DATE 9-7-21 ITEM NO. ADD 7

From:

Mary Werner

Sent:

Saturday, September 4, 2021 4:48 PM

To:

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Subject:

Addendum Item #7 - Face Coverings Requirement

Attachments:

Face Coverings Requirement.docx

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Attached is my response to the requirement of face coverings. Thank you

Mary Grace Werner District 4 4442 S Golf Estates Drive Green Valley, AZ 85622

September 4, 2021

Clerk of the Board,

Addendum, Item 7 – Face Coverings Requirement

I am addressing the irrational, punitive, capricious and groundless societal restrictions (masking) for a virus with an infection fatality rate based on Stanford University John loannidis's calculations of 0.05% in persons under 70 years of age (across global nations). loannidis's research was followed up recently by a reported non-institutionalized IFR (infection fatality rate) in the state of Indiana (persons aged > 12 years) of 0.12% (95% CI 0.09 to 0.19) when age 40-59/60 years (reported in the <u>Annals of Internal Medicine</u>), and an IFR when < 40 years old of 0.01% (95% CI 0.01 to 0.02). Persons 60 or older had an IFR of 1.71% (overall IFR was 0.26%). IFR is the ratio of deaths divided by the number of actual *infections* with SARS-CoV-2. So why would we continue this way with these unsound and very punitive restrictive policies and for so long once the factual characteristics of this virus became evident and as alluded to above, we finally realized that its infection fatality rate (IFR) which is a more accurate and realistic reflection of mortality than CFR (case fatality rate), was really no worse than annual influenza? We did not mandate masking for influenza.

Emerging evidence supports the fact that Covid-19 spread is so exceedingly rare in asymptomatic persons as to have virtually no impact in the grand scheme. In an article published in Nature Communications (November 2020) that studied 10 million eligible persons, it was demonstrated that asymptomatic spread was not merely rare but in fact, does not appear to happen at all! Not one instance was found in the study whereby researchers reported that there were positive tests emerging even amongst close contacts of asymptomatic cases in this sample of 10 million. Why would we even consider then the need for universal masking when there is evidence like this of limited asymptomatic spread? All this is to say that there is and was no scientific justification to mandate or call for 'voluntary' masking of healthy people. None!

These policies are not merely misguided, but they are also not without serious and adverse consequences; they have been very injurious at a personal and societal level. Restrictive policies have not been thought through as to the implications at large! The benefits have not been assessed or considered alongside the potential (and documented) harms and this is a catastrophic omission from the perspective of sound public health policy and principles. In short, the bureaucracy has provided us with confused and often contradictory policy supported by a lack of clarity, sheer assumptions, and nonsense in general, and in this case, in relation to universal masking. Our leadership and 'experts' have failed to recognize the crushing harms that result from their arbitrary and even worse, capricious policies that lack any reliable evidentiary support!

Earlier in 2021, a group of German doctors and biomedical scientists looked at the available data on the negative health effects of face masks, published both before and during the COVID-19 outbreak as catalogued in the U.S. federal government's biomedical database, PubMed. They

found significant evidence of "relevant, undesired medical, organ and organ system-related phenomena accompanied by wearing masks," with "clear, scientifically recorded adverse effects for the mask wearer." Covering the airways with a mask makes breathing harder, due to the air resistance they generate and the moisture they collect inside. Masks also create "dead space" air between the mask surface and the face, which remains trapped at the end of every breath out, and gets rebreathed right back in. Dead-space air is stale, potentially containing 20 times the CO2 concentration of normal room air, along with hundreds of other substances secreted by the human body through the lungs. Mixed with those are traces of the chemicals, such as formaldehyde, used to make or preserve the masks. Plastic microfibers slough off the fabric and have recently been found lodged in the sinuses of patients diagnosed with irritant rhinitis, and may make it all the way into the lungs.

Due to the increased resistance to breathing and trapped dead-space air,, masks make it harder for the lungs to remove CO2 from the blood, and to supply the blood with O2. Multiple studies with N95, surgical, and other masks, some published in prestigious journals like Nature, provide evidence that all common kinds of face masks result in statistically higher blood CO2 levels or lower blood O2 levels or both in healthy individuals. The body reacts to this imbalance by increasing its resting pulse and breathing rates, which can be dangerous to those in poor health. Data reviewed by Taiwanese scientists show the "elderly or patients with reduced cardiopulmonary function have a higher risk of developing a severe respiratory failure while wearing a mask.

In 2020, Chinese scientists reported experimental results with human test subjects using multiple common mask types, including surgical masks and N95s. They found significant impaired thinking or concentration after only 100 minutes of mask use, correlating with reduced blood O2 levels in the test subjects. A 2020 article in the Journal of Infectious Diseases and Epidemiology reported that 24 percent of 343 surveyed medical staff, who wore a mix of surgical and N95 masks while working their shifts began to experience impaired cognition from one to four hours after starting their shifts.

In addition to impaired thinking and performance, increased blood CO2 levels can also cause psychotropic effects. High levels of CO2 poison mammals. The brain stem reacts to increased CO2 in the blood by letting the body know that it needs fresh air, activating a whole-body stress response.

In case, I have not made my point crystal clear, masking is more detrimental to health than protective especially when the viral agent is 0.1 micron in size while the smallest particle a mask can filter out is 0.3 microns on a good day. It is matter of fact that mask mandates rely on the threat of government force to, quite literally, limit the public's freedom to breathe. Respiration is the fundamental freedom. Various fundamental constitutional rights may therefore be implicated in mandatory masking.

Mary Grace Werner, CLS (ASCP, ASCLS) 4442 S Golf Estates Drive, Green Valley, AZ 85622, District 4

From:

S. Fickes

Sent:

Saturday, September 4, 2021 7:53 PM

To:

COB_mail; District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5

Subject:

Agenda/Addendum Public Comment Meeting 09-07-21

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Please see my Agenda/Addendum comment below for the Meeting 09-07-21
I am a legal voting resident of Pima County Arizona, Sharon Fickes Contact

Addendum #7 Face Coverings Requirement Resolution /#61

Again this issue appears for discussion. How many times do you have to hear the voice of the citizens telling you NO. How many times is this allowed to re-appear just because you change a few words? The Resolution is the same and the science hasn't changed. Masks don't work and they are a personal decision. If citizens feel more comfortable choosing a mask then that's their personal decision and should be respected. Board of Supervisors making a resolution to mandate wearing a mask indoors and in a car, or taxi, or bus is over the top control by you. Stop the nonsense, Vote NO

STOPZIMONASPCOLKUFID

From:

Maureen Andrew

Sent:

Friday, September 3, 2021 8:58 PM

To:

COB mail

Subject:

Support for masks in school

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As a grandparent of 6 children being educated in public schools in Pima County, I am appalled by the Board of Supervisors lack of action to steadfastly oversee the protection of children in our community's schools. Rather you are pandering and perpetuating misinformation that creates a more dangerous community not only for the children but for entire families. It appears you are being bullied and intimidated into inaction rather than to stand with courage for what you must surely know are the proven strategies to reduce the spread of the CoronaVirus. PLEASE do not let small factions of boisterous agitators keep you from acting in sound and reasoned ways to reduce the risk to our unvaccinated, under 12 year olds, who are innocent victims in this both medical and political crisis.

Stop the spread of misinformation. It is not enough for my children to wear a mask - it takes an infected child to also mask!

Sincerely, Mr & Mrs P Andrews Sent from my iPhone From:
Sent:
Monday, September 6, 2021 7:53 PM

To:
COB_mail
Pima County Mask Mandate

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Dear Supervisors,

I am writing once again to express my support for a countywide mask mandate for all indoor spaces. Dozens of Arizona attorneys have now weighed in declaring that Ducey's ban on masks does not go into effect until September 29th, and that is assuming that the legal challenges to the ban are unsuccessful.

As we have seen time and time again, any period of time where we can have layered mitigation in effect lowers overall case numbers. The goal here should still be to avoid COVID cases and additional vectors for mutation, not just to avoid COVID deaths. We, as a county, a state, a country, and a world cannot abide further mutations which break through our vaccines even more efficiently than the dangerous Delta Variant is doing now.

Further, I am not convinced that our reported cases in Pima County are reflecting the actual picture. Testing is incredibly prohibitive. The current county website registration is confusing, making it seem as though there is a cost for testing which clearly turns some people away from the service. The lack of PCR test availability is also a profound problem, as the limits of the antigen test are well known. This past week, my husband was symptomatic and due to the limited testing options in town his only recourse was to purchase an at-home testing kit which resulted in an inconclusive reading. We are STILL trying to schedule him for an adequate PCR test. In the meantime, he has missed work and our home has been on lockdown, operating under the assumption that he has COVID until it is proven otherwise.

Lastly, the lack of county wide mask mandate presents a unique problem for schools. I disagree with the assertion from Dr Garcia at the Pima County Health Department that COVID is not spreading in classrooms. Our school district, Tanque Verde, has private Facebook groups where parents proudly describe their efforts to avoid testing their unvaccinated, symptomatic students so that they are not forced to miss any school. Two weeks ago, a student in one of my daughter's classes came to class coughing and complaining of having the chills. The student was unmasked, as were about 80% of the other students. The teacher did not ask the student to leave the classroom despite the symptoms being exhibited. Days later, the three students who sit closest to the symptomatic student became sick. Two of those students went home and told their parents who also refused to test their students, although they did keep their students home for several days. The third symptomatic student was tested and returned a positive result. That's ONE recorded positive result out of 4 presumptive positive cases in one class. This situation is being repeated everywhere because districts do not have adequate online learning options and parents are unwilling to do the right thing in the interest of public health.

Reasonable people now feel as though we have no choice but to acquiesce to the likelihood that we will catch COVID despite our own best efforts. And for those of us who are at high risk of complication - who have stayed home, masked up, gotten vaccinated, avoided gatherings, and taken care of our community and ourselves - this is categorically unfair. We did the work, we deserve to return to our lives without the constant fear that we will be exposed by somebody else's narcissistic unwillingness to accept responsibility for themselves.

As long as community transmission remains at high levels, we should have an enforced countywide mask mandate which extends to every indoor space and each K-12 school. We will never get through this if we continue to put our heads in the sand.

Sincerely, Amy Fitch-Heacock Tucson

From:

Sent:

Monday, September 6, 2021 4:35 PM

To:

COB mail

Subject:

Vaccine mandate/mask mandate

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Over the past 19 months your board (as well as the federal government) has demonstrated a clear lack of understanding of science. To mandate a vaccine is a clear violation of AZ law and of the Nuremberg code.

The only FDA-approved vaccine isn't even on the market yet. Therefore you would be mandating the vaccines which are still under EUA. They are not approved.

Can/will you as a group survive the tidal wave of lawsuits which you will face not only as a governing body but on an individual basis? I think not.

As for the mask mandates - again science is clear. 14 RCTs have been done on mask use and the prevention of the spread of viral respiratory illness. 10 showed they did not prevent the spread (from the WHO website) and 4 showed the results were statistically insignificant. So if you people think you follow science, you had better learn what science really has to say.

Your behavior leaves the public who don't live in fear and can critically think, with a big question. As the saying goes," follow the money trail".

Shame on you for the damage you have imposed on the very people you work for. Do the right thing for your fellow human beings and for yourselves. ST ON 21 MIN SO ROLL OF BE

And I'm not a Republican. AS if that should matter.

Dr Scott Cochrane

Melissa Whitney

ADDENDUM MATERIAL DATE 9/7/2/ ITEM NO Add, 7

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From:

Anissa Ramirez

Sent:

Tuesday, September 7, 2021 8:54 AM

To:

ROBIN MOTZER

Cc:

Maria Klucarova; Jennifer Cabrera; COB_mail

Subject:

RE: written public input to BOS September 7, 2021 meeting

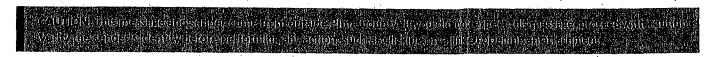
From: ROBIN MOTZER

Sent: Monday, September 6, 2021 2:28 PM

To: District1 < District1@pima.gov >; DIST2 < DIST.2@pima.gov >; District3 < District3 < District3 @pima.gov >; District4

< District4@pima.gov>; District5 < District5@pima.gov>

Subject: written public input to BOS September 7, 2021 meeting



NOTE: This message was also sent to the Pima County BOS Clerk.

Dear Board of Supervisors:

Please protect personal liberties: our personal choice whether masks or experimental inoculations are appropriate for us. Our body, our choice.

Therefore, <u>No mandates for masks or inoculations</u>. No taxation without representation was fought and won by our ancestors- mine included.

I uphold the independence in which our Country was founded and must be maintained and ask you to do the following:

1. Uphold personal liberties!

2. NO mandates! No Liability, No Trust (pharmaceutical industry has no liability).

3. No decision making without the residents of Pima County being present either in-person, in-writing, by phone, or any other way. We, the residents, must be represented and heard. We ask that you be successful with upholding freedom, the requirements of your constituents, and protect and preserve our independence from the Corporate-State.

I am Sovereign of heart, mind, body and spirit.

Robin Motzer

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Sustainable Tucson Habitat Restoration

NOFA/ Organic Farming Association, Advocate

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"I sing in harmony with all of nature's voices, Knowing that simplicity and kindness are choices. I connect with the earth in my bare feet, My heart connects with all of life's beat;" Excerpt from Robin Motzer's original poem, *I AM Nature, We Are Nature*, San Pedro Anthology, Volume I, page 27.

"I AM Loud Hawk, Poet With A Purpose! I speak for nature, non-humans and humans"

On 09/03/2021 5:09 PM GeeGee Larrington

I'd love to. Are you speaking for 3 minutes or submitting it in writing?

Your previous written comment from the 10th or 16th will be in the agenda in a link under the item. So, it is still there.

GeeGee

....my mission is to be a force for good in the world and better people's lives.

Geraldene Grace Larrington

, best

, text/cell

On Fri, Sep 3, 2021 at 5:05 PM ROBIN MOTZER < wrote: Thanks, GeeGee, for including me. I feel like I was snuck into a club-ha

Are you willing to edit/review mine? I'll ask Melissa, too. (Btw, It is similar, yet different, than the last comment I submitted).

Robin Motzer

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Rights of Nature, Southern AZ Coordinator

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On 09/03/2021 4:19 PM GeeGee Larrington <

Hello all,

In talking with the Clerk of the Board there have been only 7 requests for 3 minute speakers for all topics. Only less than 40 minutes left to meet the 5:00 deadline.

However, any written information sent to the Clerk of the Board's email address <u>COB Mail@pima.gov</u>

will be immediately put into the electronic media that goes to all Supervisors in real time. That means written material can be submitted all week-end even Tuesday although being busy that morning there might be a delay. It's guaranteed to be in the electronic media.

It was a misconception that written emails would be read into the meeting--maybe that was before they had phone-in

The clerk made it clear that having public participation is a courtesy and there is no rule or mandate requiring it.

GeeGee Larrington

Melissa Whitney

DATE 9/1/21 ITEM NO

jeanne hughes |

Sent:

Tuesday, September 7, 2021 8:33 AM

To:

COB mail

Subject:

Public Comment for BOS 09.07.2021 Agenda Items 9, 11, 12, Addendum Items 4, 7, 11



Please attach these comments to the citizen input for the September 7, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting for Agenda Items 9, 11, 12 and Addendum Items 4, 7, 11. Thank you.

To the Supervisors:

Once again, you are discussing and voting on Covid mandates that you have previously discussed and voted

down or continued ad nauseam.

Rather than commenting individually on each item, I offer a few reasons why you must vote NO on all of the above mentioned Covid Agenda Items:

- 1. These are against the law: mask mandates, vaccine mandates, vaccine passports and discrimination based on vaccine status.
- 2. Medical decisions are to be made by a patient in consultation with their personal medical advisors, not by Pima County government.
- 3. Mandates, incentives, disincentives will continue to degrade morale of employees and exacerbate staffing shortages, particularly among the healthcare workers and first responders we depend upon.
- 4. If Pima County is not mandating all their own employees to be vaccinated (rather, just new hires and promotions) it is hypocritical (at the very least) to mandate vaccinations for healthcare workers who are not Pima County employees.
- 5. Last Friday it was reported that Dr. Garcia, Pima County Chief Medical Officer, in reference to Covid cases, said:
- * "I'm increasingly feeling like we're either plateauing, perhaps even starting to go down."
- * "most students aren't contracting Covid from classroom exposure."
- 6. Pima County taxpayers cannot afford to pay for the defense and settlement of legal cases that will arise as a result of these mandates.
- 7. Listen to your constituents! The vast majority of citizen input posted to the agendas over the past month are against all mandates.

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From: jeanne hughes

Date: August 15, 2021 at 8:47:20 PM MST

To: COB Mail@pima.gov

Subject: Mask Resolution and Vaccine Policy Agenda #10, Addendum #1 #4,7,8,9

Please see that this comment is added to the citizen input for the August 16, 2021 BOS meeting regarding Agenda Item #10, Addendum #1 Items #4,7,8,9.

Thank you.

Supervisor Heinz says:

"INCREDIBLE - YOU PEOPLE!!"

"People watching the Board of Supervisors meeting last week, when my colleagues voted down most of the COVID mitigation efforts I brought forward, noticed my frustration for the lack of action taken to stop the spread of the Delta variant in our community."

I say to Supervisor Heinz -

I was one of those people watching. You may call it frustration, we call it childish overreaction when you didn't get your way. If I were your mother, I would be ashamed and embarrassed by your "taking my marbles and going home" reaction! Is that the way you react when a patient doesn't respond to your treatment as you had hoped? YIKES! Your comments and behavior were certainly less than professional.

You may be a doctor, but you are not the doctor for everyone in Pima County.

Requiring medical procedures for anyone is usurping their rights. They have had the opportunity to be vaccinated and have chosen not to be vaccinated. What about My Body, My Choice? Or does that only apply to abortion, when only one of the involved bodies gets to make the choice, and the other one gets murdered?

We cannot risk losing healthcare workers and first responders due to an illegal mandate. You are making the heroes into the villains! By driving these dedicated public servants away, you are putting all of us in Pima County in danger when there are not enough providers to render aid and care. You said you took an oath to do no harm, so please reflect on that before voting and doing harm to citizens of Pima County!

Disincentives for people who do not get vaccinated are only going to result in more disruption, understaffing and increased morale issues. I have spoken with current TMC employees as well as area firefighters and police who disagree with the mandated vaccines. Some of them have natural immunity from being on the front lines, at least one of them is planning to file for a religious exemption. Do you also get to play God in deciding whether that employee's religious belief is a "sincerely held religious belief?" Who sets that criteria? A religious belief is between the individual and their God. You and government have no status in that relationship and have no way of judging the sincerity, no right to judge.

Stop the overreach! Vote NO on all COVID mandates - no vaccine mandates, no masks mandates in schools.

Pima County Legally Registered Voter