usage. You risk vilifying people who have a medical condition where a mask would jeopardize their health. There's enough hostility going around right now. I respectfully ask you to override the overreach and abuse of power. Please protect our rights. Masks make communication difficult and near impossible for the deaf and hard of hearing who rely on being able to read lips to navigate life. Thank you for your consideration.</td>
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<td>G.R Glennie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:g.glenlie@yahoo.com">g.glenlie@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>If forced to wear a mask stores will see a big drop in customers and that's a drop in tax money for the city.</td>
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<td>Scott Leonard</td>
<td><a href="mailto:scott.d.leonard@gmail.com">scott.d.leonard@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>This is a perfect opportunity for the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners to actually work for us. Do not overrule, limit, make exceptions for, or otherwise change Gov. Kelly's Executive Order's provisions. Mandatory mask wearing has been shown to be effective. The choice here is: A) Be a little uncomfortable for a few months, or B) Watch more friends and family get sick and potentially die</td>
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<td>Brook Hansen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Bhansen4973@gmail.com">Bhansen4973@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I understand and do agree with masks being required in public. However, without having some sort of repercussion if you're not wearing one, why are we saying it's mandatory? Why can't it be actually enforced?</td>
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<td>Theresa Harrison</td>
<td><a href="mailto:harrisonred@yahoo.com">harrisonred@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Please follow the guidelines of Gov. Kelly's order on requiring masks, and please enforce it. We can all endure the mask in order to slow/stop the spread of this virus. Without concerted effort of the public, and of their elected officials, we are liable to continue this seesaw effect long into fall. Even for those who contract the disease and survive, the consequences are devastating. There is no need for our population to experience this.</td>
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<td>Laura Quaney</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lmquaney@shockers.wichita.edu">lmquaney@shockers.wichita.edu</a></td>
<td>Upon hearing the news of the mask mandate, I experienced a sense of relief that individual business and individual employees will no longer be tasked with enforcing masking in order to protect themselves and surround people. This is the right move for the safety and healthy of our citizens and our economy. However, this is dependent upon local governing bodies prioritizing, emphasizing, and enforcing the mask mandate, I implore you to take this seriously and to promptly make it clear to local citizens that this mandate will be upheld to the highest degree possible. At the very least endorse it so your local businesses will not be scorned for trying to protect their employees and their communities.</td>
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<td>Monica Coultis</td>
<td><a href="mailto:monica.coultis@gmail.com">monica.coultis@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Sedgwick County needs to require face masks in public in order for our community to be unified in our pandemic response. It has now been proven what happens when safety is left up to the citizens. We are about 4 weeks out from the governor lifting the mandatory phased reopening plan. With Sedgwick County voting to ignore the governor's guidance on how to reopen safely, we now have an infection rate double that of the rest of the state. Clearly, citizens cannot be trusted to make the right decision about the health of their community. Wearing face masks in public will not effect the economy negatively, so I cannot see any reason why the mandate would not be passed. We are in a unique position to flatten the curve IF we act as a united front.</td>
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<td>April Morgan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:aprilmorgan1982@gmail.com">aprilmorgan1982@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks are not a political position, they are a public health position. Today I watched a garage sale across the street, hosted by three families, I think. They were not masked, and the several times I glanced out the window, their customers were not either. I want to be safe, and I want my family safe. I want enough capacity at the hospital that if you are in a serious car wreck tonight, there will be an empty bed for you at the hospital. If individuals do not understand public health and science, we must rely on you to do what is right. Please support masks when out in public- this includes inside businesses.</td>
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<td>Maureen Peterson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mosartoriginal@gmail.com">mosartoriginal@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>If masks are mandated we’ll take our business to the counties who opt out. Masks outside is asinine. Personal choice and responsibility should be the norm. Why aren’t we hearing from the thousands of survivors? FEW people even need hospitalization if they have it. The antibody studies in NC shows that Yo to 1 in 10 people have had it and never knew it. How you seen the data pointing to the virus weakening to survive, like viruses typically do? Is anyone doing their own research or just laying all OUR eggs in one basket of few “experts”? You all should be embarrassed for the unnecessary fear you’ve caused in so many as well as the divisiveness by encouraging protest and hindering the celebration of our great country.</td>
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<td>Jill Grier</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kingdommindedmoms@gmail.com">kingdommindedmoms@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>No Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>Stand against Governor Kelly’s governmental overreach. It’s not your job to protect my health. That’s my job. Your job is to protect my liberty. I will not comply with the systematic dismantling of our Constitutional liberty. My coworker at Comcare died of Covid-19. I think it’s a good idea as cases rise once again to require mask be worn in public. It certainly can’t hurt! Do not fight Governor Kelly’s mandate! If you don’t want to go back into business having to close require mask. It’s a really simple thing to do! Show you care about your constituents. And Odonnell we saw your Poll! It was as 62% in favor of Kelly’s mandate, you cant hide that you made a poll. We have screen shots.</td>
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<td>Jessica Olson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Beanswillmate@gmail.com">Beanswillmate@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask</td>
<td>We have screen shots.</td>
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<td>Ashley Rosell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Ashv1997@gmail.com">Ashv1997@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I support the mask mandate</td>
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<td>Dan Schuster</td>
<td><a href="mailto:gurgi4@cox.net">gurgi4@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Ordinance</td>
<td>I am writing to encourage you to vote in favor of Gov Kelly’s mask ordinance. Wearing a mask in public is a minor inconvenience in favor of better safety precautions. It is also a better option than another shut down and will help, I feel, with the ability for school to happen this fall (as normally as possible).</td>
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<td>James Spencer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jim.spencer@sbcglobal.net">jim.spencer@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I opposed the governor’s EO regarding mandatory masks. Citizens should be encouraged to wear masks but should not be punished if they don’t. Please use your authority to override the EO.</td>
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<td>Elizabeth Dakan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Dakan91@gmail.com">Dakan91@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Require Masks</td>
<td>I wholeheartedly support requiring everyone, who is able to do so, to wear masks when out in public - in all indoor spaces and in those outdoor spaces where staying at least six feet apart s not practical.</td>
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<td>James Quiring</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jquiring@ur.com">jquiring@ur.com</a></td>
<td>No mask</td>
<td>We the people that voted you in do not want the mask requirement. Do not allow us to be sheep remember my body my choice.</td>
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<td>Renee Alexander</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mslachelle06@gmail.com">Mslachelle06@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Require Face Masks in Sedgwick County</td>
<td>As a nurse and with current state of COVID-19 and the increasing cases, I strongly believe residence should be held accountable and mandated to wear masks. The rule is “Click it or ticket” whe it comes to seat belts. It was a law put in place to protect the public. Wearing masks should work the same way. Force people to protect themselves even when they can’t see how why they should.</td>
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<td>Candice Sullivan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:clyunker1990@hotmail.com">clyunker1990@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Keep Masks Mandatory</td>
<td>Please keep masks mandatory. Facts are facts. Please rely on medical professionals and scientists opinions instead of political agendas or emotions. Masks help reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. We need to do whatever is necessary to protect our community. More importantly, it is your duty to protect our community. Please make masks mandatory.</td>
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<td>Samantha Haughton</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Samluvspats11@gmail.com">Samluvspats11@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Please enforce and keep the governors mask mandate</td>
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<td>Kathy Kryzer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kkryzer@cox.net">Kkryzer@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Face coverings</td>
<td>I fully support requiring the use of face coverings in public places when social distancing cannot be accomplished. This action will help our community stay healthy and keep businesses from having to close again. I'm counting on our leaders to step up and make these difficult decisions, popular or not, and to lead by good example.</td>
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<td>Michelle Soukup</td>
<td><a href="mailto:michellelee30@att.net">michellelee30@att.net</a></td>
<td>Agree to mask mandate</td>
<td>Please keep our governors mask mandate in place for the public safety of Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Samantha Paulsen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:samanthanp82@gmail.com">samanthanp82@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>MASKS</td>
<td>No to Masks, social distancing is sufficient</td>
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<td>Sherman Orr</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Sorr1@aol.com">Sorr1@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Covid</td>
<td>Please use real science when it comes to masks and stopping the spread of covid. The peer reviewed articles plainly state it doesn't stop the spread of influenza (covid). We are only dividing our county with these measures. Our economy, schools and localities will only continue to decline without most folks getting and overcoming the disease. Please use science not hearsay.</td>
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<td>Lucy Hesse</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lucy.hesse@gmail.com">lucy.hesse@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Mask Order</td>
<td>It is important to keep the residents of our counties’ communities healthy, slow the spread of COVID-19, and keep our economy functioning. Data from the CDC, WHO, and other reputable organizations indicate that using facial coverings are one of the biggest factors in slowing respiratory transmission of this serious illness. As many of our county’s residents have returned to work, it is essential that we take this extra precaution to avoid a critical overload of our healthcare system here in Wichita. Please order the wearing of masks in public spaces until there is evidence of elimination of community spread. It will lead to better health outcomes for residents, as well as preserve our county’s economy.</td>
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<td>Keely Hosmann</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Keely.hosmann@gmail.com">Keely.hosmann@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face Masks</td>
<td>I feel that Sedgwick County should require face masks to help limit the spread of COVID-19.</td>
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<td>Samantha Raulsten</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Samantha.raulsten@gmail.com">Samantha.raulsten@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>mask enforcement</td>
<td>Yesterday (7/1/20) we were at roughly the same amount of positive covid cases we were at the last peak that occurred during the &quot;shutdown.&quot; We (the county, and thereby all but one commissioner) are currently &quot;open for business&quot; as usual blindly (gleefully, even) disregarding the rampant spread of the virus. The only thing standing between people and the virus, if people refuse to stay home for NON-ESSENTIAL outings, IS WEARING A MASK AND ENFORCING IT! Honestly, we should be shut down again to essential only and require masks when we HAVE to go out. An unenforced mask mandate is about as useful as busted condom. Funny how Republican pro-lifers don't care about &quot;the sanctity of life&quot; if saving it makes their face hot and itchy.</td>
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<td>Elaine Mullennax</td>
<td><a href="mailto:elainemullennax@gmail.com">elainemullennax@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please enforce the mask order!!!</td>
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<td>Laurie Pivonka</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Laurieandra@gmail.com">Laurieandra@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masking for public health</td>
<td>We need mandatory masks in Sedgwick County. I am a registered nurse. I have seen the severity of this disease up close. Many of the patients I have interacted with have eventually succumbed to the illness. Wearing masks has been shown to prevent transmission of the illness and can save many families unspeakable heartbreak. Not to mention the physical and monetary costs of severe illness.</td>
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<td>Jess Riopel</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jess@tracylelectricinc.com">jess@tracylelectricinc.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>My family and I will not comply with the state mask mandate. I wear a mask because my job requires it but to wear it in public in all areas is not good for the economy. People will stop going to restaurants, bars, or other places. If people want to wear masks, they can but we cannot make people. There is no law that says this is remotely legal.</td>
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<td>Virginia Mitchell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ginnyrae37@hotmail.com">ginnyrae37@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks</td>
<td>Please vote AGAINST Gov Kelly’s mandate to require face masks! It is unconstitutional, the masks (especially cloth ones) are useless to prevent virus from spreading, and the whole fiasco is about nothing but her trying to exercise unconstitutional control and push her liberal agenda of control and liberalism. We are so tired of all the lies, fraud and outright unconstitutionality of it all!</td>
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<td>Candy Adams</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Adams.candy@rocketmail.com">Adams.candy@rocketmail.com</a></td>
<td>AGAINST face mask mandate by Kelly</td>
<td>I am not convinced that wearing a mask will stop the spread of Covid. This disease is like any other virus. I will do as always and practice cleanliness and not going to work when not feeling well. We are responsible adults and can make up our own mind if we choose to wear a mask or stay sheltered or get a vaccine when ever that happens. Sedgwick County should oppose this mandate. Many will be shopping in closer counties to avoid being forced to wear a mask.</td>
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<td>Troy Fischer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:troyfischer@swbell.net">troyfischer@swbell.net</a></td>
<td>Wear Masks!</td>
<td>There is no reason Sedgwick county should not follow the mandate to wear masks. Yes we want to keep the economy opening up. Yes, masks help. Listen to health professionals. More precautions can only be a good thing. Do the right thing!</td>
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<td>Melanie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mshurden@cox.net">mshurden@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Masks We citizens of Kansas have the means and methods of slowing the spread of the virus in our hands. Wear masks, socially distance, wash hands and stay home unless you must go out. For the health of all, I implore those in power to proclaim these scientific facts to protect as many people as possible. Or, admit you are a political hack and a science denier and have no regard for the well-being of Kansans. There is no in between. The guidelines are simple. Masks, social distancing and hand washing. Is that so hard?</td>
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<td>Carrie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Crosell0308@gmail.com">Crosell0308@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Agree with Mask mandate Until we have a turnaround time of less than 24 hours for all covid testing, wearing a mask is important to public health. I submitted my covid testing story via email for further explanation.</td>
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<td>Janice</td>
<td><a href="mailto:janbrad89@yahoo.com">janbrad89@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>I am calling for the BOCC to fulfill its duty to protect public health and stop obstructing the fight to stop the spread of this dangerous virus. Please listen to the governor and do not object to her requirement for masks in public. Commissioner O’Donnell created a poll on facebook about the mask. It had hours left when he took it down bc it was 60+% for masks and 38+% against. What an embarrassment. MASKS MUST BE REQUIRED IN PUBLIC PLACES.</td>
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<td>Debbie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Schmidt.deb@cox.net">Schmidt.deb@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask wearing Do we have to keep relearning the same hard lessons? I am from Harvey county, but considered part of the larger metro area. Mask wearing is the only thing we have now to protect us! The best way to quick recovery is to make this area healthy so that we can SAFELY move forward. PLEASE drop partisan politics and do what is in the best interest of all people and enforce/encourage the use of masks.</td>
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<td>Kathy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kreitmeyer@msi-group.com">kreitmeyer@msi-group.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks Really disappointed in chairman O’Donnell deleing his poll he posted on Facebook because the voting didn’t turn out in his favor. It’s clear the majority are in favor of the governors orders. I hope each member will actually listen to what their constituents are wanting and not go against the governor simply because of her political party affiliation.</td>
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<td>Nikki</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dennismm@cox.net">dennismm@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement Do not enforce the governors orders. We do not need to be muzzled for our own safety. We are not mindless creatures. If people are scared that is ok and let them wear them. The scared do not dictate what to do. Stand for personal choices now!</td>
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<td>Jason</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jasonwelch1945@gmail.com">Jasonwelch1945@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask I respect Gov. Kelly’s mandate on wearing masks because we can’t afford to take a step back with our health and economy. To vote against this is nothing more than a political stance that is geared up to place their constituents in danger. I will be watching to see who votes against this and will remember come their election time.</td>
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<td>Cathy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Willowgodesscb54@yahoo.com">Willowgodesscb54@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandate on masks I support Governor Kelly’s order regarding masks as well as following her other orders. As a voter, taxpayer and citizen I am fearful of what may happen to the city. I love if we do not follow these requirements that are proven to work against the spread of Covid-19. Thank you</td>
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<td>Doug</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Douglledbetter22@hotmail.com">Douglledbetter22@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement I support masks worn by all as the best way to prevent another shutdown that would dramatically harm our local businesses. Please keep the mask order in place.</td>
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<td>Deborah</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mcdaniel256@gmail.com">Mcdaniel256@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor Kelly’s executive order requiring masks to be worn in public As a retired healthcare worker, I respectfully request the commissioners vote to adopt the governor’s executive order. Masks will help prevent more deaths and assist hospitals with their ICU bed management. Thank you</td>
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<td>Clarissa</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Clarissajeter@gmail.com">Clarissajeter@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirements I am in agreement with the masks and with limits like they do in restaurants for now while the increase is taking place. It will help the kids be ready for school too since I have heard talk that they will have to wear</td>
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<td>Alexandria</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Awalk0625@yahoo.com">Awalk0625@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks and limits</td>
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<td>Corey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:coreyboen77@gmail.com">coreyboen77@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Not in favor of a requirement to wear masks. Inform and advise to the best of abilities, but I think we should let people decide how best to protect themselves.</td>
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<td>Debbi</td>
<td><a href="mailto:donovandebbi@gmail.com">donovandebbi@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>I strongly disagree with making masks mandatory. I believe it puts business at risk of having to be the mask police and further harming our economic conditions. I believe this is a personal choice to be made individually and mandating it puts us into groups of masks/no masks creating another forum for division. Also puts law enforcement in a very difficult situation and they need our support right now not another thankless job to do. So I am AGAINST Executive Order #20-52 and urge commissioners to decide to not keep this order. Thanks.</td>
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<td>Elizabeth</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dontplayme94@gmail.com">dontplayme94@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks for public safety</td>
<td>I would request, along with the majority of Sedgwick County residents, that Governor Kelly’s mask order be passed. None of you must know what it is to be immuno-compromised or have an underlying health condition, nor what it means to have any genuine concern about the health of the people in this city and county. For once, be true Christians. Be your brothers’ and sisters’ keepers.</td>
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<td>Deb</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dashevlin@icloud.com">dashevlin@icloud.com</a></td>
<td>Embrace, endorse, model, or support mask wearing</td>
<td>If you purchase a cooler expecting people to die, then there is absolutely no excuse for not prompting the use of masks.</td>
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<td>Renee</td>
<td><a href="mailto:re5string@gmail.com">re5string@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks and social distancing</td>
<td>I fully support Gov. Kelly's recommendations for wearing masks and enforcing social distancing.</td>
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<td>Carmen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:cmsarch33@gmail.com">cmsarch33@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Not in favor</td>
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<td>Jan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jdoran727@gmail.com">Jdoran727@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Even before the CDC issued their recommendation to wear face coverings, I pulled out my sewing machines and began making masks. I've made over 500 now. With the governor’s recent announcement, requests are again pouring in. Please make this a mandate here in Kansas. All indications from other countries that mandated masks or their citizenry voluntarily wear indicates these masks help slow the spread. Please. Your leadership on this issue is critical. Most people will wear them if you do this mandate. More than are currently wearing will do so. It can't hurt. It can only help slow down this virus which could mean we can avoid more drastic measures.</td>
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<td>Nicole</td>
<td><a href="mailto:neragsdale@gmail.com">neragsdale@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Covid-19 Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Hello, I am sending this in hopes that Sedgwick County does NOT uphold Governor Kelly's recent mask mandate for the state. Thank you for your time.</td>
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<td>Tonya</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Tonyakieffer@gmail.com">Tonyakieffer@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>I have been wearing a mask and will continue to do so. I wear a mask to protect others and their loved ones. I wish more people would care enough about my health and my family's health to wear a mask in public. Please approve this for the future wellbeing of our communities and loved ones.</td>
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<td>Mary</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mbd55@hotmail.com">mbd55@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Enforcing Wearing of Masks</td>
<td>Wearing of masks should be enforced or at least not advertised as not enforcing.</td>
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<td>Kelsey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kelsey.pacrim@gmail.com">kelsey.pacrim@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please support the statewide mask mandate in our county. I sincerely believe it is a reasonable measure that is the best way to support both public health and our businesses. With masks, more people like me (young adults with underlying health conditions) will be able to conduct life with relative normalcy--including frequenting businesses that we've now been avoiding for months. These types of collective action problems are the very reason a government exists. Please listen to the experts and do the right thing.</td>
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<td>Leslie Hicks</td>
<td><a href="mailto:leslie_hicks@ymail.com">leslie_hicks@ymail.com</a></td>
<td>Executive Order #20-52 Special Meeting July 2, 2020</td>
<td>Commissioners must recognize masks as the health/life issue it is; NOT as a tool to advance personal or political views. You have a duty to set policy to protect the population. The Commission makes decisions about health, sanitation, and safety regularly; why not now? Failure to support masks is ignoring this present dire crisis. Ignoring masks belittles the lives of essential workers. Masks cannot reasonably be seen as an injustice to personal rights any more than prohibiting drunk driving is an injustice to personal rights. Ability to fight Covid-19 is limited; have the integrity and fortitude to support masks. Is risk to your personal politics more important than the lives of essential workers and the residents of Sedgwick County?</td>
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<td>Rachel Wetta</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rachel.n.parr@gmail.com">rachel.n.parr@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>I am 100% for the requirement to wear a mask anywhere in public. Taking care to not harm others IS taking care of yourself. ALL refusals to wear a mask are a political statement, NOT acceptance of a reasoned, scientifically proven method to protect everyone, including yourself. People refusing to wear a mask would put one on instantly and leave it on for hours to protect themselves if a poisoned gas were around. Refusal in the case of Covid-19 is a political statement.</td>
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<td>Karen Harris</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kjmh@att.net">kjmh@att.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>My family will not comply outside of work. This is infringement on our rights and as nonsensical as the rest of the actions taken regarding this virus. Making restaurants comply for their customers will destroy them. We won’t eat out and I don’t think most will. Stop the insanity and let people make personal decisions.</td>
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<td>Melissa Riopel</td>
<td><a href="mailto:riopeljm@yahoo.com">riopeljm@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I am in support of keeping the mask requirement in place. Please do so for the health of our county. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Judy Ledbetter</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Judy.ledbetter22@gmail.com">Judy.ledbetter22@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Requirement</td>
<td>I honestly don’t think that it’s right to force people to wear masks if they don’t want to. In my in case I don’t like having anything on my face it freak out and I have a hard time breathing. On top of that what is the point of wearing one if my children are to small to wear one cause by me wearing on won’t make a difference between my kids and myself. If my kids get it they are going to give it to me anyways. Let us make the decision!</td>
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<td>Krisandra Harbison</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nadine_91_michelle@yahoo.com">nadine_91_michelle@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>No Masks</td>
<td>I support the recommendations of the Governor and the medical experts on wearing of masks, etc. to slow the spread of the virus. Listen to the experts!</td>
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<td>Tom Delillo</td>
<td><a href="mailto:delillo@math.wichita.edu">delillo@math.wichita.edu</a></td>
<td>corona virus</td>
<td>I urge you to take action and say NO! This is infringement on our medical freedoms and right to choose what’s best for our family’s. If we mandate a simple thing like masks, where will it end. To me it’s just a starting block-next vaccines, the list goes on and loss of all personal freedom. Our Governor has over step and seems to forget she works for all the people, not only those who agree with her. It’s her job to consider all Kansans. Let us choose let us choose for ourselves what’s right for us.</td>
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<td>Mandy Briones</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mandybriones@gmail.com">Mandybriones@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Say NO to mask Mandate</td>
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<td>Maya Williamson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mayajwilliamson@yahoo.com">mayajwilliamson@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask</td>
<td>I feel like masks should not be required, but a voluntary act within the community. I feel when you take away our rights by forcing us to obey and not give us the option to follow, we will see more negative outcomes. I for one will not support businesses that will be policing me on my decision to wear a mask or not. I think there are quite a few other citizens who feel this way and I fear that our economy will continue to head south. I am also opposed to the mandate because I think it hurts the children in our community. So much has been taken away from them already and this will further that outcome. I know this is a tough decision to make, but I do hope that you make the right one for our community.</td>
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<td>Christopher Golden</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chris@blueones.com">chris@blueones.com</a></td>
<td>Face Coverings</td>
<td>Sedgwick County’s daily COVID-19 case numbers are climbing unabated since restrictions were lifted. Strong leadership is needed to stop the virus’ spread and part of that is to enact science-based measures to preserve the health and save the lives of local citizens. Governor Kelly’s recent order is reasonable under the circumstances and should be followed.</td>
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<td>Amy Jensen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:cattyamy@att.net">cattyamy@att.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Vote</td>
<td>As a resident and public educator in Sedgwick County, I encourage you all to vote in support of our citizens following the governor’s wise mask mandate. We want our schools to open in August. I miss my students!!!</td>
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<td>Zachary Griffith</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Zachmgriff@yahoo.com">Zachmgriff@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask</td>
<td>I write in support of the mask order, and in support of Dr Minns recommendations for 50% capacity, and the limiting of travel. As a teacher, and the wife of an EMT in the ER, I understand the repercussions of not acting now. Not only will choosing not to enact these things harm our community in terms of health, but it will also decrease the likelihood of in person school in the fall. That will in turn harm families, businesses, and the county economically. If we hope to keep things open, we must act now, and do so with the support of the commission. Please look beyond the politics of all this, and focus on what is best for the health and safety of all.</td>
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<td>Olivia Sumner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Osumner@usd259.net">Osumner@usd259.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I am in favor of face masks. Please vote in favor of them to curve the virus.</td>
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<td>Marsha Sechler</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Msechler@cox.net">Msechler@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Face Masks</td>
<td>Hello and good afternoon. I am writing to you due to the governor’s mask covering order. While I understand the need for public safety and health I do not believe that the mask order is what will help. Masks on children and adults is not the new norm nor is it the answer. The masks should be an option and not a mandate. Thank you for your time.</td>
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<td>Kelly Martinez</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kmartinez10@yahoo.com">Kmartinez10@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory mask coverings</td>
<td>I fully support the recommendations for masking in public spaces where social distancing cannot be followed to protect those who are the most vulnerable to COVID19.</td>
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<td>Amber Vaughn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:e76a88@gmail.com">e76a88@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandated Masking</td>
<td>You open restaurant church bars and all the rest way to early and you all were warned what would happen. It was almost perfect the way it has jumped in numbers!!! Thanks for being thoughtful of humanity to start over in the near future.</td>
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<td>Greg Steadman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:socrfn@gmail.com">socrfn@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Opening up</td>
<td>We have already taken steps to place a plexiglass barrier between customers and employees in office at work. Along with increased cleaning it’s been effective. Most of communication in office is be telephone, collecting payments by credit card, conversing with customers. Wearing a mask makes it more difficult to be understood while collecting the card numbers, expiration dates and security codes of hundreds of customers daily. Totally unnecessary, overkill!</td>
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<td>Vicki Giltner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:vicki.giltner@yahoo.com">vicki.giltner@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Order Requirement</td>
<td>I would encourage you to support the governors order of wearing masks. It is important in keeping our community safe and our best chance of being able to keep our local businesses open.</td>
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<td>Emily Schmidt</td>
<td><a href="mailto:emkzschmidt@gmail.com">emkzschmidt@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please Wear Masks</td>
<td>good plan i agree</td>
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<td>Hannah Turner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Hrpt39@yahoo.com">Hrpt39@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory mask</td>
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<td>Denise</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mrsdhodge@yahoo.com">mrsdhodge@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>I definitely do NOT support mandatory masks. Because I have a gamut of personal and practical reasons, as a mother, grandmother, retired educator and citizen, I simply ask you to please don’t overload our law enforcement with such nonsense when they have much more important matters.</td>
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<td>Susan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sjmjlentz@sbcglobal.net">sjmjlentz@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Masks Requirement</td>
<td>I’m NOT in favor of mandated requirements making the public wear masks. I am against Executive Order #20-52 and urge the county commissioners to decide to not keep this order. I believe we should be able to make our own responsible choices.</td>
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<td>Dar</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Bdsweazy@gmail.com">Bdsweazy@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please do not make mask wearing mandatory.... If you’re not wearing N95s, then you’re not being protected.</td>
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<td>Gail</td>
<td><a href="mailto:gailbos@cox.net">gailbos@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Gov. Kelly's mask order</td>
<td>Please protect the citizens of Sedgwick County from Gov. Kelly's over-reaching, liberty stealing mask order. We know masks do not prevent corona but they do reduce oxygen intake. We know hydroxychloroquine is extremely effective against corona. Protect our rights, do the right thing, protect us from Gov. Kelly.</td>
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<td>Dar</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Bdsweazy@gmail.com">Bdsweazy@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Watching the pandemic unfold, I just pray our commissioners have the guts to put politics aside and make the right decisions this time around. Had we made a bit tougher decisions previously, we would not be here today. This is a once in a life time situation where politicians and the elected officials have to lead and follow the advice of the medical professionals. Just like Laws concerning seatbelts, car seats and alcohol consumption while driving, the mask mandate is a small price to pay. We have nothing to lose but a lot to gain by enforcement of this order.</td>
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<td>Sira</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Siragavin@hotmail.com">Siragavin@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirements</td>
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<td>Victoria</td>
<td><a href="mailto:montina@hotmail.com">montina@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>health</td>
<td>I urge you to vote in favor of requiring masks for the health and future economy of this county! Please stand for science and reducing deaths in Sedgwick county. They have shown you that on their own, without this governmental guidance they will not wear masks and will continue to gather so please do what is right.</td>
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<td>Brian</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Brianjmarcum@gmail.com">Brianjmarcum@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Wear a mask!</td>
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<td>Janet</td>
<td><a href="mailto:janet.rhoads312@gmail.com">janet.rhoads312@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>masks</td>
<td>We all need to be wearing masks when in public. PLEASE make it mandatory.</td>
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<td>LaDonna</td>
<td><a href="mailto:divcashsol@hotmail.com">divcashsol@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masking Mandate</td>
<td>Strongly oppose Gov Kelly’s mandate to mask while in public. We clearly see the agenda which is more about governmental control than safety. Solid evidence to support both sides of the issue are out there provided by solid sources. This should be a personal choice, not a mandate. There is a time and place for everything.</td>
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<td>DONNA</td>
<td><a href="mailto:hawley.wolfe@gmail.com">hawley.wolfe@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>masks</td>
<td>masks are a simple means to provide at least some protection/prevention. It is a courtesy for others.</td>
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<td>Jennifer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mollyshome@att.net">mollyshome@att.net</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>Please do not make us wear masks in public especially outside or children. There is no scientific proof they help prevent transmission of covid, they only serve to make people more fearful.</td>
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<td>Dulcinea</td>
<td><a href="mailto:DulcineaRakestraw@gmail.com">DulcineaRakestraw@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please support the Governor’s order and require masks in public spaces in Sedgwick County. It is an important step to keep us all safer.</td>
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<td>Matthew</td>
<td><a href="mailto:matt.p.hensley@gmail.com">matt.p.hensley@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face Masks</td>
<td>Please opt out of the Governor’s face mask plan. Let the people decide for themselves and their businesses.</td>
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Lori Schremmer
justlorinotyou@yahoo.com
Face Masks
I believe you should require face masks or other face coverings in public at this time...the growing number of cases in Sedgwick county should be enough for you to see the need. Don't make this political make this about the health of all citizens.

Andrea Carlson
afoldesi@yahoo.com
Kelly's Face Mask Order
This order is a gross over reach of power! It will 100 percent impact businesses. People will stay home again! I urge to take action AGAINST Kelly’s order

Kari Plagmann
Knplagmann@gmail.com
Face Masks for Covid
I am fully in support of Gov. Kelly's mask mandate. My masks protects others. If other do not wear masks, I am still at risk. It is time we put aside our personal discomfort and fear of this virus and work together to reduce its spread. This shouldn't be a political issue. It is a public safety issue, and in such cases, personal liberty should not outweigh what is best for the community as a whole. Please choose to listen to science and uphold the mandate for masks in Sedgwick County. Thank you.

Rusty Young
rust.young@sbcglobal.net
Masks
No Masks!!! I believe it's unconstitutional!!!

Kelly Benson
Kebenson92@gmail.com
Masks Should Be Enforced
If we do not have the strength and conviction to protect our community just by covering our nose and mouth then what hope do we have for the future of our community? Obviously NOT wearing a mask is NOT working. Let’s try masks and if they are as horrible as some people would like us to believe then we can change our course. We need to be focused on not losing anymore loved ones.

Douglas Milfeld
Heartrac@hotmail.com
Mask wearing
Hola County Commissioners! As a physician, it’s quite simple. Unless positive COVID-19 are translating into hospitalizations or deaths, then mask wearing is merely symbolic. Mask wearing should strictly be enforced in health care facilities or those who are “symptomatic” or are diagnosed carriers. If any of you or you commissioners had your mouths or nasal passages cultured right now for all pathogens, you would be astounded what the results would be. For goodness sake, you don’t need to burn down the barn to kill the rats. We’ve got to learn to live with it. Doug Milfeld M.D.

Marcus Randall
Mrandallo@gmail.com
Mask requirements
I can assure you that the doctors and epidemiologists know more than any of us about the risks of COVID-19. They have recommended we make masks a requirement. Please, listen to the people who are experts in this field. They ALL agree.

Arcadia Grenier
me.arciadiat@gmail.com
Make Masks Mandatory
We will not be complying. We will be voting out the governor first chance we get and all public officials who believe this is acceptable. What’s next? Mandating vaccines for the public? How about mandating PPE for all people, why not? May as well! This has so many ridiculous sides to it I can’t even summarize in this small form. Thank you - I’ll be watching to hopefully see all our commissioners react with shock and a very level headed response.

Jan Hong
jjshong@gmail.com
Masks Order
Please support the mandatory mask requirement, our community’s health depends on it. Not requiring masks will be detrimental to our business community, by allowing the virus to get out of control- our businesses could face another disastrous shutdown.

Beth Garrison
Bgarrison@cox.net
COVID-19 mandatory masks
We need to follow the governor’s plan. the long term after effects to survivors can be devastating. SCIENCE..NOT MAGICAL THINKING, please..

Bill Anderson
wjanderson55@gmail.com
covid guidelines
Honestly, I don’t like wearing a mask but it’s not that big of a deal to me. Just don’t take away kids sports or force them to wear a mask while playing. Especially the outdoor sports like baseball, softball and soccer.

CLINTON BLEIER
cb1829@yahoo.com
Mask Mandate
Make mandatory face masks in public areas mandatory

Tom Udland
tudland01@gmail.com
COVID-19
We live in a free society. We are smart Kansans. Please do not enforce Gov. Kelly’s mask mandate nor except the idea of civil fines. There are bigger fish to fry. Thank you for all you do.

Tricia BROWN
cliff_trish@yahoo.com
Mask order
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<td>Joshua Jewell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:JoshJewell@gmail.com">JoshJewell@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>SUPPORT MASKS</td>
<td>Please support the Governor's order for masks to be worn in Kansas. We already aren't doing enough to fight this pandemic, let's at least get this right.</td>
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<td>Stephanie Wacker</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chefsteph5522@gmail.com">chefsteph5522@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>It's just a mask that can save countless lives. Please support this so we can get our community back on track.</td>
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<td>Liz Quinn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:elizabethmquinn@hotmail.com">elizabethmquinn@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masking is a necessity</td>
<td>I am pleading our leaders of Sedgwick County to enforce the governor’s executive order for masks effective on 7/3. It is selfish &amp; ignorant for anyone who feels wearing a mask is infringing upon his freedom. As a healthcare provider, I have seen the effects of COVID-19 first hand &amp; it’s crucial we mask up to keep our numbers down. I also work full time in the school system and without this exec order being enforced, I fear our children will be penalized &amp; not be able to return to in person schooling at all. Please do not take this lightly &amp; make the wise decision for all those in Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>JOSEPH ERDMAN II</td>
<td><a href="mailto:JERDMAN1@COX.NET">JERDMAN1@COX.NET</a></td>
<td>no masks</td>
<td>Please support the mask order and ensure it is enforced. Your job as our Board of Health is to make tough decisions to protect the health of those in your community. We are at risk and your inaction is going to cost lives. Please please please support the policy. As you can see through Mr. O’Donnell’s survey (since removed from Facebook) 68% of the 17,000+ respondents were in support of you acting on and enforcing this order. Please do so.</td>
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<td>B Stanhope</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bstanhope@cox.net">bstanhope@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>You can’t have a mask requirement and then make exceptions for certain events or occasions. The legislature exempted themselves it loses all credibility right there. If masks are so important then they have to wear them too. If masks work so well then nobody should be an exception. If masks work so well then explain how nursing homes are hot spots when everybody in them has been wearing a mask since day 1 of this pandemic. How do they keep passing it around then? How come as an essential worker I haven't missed a day of work thru all of this, went to lowes and other stores almost every day where most people weren't wearing masks and I havent worn a mask yet. But me nor anybody in my family or anybody I know has gotten covid. Thank you for your willingness to hear from the public on this mandate. There is so much information and misinformation available. I believe in freedom. Freedom to choose to wear a mask or not. I also believe in common sense. Reading through the Governor’s Mandate, I believe she goes too far. For those of us who are working -- sitting in an office with a mask on doesn't make any sense. Please consider common sense. Please consider real numbers of cases, hospital admittance and death rate. The numbers just do not make sense when it come to the drastic measures we have taken. Thank you again for your service to our county. I appreciate the opportunity to speak.</td>
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<td>Sarah Brooks</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kallenbachs@yahoo.com">kallenbachs@yahoo.com</a></td>
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<td>Christian Ammerman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:christian031999@gmail.com">christian031999@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Make Masks Required</td>
<td>PPE is important, and will be one of the only things that will slow down the virus. This isn't a political issue. It's a human rights issue.</td>
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<td>Jody Marvin</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jemarvin1@yahoo.com">jemarvin1@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>I am totally for requiring masks.</td>
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<td>Chanel Murphy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chanel.murphy@icminc.com">chanel.murphy@icminc.com</a></td>
<td>NO MASKS</td>
<td>I am personally against the use of masks. I do not plan to wear one. I will not go somewhere that one is required and refuse to wear outside. I hope that the decision is made to not mandate masks in Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Michael Whalen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mwhalen@kansasappellateattorney.com">mwhalen@kansasappellateattorney.com</a></td>
<td>EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-52</td>
<td>This Commission and Dr. Minns are already responsible for the 400% increase in Sedgwick County covid-19 cases by pushing for the early opening of businesses and putting no restraints and no enforcement of any social distancing or use of masks before the County was not in compliance with the President's Guidelines for Opening Up America Again and before the was a steady decline of new cases. Further increases in new covid cases and related hospitalizations and death will be on the hands of the Commissioners if there is a rejection of the governor's order. This is not a political issue. This is a matter of public health and safety. For a change, put the citizens of Sedgwick County before political self-interest and the politics of economics.</td>
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<td>Rhonda Sullivan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sullivanr@klinc.org">sullivanr@klinc.org</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>It is time we look at our illness and death rates compared to other countries. South Korea and US reported first case on same day. US has over 129000 deaths, South Korea under 500. By population we have over 264 per 100,000 people S. Korea had 5. They have about 95 percent mask use. We will not recover economically until this is under control and this won't be under control with out masks. Please do your job listen to your county health officer and require masks.</td>
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<td>Christine Campbell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Campbell.Christine@gmail.com">Campbell.Christine@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>MAKE THEM MANDATORY. IF we want things to stay open, this common sense approach NEEDS to be followed.</td>
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<td>Lisa Stoller</td>
<td><a href="mailto:stoller05@gmail.com">stoller05@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Please require masks in public spaces!</td>
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<td>Faith Oneal</td>
<td><a href="mailto:faoneal@yahoo.com">faoneal@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>masks</td>
<td>I was so relieved to hear the governor issue this mandate. Not wearing a mask around other people is like driving drunk- maybe you don't understand what you are doing- but you are putting other people's lives at risk. And while I can avoid drunk drivers by simply slowing my car down, or taking a different road- it is impossible to keep myself safe from potentially sick people when there are a hundred of them in my grocery store. Please please please, find a way to enforce this mandate. Sincerely, Faith O'Neal</td>
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<td>Karma Kitto</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kittokarma@gmail.com">kittokarma@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks and Effectiveness</td>
<td>There is research that shows masks don't work to prevent the spread of viruses, as well as masks can CAUSE spread of virus. See <a href="https://www.rcreader.com/commentary/masks-dont-work-covid-a-review-of-science-relevant-to-covid-19-social-policy">https://www.rcreader.com/commentary/masks-dont-work-covid-a-review-of-science-relevant-to-covid-19-social-policy</a></td>
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<td>Mary Caruso</td>
<td><a href="mailto:marycaruso@sktc.net">marycaruso@sktc.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Face Masks</td>
<td>Kansas needs to take this global pandemic seriously, this IS NOT the time for partisan politics! Do what is right to keep us safe by following the CDC guidelines and the advice of our local healthcare experts. Wearing a mask and social distancing is not so much of an inconvenience that it is worth risking people's lives. Use common sense and DO WHAT'S RIGHT!!!</td>
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<td>Darren Cary</td>
<td><a href="mailto:carydarren@hotmail.com">carydarren@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>I will not comply with the lunacy of a mask mandate. For many reasons, all have been stated by someone before me. Those who are afraid may stay home. Those who aren't, may live freely.</td>
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<td>Tony LaMorte</td>
<td><a href="mailto:alamorte@cox.net">alamorte@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Masks in public places because of Covid-19</td>
<td>Each separate business with their own protocols. When in Rome...</td>
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<td>Suzanne Edmonson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:suzanneedmonson95@gmail.com">suzanneedmonson95@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please implement Gov. Kelly's mask order. The CDC recommends them, and they have been shown to effectively reduce the spread of COVID-19. I'd like to think people would exercise personal responsibility and wear them voluntarily but obviously that is not happening. We desperately need to keep our economy open, but without reducing the infection rate we are risking another full shutdown. Please do what you can to save lives and our economy, and mandate wearing masks in public.</td>
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<td>Sheikh Ibrahim</td>
<td><a href="mailto:shk_iabr@yahoo.com">shk_iabr@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>COVID-19 Mask Requirement</td>
<td>Due to the record number of new COVID-19 cases in Sedgwick County at this time, it would be prudent for the County Board to require the use of masks. It is NOT a political statement. It is a matter of public safety and protection. Failure to require the use of mask will only hurt our local economy, as some businesses may find themselves shut down, and shoppers (like myself) will opt to use online retailers who may not be local.</td>
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<td>Elma Astegiano</td>
<td><a href="mailto:eastegiano@yahoo.com">eastegiano@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask in public</td>
<td>We shouldn’t be required to wear masks in public. This is the Governor’s over reaction to the results of increased testing. The hospitals are not overwhelmed. The death rate is actually lower than when we were on a complete stay at home order. The county should decide not the governor by an order with no actual law to back it up. Plus there are serious flaws with the method they use to count the cases as well as the actual tests. As a medical coder the instructions we have been given cause it to look like more cases than there actually are. The governor has never looked at this rationally and her shut down as well as this order were unnecessary and damaging to people’s mental, social and financial well being.</td>
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<td>Rebecca Rickett</td>
<td><a href="mailto:RRickett19895@yahoo.com">RRickett19895@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks</td>
<td>Hello. Please don’t make it a requirement to wear face masks! I have asthma and I can’t breathe with it on. I also work at a daycare and its hot enough in my room there. I wear glasses and they fog up with a mask on so I won’t be able to breathe or see! I will end up passing out! Keep wearing masks voluntary!</td>
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<td>John G</td>
<td><a href="mailto:taz3238@hotmail.com">taz3238@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Voluntary Mask Requirement</td>
<td>Please leave the wearing of masks to each individual person (voluntary). Please do not follow the governor’s requirement of making in mandatory. People need to make their own decisions and people need to respect others peoples choices. As Harper County Commissioner Brian Waldschmidt told KAKE news yesterday the decision should be up the people and the government needs to stay out of it either way. People can decide what is best for them and not be told what to do. People need to take responsibility not the governor. As a coworker told me the best thing the governor, or any level of government, can do is say this is what we recommend to do this but not mandate. It might say headaches and lawsuits later. If you don’t feel safe don’t go there.</td>
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<td>Deborah Gordon</td>
<td><a href="mailto:deborah.gordon@wichita.edu">deborah.gordon@wichita.edu</a></td>
<td>Mandated mask wearing</td>
<td>Please support Gov. Kelly’s mandate for Kansans to wear masks. It will only hurt the local economy if you don’t. People such as myself will simply spend less money locally, because we will not risk going out in public, if others will not be wearing masks. Thank you for listening.</td>
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<td>Mackenzy Meinhardt</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mfmeinhardt17@gmail.com">Mfmeinhardt17@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks Enforce the order</td>
<td>It’s imperative that you back and enforce Governor Kelly’s mask mandate. We know through our medical experts that masks work to help reduce the spread of Covid-19. It’s such a simple contribution to to keeping each other safe. I would like to add that our local and federal economy is in danger. If businesses are forced to close every time someone exposes their staff and customers because they weren’t wearing a mask or following social distancing guidelines it will be only be more detrimental to our economy. Not to mention, if the numbers continue to climb at the current pace we may enforcing a complete shutdown for a longer period of time. Thank you for consideration on this matter.</td>
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<td>Sharon Ziegler</td>
<td><a href="mailto:srz2856@gmail.com">srz2856@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Yes to wearing masks</td>
<td>Sedgwick County should definitely follow the Governor’s order. Cases keep on going up so we need to do this.</td>
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<td>Gina Fasciano-Hogan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:hogancon@hotmail.com">hogancon@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>It is time to put the health of people over party, and even individual rights, and Sedgwick County should NOT overturn the Governor’s order requiring face masks in public places. This is an essential component of keeping our population as safe from the COVID-19 virus infections. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Dan Dickgrafe</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dan.dickgrafe@gmail.com">dan.dickgrafe@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor Kelly’s Mask Order</td>
<td>I support persons wanting/willing to wear masks in public. However, I don’t believe that the government has the authority to mandate and/or enforce it. The freedom to do so or choose not to is an individual right.</td>
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<td>Ryan Harp</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rharp09@yahoo.com">rharp09@yahoo.com</a></td>
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<td>Samantha Everitt</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Severitt95@gmail.com">Severitt95@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I’m a RN at Via Christi in Wichita. I was one of the first positive cases in Wichita with COVID. I felt bad for a few days, quarantined at home, and sent back to work. It is not a death sentence. Our hospitals have not been overwhelmed in any sense of the word. We wanted to slow the spread and we absolutely did. I am not in support of being forced to wear a mask. I’ve seen the virus in patients and I’ve had it myself. It is a risk I, and many others, are willing to take. Mask wearing should not be enforced.</td>
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<td>Teri Athey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Tathey60@yahoo.com">Tathey60@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory mask</td>
<td>Please say no to mandatory mask.</td>
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<td>Jane Baker</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jbaker91@cox.net">jbaker91@cox.net</a></td>
<td>wearing masks</td>
<td>Please allow us to make our own decisions on mask wearing. We just need good information to be allowed to make informed decisions on our own. I am a pretty smart lady and my judgement is sound. Just need to know my risks.</td>
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<td>Dana Riley</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Driley724@gmail.com">Driley724@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask EO</td>
<td>PLEASE do not overturn Gov Kelly’s mask order and follow Dr Minns 3 recommendations. This is a public health issue and we need to listen to the healthcare professionals. These recommendations are a small price to pay to keep us healthy, our healthcare system from being overwhelmed and our economy open.</td>
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<td>Steve Pierce</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Pearldrummer63@yahoo.com">Pearldrummer63@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask enforcement</td>
<td>For the mask requirement to be fully effective and help reduce the surge of active cases in our communities, it is imperative that all individuals participate. Since there are those who don’t understand or wish to disregard their role, the mask mandate must be fully enforced/required/mandated. Thank you!</td>
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<td>Angie Bielefeld</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sweetpeasandbutterbeans@hotmail.com">sweetpeasandbutterbeans@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Make masks mandatory</td>
<td>I can’t even believe I have to be on here to suggest you should follow medical advice and make masks mandatory. The governor has allowed exemptions that should cover anyone with a special need. Make no mistake you will be the ones held accountable when people in Sedgwick county start dying. And it will be you because you didn’t follow the governors order. This is not a political issue. It is 100% a life issue. Our numbers are growing up because of the decisions you’ve already made. The lag time on this they know to be 4 to 8 weeks. You’ve already caused enough damage with absolutely no restrictions in this county. If you want businesses to remain open make people wear masks.</td>
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<td>Dave Stewart</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jds1982@cox.net">jds1982@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masking</td>
<td>Compliance with (and enforcement of, if possible) the governor’s mandatory masking order is the only way we’re going to be able to control the rapidly rising infection rate without another shut-down, which would cripple our local economy and endanger even more jobs. No one wants to wear a mask, that’s a given. But by doing so, we may be able to bring this pandemic back under control without making even greater sacrifices in the future. To me, this is an easy call, and I ask that the commission recognize the seriousness of ignoring a situation that is quickly moving from health crisis to health disaster. How do you want to be remembered? As protectors or villians?</td>
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<td>Patricia Morgan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Patmorganth@gmail.com">Patmorganth@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks</td>
<td>I am older citizen &amp; have issues wearing mask. I have trouble breathing with mask, also due to allergies I start coughing continuously with mask on. I will only be able to wear mask for short intervals.</td>
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<td>Randy Noon</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Noonrandy@att.net">Noonrandy@att.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>I wear a mask to protect my fellow citizens. When we stand united, we are strong. Not wearing a mask is standing divided, and we are weak.</td>
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<td>Wesley Regehr</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Wesleyjacob@yahoo.com">Wesleyjacob@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please require masks as the governor has requested.</td>
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<td>Julie Brown</td>
<td><a href="mailto:juliebrownmom@gmail.com">juliebrownmom@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please protect our liberties, rights and freedoms and allow residents to choose if and when to where a face covering--without the government mandating behavior. I am very concerned about businesses and organizations trying to obey the mandate but not really understanding how to do that in a way that protects them and honors the public and individual freedoms. Reject the governor and trust individuals and businesses to make their own decisions. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Robert Bubp</td>
<td><a href="mailto:robertbubp@gmail.com">robertbubp@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I recently visited New Mexico (in part because they have a state-wide mask order, and in part because they have one of the lower rates of COVID-19 cases in the region). Almost every business I saw had signage requiring masks, and the great majority of customers were in compliance. There were exceptions, but few seemed too concerned about them. Ultimately expecting compliance appeared to have created a culture of majority compliance without having to issue citations and/or arrest anyone. We must EXPECT that each other does this and we need the local government to EXPECT that everyone will comply. Leaving it up to “individual choice” is just not going to get it done.</td>
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<td>Chase Farha</td>
<td><a href="mailto:cfarhaict@gmail.com">cfarhaict@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I strongly encourage you to enforce the governor’s mask order. It is the perfect compromise between public health and economics. We can stay open, with the only change being wearing masks to stay safe and healthy.</td>
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<td>Ricky Cavender</td>
<td><a href="mailto:loveshox@hotmail.com">loveshox@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>If masks had been mandatory from the beginning, we would have been over this pandemic a long time ago. Make masks MANDATORY</td>
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<td>Michael Klemanovic</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mpklemanovic@yahoo.com">mpklemanovic@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>N95 masks are marginally effective in filtering a .10 micron virus (3M Corp's own data) and home made masks almost completely ineffective. The notion that a mask must be worn when distancing of 6 feet is not achievable presents a false and dangerous sense of safety and protection. This Order is a punitive reaction by the governor in response to the Kansas Legislature limiting her emergency executive powers. If the County only elects to not enforce this Order, the public will be split between &quot;maskers&quot; and &quot;non-maskers&quot; possibly leading to altercations. The County must boldly state that the Order will not apply here, period.</td>
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<td>Ron Kraus</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ron.kraus6@gmail.com">ron.kraus6@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please uphold executive order No. 20-52. I feel this is the only way to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and limit further damage to the health of both citizens and our local economy. I appreciate your time and energy put into your role as our county commissioner and hope you agree that the wearing of masks will lead to a downturn in rising numbers of positive cases.</td>
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<td>Audrey Udland</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tudland@cox.net">tudland@cox.net</a></td>
<td>I hope when you meet that you vote yes on all of us wearing masks. My husband and I are wholeheartedly in favor of everyone wearing masks for the safety of others and ourselves.</td>
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<td>Rob Berry</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Rob.berry@gmail.com">Rob.berry@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I would like for the mask mandate to stay intact for our county. Based on the testimony of many experts on the subject, like Dr. Fauci, I believe that it’s necessary to help prevent the spread of Covid-19 while allowing us to keep our businesses open. It’s not imposing on anyone’s rights anymore than requiring someone to wear a shirt or shoes, or banning smoking indoors. While I agree that personal responsibility should play a major part in this, it doesn’t take much to see that most people that have been preaching personal responsibility have been acting in bad faith, and have no interest in being personally responsible. Because of this, I believe that it’s time for leadership to take charge of the situation and require masks.</td>
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<td>Greg Cary</td>
<td><a href="mailto:gregorycary@hotmail.com">gregorycary@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Do not enforce the unconstitutional mandatory mask executive order.</td>
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<td>Shalen Scheltgen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Shalen.scheltgen@ymcawichita.org">Shalen.scheltgen@ymcawichita.org</a></td>
<td>I am for the mask Mandate and appreciate Gov. Kelly’s efforts to keep people safe and not overwhelm our health care system.</td>
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<td>Mitchell Ness</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mr.mitchellness@gmail.com">mr.mitchellness@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please enforce the mask requirement executive order Governor Kelly placed. There is no viable reason why we shouldn’t. Thank you</td>
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<td>Nate Bennett</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nathanbennett@prodigy.net">nathanbennett@prodigy.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>The death rate is extremely low and so are hospitalizations, even though there may be more testing and cases appearing. The cases mean NOTHING if people are not dying. Let the people make this decision on our own. Why would we add more restrictions? There was never a curve in sedgwick county to flatten. If people were all dropping dead around us you wouldn’t have to convince us of these things.</td>
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<td>Doug Foster</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dougf74@yahoo.com">dougf74@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>masks</td>
<td>I do not support requiring masks. Let’s please keep our rights and freedom and not require people to wear masks</td>
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<td>Gary McCain</td>
<td><a href="mailto:emccain105@aol.com">emccain105@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate Opinion</td>
<td>Good afternoon, As a small business owner in Wichita, we feel that Sedgwick County should not enforce Governor Kelly’s mask mandate for multiple reasons. The most important being the negative impact on the business community. Thanks for your consideration and we sincerely appreciate the opportunity to express our thoughts.</td>
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<td>Toni Hoehn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nonibug1@sbcglobal.net">nonibug1@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I hope you all understand that masks will save lives. I am sure you are worry about the economy but it won’t matter if this pandemic kills our population. This is not, in my opinion, a political decision but a human one. Make masks mandatory. It has been proven to save lives. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Nickolaus Carter</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Nickolas.carter@gmail.com">Nickolas.carter@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks Mandate</td>
<td>I’m in favor of Gov. Kelly’s mask mandate. It’s the only way we are ever going to get back to whatever normal is going to be.</td>
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<td>Ty Nighswonger</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tynigh@gmail.com">tynigh@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor Kelly’s Executive Order #20-52,</td>
<td>I support enforcing Governor Kelly’s Executive Order #20-52. This is an easy and effective way to fight against community spread infections. This order lines up with recommendation from both local and national health organizations. It is part of your jobs to protect the citizens of this county. Please make it clear to us that you care about public health and want to see a quick recovery of our economy as we bring COVID to a halt.</td>
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<td>Cassie Banka</td>
<td><a href="mailto:cassie.banka@gmail.com">cassie.banka@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>Please enforce Governor Kelly’s mask mandate in Sedgwick County. I want our businesses to remain open while acting proactively to about a healthcare over load. As a teacher, I want our students to return to school in some fashion this August. I’m afraid without a mandate, we may not be able to safely open without endangering our teachers, administrators, and support staff. Additionally, we do not know yet how students transmit the disease to each other or back to their families. A mask mandate is an inexpensive and small step to prevent further shutdowns, keep cases stable or declining, and give us the best shot at educating our children. Please also consider Dr. Ginns recommendations about restaurant capacity and out of state sports teams.</td>
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<td>Derek Tanner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:d_tanner68@yahoo.com">d_tanner68@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>mask</td>
<td>this is a political stunt!! 548 active cases out of 500,000 people in the county? NO MASK!!!!!!</td>
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<td>Kathleen Linnebur</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kathy.linnebur@yahoo.com">kathy.linnebur@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Exec Order #20-52 Face Masks</td>
<td>Please review this diligently and veto/stop this from being enforced. People need to be smart. Wash hands. Don’t go out if you’re sick. And if you are high risk, find other solutions. This has become over dramatized. Numbers don’t lie. Please protect Kansans freedom and don’t engage in this order.</td>
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<td>Ted Gorychka</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Tedgorychka@yahoo.com">Tedgorychka@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I agree with the governor. Enforce social distance and mask requirement.</td>
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<td>Troy Tunnell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:troy_rt@yahoo.com">troy_rt@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Unconstitutional conduct from our failed Governor!</td>
<td>No Mask Requirement!! I will not comply!</td>
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<td>Melissa Huffman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mhuffman18@gmail.com">mhuffman18@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Let the people decide...individuals can choose whether they want to wear a mask or not. Don’t make it mandatory.</td>
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<td>Linda Buchanan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lindabooks@hotmail.com">lindabooks@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please uphold the Governor’s mask requirements, they are fair and necessary.</td>
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<td>Cheryl</td>
<td><a href="mailto:cbowhay1@cox.net">cbowhay1@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask</td>
<td>Please city commissioners keep the mask wearing in place and lets get this behind us. I know a vaccine is the only way to totally control this virus but I want to be able to get to a somewhat normalcy. We both know there will be the ones that won’t abide by wearing the mask, but at the same time there is a lot of ones that will. People keeps saying this a political but I feel it has nothing to do with politics it’s out of due respect for others and love ones that you want to protect.</td>
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<td>Jill</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jill@jildmiller.com">Jill@jildmiller.com</a></td>
<td>Mask ordinance</td>
<td>I am requesting that Sedgwick County follow the ordinance as set forth by Gov. Kelly. I am asking this in the hope that we’ll be able to keep our businesses and economy open by taking this simple common sense precaution. Politicizing public health is dangerous.</td>
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<td>Bart</td>
<td><a href="mailto:wildcat@rdwarf.com">wildcat@rdwarf.com</a></td>
<td>Executive Order 20-52</td>
<td>I write in SUPPORT of Executive Order 20-52.</td>
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<td>Leslie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Noonleslie@att.net">Noonleslie@att.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>Please approve this order. It’s so important to be proactive. We must learn from what is clearly not working. In order for our economy to stay running and keep cases low this must happen. People in Sedgwick are not taking this seriously. We must listen to science and really look at why US cases are so high while other countries are not. A big part is masking. And just suggesting people do the right thing does not work. People will die without this order in place. And as a healthcare worker the more cases go up the more we are at risk as well. Please be proactive and learn from the mistakes of other cities. In my opinion this order should have already been in place.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sarah</td>
<td><a href="mailto:beningers@gmail.com">beningers@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Requirement Order For Sedgwick</td>
<td>Please listen to our health experts on the issue of wearing masks. Please stop making it a political issue. People’s lives are at stake!</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lisa</td>
<td><a href="mailto:hittll@friends.edu">hittll@friends.edu</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>The mask seems to work they say, but how are the clusters occurring in care facilities where masks are required? More testing is going to show active cases and show positive antibodies for those that have HAD it which will make numbers look worse. Mask usage (if it truly works) should have been done in the beginning, not after all this time. During lock down at least 75% of the work force had to go to work, masks were not mandatory and our numbers stayed below what they were predicting. I feel it should be a individual’s right to decide whether to mask or not. And if a homemade mask is NOT medical grade and medical personnel are not allowed to use them without filters, how exactly does it help stop a virus? Just my thoughts.</td>
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<td>Tina</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Rottievalor67211@yahoo.com">Rottievalor67211@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I think face masks are a good idea to mitigate spread of Covid 19. As long as law enforcement is not going to fine people for not wearing them I recommend leaving the order as is.</td>
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<td>Ed</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Edfrey55@gmail.com">Edfrey55@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Mask order</td>
<td>Please make sure we have a mask order to n place for Sedgwick county. It’s such a simple way to slow the spread of the virus, numerous studies show that wearing a mask can help to stop the spread, just look at all the countries in Europe, Asia, Africa, and other parts of the world where masks are commonplace, cases have dropped dramatically.</td>
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<td>Rob</td>
<td><a href="mailto:robmartinez1529@yahoo.com">robmartinez1529@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Yes to Mask requirement</td>
<td>I support the Governor’s order for all Kansans to be required to wear mask. We tried to leave it up to the individual and it did not work. Please enforce the mask order.</td>
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<td>Casey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:CaseyRaLane@hotmail.com">CaseyRaLane@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Gov. Kelly’s Mask order</td>
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<td>Marissa Vargas</td>
<td><a href="mailto:marissa_vargas71@hotmail.com">marissa_vargas71@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Wearing in public</td>
<td>I believe that it is essential and imperative for mask-wearing to be mandatory in public. It is the easiest and most cost-effective way to keep people safe in public while allowing for businesses to continue to stay open. Medical experts have proven time and time again that wearing masks in public can reduce the risk of infection and it is completely safe to wear them. This solution Can and WILL save lives and keep the economy running. The alternative is shutting everything down again, and I would rather wear a mask for 20 minutes in the store than have everything shut down for several weeks or months.</td>
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<td>Stephanie Rubosky</td>
<td><a href="mailto:srubosky04@gmail.com">srubosky04@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please vote against the mandatory face masks. This is a power grab by the democrats and we have the right to breathe fresh air.</td>
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<td>Matthew Udland</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mattudland@gmail.com">Mattudland@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face mask enforcement</td>
<td>I am strongly in favor of mandating masks in indoor public spaces in Wichita. Please make the responsible choice for the majority of your constituents.</td>
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<td>Sam Ehlen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:slayer6274@msn.com">slayer6274@msn.com</a></td>
<td>Covid masks</td>
<td>Why now? What was the difference this week before Friday? How can she tell us on Monday that we have to wear a mask Friday? What happened the other days this week when people weren't wearing masks or even social distancing at restaurants? If we have to wear masks now because the virus is so bad, do all the businesses need to close down again? If the businesses can remain open now that we have to wear masks, couldn't we have worn masks and kept all the businesses open 3 months ago? What is the difference now?</td>
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<td>AJ Renfro</td>
<td><a href="mailto:aj.renfro@outlook.com">aj.renfro@outlook.com</a></td>
<td>Keep Each Other Safe - Mask Mandate</td>
<td>We have a responsibility to our fellow citizens to stay safe and healthy. Wearing a mask is PROVEN to help reduce the spread of airborne particles that can carry the SARS-COV-2 virus. The notion that people need to be forced to consider the health and well-being of others, is unfortunate, but this is the age we live in. I believe, anyone that considers themselves 'pro-life' or anyone that claims to care for their fellow humans, should support this. Its a small gesture we can make to keep businesses open, people safe and healthy, and prevent further increases in infection in Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Nolan Nez</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nnez9009@gmail.com">nnez9009@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>Please do the right thing and follow Governor Kelly's order regarding mandatory masks. Don't let ignorance and apathy hurt the people who live and work in Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Brenda Barber</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Bren281@hotmail.com">Bren281@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>My wearing a mask is not for myself. It is a selfless act to protect those I come in contact with. You wearing a mask is a selfless act to protect me. It is a way to show respect for other people's lives and family's lives. There are many in our communities who are at risk to not just contract COVID, but to end up hospitalized or dead. Basic common decency and respect dictate the wearing of masks. Unfortunately, many people do not understand this and the Governor has had to make the mandate in the best interest of our communities. Please vote for the health of our communities and ignore the politics that have been inserted into a community health issue.</td>
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<td>Lisa West</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Lisa.m.west78@gmail.com">Lisa.m.west78@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Commissioners are voted to office for many reasons but it all goes back to what is best for the people of Sedgwick County. They hold a oath to do what's right and not be politically bias. I don't like mask anymore than the person next to me but having a child who has a terminal illness it is my responsibility as well as yours to protect myself, my family and the citizens around me. It would be highly irresponsible for the commissioner's to not adopt the governors mask mandate. We must do what we can to stop the virus and be responsible adults. This virus is not going away but it can be slowed with a simple thing. Wear a mask when you or others are vulnerable. Remember you are here to serve our best interests not your political party.</td>
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<td>Javier ANDRADE</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jayhawk1040@gmail.com">jayhawk1040@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask</td>
<td>Please Require Masks</td>
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<td>Paige Gabriel</td>
<td><a href="mailto:xqueen.peachx@gmail.com">xqueen.peachx@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Please vote for masks!</td>
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<td>Sean Houston</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Smhouston92@gmail.com">Smhouston92@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Do not enforce mask requirements. My body my choice. Let people have a choice for themselves.</td>
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<td>Megan Barnard</td>
<td><a href="mailto:meganbarnard2@gmail.com">meganbarnard2@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Use authority to mandate masks in public</td>
<td>Use authority to mandate masks in public to keep us safe. Masks are no different. I was very disappointed when you did not adopt KS’s state plan in May. Step up and do what is right this time so our economy can stay open.</td>
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<td>Karen Gretsky</td>
<td><a href="mailto:agretsky@yahoo.com">agretsky@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Governor Kelly’s requirements are not stringent enough, but commissioners should enforce them anyway. I’m disgusted by people who have politicized what is a health issue. Additionally, we live in a society and owe duty of care to each other. My mask protects you, your mask protects me.</td>
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<td>Wendy Homan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Wenmarc@sbcglobal.net">Wenmarc@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I am writing to ask you to endorse and enforce the governor’s mask order beginning July 3. This order will help to keep our businesses open and protect the health and safety of the most vulnerable in our community.</td>
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<td>Patty Rice</td>
<td><a href="mailto:12patty14@gmail.com">12patty14@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor’s Mask Order</td>
<td>I am writing to ask you to endorse and enforce the governor’s mask order beginning July 3. This order will help to keep our businesses open and protect the health and safety of the most vulnerable in our community. Thank you!</td>
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<td>Jeff Black</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jbspcs3000@aol.com">jbspcs3000@aol.com</a></td>
<td>mask mandate</td>
<td>I am asking you to not permit the governors mask mandate. I have badly scarred lungs and even so I do not want a mandate. I already have a mother who tells me how to live, I don’t need another. Thank you. If a business wants me to wear a mask, I will, but I get to choose if to enter or not.</td>
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<td>Desiree Liggett</td>
<td><a href="mailto:liggett5@att.net">liggett5@att.net</a></td>
<td>mandatory masks</td>
<td>Please do not follow the mandatory mask order by the Governor. It should be a personal choice - especially since our numbers are low. The CDC and the WHO even state that masks should ONLY BE WORN BY THOSE WITH COVID-19 SYMPTOMS. PLEASE listen to THEIR recommendation! Thank you!</td>
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<td>Melissa Ross</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mel5472@yahoo.com">Mel5472@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please protect us all by requiring masks.</td>
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<td>Jason DeArmond</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jasondearmond@hotmail.com">jasondearmond@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor’s mask mandate</td>
<td>I would ask the commissioners to reject the governor’s mandate that masks be manditorially worn inside and outside. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Anthony Tenbrink</td>
<td><a href="mailto:aktenbrink@gmail.com">aktenbrink@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Government Overreach Executive Order 20-52</td>
<td>Governor Kelly unilaterally enacted an executive order today that damages the inherent freedoms enjoyed by all Americans. I believe few will dispute that certain behavioral modifications, such as social distancing and mask wearing, when observed appropriately have the potential to reduce the spread of covid-19. However, Executive order 20-52 exceeds a reasonable response to the Covid-19 pandemic and casts a wide net that will cause unnecessary harm to our community and local businesses. A measured response and general common sense will likely achieve the same goal without causing hardship and confusion that will lead to a greater economic and social collapse. Please reject Executive Order 20-52 and let out community thrive.</td>
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<td>Kay Gibson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kay.gibson@wichita.edu">Kay.gibson@wichita.edu</a></td>
<td>Mandate to wear masks in public places</td>
<td>I would request that the commissioners vote yes to follow the Governor’s mandate in Sedgwick County. From the medical statistics that are seen not only in the state of Kansas but nationwide it seems that to drop the curve it’s either stay home in isolation or practice healthy interactions when we go out in public. The governor has already pointed out that there’s no restrictions on where people can go, but we should be following best practices when we do go out. Part of that best practice is wearing a mask not only for our own protection but for others. This is not taking away our freedoms it’s giving us the right to live. Please, please vote to mandate facemasks in Sedgwick county. Thank you for this opportunity to express my beliefs.</td>
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<td>Jessica Clarke</td>
<td><a href="mailto:j.l.clarke1975@gmail.com">j.l.clarke1975@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory face masks in public</td>
<td>As rates of COVID increase across the country, in our state and in our county, I notice more congregating, less distancing, and almost no mask wearing. I believe it’s imperative for the safety and health of our residents that we do what we can to slow the spread of this virus, while trying to maintain our economy. The most simple way to do that is by wearing masks. This shouldn’t be a political issue. It’s not an inconvenience and any concerns raised about difficult breathing with masks or questions regarding efficacy need only to review science. I’m a healthcare worker. I’ve worn a mask from the start until now. And I’ve done that not because of being forced but to do my part in helping our community. Others need to do the same now.</td>
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<td>Brian Graber</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Graber1brian@gmail.com">Graber1brian@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks in public</td>
<td>Please don’t keep jumping on the current bandwagon of requiring masks in public. For months every agency has said they are not helpful and they didn’t recommend them because it encourages touching of face constantly and the masks sold in stores are even labeled as not effective against virus. N95 masks are supposedly the good standard, yet they have a 1” exhale port which allows anything from the wearers mouth out, totally unfiltered. If the masks sold in store aren’t labeled for use with virus protection, how can the lady down the streets be any better? A surgeons mask is good for one use at close range to disallow large droplets to not infect a patient. 6’ of social distance is proven to stop that, so why loose fitting mask?</td>
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<td>Misty Morey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mistylyn29@gmail.com">Mistylyn29@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirements</td>
<td>We should not be required to wear masks. Period</td>
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<td>Rich Kligour</td>
<td><a href="mailto:saytothatmtn@gmail.com">saytothatmtn@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>COVID-19 EO</td>
<td>Support the EO. Wear a mask. Distance. Small groups. Not for yourself, but for your neighbor. We are our brothers’ keeper. Be a good citizen.</td>
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<td>Zachary Minson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:minsozac@gmail.com">minsozac@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please require masks in public spaces, I work food service and live with at risk individuals. Protect us. Don’t be selfish. Your neighbors, friends, and family are at risk. Don’t be selfish. Don’t be stupid. Listen to the experts and don’t make this political.</td>
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<td>Matt Brockleman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Hunterbrock2001@yahoo.com">Hunterbrock2001@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask</td>
<td>Mask shouldn’t be a requirement to wear. You should only wear one if you are sick or want to. Over half the people wearing mask are not using them correctly or not washing them. Not all mask are the same some will work ok, but still not 100% effective, while others will not work at all, I could wrap a bandana around my face and call it a mask, but you should know as well as I do it will not stop any diseases from spreading. How are you supposed to go to a restaurant and eat if you are required to wear a mask. People will stop shopping in stores if mask are a requirement. I suggest you make wearing a mask optional.</td>
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<td>Cheryl Miller</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Avian67226@gmail.com">Avian67226@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>For the love of God, do the right thing and support the mask mandate for Sedgwick County. Act like the health board you are meant to be and listen to Dr. Minns. Our lives depend on you. Act like it.</td>
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<td>Lionel Alford</td>
<td><a href="mailto:pilotlion@aol.com">pilotlion@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Wearing Masks</td>
<td>Laura Stalin Kelly has no right to make laws or mandate anything that is not already a law in the state of KS. If you insist on acting like Stalinists, then please consider forcing everyone to wear crosses. Crosses are necessary for the spiritual health of all people. You must forces everyone to wear crosses to ensure the health and welfare of the entire population of this county.</td>
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<td>Krista Vollack</td>
<td><a href="mailto:krista.vollack@gmail.com">krista.vollack@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>masks or face coverings in Sedgwick County</td>
<td>Our County medical director Dr. Minns recommends face coverings to be worn in public. Please, let's heed his expert advice. I just returned from New Mexico, where face covering and social distancing are mandated, and it was not difficult to go about our daily routines of shopping and visits to restaurants, etc. while wearing a mask. Because it is a state requirement, individual small businesses did not have the burden of making the decision to request compliance. This is a public health issue. Please do the right thing, even if it is hard.</td>
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<td>Ralph Clark</td>
<td><a href="mailto:horsecop1033@yahoo.com">horsecop1033@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory mask</td>
<td>I disagree with the mask mandate issued by the Governor. It is an over reach by her administration.</td>
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<td>Stacie Turner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:oggies1@sbcglobal.net">oggies1@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Face Masks</td>
<td>Coronavirus cases in SG Co are up 257% from mid-May. There were 905 news cases last weekend alone. It is in the best interest of your constituents and the citizens in our state and city that we adhere to Governor Kelly's proclamation for mandatory face masks in SG Co, including wearing them in all public spaces and gatherings. I also encourage you to reassess your position on public gatherings. As a teacher in USD 259 and a member of a high-risk population, I believe it is imperative that the SCC and all community stakeholders show a unified front by requiring face masks, hand washing, and social distancing, as well as limiting public gatherings, at the very least, to combat this epidemic.</td>
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<td>Micah Grafton</td>
<td><a href="mailto:micahgrafton@gmail.com">micahgrafton@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor’s Mask Order</td>
<td>Please, for the safety of our citizens, enforce the mask policy. The coronavirus is not over and it will not be over until our leaders ask this be taken seriously.</td>
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<td>Jessica Kerzner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kerzerjessica@gmail.com">kerzerjessica@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I think if you’ve been tested for COVID and it came back negative the first time, you shouldn’t be required to wear a mask. Masks are worn if YOU are sick or you’re caring for individuals that are sick. I think temperatures and hand sanitizer should be required upon entry to each business, but I don’t think masks should be required.</td>
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<td>Molly Bottenberg</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mobottenberg99@gmail.com">Mobottenberg99@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>They NEED to follow the governor’s mandate. Safety is a priority and Kansas has been doing well because of the governor’s ability to be proactive and not reactive. Let’s stay ahead and wear masks by requirement versus waiting until it’s too late to then agree the move was the best decision and we didn’t follow it. People who don’t like it have the option to stay home but most people need to be required to practice safety sadly. Let’s do the right thing and require people care about their health and the health of others.</td>
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<td>Nazanin Hessabi</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Naz.kind@yahoo.com">Naz.kind@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask wear</td>
<td>Please make wearing a mask in public places mandatory in Sedgwick county. Please support our governor in her efforts to keep our state safe.</td>
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<td>Sarah Winslow</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mrssarahwinslow@gmail.com">mrssarahwinslow@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>I do not support the governor’s attempt to require masks for citizens. Science aside, it is outside her scope of authority.</td>
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<td>Paul Lindstadt</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rascal25@cox.net">rascal25@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I believe that face masks should be worn per Executive Order #20-52. This is to protect all of us and especially those most vulnerable. Additionally, I strongly encourage you to make this enforceable with a fine as the penalty. Thank you.</td>
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<td>David Weninger</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ATYCHIPHOBIA28@YAHOO.COM">ATYCHIPHOBIA28@YAHOO.COM</a></td>
<td>Face masks mandate</td>
<td>I'm a veteran and I will not have my civil liberties stripped from me.I do not agree with this mandate, and &quot;I WILL NOT COMPLY&quot;!!!!</td>
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<td>Michael Seybert</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ksdvrmike82@gmail.com">ksdvrmike82@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please use science to make this decision and not the over reaching attempts of our current governor to force masks on the public. Science shows that masks are at best an ineffective strategy and possibly a health hazard for the public. Please be leaders not sheep!</td>
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<td>Leslie Holeman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lesliegail22@yahoo.com">lesliegail22@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>churches</td>
<td>Are churches exempt particularly the minister and worship leaders from any mask mandates?</td>
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<td>Jo Mead</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Pastorjo@uumc.net">Pastorjo@uumc.net</a></td>
<td>Please require masks</td>
<td>For community health, please enforce the wearing of masks when away from home. For the health of all we each must do our part.</td>
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<td>Pauline Welch</td>
<td><a href="mailto:pauliraer@gmail.com">pauliraer@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks Covid-19</td>
<td>I can’t understand why you are not looking to the medical community for guidance on COVID-19 and wearing a mask. Go with science please. Don’t be stupid about this. The younger group needs to know the seriousness of it. How selfish NOT to wear a mask. Look to Dr Thomas Moore for guidance. Please don’t fight the governor. You guys look ridiculous talking about rights and so on. Just be smart and wear a mask, social distance and don’t be selfish like the president. Very sad</td>
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<td>Nancy Luttrell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Nancy.luttrell@wichita.edu">Nancy.luttrell@wichita.edu</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please keep the mask requirement! It is so important in this time for public safety.</td>
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<td>Ann Seybert</td>
<td><a href="mailto:amseybs@gmail.com">amseybs@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Gov. Kelly’s Mask requirement</td>
<td>This is ridiculous; there is too much conflicting information whether the masks help or not and most people aren’t wearing or using the masks correctly in the first place. I strongly disagree with the mandatory mask policy. If you’re at risk, stay home and protected and if not, wash your hands and physically distance. Just be smart and rational about it.</td>
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<td>Justin Moore</td>
<td><a href="mailto:justin@doublearrowmetabolism.com">justin@doublearrowmetabolism.com</a></td>
<td>Please adopt policies consistent with the masking order</td>
<td>I’m a physician, and I believe in a mandatory masking order for the near future. The United States has less than 5% of the world’s population, yet we have 25% of the world’s COVID-19 cases and deaths. We cannot stay socially distanced forever, so masking is the primary strategy at our disposal to save the lives of our elderly population and speed our return to a normal life. Even 70% of the population wearing masks that were 60-70% effective at blocking viral transmission—about the effectiveness of a cotton mask—would drastically shorten the duration of the pandemic. Thanks for reading.</td>
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<td>Robyn Young</td>
<td><a href="mailto:robynbrianna@hotmail.com">robynbrianna@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Gov. Kelly’s mask mandate is a balanced approach to keep people safe and businesses open. Please show that you not only value economic health, but public health as well. Businesses shouldn’t have to independently shoulder this decision. Results were clear in polls that Commissioner O’Donnell and the Wichita Business Journal put out. You had an opportunity to establish regulations after the stay at home order ended, and instead chose to do nothing and open high risk places. Now, our case numbers have surged. Having personally lost someone to this virus, I can assure you looking at the stats feels very different, and I fear for where we are headed without your support of this mandate. Let’s use the tools we have to protect Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Kristi Brewer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kristidbrewer@gmail.com">Kristidbrewer@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please help protect our city and county and mandate masks. We shut down and ruined our economy to help get this under control and now cases are spiking and it feels that my now financial struggles are for nothing. I was off work for 2 months and now struggling to make ends meet and for what? Cases are spiking. I do not want to have to face another shut down because our family will not be able to survive that. I work in Therapy PRN (as needed) at a local hospital because I stay home with my 2 toddlers. But I really need to be able to work 2-3 day’s a week to make ends meet. Please help make sure we do not face another shut down and please mandate masks. Because so many people are refusing now to wear masks, my 1 and 3 year old stay home.</td>
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<td>Angela Cassette</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Angela.cassette@gmail.com">Angela.cassette@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks</td>
<td>I am respectfully submitting an opinion of opposition to the requirement of mask use in Sedgwick Co. I feel this should be encouraged instead of mandated. I also feel it is the vendor/store/business owner’s prerogative to post requirements for mask use for entry if they choose. Information should be easily accessible about the Covid 19 statistics as well as valid data on why people should use masks. Then let the people decide. I feel strongly that if the county decides to require mask use, then the other side of that coin is to open EVERYTHING up and let people and businesses get back to doing what they need/want to do within new constraints of mask use. Learn to operate in the new way. We are a free people, let us exercise that freedom.</td>
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<td>Connie Haller</td>
<td><a href="mailto:conpathall@att.net">conpathall@att.net</a></td>
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<td>Carlos Alfonso</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mrcarlosalfonso@yahoo.com">mrcarlosalfonso@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Covid 19</td>
<td>I strongly support Governor Kelly’s mandatory mask order and urge you to allow it to remain in effect in Sedgwick County. The relatively small effort of wearing a mask would reduce the community spread of the novel coronavirus, allowing businesses to remain open and making it more likely that schools can open safely for in person learning in August. There are three groups of people: (1) those who are already wearing a mask and will continue to do so, (2) those who will never wear a mask, and (3) those who will wear a mask if it is required. Overriding the executive order would serve only to please group 2, while allowing it to remain in effect increases mask usage of group 3 and provides greater protection for the public.</td>
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<td>Carolin Matthews</td>
<td><a href="mailto:matthewsjayhawk@gmail.com">matthewsjayhawk@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Requiring Face Masks in Public Areas</td>
<td>Please do not overturn Governor Kelly’s mask order. Coronavirus cases are spiking in Sedgwick County. Businesses are voluntarily shutting down because of positive cases. People are choosing not to wear masks in public when they are given the option. If this continues, we run the risk of ending up like Texas or Florida which has resulted in shutting down businesses for a 2nd time. Please do not overturn something that helps keep people safer, and allows businesses to continue operating. Listen to the health experts and help keep Sedgwick County safe.</td>
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<td>Travis Richardson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:travisrichardson@gmail.com">travisrichardson@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Why makes important now for months later when they would have done more good in March. We have been told all along this is a virus. Instead of staying out should have been masks and then stay home if that didn’t work.</td>
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<td>Brandi Morrison</td>
<td><a href="mailto:brandi.morrison30@gmail.com">brandi.morrison30@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I believe the potential benefits of wearing face masks in public outweigh the potential risks. I know people don’t want to be told what to do and the masks can be uncomfortable, but mandating masks is in the best interest for everyone. It can be the difference between stores and restaurants needing to close again or not, causing more damage to our economy, and it can be the difference between life and death the way numbers continue to rise. I hope this is viewed in a way that takes into account the health and safety of Kansans and isn’t automatically made political. I’d rather have to wear masks now to avoid any potential risks than not have to wear them and see a major negative impact to our health and economy.</td>
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<td>Kaci Kozik</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Ragan.kaci@gmail.com">Ragan.kaci@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks</td>
<td>Will the county be providing masks to the population, especially to areas of low income, to ensure that the mandate is fair to all? If not, it seems to me that mandating a mask from low income persons that cannot afford one, causes undue restrictions to that persons ability to provide for themselves or get needed services. This needs to be addressed before we mandate something on the public.</td>
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<td>William Andrews</td>
<td><a href="mailto:noemail@yahoo.com">noemail@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Requirement</td>
<td>Unque siento que no puedo respirarestoy a favor de que se use la mascara para protegerme a mi para proteger a los demas.</td>
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<td>Julisa Lopez</td>
<td><a href="mailto:aritayasmin@yahoo.com">aritayasmin@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>A favor</td>
<td>I strongly support the Governor’s mask mandate. Let’s have the wisdom to take action before cases grow to an unmanageable level and more people die.</td>
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<td>Paicia Hollister</td>
<td><a href="mailto:phollister@cox.net">phollister@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Governor Mask Mandate</td>
<td>I implore you to leave the mask mandate as is – at least for the next 30 days. I think within 30 days we would see whether it works or not. If it doesn’t, no big loss and at least our businesses can remain open in the interim. The health of your constituents should NOT be a political decision. The alarms are going off, please do not ignore them until it is too late. Listen to the experts on this, the science, the statistics, even the survey results. The majority of Sedgwick County would prefer masks be mandated in public, they are just not as vocal as the naysayers. We are counting on you to keep our beautiful area safe for everyone.</td>
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<td>Deanna Dunlap</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ddunlap59@yahoo.com">ddunlap59@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Governor Kelly’s Mask Mandate</td>
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<td>Karen Maskell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Karenamaskell@gmail.com">Karenamaskell@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor Kelly's mask order</td>
<td>My family is in full support of Governor Kelly's mask order. It is a small ask to require people to wear masks in public places and outdoors where social distancing cannot take place. My mask could help someone else and their mask may help to protect me. Masks can be worn to prevent transmission to others which is very important for the safety of our community. I wear my mask to show I care about others and our community and hope others will do the same for me and my family.</td>
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<td>Sherri Green</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sherrig@seniorservicesofwichita.org">sherrig@seniorservicesofwichita.org</a></td>
<td>Mandated face masks in public</td>
<td>I want the commissioners to mandate masks in any business or public gathering. If someone does not want to wear a mask, they do not have to enter the business. I'm really tired of this going on so long just because you are afraid of enforcing something to keep people safe. I will pay attention to who cares about the people of this county &amp; will NOT vote for any of you who don't support mask wearing.</td>
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<td>John McCoy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:offtou@yahoo.com">offtou@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Gov Kelly</td>
<td>I am not wearing a so called mask what's Gov Kelly going to do force abortions on my family?</td>
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<td>Karen Hamlin</td>
<td><a href="mailto:karen_lou55@hotmail.com">karen_lou55@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please reject the governor’s mandate for masks. Many of us do it voluntarily and those who don’t have every right. People who are needing to isolate can do that. Let the rest be out earning a living who are willing to take the risk. Also, the death rate is dropping even while infection rate climbs. Please don’t listen to every chicken littler in Sedgwick county. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Mary Harmon</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Pinksamust@yahoo.com">Pinksamust@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks being required</td>
<td>Some citizens can not wear masks. My husband is a disabled vетem who has been diagnosed with PTSD. He risks his mental wellbeing everytime he has to put one on. We have been socially distancing ourselves whenever we are out. I also am a disabled vетem (ptsd). And I have panic attacks leaving the house by myself. If we had to wear masks, we would basically have to be quarantined completely until the order was lifted. Talking with neighbors and friends we dont feel a mask order is necessary. We should be treated like adults, who can be trusted to take care of ourselves and our neighbors. If we are looking for ways to stop the spread close the bars and liquor stores. No one is worried about distancing while they are drunk or partying.</td>
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<td>Marissa Williams</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Redmarissa@gmail.com">Redmarissa@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I do not believe the county should require masks. That should be a personal decision left up to the individual.</td>
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<td>Nedra Tyree</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nedra.tyree@gmail.com">nedra.tyree@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I’m not a fan of this EO. The numbers do not support this mandate that will infringe on every person’s rights. It should be voluntary, the way it’s been until now. Sedgwick County’s numbers are miniscule per capita. This mandate will kill businesses that are just now starting to profit again after the lockdown. Please help small business owners and disregard this mandate. With law enforcement admitting there’s nothing to enforce, it will mean that people will be getting into arguments with possible violence because some will not comply with this order. Just keep our county the way it is!</td>
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<td>Virginia Ternes</td>
<td><a href="mailto:csjp1@cox.net">csjp1@cox.net</a></td>
<td>masks</td>
<td>Please do not require citizens of Sedgwick County to wear masks since our active cases are so low &amp; we are in more danger wearing one than not.</td>
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<td>Amy Seery</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Amy.seery@ascension.org">Amy.seery@ascension.org</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>As a pediatrician I fully support Gov Kelly’s mask mandate. I ask the county commissioners to also support this evidence-based measure that will help to protect our community AND will allow our economy to get back on track. Decisive action today will literally save lives in the coming weeks. Let us be an example of a successful and proactive community rather than one of histories tragedies. Masks work, they are safe, and they are cost effective.</td>
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<td>Renee Weir</td>
<td><a href="mailto:reeneesh76@hotmail.com">reeneesh76@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Requiring Masks</td>
<td>No on requiring masks, we do not live under dictatorship, we know the precautions that need to be taken. Why are you leading people in FEAR?</td>
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<td>Kathy Campbell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:soupson25@gmail.com">soupson25@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Please vote to enforce the mask mandate issued by the governor. We are not Sedgwick county residents, however we are 30 miles away and we used to come to Wichita frequently. Since opening we have noticed mask wearing in Wichita is not being done much, other than ourselves and we will stop coming for business if there is no improvement. I believe there are others from our community who feel the same way.</td>
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<td>Andrew Bauer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:andrewtbauer@gmail.com">andrewtbauer@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>No Masks</td>
<td>Please do not approve the mask mandate. As an analyst I’ve been tracking the data from KDHE and the trends do not support it.</td>
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<td>Jonathan Just</td>
<td><a href="mailto:JonathanJust40@gmail.com">JonathanJust40@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I do not support the governors mandate. I will not be forced to put something on my face that makes me touch my face to adjust and remove it with dirty hands. It just doesn’t make sense. Plus people don’t even wear them correctly.</td>
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<td>Anonymous</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Fakeemail@fakeemail.com">Fakeemail@fakeemail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Demanding mask wearing is the equivalent to other countries demanding head coverings for women. It should be a basic human right to decide whether we want our faces covered up by masks.</td>
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<td>Jennifer Elliott</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jennifer.Elliott@hubinternational.com">Jennifer.Elliott@hubinternational.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Ordinance</td>
<td>I have been a Sedgwick county resident for my entire life and I am opposed to the mask ordinance. It is a control mechanism sit in place by a governor is vying to be the next Hillary Clinton. Medical studies do not prune the effectiveness of an ask and I believe that heard immunity is the best alternative as it always has in for any virus. Thank you for allowing me to comment on this very controversial topic. And thank you for doing the right thing!</td>
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<td>Julie Etzler</td>
<td><a href="mailto:etzlerjm@gmail.com">etzlerjm@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please enforce the mask mandate. It would be careless not to, especially with cases increasing so rapidly. The numbers speak for themselves, and unfortunately this is something that we need for people to follow directions and keep everyone safe and healthy. This is the best option to keep the economy open and not have another shutdown.</td>
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<td>Dee Horner</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dee.horner@gmail.com">dee.horner@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor Kelly's mask mandate</td>
<td>Wearing a mask is NOT an inconvenience. It's NOT too much to ask. If you want it to go away, just wear a mask. No one is closing down the economy, just wear a mask.</td>
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<td>Monica Gamboa</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Monicamona2001@yahoo.com">Monicamona2001@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please please support the Governors call to wear masks; we need to navigate through this pandemic in a responsible manner. We need the county to help us; we need to wear masks, the sooner we do this, and the more we have people acting responsibly, the sooner we’ll get through this.</td>
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<td>Diane Rich</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dianelrich@hotmail.com">dianelrich@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I understand that the Governor is trying to &quot;protect&quot; us by mandating the wearing of masks, but I am truly conflicted by masks! OSHA says that they are not effective for this situation, but state doctors are saying that they are. I don't like to be told what to do by our government. I think that we should educate ourselves and that we can make up our own minds about wearing them. My biggest concern is even if you, as our county commissioners, don't require them, those of us that choose not to wear them will be bullied into wearing them. I do think that it should be up to the certain places of business to decide whether or not to require them. Then, we as customers, can decide whether or not to go to those businesses that require them.</td>
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<td>Cassandra Sines</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Cassandra.sines@gmail.com">Cassandra.sines@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>We MUST mandate masks or we are going to have NO chance of getting rid of this awful virus! Please do what is right for our community!!!!!!!</td>
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<td>Mathew</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mathew.muether@gmail.com">mathew.muether@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please support mandatory public masks</td>
<td>I am a WSU employee, father of 2 school-aged boys, and husband to a small business owner. I hope that you will choose to let stand the Governor’s mask requirement and set a unified message to our community of the importance of mask-wearing in our community. The state and county's current increase in COVID cases is hurting opportunities to do business with out-of-state partners. Further, I am very concerned that we are on a path that will cripple schools' abilities to reopen safely. I believe that masks (alongside social distancing, crowd control, hygiene) are needed in Sedgwick county. I had hoped that our residents would practice these measures on their own but very few seem to understand why, when, or what they should be doing.</td>
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<td>Shawn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:shawn.stockemer@gmail.com">shawn.stockemer@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks in public</td>
<td>As a new father and someone who works an essential job, trucking industry, I see people everyday, and everyday is a huge risk for my family. If masks can even be a small help (which science says they are very effective in slowing the spread) then this mask order is not only important but essential to continue our way of life without putting our loved ones at risk. Please, please please, enforce this mask order so me and thousands of people like me can provide for our families without the constant fear of what we might bring home with us. Listen to the science, not the politics do what’s best for the people of Sedgwick county and Wichita.</td>
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<td>Joleen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:joleenw@cox.net">joleenw@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Wearing masks</td>
<td>We need to be wearing masks in public. Please support Gov. Kelly in her push to contain this virus!!</td>
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<td>Janice</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jdw.walton@gmail.com">Jdw.walton@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Requirement</td>
<td>In regards to masks Mandate. First, I cant breath in masks. I am against Governor Kelly's mandate. They are not safe actually concentrating carbon dioxide. They are unproven to prevent Covid 19. If so show me the Scientific data to support. The number of covid deaths are very low. The more testing you do the more cases you will find. It isnt a good gauge. How many hospitalizations and deaths are the ones too watch. It is a freedom of choice. Why should you try to force people, against their will, to do something that is unproven to be able to stop covid 19. If people out in public was forced too wear masks, and it's 100 degrees, it cause more problems, than the one it supposedly trying to prevent. It is not right or healthy. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Jeff</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Wizdomanation@protonmail.com">Wizdomanation@protonmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Making face masks mandatory will be detrimental to our fragile economy especially small businesses. I believe cases have increased due to more people are getting tested.</td>
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<td>Katrina</td>
<td><a href="mailto:catrina.chavez@yahoo.com">catrina.chavez@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>We will not be complying with the Mask order. I feel that this is a personal desicion for each person to make. I also feel that this will drastically increase animosity between community members. Since this is an unenforceable order anyway it will simply result in more unneeded calls to police and stress on the workers of local business. Fights will break out and people will spit on each other. Our numbers do not warrant this extreme governance.</td>
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<td>Charissa</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Charissa.garding@gmail.com">Charissa.garding@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>I believe the mask mandate should be enforced in Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Chasity</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chasityrogan@hotmail.com">chasityrogan@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Weing a mask should be 100% voluntary. Never should there be a mandate like this in America!</td>
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<td>Cheryl</td>
<td><a href="mailto:cherillee@sbcglobal.net">cherillee@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>I believe the mask mandate should be enforced in Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Richard</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ricksmith1110@yahoo.com">ricksmith1110@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>COVID</td>
<td>Heck yes people need to wear a mask in public!!</td>
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<td>Jordan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lydon.jp18@gmail.com">lydon.jp18@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Requirement</td>
<td>Please do not enforce this insane mask &quot;order&quot;</td>
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<td>Paul</td>
<td><a href="mailto:luna.paul76@gmail.com">luna.paul76@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Me and many I know will not be told by Govt. Edict that we must wear a mask as per Governor. We have and use common sense and will continue to use it. Will affect businesses as well, if mandated. I have lost my job from this covid stuff, the public has done what we were asked to. Hell I have lost my job due to this covid stuff. Enough is enough! This will affect the economy even more!</td>
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<td>Jesse</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mahannah.jesse@gmail.com">Mahannah.jesse@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Order</td>
<td>I expect our county to not uphold an unconstitutional order from our Governor forcing Kansans to wear masks. Those who need to feel protected should retain their personal freedom to do so. Upholding the Governors order is both unconstitutional and completely unrealistic to enforce, out of respect to our officers, our rights, our laws, and most importantly the Constitution (close to Independence Day I might add) I expect the county to vote to not uphold the order and allow Kansans to exercise their personal freedom to wear or not wear a mask when they see fit.</td>
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<td>Trisha</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Tlm82682@yahoo.com">Tlm82682@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>My husband and I hate wearing masks. My husband is an appliance repair man. Several times a day, he has to go into a house that doesn’t have air conditioning or a hot garage to fix a refrigerator and he can barely breathe. I am very claustrophobic and struggle to breathe with something over my nose and mouth. Please please don’t make it mandatory. People should be able to make their own decisions on the issue without being forced.</td>
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<td>Gage</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Gageshomework@yahoo.com">Gageshomework@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Please Enforce the Kansas Mask Order</td>
<td>It is critical to me and my family that Sedgwick County fully enforces the Kansas Mask Order. We have no restrictions in place to slow the spread of COVID-19. It is essential that residents wear masks in public spaces to slow the spread of the disease and save the lives of your constituents. If the order is not enforced, it will not be followed and it is critical that the order be followed. Thank you for your time.</td>
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<td>David</td>
<td><a href="mailto:davidmhahn10@gmail.com">davidmhahn10@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>My wife is an asthmatic, pregnant woman. My mom and dad both have compromised immune systems due to different issues. If there is even a slight chance that masks could help prevent the spread of this disease, I don't understand why we don't take the steps to find out. It is a piece of fabric. I don't like wearing mine. It is hot, I have a beard, it catches on my hearing aid. But I do it because I hope it can help protect my loved ones. This isn’t the same as seat belts or other type laws where people get to make their own choice. The choices others make could drastically affect me and my family. It could literally kill them. I don’t know if masks will help but I don’t get why don’t we at least try. Please don’t be selfish.</td>
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<td>Bri</td>
<td><a href="mailto:briparker@cox.net">briparker@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Please support the Governor's mask requirement for the health and safety of the county!</td>
<td>Please support the Governor's mask requirement for the health and safety of the county!</td>
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<td>Angie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:angie.muether@gmail.com">angie.muether@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please uphold Governor Kelly’s mandatory mask Executive Order. As a local business owner, I feel that mandatory mask wearing in Sedgwick County is an important step to keeping our community members safe. I feel that the majority of Sedgwick County citizens are in support of doing what is necessary to keep our citizens safe and our community as open as possible. I believe wearing masks is the best defense as has been shown through scientific studies. It is also important to me to have the schools and Universities in operation this fall. Slowing the spread is the only way that we will be able to open schools safely. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Briann</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bglass9981@yahoo.com">bglass9981@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Say &quot;NO&quot; to Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>I am asking that you vote “no” on the mask mandate that Gov Kelly is trying to enforce. She is overstepping her authority. HB 2016 gives the county commissioners the option to make their own decision. I hope Sedwick, like many other KS counties, continues to reopen and allow residents to make choices for their own health. A one size fits all is NOT a good approach for the 105 uniquely different counties in KS. It’s not a good approach for individuals either.</td>
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<td>Michael</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mlkoehn@yahoo.com">Mlkoehn@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>I wanted to let you know that I’m against making masks mandatory. We can allow unmasking people to protest and riot, but now we need to wear masks. This is why the number of positive cases are on the rise. I will peacefully protest this Draconian measure by not wearing a mask. Please over turn this overreach by our Governor.</td>
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<td>Paulinda</td>
<td><a href="mailto:pwynn4@hotmail.com">pwynn4@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>COVID mask</td>
<td>Please do not force people wearing masks and vote to bypass governors order.</td>
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<td>Heather Neer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:neer.heather@gmail.com">neer.heather@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>I, like others, am forced to wear a mask for 8 hours a day at work. I suffer from chronic migraines that were under control with medication until these masks came along. Now I am back to having daily migraines. I only go to the grocery store, and no, I don’t wear a mask when I go. But, I don’t get close enough to anyone to spread whatever germs I have. My 6 year old daughter doesn’t understand how to wear a mask properly. Or that she can’t wear the one that her aunt made her 3 months ago that she’s been carrying in her toy bag since.</td>
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<td>Crystal Nevins</td>
<td><a href="mailto:crystal.nevins@yahoo.com">crystal.nevins@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Support the Governor's mask order</td>
<td>County Commissioners, please support the Governor’s mask order and Dr. Minns’ other recommendations. The inconvenience is worth saving lives.</td>
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<td>Melissa Knoeber</td>
<td><a href="mailto:melissaknoeber@gmail.com">melissaknoeber@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please do not vote against the wearing of masks. We must try everything we can to help show the spread of COVID-19. We can work while wearing masks, but we can’t work, or continue to operate, if we are sick or have sick employees. Wearing a mask is not a political statement.</td>
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<td>Lawrence Walton</td>
<td><a href="mailto:waltonlj@gmail.com">waltonlj@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask</td>
<td>Masks should be required.</td>
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<td>Shawna Jones</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Soseneda@gmail.com">Soseneda@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>CoVID-19 and Masks</td>
<td>Masks in public places needs to be enforced. This has been done in other countries and they have seen infections drop to where they are manageable, and their economies can continue. If we want our economy to be viable and avoid another shut down, we need to do the right thing for public health. There was pushback against seat belts when they came out too. But businesses need to be able to stay open, and the way to do that right now is through requiring everyone to wear a mask to protect others. If it is not enforced, and left only as a recommendation, history has shown us that it will not work and we will see more needless death and suffering. Why wait for death to prove what we already know?</td>
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<td>Eric Seyb</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ericseyb@gmail.com">ericseyb@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>This seems like a no brainier decision. There has been plenty of evidence to show that a mask can limit the spread of droplets from individuals. Wearing a mask will still allow people to go to work, stores, bars, restaurants, and sporting events without possibly creating more COVID-19 cases. It’s a simple thing to do without impacting our economy. The last thing we need is to shut things down again because we let the virus get out of hand. Why would we not listen to Dr. Minns? I’m not a Dr and neither are any of you. From what I’ve seen you all seem to respect him so why wouldn’t we take his professional advice? Our health care workers are wearing them hours on end so I don’t think it would be that much to ask for the rest of us to it too.</td>
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<td>Patrick Haller</td>
<td><a href="mailto:patrickhaller1998@gmail.com">patrickhaller1998@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor’s Mask Mandated Order: NO</td>
<td>I do not support the governor’s state wide mandated mask requirement. This is not a requirement I want living in Sedgwick County Kansas. It should be individual free choice/decision to wear or not wear a mask.</td>
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<td>Kelsey Moore</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kmoore1709@yahoo.com">kmoore1709@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask enforcement</td>
<td>The answer here is obvious. Not just to me, but to the entire world (other than the morons who think they are more knowledgable than the disease experts). Enforce the order. It is the SIMPLEST request to ask everyone to wear a mask and to enforce it. Wearing a mask is one of the most patriotic things that one can do at this time. Obviously what we have in place right now (or don’t have in place) is not working. CLEARLY. Enforce the mandate or the blood will be on your hands. And The People will remember who screwed up when it comes time to vote. This is a simple decision medically, morally, and even politically. Make the right decision.</td>
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<td>Justine Caudell</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Justine.caudell@gmail.com">Justine.caudell@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Proper use of Masks/ Face Coverings</td>
<td>It is imperative that anyone wearing a face covering ensure they cover their mouth AND nose. Especially those who work in and around service industries (ex. food service workers and food handlers). If we are not going to regress in our phases of reopening, there will be more spread with more restaurant patronage. Breathing directly on food for lack of a mask or of a properly worn mask should be akin to not washing one’s hands.</td>
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<td>Jamie Geldrig</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Unicorn_walker@yahoo.com">Unicorn_walker@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I think it should have been mandatory in the beginning. I am for, requiring masks. Although I also agree that police should not have to enforce it. Stores should refuse service to those without, but should also be able to offer masks for people that don't have them.</td>
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<td>Stan Bergkamp</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mrphyziks@hotmail.com">Mrphyziks@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>As a teacher of science and one who has studied the topic of wearing masks extensively, I implore you to maintain the policy of wearing masks in public! There is no credible research that negates the added reductions of transmission gained from wearing masks. Listen to the health experts!!</td>
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<td>Guadalupe Martinez</td>
<td><a href="mailto:gmartinorth@gmail.com">gmartinorth@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Make the masks mandatory here in Wichita. There are people who might have it, don't know it and are unknowingly spreading it. This can't be turned into a political issue but more of a health issue. We HAVE to flatten the curve! Please make them mandatory! I am going to wear my mask.</td>
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<td>Rachel Reimer-Kouame</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Reimer83@gmail.com">Reimer83@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Requirement</td>
<td>I would support the requirement of masks as research has shown wearing masks helps reduce the spread of COVID-19 and the community should do their part to help protect others and slow the spread of the virus.</td>
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<td>Jan Geringer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jgeringer121@yahoo.com">Jgeringer121@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory mask requirement</td>
<td>There are many studies on both sides on whether masks are helpful or harmful. I listened carefully to Dr. Fauci telling us not to wear masks along with his reasons why they were not affective. Several months later he reversed himself. There have been so many contradictions coming from the so called experts - the virus is easily transmitted on surfaces/the virus is not easily transmitted on surfaces - the virus is easily passed by people who are asymptomatic/the virus is not easily passed by people who are asymptomatic. Who do we believe? Certainly not our elected officials! NO MANDATORY MASKS NOW OR EVER!</td>
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<td>Mike Coates</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jmichaelcoates@gmail.com">jmichaelcoates@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirements</td>
<td>As someone who works in healthcare I fully support strict enforcement of mandatory masks in the state. Yes it is in inconvenience, BUT I would rather see mandatory masks instead of an economic shutdown. Had we had mandatory masks in the beginning I can almost guarantee we never would have had to have a shutdown. Requiring masks will support the overall health of the community and we will see that elected officials care about the community not winning a re-election.</td>
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<td>Melissa Winter</td>
<td><a href="mailto:muppet1@hotmail.com">muppet1@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>My husband works in Wichita, and we live in Butler county. I worry daily about him contracting Covid at his work and bringing it home. The mask requirement will help keep him and others safe. The rate of infection in Sedgwick County is rising exponentially. If we want to prevent another shut-down of businesses, we must get the infection rate under control. What is currently being done is obviously NOT working. Please require masks in public spaces in Sedgwick County. It is you responsibility as elected officials to keep your constituents safe. If I choose to wear a mask (which I have, since they we first recommended), I still cannot feel any sense of safety when I am surrounded by others who do not wear masks.</td>
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<td>Jenny Farney</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jfarney@usd259.net">Jfarney@usd259.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>Please enforce governor Kelly’s mask order. With several high risk family members, it is infuriating to go out and see people not wearing masks. It is a simple way to keep COVID19 numbers down. To avoid another shutdown, keep businesses open, and to ensure kids can go back to school in person in the fall, I think it is essential that masks are mandatory. It is not enough to “encourage” or to leave to choice up to individuals. Clearly there are so many people ignoring this recommendation, which is why our governors order needs to be enforced in businesses and all of Sedgwick county’s public areas. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Kim Farha</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Farha@hitefanning.com">Farha@hitefanning.com</a></td>
<td>MASKS</td>
<td>Please vote to adopt Governor Kelly’s executive order from this week on the mandatory wearing of masks. They are the only way we are going to be able to keep our businesses open and keep the coronavirus in check.</td>
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<td>Rachel Conrady</td>
<td><a href="mailto:conrady_rachel@hotmail.com">conrady_rachel@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I am high risk due to having multiple sclerosis, and I wear a mask every day. Wearing a mask is a simple and effective way to reduce the spread of COVID-19. You cannot put a value on a human life, so any minor discomfort that comes from wearing a mask is well justified. Please make masks mandatory and follow the Governor's order.</td>
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<td>Ronald Collier</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Wuhoggie@gmail.com">Wuhoggie@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>The county should follow the mandate from governor Kelly for make wearing in public.</td>
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<td>Lindsey Fry</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lfry123@aol.com">lfry123@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Masks in public</td>
<td>I think this is a great and simple thing to do to help slow the second wave of covid that is sweeping across the country. As someone who is immunocompromised and can't just stay home. Very small ask to potentially help save so so many lives. Please make this enforceable and follow the guidance of the doctors.</td>
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<td>Jason Vanlandingham</td>
<td><a href="mailto:JWVanlandingham013@gmail.com">JWVanlandingham013@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks for Sedgwick County</td>
<td>With the rapid spread of COVID 19 in Sedgwick county, it would be highly irresponsible to not mandate the wearing of masks in public. While some find this to be an inconvenience and choose to politicize, this is not a matter that we should willfully disobey. Wearing of a mask is the only sure way that we can help to protect one another in public settings. I would ask the commission to act responsibly in public interest and enforce the Governor's recent guideline.</td>
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<td>Charlotte Shideler</td>
<td><a href="mailto:shidelerc@aol.com">shidelerc@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Facemasks</td>
<td>I fully support Governor Kelly's executive order mandating the use of facemasks. Please make sure that Sedgwick County abides by it. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Lacey Jones</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Laceyb1978@gmail.com">Laceyb1978@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Requiring them is absurd. Businesses already have the right to refuse service- this applies to masks being worn. Let businesses decide and the rest of us can make the choice. Also, our law enforcement- both county and city- have more pressing matters to deal with. Have you seen the call log these officers already have? They have been on overdrive since the ridiculous protests/rioting and do need anymore stress added to them. Set up a hotline of people want to complain- like they do for fireworks- but dont make anyone enforce this “mandatory” order.</td>
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<td>Sherri Dishman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Sdish618@sbcglobal.net">Sdish618@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>Until every is required to wear masks in public, we will never stop the spread of COVID 19. Many residents will not feel comfortable going out and our economy will continue to sputter along for much longer. Please endorse the Governor’s mandatory mask requirement.</td>
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<td>Loretta Scott</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lscott0071@cox.net">lscott0071@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please! Support the Governors mask mandate! We opened too early and now we are paying the price. Masks will help slow the spread of the virus.</td>
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<td>Beth Deaton Purkey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:babywyattsmommy@gmail.com">babywyattsmommy@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Asymptomatic test results</td>
<td>Does anyone have information on how many of the asymptomatic people who where voluntarily tested have had a positive test result?</td>
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<td>Amee Reynolds</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nurselooney@sbcglobal.net">nurselooney@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Enforcement</td>
<td>Please enforce mask wearing in public spaces. Too many people aren't masking appropriately and our COVID numbers keep increasing. Wearing a mask is a sign of respect as it is to help prevent the spread of the masked individual’s germs to others within the vicinity. As someone who works with the general public in the hospital, I do not want to see more healthy people without underlying medical issues severely affected. Without the threat to enforce, I feel this ruling will not be followed. This is especially important in situations of food preparation. With as much as 30% of the COVID+ population being truly asymptomatic, they can be passing the infection onto others without knowing.</td>
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<td>Tracy Hopper</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tracy@thopper.net">tracy@thopper.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>PLEASE support wearing masks! Trying to save lives is worth the discomfort. Your right to not wear a mask doesn't override my right to live. Also, we're never going to be able to fully reopen the economy until we can stop the virus - we need jobs for everyone.</td>
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<td>Shannon Patterson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Spatterson11@cox.net">Spatterson11@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please do not let this mask mandate take away athletics and exercise from our youth. My children just got back to their swim practices and conditioning and would be devastated and depressed if it is all taken away again. Children under 18 have such a low risk from this virus. Please be smart with our youth. This mandate will turn their worlds upside down again.</td>
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<td>Stephen Weir</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sweir69@hotmail.com">sweir69@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Please disregard the Governor’s mask mandate!! Despite what she claims, the evidence is EXTREMELY mixed as to whether they are actually effective, and in some cases, can even be a detriment. In light of conflicting scientific data as to their effectiveness, this should NOT be mandatory, but rather a matter of individual choice. I have first hand experience...my wife and I are both recovered from COVID, and she is a nurse at Clearwater Nursing home. The site of one of the clusters. She was wearing a mask AND gown since March 1st, and STILL contracted it, testing positive April 18th...and I 2 days later. PLEASE DO NOT MAKE THIS ORDER MANDATORY!! Sincerely, Stephen Weir</td>
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<td>Nikole English</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Nikole.english@yahoo.com">Nikole.english@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Facemasks</td>
<td>Requiring people to wear a mask is just down right stupid... some people have hyper ventilation issues when they can’t breath fresh air... and it’s hot as heck outside so that also isn’t the smartest to make people wear a mask! It already sucks breathing in hot air! Let us be free Americans like the constitution intends us to be!</td>
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<td>Aimee Poore</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Aimee.poore@yahoo.com">Aimee.poore@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>No thanks. You will lose a lot of economic recovery and jobs, for 1,000s of people like myself will cut our spending dollars even further from not being allowed to freely roam in our stores. Furthermore, as a person with severe allergies and asthma I simply cannot wear a mask any more than I am required to to earn a living! And I am greatly concerned of sheltering my immune system With a mask!</td>
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<td>Salvador Loera</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Loerasalvador@hotmail.com">Loerasalvador@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Enforce the mandate</td>
<td>I respectfully request that Sedgwick County mandate the wearing of masks in public places. As someone with both parents in long term care, I and others in similar situations will not be able to hug our loved ones until COVID is under control. Wearing a mask means you care about the well being of whoever you encounter in the stores and streets.</td>
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<td>Beth Gamble</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Nbgamble@aol.com">Nbgamble@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>It puts law enforcement in an untenable position to enforce an executive order to which there is not a law to back it up.</td>
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<td>Kim Wells</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kwells72@cox.net">kwells72@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mandatory masks</td>
<td>Please uphold the Governor’s mask order. Masks have been proven to slow the spread of COVID but requires at least 80% compliance and will allow our state and county to remain open.</td>
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<td>Sheila Raymond</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sraymond1@cox.net">sraymond1@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Governor mandate to wear masks in public</td>
<td>I strongly urge our commissioners to opt out of 20-52! All this does is create more tension between citizens, law enforcement and local businesses. The mask is just for the perception of safety ANYWAYS. The incorrect usages of masks, the fact we’re doing this 3 months after the initial spike, the fact that deaths are in decline, the fact that the SC Sherrif won't enforce this... this is just virtual signaling. It creates an absolute false sense of security. I STRONGLY URGE our commissioners to have common sense and reject this! Local businesses are impacted because we won't deal with this ridiculous mandate. People I know have said they won't visit local places if they have to wear a mask.</td>
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<td>Karen Zehr</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kzehr@sbcglobal.net">kzehr@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Require masks</td>
<td>Yes, I agree with the Governor on the issue of face masks. This is a public health issue for the good of our community. It has nothing to do with politics or civil rights.</td>
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<td>Kris Whitlow</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Redsaab@hotmail.com">Redsaab@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face masks</td>
<td>Besides the fact that masks have been proven to NOT prevent the spread of coronavirus, enforcement of the ridiculous order by the governor is a violation of our American rights. Wearing a mask should be the choice of individuals, not an order by the governor.</td>
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<td>Matthew Marble</td>
<td><a href="mailto:marbleict@icloud.com">marbleict@icloud.com</a></td>
<td>NO MASKS</td>
<td>Please decide to NOT enforce Gov. Kelly’s mask order. This is frankly government mandated, government approved clothing. Such a thing violates my constitutional right to free speech. Gov. Kelly’s tweets this morning on the issue insinuate that we will not be allowed to remain open if we don’t comply. This is blackmail, plain and simple. Please wholeheartedly reject Gov. Kelly’s mask mandate.</td>
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<td>William Alexander</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Wbalexander78.wa@gmail.com">Wbalexander78.wa@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face Masks On</td>
<td>I think the commission should follow the recommendations of health professionals and follow the Governor’s order on mandatory masks.</td>
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<td>Jim Basham</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jbasham@crownuptown.com">jbasham@crownuptown.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>My comment is, require residents to wears masks! This has nothing to do with peoples individual &quot;rights&quot; but everything to do with public safety!</td>
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<td>Vickie Scroggin</td>
<td><a href="mailto:vickiescroggin@gmail.com">vickiescroggin@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor’s Executive Order NO.20-52</td>
<td>I wish to address the county’s response to the Governor’s Executive Order NO 20-52 requiring individuals to wear face coverings in public. I feel while wearing masks may provide some (although not proven) protection against spreading disease, this order is a violation of personal freedoms and is an gross overreach of the government. Please do not subject the residents of Sedgwick County to this mandate and allow residents to take personal responsibility for their health.</td>
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<td>Sarah Forster</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sarf515@gmail.com">sarf515@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>As a teacher and citizen worried for our economy, I ask that the mask mandate be enforced in Sedgwick County. I fear another closing is looming if we do not start taking educated steps to curb the increase in cases.</td>
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<td>Lois Debozy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Lad2992@gmail.com">Lad2992@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Do not agree on wearing masks it should be up to the person not someone else if you’re scared fine wear one but others shouldn’t have to.</td>
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<td>Patricia Tuzzio</td>
<td><a href="mailto:patriciattuzzio@gmail.com">patriciattuzzio@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Covid</td>
<td>Requiring facemask in sedgwick county is a joke. Less than .2% of the local population has contracted the virus. There is no need to infringe upon the personal liberties of the population simply because a fraction of a percent of that population has been infected, and only a fraction of those infected have an actual risk of death.</td>
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<td>Aaron Tull</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Im.aaron.tull@gmail.com">Im.aaron.tull@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Required masks</td>
<td>The over reach needs to end.</td>
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<td>Sierra Bonn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Smbonn@shockers.wichita.edu">Smbonn@shockers.wichita.edu</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Face Masks NEEDED</td>
<td>Face masks or other facial coverings MUST become mandatory in public gatherings (indoor and outdoor) before an at-large quarantine is required.</td>
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<td>Robert Moon</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rwmoon@gmail.com">rwmoon@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please follow the recommendations of our governor and the medical community and put the mask recommendations in place for Sedgwick County. Don’t play politics with public health and safety.</td>
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<td>David Scharven</td>
<td><a href="mailto:david4jc94@sbcglobal.net">david4jc94@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Order</td>
<td>I hear all the time that &quot;science&quot; backs the wearing of these masks, yet these same professionals also admit that unless it is an N-95 type mask, it will not prevent us from becoming ill. I think it is a political maneuver that will not slow the spread of the disease, when what we should be concerned about are the large gatherings and medical care facilities. I hope the county chooses to opt out of the unreasonable intrusion, especially since local law enforcement had already deemed it unenforceable, and focuses on real implementations to fight a disease with a 98% survivability rate. Thank you for your time.</td>
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<td>Kerry Moss-Davis</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kerrymossdavis@gmail.com">kerrymossdavis@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I am in favor of requiring the wearing of masks in public, with the exception of children 3 and under. I believe it to be an ignorant, selfish choice not to.</td>
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<td>Barbara Sprayberry</td>
<td><a href="mailto:curt.spray@yahoo.com">curt.spray@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Just want it known that I do not want mandated mask. I am an adult and quite capable of deciding whether or not I need to wear one. Highly irritated that Governor Laura Kelly wants to try to take away my independence on Independence Day.</td>
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<td>Connie Frederking</td>
<td><a href="mailto:connie@conniefred.net">connie@conniefred.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please support the order to wear masks. It's the only way we have to keep each other safe. I know they are uncomfortable. We should be willing to be uncomfortable to keep each other safe.</td>
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<td>John Borrego</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jborrego332@yahoo.com">Jborrego332@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Required Masking</td>
<td>I believe Sedgwick County should adopt the required masking mandate. Our covid numbers are rising and this is a very small sacrifice we as citizens need to make to ensure that our community stays safe and to avoid another economic shutdown. The only way this can be achieved is if Sedgwick County requires masking so that (majority of) businesses requiring masking in their establishments. This will help to keep our community safe while allowing businesses to continue to stay open and function fairly normal. This is not a political decision, this is a public health decision. Do the responsible thing for your community.</td>
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<td>Jordan McKenzie</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jmckenzie0256@yahoo.com">Jmckenzie0256@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masking mandate</td>
<td>I think enforcement of public masking in not practical. However, I do think it is a very low cost investment that can pay off by avoiding future shutdowns. All I can ask is that you implore people to take personal responsibility and mask themselves in appropriate settings. please ask that businesses do their part by requiring masks. This doesn’t need to be political or controversial if people can just do their part to protect others.</td>
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<td>Lynn Craft</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lc1958@outlook.com">lc1958@outlook.com</a></td>
<td>Governors mandate on wearing masks</td>
<td>Surely if we all use our common sense then of course we should be wearing masks!! This is not political. It is simply that we should be caring for ourselves and others to help prevent the spread of the virus. It will not be forever. We should be serious about the advice of the medical professionals and we should be wearing masks in all public places. I hope that the people deciding on this issue will use their common sense and their compassion for others when they decide on this issue. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Lynette Flinn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Mflinn@cox.net">Mflinn@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I am in favor of a requirement for masks to be worn in public to slow down the spread of COVID-19 and further damage to our economy. This should not be a political issue, but one of public and economic health for our community.</td>
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<td>Iris Martin</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Martin.iris11@gmail.com">Martin.iris11@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask!</td>
<td>UMM so what does the mean that there is a mandate by the governor we wear a mask? Will the county be enforcing this?? Will you be arrested or fined if you don’t?? I really hope you’re doing something to help overturn this mandate or you will not receive my vote next term!!!!</td>
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<td>Darla Brown</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Sdarlabrown@yahoo.com">Sdarlabrown@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>wearing masks</td>
<td>Wearing masks in Sedgwick County should not be required. It is a personal choice. If masks work and you are wearing one it doesn’t matter if I’m wearing one or not. Your mask will protect you. If this is not the case, then why would you force someone to wear one? I am not sick so why should I be forced to wear a mask? This is America and we have freedoms. If someone is worried about getting sick they should be the ones to stay home. MASKS SHOULD NOT BE REQUIRED.</td>
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<td>Katie Roggenbaum</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kate.jones19@gmail.com">Kate.jones19@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>As an immune compromised person with two children that are also immune compromised, I urge the commission to mandate masks in public. This ain’t a political issue, it’s a matter of public health. We require people to wear clothing to go out in public and there is no infringement of personal freedoms to ask people to wear a mask as well. Every survey conducted has shown that the majority of citizens wish to have a mask mandate. When the results of one survey were showing this, it was deleted. Such a shame that if the results don’t fit one’s agenda, they try to pretend as if it never happened. The commission has the opportunity to do the right thing and try and prevent more families from burying their loved ones. Do the right thing!</td>
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<td>Zach Kowalski</td>
<td><a href="mailto:zandblou@sbcglobal.net">zandblou@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please keep the wearing of masks by citizens an optional activity.</td>
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<td>Craig Davis</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Cdavis169@cox.net">Cdavis169@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Support for Requiring Masks</td>
<td>I noticed a special meeting regarding requiring masks. YES! Science and the math proves masks help decrease potential exposure. It’s a small inconvenience versus watching someone lying in a bed gasping and slowly dying.</td>
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<td>Scott Athey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:scottathey93@yahoo.com">scottathey93@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask order</td>
<td>Please take special consideration with this issue. But I feel like individuals liberties and rights and being taken away one at a time. The old adage “Give them an inch and they take a mile” is very true. We are a free people with a right to choose. I am asking that you say no to this mandate the governor has ordered.</td>
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<td>Johna Pierce</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jkpierce999@gmail.com">Jkpierce999@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirement</td>
<td>I think it’s very important to stick with the Governor’s order and require masks everywhere. It’s proven to help so much.</td>
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<td>Lindsay Merrell-Vars</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lmvars@gmail.com">lmvars@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>I think it should be left up to the individual to decide if they want to wear a mask or not, unless that person is also required to isolate due to having covid19 - in which case they shouldn’t be going out in public anyway.</td>
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<td>CAROL CLEMENCE</td>
<td><a href="mailto:carclem60@gmail.com">carclem60@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Facemasks</td>
<td>Please do not require facemasks as mandatory, but as a recommendation. Thanks.</td>
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<td>Kim Loving</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kdloving@hotmail.com">kdloving@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Requirement</td>
<td>Please enforce the state order. Sedgwick County’s cases are rising and it has to be stopped now. This is a matter of people’s lives.</td>
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<td>Stefani Bowling</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Flydogg2@yahoo.com">Flydogg2@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Facemask Mandate</td>
<td>Please vote to keep our freedom of choice. When the science is behind the legislation, then it justifies it. There is no scientific data to justify this mandate (as Dr. Minns stated at the board meeting - it is only his opinion - CDC says they ‘may’ help to stop the spread) In the process, it takes away our freedom of choice that many men &amp; women have fought &amp; died to keep for us. In the court of law, there are no grey areas &amp; until there is the data to back it up, the facemask issue is in the grey.</td>
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<td>Jennifer Kirk</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jennyannkirk@gmail.com">jennyannkirk@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please uphold the governors mandate for mask requirements. People do not want to be inconvenienced, but it is absolutely necessary to reduce the spread of this virus. We want to be back in school, and we want our lives to return to normal. We need to be wearing masks when we are out and about. Please do the right thing.</td>
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<td>Rick Prather</td>
<td><a href="mailto:cameo9772@gmail.com">cameo9772@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>mask wearing</td>
<td>It is my right to decide for myself whether to wear a mask or not. veto the governor’s orders.</td>
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<td>Tim Berry</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tberry67212@gmail.com">tberry67212@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please uphold mask mandate</td>
<td>Please uphold the mask mandate signed by governor Kelly. It is vital to recover in this pandemic both in terms of public health and eventual economic recovery</td>
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<td>Ashlie Brockleman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:DocTalk03@Gmail.com">DocTalk03@Gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks being required due to COVID</td>
<td>I feel that it is a small sacrifice to make in order for us all to get past COVID. Please do what is best for the community and pass this for Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Jody Mcdonald</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jodymac10@gmail.com">Jodymac10@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Special meeting 07/02</td>
<td>I don’t believe we should be required to wear masks. I believe it should be a personal decision made by the individual. If they choose not to wear a mask they know the consequences and except the consequences. So please leave the decision up to us on whether or not we wear the mask.</td>
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<td>Sheryl Buchanan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:scbgtb@sbglobal.net">scbgtb@sbglobal.net</a></td>
<td>Yes for masks</td>
<td>COVID numbers are spiking in our county. If this continues, businesses will be closed, hospitals will be full, and schools will not be able to safely restart in 6 short weeks. We must act NOW. Wearing a mask and slowing transmission is hardly a violation of our rights, especially if it allows us the freedom to continue to do the activities we want to do. Not only should the Commission support the Governor’s order, they should be the biggest cheerleaders for a simple act that we must ALL do in order to get our community back on track and thrive again.</td>
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<td>Holly Forman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:hollyhillseos@gmail.com">hollyhillseos@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>I vote NO to mandatory masks in Sedgwick County. I believe there are too many negative effects to wearing masks, especially in 100°+ weather.</td>
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<td>Anna Dixon</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Dixonanna24@gmail.com">Dixonanna24@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Wearing masks</td>
<td>Residents of Sedgwick county should be required to wear masks in public places or where social distancing is not possible. Pleas opt in to governor Kelly’s executive order. It’s important to keep our residents safe.</td>
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<td>Jocelyn Reid</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jireid1968@att.net">jireid1968@att.net</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>Please do not adopt the governor’s mask mandate. Contrary to others’ belief the majority of people are following social distancing and other measures. The other measures the Dr. Minns suggested should be implemented but ordering people to wear masks is going too far. If social distancing is possible, masks should not be required. The sports events with out-of-state teams and mass gatherings of any kind, including protests of any kind should be restricted. Also, our hospitalization data (what we have) and deaths do not show spikes that would require drastic measures.</td>
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<td>Lisa Burger</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rlburger65@gmail.com">rlburger65@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>Mandatory masks are infringing on my rights. If Sedgwick County requires mask wearing, I’ll shop in counties who don’t require it. End of story.</td>
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<td>Kay Hinnenkamp</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kamp12@cox.net">kamp12@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>We must wear masks in public in every State, no exceptions. This is the only way along with social distancing that we will get a handle on this virus.</td>
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<td>Amy Coltrane</td>
<td><a href="mailto:calebandamyjo@gmail.com">calebandamyjo@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face Masks</td>
<td>I am a resident of Wichita, and I support Governor Kelly’s executive order requiring face masks in public. I feel it is an easy alternative to shut downs which will further hurt our economy.</td>
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<td>Isabel Vanlandingham</td>
<td><a href="mailto:izzoivanlandingham@gmail.com">izzoivanlandingham@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandated Masks In the City of Wichita</td>
<td>As a concerned citizen of the city of Wichita, I believe the only solution at this point to slow down and stop the spread of coronavirus is to require everyone to wear masks when in public or at gatherings even if both are outdoors. A mask has and should have nothing to do with politics, this is a virus, this is a killer, and wearing a mask is so simple and beneficial for everyone. In fact not wearing one at this point is selfish and reckless to the general public. Thank you and please take these concerns into account.</td>
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<td>Terri Jones</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mom76632@yahoo.com">mom76632@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Question is...if a person is infected or has antibodies to covid19 wouldn’t fluids from the eyes be just as infected as nose and mouth? I seen a lady just the other day in Walmart rubbing her eyes. If she did touch anything like door handle or the bagging area wouldn’t the droplets be transfered? I could understand wearing a face shield more than I can a mask.</td>
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<td>Robin Bradley</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rbradley20@cox.net">rbradley20@cox.net</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate</td>
<td>While I personally don’t like wearing them what have we got to lose by doing for at least thr next 30 days? It’s obvious that the virus is not under control and we clearly cannot shutdown all businesses again. It’s a very small sacrifice that’s being asked; just do it so we can all move forward with our lives.</td>
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<td>Aaron Stigall</td>
<td><a href="mailto:aaroncoal@gmail.com">aaroncoal@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask opinion</td>
<td>I do not want to be forced to wear a mask. I believe encouraging it will be enough. Our state is not in such dire straights that we need to take these measures. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Leslie Kinder</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lesliekinder@excite.com">lesliekinder@excite.com</a></td>
<td>Mask requirements</td>
<td>Please, commissioners, make masks mandatory. Please issue that order, today at your meeting.</td>
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<td>Polly Wenzl</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Pollybasore@msn.com">Pollybasore@msn.com</a></td>
<td>Please support masks</td>
<td>Please show respect to medically vulnerable, who cannot simply isolate from everyone due to multigenerational households and family with jobs. The mask mandate includes plenty of exceptions to accommodate those who feel they can’t wear masks for legitimate reasons. This is the best policy compromise to protect both public health and the economy.</td>
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<td>Sara Rahbar</td>
<td><a href="mailto:saaranotsarah@yahoo.com">saaranotsarah@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Masks should be mandatory!</td>
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<td>Melissa Huffman</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mnhuffman18@gmail.com">mnhuffman18@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>masks</td>
<td>We don’t want masks! Please let things go back to normal.</td>
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<td>Gina Pearce</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Pearcegm@aol.com">Pearcegm@aol.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Wearing a mask is the easiest way to show you care about other people. If you all vote against this mask wearing mandate you are basically saying “I don’t care about keeping other people safe”. Is that the community we want to live in? Wear the mask. It’s the easiest thing we can do.</td>
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<td>Sharon Brinks</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sharon.brinks@yahoo.com">sharon.brinks@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Governor’s mask requirement</td>
<td>I am very much against the governor’s order. This is a very sticky area &amp; very much a slippery slope. While health is the immediate issue, long term the issue becomes individual freedom of choice (ironic this is over 4th of July weekend!) and whether elected representatives to the Kansas legislature are bypassed by one individual. I am a business owner, and from that perspective I have made masks available to all my employees, however my business is utilized by many low income people who probably will not have a ready made mask available. BOTTOM LINE: If you are concerned about the virus, stay home, wash your hands, and let the rest of us carry on, live our lives, and provide for our employees &amp; families.</td>
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Any decision other than to uphold the Governor's mandate on requiring masks would be absolutely foolish. We are the biggest and most population dense county in Kansas. We also have one of the highest poverty rates and uninsured rates. Keeping that percentage of the population safe should be an utmost priority. This decision would also impact our kids being able to return to school next month. In person classes, even at part time helps the community as a whole. Special needs children along with the mentioned above groups only get help by attending classes. The idea that a piece of cloth is too troublesome to deal with over the idea of actually saving lives would even be a debate is absolutely inhumane. Be a good example for once.

I wholeheartedly support the statewide mask order. I think it is a sensible way to try and avoid another shutdown while allowing the economy to reopen. Unfortunately, from my experience, not enough people are voluntarily choosing to protect others in public by wearing masks. You cannot stand back and say, "Our county citizens are responsible to socially distance and do the right things." Evidence contradicts this.

Please support the mask mandate. We are staying home all we can but my husband has to work and go into stores. We cannot effectively protect ourselves and our family unless other people are asked to protect us. Most of the people I know have no intention of wearing masks unless it's the law. Refusing to respect public health and safety because we're afraid of looking silly is SILLY.

Please don't politicize science any more. Masks are absolutely necessary at this time and sadly, this needs to be mandated and enforced. Being cavalier and careless about this is only going to result in more tragedy, and we've had plenty of that already! It isn't politics, it isn't hurting our freedom, it's simple and easy and it will save lives. Please do the right thing this time!

Please don't take away our rights to decide what is best for our families. You can make this highly suggested but the people need to have a choice. A requirement is taking that away. I guarantee that high-risk individuals will wear a mask and probably most people will. But if our right to choose is gone, it opens the door for other rights to be taken. Please consider this.

I completely support wearing masks in public. It has to be mandated because the county commission was irresponsible in the reopening of the state by not clearly stating and heavily publicizing steps to stop/slow the spread. You falsely led us to believe it was safe to do whatever we want. Our economy will never recover if we don't slow the spread NOW! You have a chance to do what's right. It won't repair the damage your past decisions in this pandemic caused but it hopefully will move us in the right direction.

This mask order is minimally invasive, only minorly inconvenient, and yet we know from actual research and testing that masks are an incredibly effective way to slow or prevent the spread of COVID 19. To not implement a public mask mandate, when our case numbers have resumed their rapid upward climb, is massively irresponsible at best. It's in the best interest of Sedgwick County, and of Kansas, that this order be supported and enforced hear, so that people can continue to go about their lives safely, and we can slow this disease to a crawl while more permanent solutions are worked on.
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<td>Karen Minter</td>
<td><a href="mailto:karenminter1945@gmail.com">karenminter1945@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Why would we NOT wear masks in public? Please support Governor Kelly’s Mandate. She is only trying to save lives and protect those people who think the Pandemic is blown out of proportion or a hoax from themselves and infecting others. Personally, I value my life and the lives of others. Yes, it’s inconvenient, but who cares! Take your responsibility as Commissioners seriously and quit being political!</td>
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<td>Mary Beth Winter</td>
<td><a href="mailto:wintersix6@gmail.com">wintersix6@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>We should not be forced to wear a mask. Most are social distancing and therefore it shouldn’t matter. Those that aren’t, won’t wear a mask anyway.</td>
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<td>Chase Clynch</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chaseclynch@gmail.com">chaseclynch@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Face Mask Rule SHOULD be enforced</td>
<td>I care about our community and the only way to have every member fight together is with the enforcement of the face mask policy. It protects vulnerable members of our community and everyone else as well. If our public officials continue to state they won’t follow the rules set forth by the governor then their constituents will follow suit. If we don’t enforce this rule and have a massive outbreak in Wichita, the blood will be on your hands as our leaders in the community as you stand idly by.</td>
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<td>Julie Everett</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sugarfooteats@gmail.com">sugarfooteats@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Support the MASK requirement for Haysville/Clearwater/SW Wichita As someone whose mother had Covid and I saw the suffering, it is SHOCKING that you aren’t supporting the mask requirement. Without masks, the economy also suffering as people won’t feel safe to go out and spend money. Do the right thing, Michael.</td>
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<td>Kaitlyn Brown</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kaitlynjbrown10@gmail.com">kaitlynjbrown10@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Let’s Protect Ourselves</td>
<td>Medical professionals recommend wearing masks to help slow the spread. Please follow the Governor’s mandate so we can protect our vulnerable citizens. Empathy for our fellow humans should be a no-brainer. Wearing a mask is a public health issue, like wearing a shirt or shoes in a restaurant. That is not an infringement of anyone’s rights—it is to keep everyone safe. Wearing a mask is an inconvenience at worst. Not wearing a mask can lead to more cases, more illness, and closing the city all over again. Which are you willing to put up with? A personal inconvenience or a crippled economy? Wear a mask.</td>
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<td>Shannon Braun</td>
<td><a href="mailto:smlacey@yahoo.com">smlacey@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Special Meeting 7/2 Re: Face Masks</td>
<td>I strongly encourage our commissioners to support a face mask requirement/ordinance. While I’m sure we would all prefer not to wear face masks, it is a small thing that we can each do to keep our community safe and our economy open. Failure to take effective action to slow the spread of COVID is likely to result in many more lives lost and the need for another shutdown which would devastate our local economy further. Wearing a mask is a small inconvenience when compared with the alternative.</td>
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<td>David Bonfiglio</td>
<td><a href="mailto:davidbonfiglio@me.com">davidbonfiglio@me.com</a></td>
<td>Commission action on Governors Executive Order</td>
<td>I beg and explore you to support and not oppose or limit the Executive Order.</td>
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<td>Vanessa Whalen</td>
<td><a href="mailto:vlwhalen@counselingwichita.com">vlwhalen@counselingwichita.com</a></td>
<td>Mask order</td>
<td>I am a psychotherapist and am eager to return to in-person work. I am in full support of the mask order, as I see it as the only way to regain our lost ground regarding the virus, and thus, the only way to maintain an open economy safely and responsibly.</td>
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<td>Chad Childs</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chadachilds@yahoo.com">chadachilds@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>COVID</td>
<td>Follow Dr. Minns's advice and restrict large groups of people coming into SGCO, restrict restaurants and shops to 50% capacity, and promote masks in public. I’m in David Dennis’s 3rd Dist. I recommend Comm. O’Donnell offer an explanation and public apology for his misleading poll on Facebook. 2/3 of people voting in his poll supported Gov. Kelly’s order, even with his inflammatory language. He deleted the results from his page.</td>
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<td>Jerusha</td>
<td>Lofland</td>
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<td>Burnett</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rab4269@yahoo.com">rab4269@yahoo.com</a></td>
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<td>Kyle</td>
<td>Van Kooten</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kylevankooten@gmail.com">kylevankooten@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please support face coverings in public places</td>
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<td>Jennifer</td>
<td>Parga</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Jenniferparga@att.net">Jenniferparga@att.net</a></td>
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<td>Bruce</td>
<td>Blank</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bacapirate@gmail.com">bacapirate@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Kaye Alexander</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Only1kaye@gmail.com">Only1kaye@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Kimberly</td>
<td>Moore</td>
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<td>POETKER</td>
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<td>Donna</td>
<td>Jones</td>
<td>Please uphold Governor Kelly's mandatory mask orders. I will even go so far as to ask that they are even enforced. I am immuno-compromised and have been sheltering at home because I can't be sure that people will be wearing a mask and even completely disregarding social distancing. A large amount of people have proven that, left to their own choices, they will not do what is best for the community as a whole but only be concerned for what makes them as individuals feel good. Masks are proven tools for controlling this pandemic. Please, let's do the right thing and use them.</td>
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<td>Rebecca</td>
<td>Poetker</td>
<td>Requiring face masks in all public places is the smart thing to do. We need to get control of this now, so that kids will be able to go to school in the fall. If public spread is not stopped schools will have to remain closed and many children will not have enough food to eat. Parents will not be able to work, because they depend on the school for help with child care. This has a major impact on or economy. Wearing masks now, and making other smart decisions will help in the not to distant future.</td>
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<td>James</td>
<td>Helmick</td>
<td>I support Gov. Kelly's mandate for requiring masks in public.</td>
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<td>Andrew</td>
<td>McMillin</td>
<td>Please support Governor Kelly's mandatory mask order. Listen to your health officials, ask the business owners who recently had to re-close their businesses. Most of all - STOP POLITICIZING THIS SERIOUS HEALTH ISSUE. It is the simplest step that can be taken to slow and eventually stop the spread of COVID 19. Although not a cure all, it can help stem the increase in transmission along with distancing and hand washing. Support it. Enough is enough. You're not public health officials, but you should start listening to Dr. Minns. Stay in your lane and do your job. You men should be ashamed and embarrassed of how you've behaved.</td>
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<td>Sherry</td>
<td>Grady</td>
<td>We've recently seen the number of COVID-19 cases spike in the area. I am writing in support of the mask order, and I encourage the county to follow the order without relaxation to protect the health of the citizens of the county. I know there is concern about government overreach. We have seen how leaving mask wearing to choice has worked over the last month: it hasn't. It's now time to take one more step to protect the people who have taken the virus seriously from those who haven't. Thank you for your time and service to the county.</td>
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<td>Sharon</td>
<td>Bauer</td>
<td>Masks should be required all all shopping, public indoor events and indoor restaurants venues. We have to stop the spread NOW so we don't have to shut down the businesses again.</td>
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<td>Casey</td>
<td>Renfro</td>
<td>The number of CD19 infections are rising in SG Co. As one of the vulnerable ones, at age 80, with compromised immune system I urge you to make wearing a mask in public a necessity, not a choice. I choose to try to protect others, always wear my mask. Why don't you choose to do the same? Please do not be indifferent to my safety and the safety of everyone to whom you are responsible.</td>
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<td>Alicia Looney</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Alicia.looney@gmail.com">Alicia.looney@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>County Health Officer</td>
<td>Please vote to adopt Dr. Minns’s recommendations for masking, restaurant capacity, and out of state travel. Numbers are showing that some ZIP codes in Wichita have quadrupled their Covid counts, and several new clusters were found this week. I don’t want the economy to close again, but I do want to keep as many people safe as possible.</td>
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<td>Gabrielle Orth</td>
<td><a href="mailto:gabrielleorth25@gmail.com">gabrielleorth25@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mandatory Masks</td>
<td>Fully support a mandatory mask order.</td>
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<td>Billie Fredholm</td>
<td><a href="mailto:pwgi_inc@yahoo.com">pwgi_inc@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Ordinance</td>
<td>I strongly support Gov. Kelly’s mask ordinance. I feel strongly that it should be enforced, especially for businesses.</td>
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<td>Nicole VanNatta</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nicole.e.vannatta+concern@gmai.com">nicole.e.vannatta+concern@gmai.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Order</td>
<td>I support Gov. Kelly’s order to require face masks in public. I encourage the commissioners to vote to uphold this order and launch a public awareness campaign to encourage citizens to wear masks, and on proper mask placement. This measure can help businesses remain open while mitigating the COVID-19 risks. If this measure is not enacted, businesses will likely have to close as our numbers increase.</td>
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<td>Abigail Arthur</td>
<td><a href="mailto:abbyarthur@gmail.com">abbyarthur@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Governor’s Mask Order</td>
<td>This is to urge the commissioners to not override the Governor’s mask order. As someone with a compromised immune system due to multiple health conditions, my health is at risk when others don’t wear masks. I do wear a mask and I agree that it is my choice to go out in public. However, I work in an essential business so I do go to work. My family wears masks when they go out to buy groceries and go to work but they need protection too because the risk is great if they come home and infect me. It is clear from the data that reopening the county was hasty and the virus is now spreading rapidly. The commissioners have a responsibility to protect the health of those of us who live and work in Sedgwick county.</td>
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<td>Lou Ann Robertson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:robertson_lou@yahoo.com">robertson_lou@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I support Gov. Kelly’s mandatory mask order because it’s an efficient way to prevent transmission of Covid-19.</td>
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<td>Kaitlin Myers</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kaitlin.e.thomp@gmail.com">kaitlin.e.thomp@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Required masks</td>
<td>I think enforcing a public mask policy is the absolute best move, and vital to keeping another lockdown from happening. I don’t know why it’s so difficult to wear a mask. I don’t know why caring about other people is a political issue that needs to be discussed. Wear a mask. Don’t overturn the governor’s orders.</td>
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<td>Carol Darrah</td>
<td><a href="mailto:joy.darah@att.net">joy.darah@att.net</a></td>
<td>Requiring masks in public</td>
<td>As a physician I strongly support requiring that masks be worn in public gatherings where adequate social distancing cannot be maintained. This is necessary for individual and public safety. As our local leaders, this is your opportunity to help with public education in this ongoing pandemic and to help keep our local business community functioning without further interruption.</td>
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<td>Brandy Meyers</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bmeyers820@gmail.com">bmeyers820@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Order</td>
<td>I fully support mandating masks in Sedgwick County to reduce community transmission. Michael O'Donnell - your poll showed 60% support this - too bad you took down that info since it didn’t fit your agenda.</td>
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<td>Christi Kidd</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Kiddland@gmail.com">Kiddland@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandates</td>
<td>It has come to my attention that in all likelihood we will be held hostage to Governor Kelly’s mask mandate, at least over the holiday weekend due to her playing politics and not presenting her full order until sometime today leaving our commissioners with little time to review and vote before the weekend. I find this unacceptable. We want you to represent us and defend our liberty. The very fact that she does this the week of Independence Day is a slap in the face to all of those who’ve fought for liberty and freedom in this country. You need to meet and do something now! We do not need a mask mandate in our county and especially not one that becomes effective the day before Independence Day.</td>
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<td>Anne</td>
<td><a href="mailto:awelsbacher@gmail.com">awelsbacher@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks Yes</td>
<td>I strongly support Gov. Kelly’s mandate for Kansans to wear masks. We all got used to wearing seatbelts and submitting to airport searches. The only difference here is much higher stakes, the needless deaths of 10s of thousands of Americans.</td>
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<td>Ron</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ronschauf@gmail.com">ronschauf@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Mandate</td>
<td>I support Gov Kelly’s requirement that masks be worn in public.</td>
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<td>Jeffrey</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jausher54@gmail.com">jausher54@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Wearing Masks should be required</td>
<td>I urge you to support Governor Kelly’s mask order to protect the residents of Sedgwick County.</td>
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<td>Heather</td>
<td><a href="mailto:heathergaugler@sbcglobal.net">heathergaugler@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
<td>mandatory masks</td>
<td>I would encourage you to consider standing behind the governor’s mandate on masks for Sedgwick Co. As a nurse practitioner that works with geriatric clients, I am terrified what will happen to my patient population if COVID19 continues to spread through our community. There is sufficient evidence from medical and scientific community that masks work to slow the spread of COVID19. Are they 100% effective against the virus, no, but we know that masks do slow the spread. This is NOT POLITICAL but unfortunately it was become political. We must be smart and listen to the evidence.</td>
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<td>Nancy</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nnzavala@icloud.com">nnzavala@icloud.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I support Gov Kelly’s mask policy. I live in District 4.</td>
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<td>Ann</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lseeoz@gmail.com">lseeoz@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please vote to require masks. I can make dozens of arguments for it. As a business owner, this makes sense. People won’t go out if they don’t feel safe. If you can spend $80,000 for additional body space for the morgue, vote for the masks.</td>
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<td>Susan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:boscherbowers@gmail.com">boscherbowers@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I fully support the Governors mask mandate. Please insure that our county is safe.</td>
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<td>Becky</td>
<td><a href="mailto:beckyfrischenmeyer@gmail.com">beckyfrischenmeyer@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>You guys are toast</td>
<td>When you start messing with people’s health and their money, you are toast. We will be done with all of you, if you vote no on masks. You are simply sheeple, following your ‘fearless maskless leader’, the idiot in the WH. O’Donnell, we will particularly gun for you at election time…. we are sick of you people not protecting us. It’s your choice. History is watching you….</td>
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<td>Jason</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jetaylor@gmail.com">jetaylor@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks yes.</td>
<td>Please, people, wear a mask.</td>
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<td>Brian</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bigbura40@yahoo.com">bigbura40@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask wear to prevent spread of virus</td>
<td>Is it true that this Board is thinking of going against proven science and attempt to override the Governor’s mask wear mandate? Do you not understand how Hong Kong, South Korea, Japan, and others have basically skipped the pandemic via wearing masks in public? How dense and selfish do you have to be to not 'get it', masks save lives.</td>
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<td>Christopher</td>
<td><a href="mailto:grgn_chrs@yahoo.com">grgn_chrs@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>I believe that it is our civic duty to wear masks to keep those who are more susceptible to this virus safe. Wearing a mask in public is truly the least you could ask of anyone. It is a sad to see how easily inconvenienced we all can be.</td>
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<td>Elizabeth</td>
<td><a href="mailto:morninggloryinkansas@yahoo.com">morninggloryinkansas@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Regarding masks</td>
<td>PLEASE do not agree with the mandate for people to wear masks whenever we are out. We have been mandated long enough and there is no definitive agreement that they work that well. I have an issue with wearing one and it will make it difficult to accomplish anything if our county goes wit it. I realize that this is certainly a divided issue, but if I were able to vote, I vote NO MASKS. Thank you.</td>
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<td>Daniel</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dmolina86@outlook.com">dmolina86@outlook.com</a></td>
<td>The Public Wearing of Masks</td>
<td>Hello, My name is Daniel Molina, and I am a resident of downtown Wichita. I feel we should continue to follow the directions of the CDC and encourage as much mask use as possible. Even enforcing a mask requirement in public places and enclosed areas would be more beneficial than what is currently being practiced. This is not the time to think of the political ramifications of taking action. There will be backlash regardless of whatever decision you make, but taking the correct action will save lives. Thank you for taking the time to read this.</td>
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<td>Courtney</td>
<td><a href="mailto:courtneyaperry@gmail.com">courtneyaperry@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Requirement to wear masks in public</td>
<td>Please keep this law. Do not overturn it. We need masks worn in public so school will not be online again.</td>
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<td>Masking in Public</td>
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<td>Clint Westbrook</td>
<td><a href="mailto:clwestbr@gmail.com">clwestbr@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I would like the mask order enforced for the safety of the public. Police can ticket for not wearing a seatbelt, they should be required to do so for not wearing a mask.</td>
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<td>Bob Atkinson</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Dsr.racer@yahoo.com">Dsr.racer@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks I’m ok with a recommendation but oppose a requirement!</td>
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<td>Jacob Crabb</td>
<td><a href="mailto:crabbtile@hotmail.com">crabbtile@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>I disagree with the mask requirement for Wichita.</td>
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<td>Monica Crabb</td>
<td><a href="mailto:monicacrabb@hotmail.com">monicacrabb@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>I would support the mask requirement for our community. Please do not let this happen to our citizens.</td>
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<td>Zachary Dry</td>
<td><a href="mailto:zacharydry@gmail.com">zacharydry@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I support the requirement to wear a mask. Rumor is the commission wants to overturn the requirement. Please do not.</td>
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<td>Damon Stephens</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Damon.stephens47@yahoo.com">Damon.stephens47@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>I work in food retail. I have to be at work. My wife is immune compromised, please make people wear masks. It's not hard, it's no different than a seat belt law.</td>
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<td>Ruthann Farley</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Babyruth519@gmail.com">Babyruth519@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Please stop making yourselves look like medical professionals when it comes to the debate of masks. Until you have watched people die from severe respiratory distress- be quiet.</td>
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<td>Toi Kuhn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tts432462@yahoo.com">tts432462@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Please keep the Governor's order for face masks in public in tact. It's a way to keep people protected and businesses open while protecting the public.</td>
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<td>Patricia Ciotti</td>
<td><a href="mailto:plci48@hotmail.com">plci48@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>I strongly oppose the mask requirement for our community. Please do not let this happen to our citizens.</td>
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<td>Laur McFall</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mcfall.kelly@att.net">mcfall.kelly@att.net</a></td>
<td>I think the commissioners need to acknowledge the truth about COVID 19 and use science to reduce the spread of the disease. It's clear that they opened the economy too quickly - the numbers prove it.</td>
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<td>Nicolas Farinas</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Nick.farinas@gmail.com">Nick.farinas@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Don't force us to wear masks...should be a choice. I don't have money for that crap.</td>
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<td>Lindsey Bevans</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Lindsey.motley@gmail.com">Lindsey.motley@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>EO public masking I do not agree with EO for public masking! This is America where I have a CHOICE and I feel this EO is unconstitutional! I can be and have been practicing social distancing in public. I hate hate hate the public masking! I get that we need to wear them in hospitals where there are compromised immune systems but I strongly strongly disagree that this decision was made that impacts everyone! And again, we had no voice in this matter! I am an American! I have rights and you are taking them away!</td>
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<td>Thisath Don</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nisitha501@gmail.com">nisitha501@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Wearing masks will help reduce spread.</td>
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<td>Cathy Erbert</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Cathylerbert@gmail.com">Cathylerbert@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>I would urge the county commission to let the mask mandate from Governor Kelly stand. It is scientifically proven that universal masking severely limits the spread of the virus. If we want our businesses to remain open, and our children to attend school in person, and sports to be played, masking will pave the way for those activities. The lower our case numbers, the more freedom we have. If cases surge, as they are now, the more restricted we will be. This is not political, we should all be unite against the virus, not bickering with each other over proven science. For the health, safety and vibrancy of our community, please let the mask mandate stand.</td>
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<td>Connie Davis</td>
<td><a href="mailto:conniedavis91@gmail.com">conniedavis91@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask mandate 100% support Gov Kelly's mask order and hope you will too.</td>
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<td>Renee Eberle</td>
<td><a href="mailto:re5string@gmail.com">re5string@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Mask order 100% support Gov Kelly's mask order and hope you will too.</td>
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<td>Melani Kliewer</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Melanikliewer@hotmail.com">Melanikliewer@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks</td>
<td>Please follow Governor Kelly’s mask mandate! It’s such an easy way to help keep everyone safer which will in turn help our economy. Masks should not be politicized. Listen to the medical expert please. These are our lives which should not be a debate among county commissioners.</td>
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<td>Michael Ware</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Lastsumo2005@yahoo.com">Lastsumo2005@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Mask Order</td>
<td>As a citizen of sedgwick co. I would like to state I oppose the required facemask order. Please reconsider and vote against making it mandatory. It contradicts many experts in medical science, and should be an individual decision. Decisions should be based on local data and researched vigorously and not be based in politics, and given end dates. Thank you — Michael Ware, Wichita</td>
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<td>Richard Ruth</td>
<td><a href="mailto:richard.ruth@gmail.com">richard.ruth@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Madk Requirementd</td>
<td>Leave the mask requirements in place people are dying for Christ’s sake.</td>
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<td>Megan Hamill-Strickler</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mhamillstrickler@gmail.com">mhamillstrickler@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>Masks should be required</td>
<td>Kansas has the opportunity to continue to save lives and protect our economy. If there is anything that we can do as a society and our people, there should be no hesitation.</td>
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<td>Jaime Andrews</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jaimera85@yahoo.com">jaimera85@yahoo.com</a></td>
<td>Masks Mandate</td>
<td>I would like to share that I am in support of the governor’s executive order mandating masks in public. It is a simple way to help protect others while still allowing for open businesses and activities. Commissioners, you shared at your meeting to decide how to reopen that you thought it would be detrimental if we were to have to shut down again. This is an easy way to help prevent that from happening. As a young person with a lung disorder, an enforced mask mandate also allows me more freedom to go out into the community. My parents, who are in their late sixties and reside in Derby, one of whom has cancer, will also benefit from a mask mandate. Masks do not cause harm, but they can significantly help.</td>
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<td>Justin H</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sunshin3divin3@gmail.com">sunshin3divin3@gmail.com</a></td>
<td>We Need Masks</td>
<td>And more, if we want any hope at giving our children a chance at returning to school with some normalcy. The peer reviewed research is there and quite frankly, it’s obvious.</td>
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