

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 32

A RESOLUTION PROMOTING THE USE OF MASKS IN OUTDOOR SPACES WHERE A
MINIMUM DISTANCE OF SIX FEET CANNOT BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN
INDIVIDUALS

Whereas, COVID-19 cases have been on the rise in Wisconsin, Milwaukee County, the North Shore, and Shorewood in recent weeks, and continues to pose a serious public health threat; and

Whereas, public spaces and businesses are open for in-person operations in Shorewood, increasing the potential for further community spread of COVID-19; and

Whereas, COVID-19 is primarily spread via respiratory droplets when people are in close proximity with each other and people that are infected speak, sneeze, or cough. People can be infected and have no symptoms (asymptomatic) and they are still able to transmit the virus; and

Whereas, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), there is emerging evidence from clinical and laboratory studies that demonstrates cloth face masks reducing the spray of respiratory droplets; and

Whereas, wearing a face mask is one of the most effective ways to reduce person to person transmission of COVID-19. Face masks serve as a barrier to prevent droplets from entering the air, which is known as source control. When combined with other preventive measures, including physical distancing and proper hygiene practices, wearing face masks is a simple and effective way to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission; and

Whereas, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the effectiveness of cloth face coverings at reducing the spread of COVID-19 is highest when masks are widely used by people in public settings. In settings where physical distancing is difficult to maintain, everyone wearing a face mask reduces the risk of transmission; and

Whereas, the Village Board previously passed an Ordinance requiring masks to be used in indoor public spaces; and

Whereas, use of masks outdoors, where individuals are within six feet of one another, can also assist in protecting the spread of COVID-19,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED at a regular meeting by the Village Board of the Village of Shorewood, held on the 3rd day of August, 2020, a quorum being present and a majority of the Board voting therefore, said Board does resolve as follows:

The Village of Shorewood strongly encourages all residents to wear masks in all outdoor public spaces within the Village of Shorewood, when a minimum distance of six feet cannot be maintained between individuals.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of the Village of Shorewood, Milwaukee County, WI this 3rd day of August, 2020.



Allison Rozek, Village President



Sara Bruckman, CMC/WCMC Village Clerk