

**From:** [Michael stevens via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** 1st amendment  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:23:14 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Michael stevens (mjstevens71@hotmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:23:13

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address: 123 fake street

comments: Was it required for blm to wear face masks??

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.196.206.213

**From:** [Lisa Rapaport via FormMail.com](mailto:Lisa.Rapaport@icloud.com)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** 6/22 Council Meeting - Parent Accusations  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:54:32 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lisa Rapaport (lisarapa@icloud.com) on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 14:54:29

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address: 139A South Street

comments: Dear Councilors,

First off, I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your hard work and long hours devoted to debating our budget, and for ultimately passing the budget recommended by the City Manager.

Second, you may not know me because this is my adopted home where I moved to raise my kids, but I look forward to being a vocal and productive member of my community for many years to come, and hope that this will include being an advocate who can work respectfully with all of you.

I'd like you to know that I have been an active voice in local government since long before I could vote. I went to my school board in middle school to push them to eliminate Styrofoam from our cafeteria, and again to protest a policy that required all girls to take home-economics and all boys to take shop. They never got rid of the Styrofoam while I was there, but I became the first girl in my district to take a shop class and changed a discriminatory policy.

I volunteer in my community, and in my schools, because I care about my neighbors and want to do everything in my power to make the world a better place – and I have no doubt that this motivates you all to serve as councilors. I also have nothing but respect for people who serve, even if their beliefs and objectives differ from my own – as long as I feel that they are coming from a place of honesty and good intentions.

Councilors Trace and Kennedy, when you publicly smeared the Little Harbour PTA Seal Team as a devious organization running some sort of pay to play scheme to coerce parent participation in local government in the meeting last night, you were talking about me. I am the secretary of the Little Harbour PTA, a volunteer position I took expressly to help get more parents involved in our school community and in our community at large. I am very proud of my record – we had more volunteers in our school this year and more parents involved in the school budget than ever before. That is exactly what a PTA should be doing. And you should be thanking me personally, and our PTA too, for encouraging people to get involved in local government. A strong community depends on more engagement, not less.

Instead, I felt blindsided by baseless accusations that our PTA had somehow coerced parents to comment on the school budget. That insults me, and it belittles all of the parents in our community who took the time to comment on the budget and attend meetings. To be clear, nobody in the district – not the superintendent and not our principal and not any of our teachers or staff – in any way directed what our PTA communicated to parents about the budget or coerced parents to comment or participate in City Council meetings. And what the PTA has sent out to parents and shared on social media has been links to meeting agendas, budget proposals, and instructions on how to send comments and join Zoom meetings. That people showed up speaks to their sincere desire to participate and their passion for education issues, and in no way reflects any coercion or threats of any kind.

I hope that the accusations made against our PTA at the meeting last night were made based on what people believed to be reliable information – I would certainly be outraged if coercion or threats played any role in parent involvement and be right there with you trying to shut that down.

In closing, I would welcome the opportunity to exchange ideas with any one of you by email, by phone, or in person when "normal" life resumes. And I would sincerely hear you out if you have concerns about our PTA involvement

in local government, or suggestions for how we can do a better job. We plan to remain involved, and we would welcome the opportunity in the future to host a forum for anyone on the Council who wants to come speak directly to parents about the school budget or any other topic impacting education in our community. As a PTA, it's far beyond our mandate to endorse political parties or candidates and we would never do that. But it is absolutely our mandate to advocate for our kids and support parent involvement in our schools and our community – and we would very much love for this advocacy to be effective, and for our relations with the Council to be cordial.

Sincerely,

Lisa Rapaport (homeowner, taxpayer, owner of a local independent business, parent to a rising fourth and seventh grader in our honestly amazing public schools, and secretary of the Little Harbour PTA Seal Team)

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From: [Cheryl Guyre via FormMail.com](mailto:Cheryl.Guyre@formmail.com)  
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
Subject: An immunologist's plea  
Date: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 12:07:12 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Cheryl Guyre (cheryl.guyre@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 23:07:10  
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address: 19 Margery Rd. Enfield, NH 03748

comments: Here is the copy of a letter I just sent via email to Gov. Sununu. Please do whatever you are able to keep NH safe.

Dear Governor Sununu,

I have heard you describe yourself as a "data guy." As an immunologist and COVID-19 research scientist, I can relate. It has become quite clear that asymptomatic spread of SARS-CoV-2 is significant, and I wanted to share with you a reference for a recent large study in Italy that found that nearly 74% of those under age 60 testing positive for SARS-CoV-2 were ASYMPTOMATIC (<https://arxiv.org/ftp/arxiv/papers/2006/2006.08471.pdf>). SEVENTY-FOUR PERCENT had NO illness, yet had the potential to fatally infect others! To me this highlights the importance of increasing our vigilance in NH to prevent spread. Here in the Upper Valley, I have seen a disturbing trend in behavior, which began to emerge as the state reopened: refusal to wear masks and proclamation of one's "right" [to expose his/her mouth and nose]. Meanwhile, in surrounding states where masks were mandated by the governor, residents have embraced masking as part of appropriate attire for being in public, much like!

shirt and shoes. As the designated grocery shopper for three households of at-risk individuals, I find the options to keep myself safe are becoming more and more limited. Last week I estimated ~40% mask compliance in the grocery store, where it was closer to ~80% a couple of months ago. It appears many have equated "re-opening" with "unmasking," and now it additionally appears to be a political statement. I'm more than a little distressed that safety is dividing along political lines and am encouraged when I see both democrats and republicans advocating for mask usage and modeling appropriate behavior by wearing masks themselves. A clear, consistent message is imperative.

When I read the news of President Trump's planned rally in Portsmouth, I was devastated. Would we really welcome a large congregation of people, including those traveling from areas with higher SARS-CoV-2 exposure than ours?!! Based on the Tulsa rally, many are very likely to thwart the state safety recommendations and put us in jeopardy. I thought surely my data-driven governor would consider the increased potential for COVID-19 to spread across the state when people return home with SARS-CoV-2 picked up from another participant (remember the 74% asymptomatic statistic). In your press release today, I think I heard you say you were treating the rally as "no different" than the "Reopening" and "Black Lives Matter" protests. But I think they ARE different: the latter were smaller groups and, in the case of BLM, had decent compliance with masks and physical distancing. In addition, it is likely that a higher proportion of those attending the Trump rally will be!

"anti-science" folks who really do not understand the gravity of their individual behavior choices. While I have read that the campaign will "encourage" mask use at the next rally, please, PLEASE do not allow NH to be the test case.

So much is at stake. We need to take care that our "Live Free or Die" attitude does not condone "Live Free and Cause Others to Die." My requests are these:

- 1) Please reconsider your position on allowing the Trump rally to take place in Portsmouth this weekend.
- 2) Please mandate mask usage statewide, starting this week, so that we can continue to maintain a low R0 in NH.

Respectfully,  
Cheryl Guyre  
Enfield, NH

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**From:** [ann mordecai via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Bike Lane  
**Date:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 9:06:24 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
ann mordecai (MORDECAI1@COMCAST.NET) on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 20:06:22  
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address: 26 Sewall

comments: I bike quite a lot. The bike lanes in theory are great. But I do not like them. I don't like riding in them because of the debris that collects on them. And when I come out from beside a car passing any cross street, cars that are turning into the cross streets do not see me.

Also, when I park on the street near the bike lanes and open my car door I feel as though I may get run over by passing cars.

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**From:** [James Eiffe via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** bike lanes  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 8:36:22 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
James Eiffe (j\_eiffe@yahoo.com) on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 07:36:20

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address: 40 SUNSET RD

comments: I can't believe I need to write this but it is getting annoying. I live just under a mile from town and leverage the bike lanes regularly. They provide a safe area for bikes and believe when we have a lack of parking downtown we should be encouraging alternative modes of transportation into downtown. Please support the bikes lanes.

Please put up the bicycle safety poles as well and follow the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee recommendations.

It is time to go forward with the multi-modal transportation network envisioned in the City's master plan, not backwards!

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**From:** [Kimberly Meuse via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Call a meeting to address the upcoming rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:46:41 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kimberly Meuse (kimberlymeuse@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 06:46:39

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address: 579 Sagamore Ave

comments: Dear Councilors,

As a concerned citizen, I am urging you to please meet before the upcoming Trump rally this weekend to formulate a plan to protect our town in the midst of a pandemic. Masks must be mandatory, and all safety practices we've been apprised of by the scientific community and healthcare officials must be in place. Our hotels are seeing a significant uptick in registrations for this event from people coming to town from all over. Whatever advantage we've enjoyed by keeping our COVID cases and deaths down will be challenged to a great degree this weekend if we allow this influx of people whose partisan stance on the virus is to mingle unprotected in large crowds without social distancing. Those folks will then expose your constituents and local business staff to the virus as they enjoy our town's offerings.

Please, I urge you to use your leadership role to provide the best safety measures for our town in this crisis - both for this weekend's onslaught and the tourist season now upon us.

Best  
Kimberly Meuse

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**From:** [Oliver Chag via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Cancel the Trump Rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 9:46:19 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Oliver Chag (Oliver.H.Chag@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 08:46:17

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address: 419 Lincoln Ave

comments: Good Morning,

I'm writing to you to express my deep seeded opposition to this Saturday's rally at Pease International Airbase. Politics aside, to host such a gathering in the midst of the ongoing COVID pandemic threatens to erase the collective steps we've taken as a community to keep one another safe. At the very least, it would be of our best interest to implement a mask requirement for ALL ATTENDEES. Politics included, to allow an outlet for the misaligned, out-of-touch rhetoric this administration continuously spews, does not represent the caring, inclusive nature of the Seacoast community.

I urge you to reconsider the authorization of this rally and assure you that the members of this community are far from pleased that it was ever considered. The apparent lack of leadership from this body is more and more prevalent each day and we're taking note; I'm looking at you, Mayor Becksted.

Stay safe!

-Oliver Chag

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**From:** [Dave Beadling via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** City policy on wearing facial coverings aka masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 12:37:10 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Dave Beadling (Beadlida@yahoo.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 11:37:08

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address: 466 Dennett St

comments: Temporary Policy or ordinance must require citizens to wear masks in places accessible to the public where six feet of separation is not practicable. Private businesses should be adhering to this as well i.e. "No shirt, shoes or mask, No Entry". Any business not practicing this policy and with a face to the public should not be patronized at this time. The health of our economy depends on the health of our people. .

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**From:** [Karen McCarthy via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Corona Virus  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:47:06 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Karen McCarthy (Kmcport@comcast.net) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:47:04

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address: 90 Nathaniel Dr.

comments: Dear Councilors,

I am writing to respectfully request you support any and all measures to limit the spread of the corona virus in Portsmouth. I, and most residents of the city, have made great sacrifices and gone to extreme measures to limit exposure for myself and others over the last 3 months. As our city opens up to tourists, I ask for your help to keep our residents alive and healthy. I am a strong supporter of individual rights but this seems like one of those times where the greater good should take precedence.

Thank you for your consideration and I hope you will take as much action as possible to continue the residents hard work over the next several months. We will pull the city through this and the tourists will come back next year. Please don't aide in spreading the virus by minimizing the need to take precautions. If this stance is wrong there is very little to nothing to lose, if it is right, you can be responsible for keeping people healthy and saving lives.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen McCarthy  
90 Nathaniel Dr.  
Portsmouth

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 107.77.223.126

**From:** [Dana Peters via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Covid 19 safety  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 9:09:58 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Dana Peters (dp\_peters@comcast.net) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 08:09:56

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address: 1375 South St.

comments: I have been so distressed to drive through downtown and see how few people are wearing masks. It has made me stop going downtown and helping out our small businesses. Now, we are allowing a large rally in our community, which you know is going to be bringing in many people who don't believe in wearing masks. They will be going to our restaurants and businesses, making our community less safe for those of us who try desperately to stay healthy. PLEASE make wearing masks mandatory in public areas of our city. You owe it to those of us who live here to help keep us safe through this tourist and political season! A polite request to wear masks is NOT WORKING!

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.142.128.215

**From:** [Deborah.genestreti via FormMail.com](mailto:Deborah.genestreti@comcast.net)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Covid during trump rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:38:56 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Deborah.genestreti (Genestreti@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:38:54

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address: 55 fern ave, rye and 1530 Elwyn rd, Portsmouth

comments: I urge the city council to make wearing a mask mandatory ESPECIALLY in advance of mr trump's rally this coming Saturday. Our community should be very proud of responsibly opening businesses after the Covid shutdown. As trump supporters and mr trump himself do not respect the impact our actions have on the health and safety of our community, I urge you to make it mandatory for all attending the rally to wear masks. Thank you

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**From:** [Coleman via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Covid  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:18:43 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Coleman (coleman.blanchard@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:18:41

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address: 1487 ocean blvd

comments: Please make masks mandatory in Portsmouth and cancel the Trump rally!

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.209.13.50

**From:** [Jodi Gilman Jones via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** COVID19 Concerns for Saturday's Gathering  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 9:25:30 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jodi Gilman Jones (jodi.jones@rocketmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 08:25:28

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address: 45 Winchester St

comments: Please call a special meeting and protect all Portsmouth residents. Please do not allow a large gathering without safety precautions (temp check, masks required, social distancing). Why would we make an exception? Our City has worked hard at staying safe. We have lost lives to COVID. My 79 year old mother lives in Portsmouth too along with her respiratory issues! By doing nothing - you saying her life is not valuable enough.

Please! We need to protect all of us. No rally without COVID-19 guidelines!!!!

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**From:** [Courtney via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Donald Trumps Rally Saturday  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:57:20 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Courtney (Csavoie3@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 06:57:18

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address: Rye, NH

comments: I am writing to essentially beg you to do what so many other leaders have not had the guts to do, protect the citizens of your community and those around you by putting in place a mandatory mask order prior to Trumps rally. We are one of 10 states that have flat or declining case numbers. Please don't let this event send us down the ring road. We've made so many sacrifices to get to this point. Please don't let those sacrifices be in vain. We need your leadership now more than ever!! Please, please, do the right thing for your community, the people you swore to serve and protect. Please keep that promise you made to us. Mandate masks for gatherings over 10 people ASAP!! Thank you for your time and consideration.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 67.189.237.85

From: [lynn mcrae via FormMail.com](mailto:lynn.mcrae@formmail.com)  
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
Subject: dRump in Portsmouth  
Date: Sunday, July 5, 2020 8:19:56 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
lynn mcrae (lynn.mcrae1325@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 19:19:54

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address: Acorn Hill Rd Lyme NH

comments: Hello Mayor Becksted -

"We ask that you remain diligent and continue to practice social distancing, proper hand hygiene, and when appropriate, wear face coverings when in crowded settings where social distancing is difficult to maintain." Guess whose web page states this? Governor Sununu's.

Do you \*really\* think these guidelines will be able to be maintained if dRump comes to Portsmouth? What kind of chances with our health and NH's economy are you willing to take? All it will take is a bunch of yahoos stating their "rights" are being denied by being forced to wear a face mask and stand apart from one another before those lowering covid-19 numbers NH is so proud of and has been working hard to keep low shoot to the moon, again. Especially in the southeast corner of the state?

I hope Mother Nature rains on your parade and floods dRump and his sycophantic cronies o.u.t.

Lynn McRae  
Lyme, NH

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**From:** [Connor Durkin via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Emergency Face masks mandate  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 5:56:06 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Connor Durkin (Connor.durkin01@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 16:56:04

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address: 564 middle street Portsmouth, NH 03801

comments: Hello,

As a citizen of Portsmouth I am proud that we have managed to control the spread of COVID-19. But with trumps rally on Saturday July 11, with out of staters and residents from other parts of New Hampshire coming to Portsmouth I am nervous we will see a spike in cases. What I am asking is for an emergency meeting to be held to mandate face coverings in Portsmouth. We have seen that face coverings have effectively slowed the spread of COVID-19 and if we want to keep Portsmouth at a limited number of cases it is necessary that there is a mandate out in place. It has been seen in New York State and city that face coverings have slowed the spread of the virus. At the trump rally on Saturday with face masks not required it is likely that many will show up without face coverings.

By issuing a mandate for face masks it destigmatizes the face mask. And this will help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Please think of the local businesses that would be forced to close if we went into an other lock down. It would be detrimental to the city not just in the tourism industry but to the citizens of Portsmouth's livelihoods.

Issue a face covering mandate before trumps rally on July 11.

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**From:** [Benjamin Burgess via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Emergency Meeting for Mask Ordinance  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:46:17 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Benjamin Burgess (benjamin.a.burgess@outlook.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 06:46:16

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address: 40 Beechstone #2, Portsmouth, NH 03801

comments: Please hold an emergency meeting to pass a mask requirement ordinance. I'm requesting this in light of the fact that President Donald Trump will be holding a rally. Typically those who attend his rallies choose not to wear masks. This results in a spread of COVID-19 as demonstrated by test results of attendants. Please protect our city and its residents. Thus far we've handled the pandemic better than most of the nation. Please help us to continue that trend.

Hopefully,

Benjamin Burgess

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.61.217.164

**From:** [Rich DiPentima via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face Covering order  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:07:22 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Rich DiPentima (rdipentima@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:07:20

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address: 16 Dunlin Way

comments: Dear Council Members:

I understand that Asst. mayor Splaine intends to submit a proposal to enact a mandatory face covering in Portsmouth to help control the spread of Covid-19. As one who spent over 30 years in public health, I strongly support this measure. The current voluntary recommendation by the Council has not been effective. As such, workers in our local business establishments are placed in danger because customers not wearing face coverings, who may be infected without any symptoms can spread the virus to them, even if the worker is wearing a face covering. The City rightfully requires that everyone entering City Hall or other City facilities wear a face covering to protect City workers. This mandate seems to be very well enforced by the City staff. Workers in our local businesses deserve the same level of protection. We do not allow people to enter any public building smoking to protect others in the facility. This seems to be enforced very well. The same could be done to !

prevent those with possible Covid-19 infection from spreading it to others inside businesses open to the public.

We are now seeing a huge surge of Covid-19 cases in over 30 states. Much of this increase is due to failure to maintain proper social distancing requirements and failure to require face coverings in public buildings. Unless we take steps now, while our number of cases is fairly low, we will also see a large surge of cases in New Hampshire and Portsmouth.

In the end, failure to take the right actions now will result in more cases, more deaths, and will result in returning to stricter control measures and more harm to our business community and economy.

The use of face coverings should not be seen as a political statement, but as a public health measure to protect our people. This virus will not be controlled or contained by politics, it can only be contained by science. Please do the right thing now.

Please let me know if I can help in any way.

Rich DiPentima. BA, BSN, MPH

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**From:** [Roni Slavin Pekins via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** face coverings in public  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 8:59:35 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Roni Slavin Pekins (pkay4@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 07:59:34

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address: 10 Beards Landing Durham

comments: Dear Council members,

Although I do not live in Portsmouth, I live in a nearby community and spend lots of time in your city. Additionally, and most importantly, I volunteer for Gather every week. I have seen, firsthand, the impact COVID is having on the Seacoast. I implore you to pass a law requiring the wearing of face coverings in public. Please do it before the large rally planned this weekend. Our state has done a good job tamping down the virus, so far. Please don't let all of our efforts have been for naught. And please, think of those less fortunate who are bearing the overwhelming impact of this disease.

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**From:** [Tom DiMatteo via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face mask policy  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 5:07:45 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Tom DiMatteo (Tom.dimatteo@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 16:07:43

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address: 579 Sagamore Ave Portsmouth NH 03801

comments: I'm certain there will be a crowd larger than the 20 or so that the CDC suggests be the limit at events and I'm also certain that many of them will eschew face masks. Couldn't we make face masks required at any gatherings larger than 20? Wouldn't that be prudent? Obviously the president's inner circle is not immune from the virus as we have seen, so I don't believe we should give them any additional leeway.  
I'm absolutely in favor of requiring face masks and believe you should implement this policy!

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**From:** [Jennifer Taylor via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face Mask Required for  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 11:11:56 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jennifer Taylor (jennyftaylor@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 10:11:54

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address: 31 Squier Dr. North Hampton NH

comments: Although I am not a resident of Portsmouth, the actions there impact surrounding areas when it comes to Covid-19. Please consider passing a requirement of wearing face masks at the upcoming rally at Pease. Thank you!

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**From:** [Cheri Bach via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face masks - mandatory at polls  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:00:33 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Cheri Bach (cheribach@comcast.net) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 19:00:31

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address: 15 Wibird Street

comments: Thank you for ALL the hard work you do. It is so appreciated. I know you have a vote coming up July 13 and I do support mandatory face masks in Portsmouth. Good luck with that.

I am particularly interested in mandatory masks for ALL VOTERS at the upcoming Fall elections. If voters refuse to wear a mask... maybe we can provide them with an absentee ballot on the spot. Set up a table outside they can fill it out. This has got to be worked out somehow.

I know our grocery stores are big corporations.. (Hannaford, Market Basket, Wall Mart). I have tried to appeal to them to at least verbally ASK their customers to wear masks. Trader Joes is the only ones that do this that I have seen. It is very hard that the only real essential place we have to go (get groceries) is the most feared place to go for me and others. At least 30% are not wearing masks in the grocery stores. Is there anything the City Council can do about that?

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**From:** [Crystal via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face masks  
**Date:** Saturday, July 4, 2020 5:42:28 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Crystal (suncatcher10@gmail.com) on Saturday, July 4, 2020 at 04:42:26

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address: 24 Dumpling Cove, Newington NH 03801

comments: Please make face masks mandatory. We are in a state of emergency and the only thing helping spread COVID 19 is face masks at this point. We are going into tourist season and we need to protect our community.  
Thank you.

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**From:** [Peter Wissel via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face masks at outdoor gatherings  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:42:10 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Peter Wissel (Pmwisselnh@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:42:08

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address: 579 Sagamore Ave., Unit 75, Portsmouth, NH

comments: Please pass an ordinance requiring facemasks at all outdoor public rallies and gatherings of any kind in Portsmouth prior to July 11 in the interest of public health and safety.

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**From:** [Alyssa DiPalermo via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face masks at upcoming rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 11:15:19 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Alyssa DiPalermo (alyssa3524@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 10:15:17

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address: 39 Peabody Dr. Brentwood, NH 03833

comments: I am writing to urge the city council to meet and pass a requirement to wear face coverings in advance of next Saturday's rally to keep our community safe and healthy. Thank you.

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**From:** [Jamie Braley via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Face Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 12:00:12 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jamie Braley (Jamie.buyak@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 11:00:10

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address: Palm Drive Greenland NH

comments: I support a special council meeting to mandate the wearing of face masks in public ahead of this week's presidential rally. Please make masks a requirement to help prevent the spread of this virus.

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**From:** [Joe Famularo via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Foundry Garage Meeting  
**Date:** Monday, June 22, 2020 8:24:54 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Joe Famularo (famularoj@gmail.com) on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 19:24:53

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address: 141 Mill Pond Way Unit 3, Portsmouth

comments: I've been informed there is to be a Tuesday, June 23rd, 5:30 PM Zoom meeting regarding using the top two floors the Foundry Garage to have music, plays, beer and wine garden, 3 restaurants, and 3 stores. I tried to find the Citizen's Response Task Force to sign up for the meeting but as of this time, Monday, June 22nd, 8:23 PM it does not appear to be listed on the city website. Please tell me, how do I sign up for this meeting?

Thank you.

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**From:** [Nicole LaPierre via FormMail.com](mailto:Nicole.LaPierre@formmail.com)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Foundry Garage Pop Up  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 1, 2020 2:35:57 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Nicole LaPierre (nicoleglapierre@hotmail.com) on Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at 13:35:56

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address: 44 Rock Street

comments: July 1, 2020

To whom it may concern:

I am writing with my concerns regarding the Pop Up Foundry Garage Project. As a 20 year + public arts educator, I fully understand the severity of the situation. I have previously written to the Pop Up committee with my concerns about the impact it will have on our and the other abutting neighborhoods. I know Russ Grazier has diligently tried to document those concerns. I would respectfully ask that the concerns I raised in the June 18th zoom regarding PanAm idling trains by their office located in the Foundry Garage please be added to the record. I am concerned the deafening noise and fumes do not make for a healthy or profitable atmosphere. I share all previously recorded concerns of my neighbors. I would also warn that one of my additional fears is if the project does in fact come to fruition, there will be a delayed backlash by neighbors who were unaware of the project. Yes, this is inevitable with any initiative but especially in the difficult times we are all navigating!

g. People are understandably consumed by their own circumstances and following local headlines can be a challenge. As one my neighbors recently said, "It's not about thriving right now, it is about surviving!" So when they hear the sound or can't park, it is then you will hear from them.

I understand the committee would echo my neighbor's sentiment and apply it to local arts and businesses. I agree but as time passes, the financial viability of the project becomes more and more questionable. To my current knowledge, vendors are reluctant to lug goods back and forth to the garage and don't have adequate staff to do so. This could be hearsay but the committee has yet to release the names of any participating retailers. Also, there is the floating question of: why were Liars Bench and Stoneface the selected breweries? We were under the impression this was supposed to be an opportunity for businesses that do not have outdoor space which both do. In addition, Stoneface is a Newington business. While I have nothing against them, they aren't a Portsmouth brewery. That seems problematic when applying taxpayer money to the project. The CARE funds have been allotted to Portsmouth? So the brewery situation begs the question: is it Liars bench and Stoneface because

se they are the only two that came forward? That would be indicative of lack of interest. If that is not the case, then why them? Either way the scenario is not ideal.

Also, 5 days a week from 3-10 pm is an intense schedule. What performers, etc. will and have stepped forward to fill this demanding schedule? And in addition, who will book, make contracts, and manage these performances? If the Seacoast Rep opens, how is both manageable for invested parties? That's a daunting task if there is such high demand. Sadly, I think filling that many days is not feasible. The number of attendants at a time I believe has been limited to 100-125 people. How profitable will that be? The project has already cost the city quite a bit of money in the use of city resources in trying to make it even possible. City hall is under great stress and has had furloughs so I question the use of resources for what feels like a plane being built while it is being flown. How much is this actually costing when you factor in city resources? Will the profits and disruption prove worth it? Sadly, I do not think so. Also, recent outbreaks in other now hard hit states tr!

acing back to bars is very concerning. Alcohol can prove to be an uncontrollable variable in people's behavior and the spread of Covid.

The last point I will make that has come to my attention is an additional parking burden. If streets downtown are closed for dining and the Hanover garage has supposedly been near capacity, where will people park if the

Foundry Garage is now the Pop Up? Closing the streets downtown seems like an awfully good time to direct people to parking in the Foundry Garage which is what it was built for after all. It is a garage. I also struggle to see how the ambiance of a parking garage could be transformed without a great deal of additional funds and there is the pesky wind factor.

I know the committee's intentions are good but the obstacles seem insurmountable and remain unaddressed. There has yet to be any formal public follow up and plan of action on all the various concerns raised by many. At this late date and point of unanswered questions, the money would be better spent on rent relief and rent control actions for Portsmouth businesses. I know it doesn't generate as exciting of a headline or social media posts but it's money better spent. Thank you for reading these concerns and I urge you to weigh all factors moving forward.

Sincerely,  
Nicole LaPierre  
Rock Street  
Islington Creek Neighborhood

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**From:** [Susan Black via FormMail.com](mailto:Susan.Black@formmail.com)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Foundry Garage  
**Date:** Monday, June 22, 2020 9:36:03 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Susan Black (Beaglegirl@aol.com) on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 20:36:00

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address: 2Ruth St., Portsmouth, NH

comments: Dear City Counsel,

Re: Foundry parking garage

This letter is say NO to the use of the Foundry Parking Garage for anything other reason others than parking.

There are many other locations people can use for entertainment other than this location. My household and quality of life on Ruth street would be greatly impacted by the noise.

As a tax payer I want to have my voice heard and say NO ! I do not want to hear bands, music, plays etc. I can already hear Prescott Park when the breeze is blowing in our direction.

I donâ€™t believe in the one time only comment. I was born at night but not last night. Once it is allowed, it makes it soooo easy to let it happen more frequently.

There are so many citizens that do not know this is up for discussion. Maybe we should take this to a tax payer vote.

Thank you for listening.

Respectfully,  
Susan Black  
2 Ruth St.  
Portsmouth

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** [Andrew Bagley via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Hanover street garage  
**Date:** Sunday, June 28, 2020 9:24:08 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Andrew Bagley (acbagley@yahoo.com) on Sunday, June 28, 2020 at 20:24:06

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address: 40 Chauncey Street

comments: A business owner downtown has brought up what hardship the loss of parking and increase in rates at the Hanover garage will by for businesses during COVID. Have there been any discussions about the plan to proceed with construction by the council, particularly how it relates to COVID?

Best regards,  
Andrew Bagley

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**From:** [Rhiannon Jeffrey via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Indoor and Outdoor Pool  
**Date:** Friday, June 26, 2020 8:39:34 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Rhiannon Jeffrey (rhirun@me.com) on Friday, June 26, 2020 at 07:39:33

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address: 523 Portland Street

comments: I just wanted to circle back with you again about both the Pierce Island pool and the PIP. Do we have a plan to open either pool? I know the PIP may be tough, especially in light of last years agreement to increase the city contribution to the PIP to \$165k instead of \$150k, but that pool is home to a lot of kids, life saving programs, and after school child care (yes, swim team is a version of that for some families). \*\*On that note, why has the pool allocation not been raised to the \$165K that was voted on last year?\*

I've heard rumors that the PIP may not open until 2021, citing financial concerns. After the last few years of dealing with SIPP, the city, and Rus Wilson about the pool, we all know that the city's contribution is a flat rate and the pool is really financially backed by its patrons, programs, and donations of SIPPs. As a business that contributes about \$50k in pool rent plus \$15k in pool memberships per year, we would like to be involved with this and try to come up with a solution that works for all. The Portsmouth swim team (contributes about \$50-\$60k in pool rent and about \$20k in memberships) has also expressed willingness to work together to try and get kids back in the water and the pool operational. We both contribute a lot of time and money to that facility and want to see it succeed. It's crucial to our businesses and our kids lives that we DO succeed.

Please consider allowing the teams to help be part of a solution. We have many resources from CDC, USA Swimming, New England Swimming, and beyond to help educate everyone about chlorine and COVID and how to keep pools operational during this pandemic. We have resources from pools all over the country in many different phases of opening we can also pull from.

I have 27 years of knowledge and experience in swim and pools. That's also 27 years of living all over this country to swim and in many other parts of the world. The amount of people I know and resources I have far outweighs even most other swimmers and coaches in my industry. I want to help. Please consider starting a task force for the pool so we can put ideas together

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**From:** [Monica Dorley via FormMail.com](mailto:Monica.Dorley@fastgirlproductions.com)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Leadership in Portsmouth  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:55:14 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Monica Dorley (monica@fastgirlproductions.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:55:12

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address: 5 ADAMS AVE

comments: Hi City Council,  
This message is really for Rick Becksted. But, I figured I would use this portal and you can all read the message.

Why risk our safety by allowing a large rally on Saturday? This ISN'T the same as a Black Lives Matter rally where I have seen almost full mask compliance. I am talking about a rally, like the one in Tulsa, where NO ONE is wearing a mask. Of course, I don't agree with the politics, lies and hate spread by the current administration, but that isn't what this concern is about. This is about MY COMMUNITY staying SAFE.

Do you think we should risk our citizens' health because the POTUS doesn't understand science?

Do you think it is OK to ignore concerns of citizens?

Do you think the virus will "just disappear"?

The mayor of a town should bring us together, should have fresh ideas and work with others to not only keep us safe, but to insure our future here on the Seacoast. I can't imagine denying a special meeting to address the concerns of your constituents, but then again, I am not the mayor. You are. And you need to start acting like one. Or step down.

Thank you in advance for reading and considering my message.

Sincerely,  
Monica Dorley

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**From:** [Anne Bryan via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Live Smart or Die  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 11:17:06 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Anne Bryan (Agbryan5@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 10:17:04

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address: 7 frying pan lane Hampton falls nh

comments: I trust that Portsmouth City Council will pass a mandatory face mask policy for the upcoming Trump rally. Let's keep our community (and state) safe by mandating the health precautions we've been practicing for 5 months already. Many people believe that not wearing a mask is a political statement they want to make. A reminder that not wearing a mask jeopardizes their ability to make any kind of statement at all. Nobody can hear you when you're in a casket.

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**From:** [Barbara van Buskirk via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** MAGA Event on July 11, 2020  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 7:28:30 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Barbara van Buskirk (art@bvanb.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 18:28:28

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address: 668-1 Middle Street

comments: I am requesting Portsmouth City Council minimally pass an ordinance requiring advance teams, participants and spectators -- everyone connected to the upcoming MAGA event on July 11, 2020 -- adhere to social distancing and indoor/outdoor mask wearing next weekend for our health and safety. Please, please do not let this event sabotage all of the good practices folks here have been following these past four months.

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**From:** [Alana Reale via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** MAGA Rally Concerns  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:50:08 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Alana Reale (alanareale@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 21:50:06

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address: Stratham, NH

comments: Hello,

I am a resident of Stratham, NH, and I have some concerns in regards to the upcoming MAGA Rally in Portsmouth on July 11.

First of all, I think that the content and participants of such an event will likely exacerbate tensions and anguish within the community during such a poignant time for the black community and the BLM movement. These rallies tend to include and condone hateful speech and behaviors that would be very damaging, especially at this time. Beside this, I believe the rally would pose a huge health threat. Such a large gathering, especially one attended by people who often oppose masks and social distancing practices, could easily spread COVID-19 throughout the local community and beyond.

I know that these concerns are shared by many others in and near Portsmouth, and it would be comforting to know that measures will be put into place to minimize the rally and its risks as much as possible. Thank you for the consideration.

Sincerely,  
Alana Reale

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**From:** [Julia Barrett via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Make Masks mandatory!  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:31:14 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Julia Barrett (Jbarrett575@yahoo.con) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 06:31:12

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address: Rye,NH

comments: I urge you to pass a requirement to wear face masks in public gatherings ahead of the upcoming presidential rally. This is of the utmost importance for Portsmouth, being both a public health and an economic concern. Face masks prevent deaths and debilitating illness. The evidence is overwhelming and undeniable. Lives are at stake. Furthermore, economic recovery hinges on consumer confidence in public safety. A second wave - a second quarantine - would devastate small business owners and low-income workers in retail/food service sectors. It goes without saying, none of these issues are political in nature. Please, please, please mandate face masks!!!

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.72.206

**From:** [Darcy via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Make masks mandatory  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 6:56:08 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Darcy (darcypeyser@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 17:56:07

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address: 194 Spinney Road

comments: Face masks should NOT be optional at the upcoming rally this weekend. It is bad enough that Trump is coming here and bringing the unrest and anxiety that follows him to the seacoast area, we do not need an accompanying spike in COVID-19 cases that will inevitably result from masses of unmasked people. People will be traveling to Portsmouth from areas with higher instances, and the progress that NH has made in keeping cases low will be destroyed. ME and MA both are on the rise for cases, and people coming from those places and others pose a direct risk to seacoast residents. Make the right call and require masks, and we can hope as a collateral consequence that those who oppose mask mandates will stay home as a result, while ensuring the continued safety of Portsmouth and NH.

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Engage: Submit

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**From:** [Rachel via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Make Masks Required!  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:06:32 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Rachel (rachel.pantazis@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:06:30  
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address: Manchester, NH

comments: I am a voice teacher and professional performer from Portsmouth. My fiancÃ© and I are here through the pandemic as we are international performers who cannot return to our jobs until the CDC allows our place of employment.

It is no secret that the United States has not done a great job against COVID-19. New Hampshire has continued to be a location that has opened travel far too early and has seen a lot of tourism from other states that remain closed. I am disappointed in my home state that this would be the case. I feel that we have not been governed as well as we could be.

Masks need to be made a requirement for the safety of all people. We are not just seeing people over 60 being put on ventilators anymore. Now, it is young people who are getting very sick.

If we want our great state to feel like we handled the virus well, like Massachusetts, we need to have a state requirement for masks as soon as possible. Until there is a vaccine or the virus declines in our country, I am unable to return to full time work like many other self-employed artists.

Masks do not infringe on our rights nor do they make it difficult for people to breathe. They have been proven to stop the spread of the virus and they are a tiny inconvenience in comparison to getting the virus or losing a family member/friend to it.

Please step up to the plate, New Hampshire! Your citizens are relying on you to make the right decision.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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**From:** [Deb Walker via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Making masks mandatory  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 12:12:05 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Deb Walker (Dcgwalker@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 11:12:03

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address: 48 Boxwood Path Greenland, NH

comments: I was a Portsmouth resident for 30 years and have lived in neighboring Greenland for another 30. NH government and residents have worked hard to make smart public and private decisions to keep us safe during the Covid outbreak. We are on a good path forward if we stay smart. I fear a large rally at the Pease tradeport can cause irreparable harm. Please consider a mandate requiring masks for all public gatherings when social distancing can not be followed. Our health and economy depend on it. Thank you

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.193.47

**From:** [Lily McClure via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandate mask wearing pre-saturday Trump rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 4:53:40 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lily McClure (twinemcclure@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 15:53:15

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address: 61 park st

comments: I just found out that Trump is planning a rally in Portsmouth this Saturday. This rally will likely bring people from all around to Portsmouth this weekend, and those people will UNDOUBTEDLY bring with them all of their germs and viruses. Please institute a mandatory mask policy before he gets here and those attending the rally put our community at risk. This is not a joke and not a drill, if such a policy isn't put in place lives WILL be at risk from those who think they're too tough or are too stubborn to do something so simple and basic despite knowing how much it matters.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 64.223.154.180

**From:** [Jonathan Harrison via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandate Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:31:26 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jonathan Harrison (jono.surfing@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 20:31:24

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address: 4 Young Lane , Rye NH

comments: At a time where NH is doing so well with keeping COVID-19 infection rates as low as they can be, it is incredibly concerning to think that a rally for Donald Trump will be bringing hundreds of supporters from far away with little to no regard for public health and safety. Please mandate that masks be worn at all major rallies and events in Portsmouth in order to protect the city and community you were elected to serve.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.90.221.48

**From:** [Caitlin via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandate masks at Trump Rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:45:55 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Caitlin (cdrewchadbourne@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 19:45:54

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address: 11 alderwood drive stratham NH

comments: I apologize if this is sent twice but it is imperative that this be heard. Please mandate that masks be worn in Portsmouth ahead of the Trump rally. My son is 7 and has learning disabilities. School has been an incredible asset to him. With Covid, he lost that and his anxiety has increased exponentially. I am a single mom. The Spring was absolutely the most overwhelming and stressful time of both of our lives. Working multiple jobs and attempting to navigate virtual learning was absolutely impossible. This community has sacrificed so much to reduce Covid numbers. I cannot imagine having to do that again. Please please please, I am begging you, mandate masks be worn ahead of Trump's event. My son needs to see his friends, he needs school, he needs some Degree of normalcy. The risks associated with Trump's rally with thousands of people in close proximity without masks or social distancing will increase numbers without question; essentially nullifying all of our sacrifices We have made to be where we are. Please mandate masks be worn. Thank you!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.63.254.57

**From:** [Megan Farley via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandate Masks for Large Gatherings Ahead of Trump Rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:27:35 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Megan Farley (mfarley3659@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 19:27:33

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address: 384 Union St, Unit 4

comments: I am writing to essentially beg you to do what so many other leaders have not had the guts to do, protect the citizens of your community and those around you by putting in place a mandatory mask order for large gatherings prior to Trumps rally this weekend. We are one of the 10 states that have flat or declining case number. Please don't let this event send us down the wrong path. We've made some many sacrifices to get to this point. Please don't let those sacrifices be in vain. We need your leadership now, more than ever. Please, please do the right thing for your community, the people you swore to serve and protect. Please keep that promise you made to us. Mandate masks for large gatherings ASAP! Thank you for your time and consideration.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.12.171

**From:** [Jill Areson-Perkins via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandate masks for Trump rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 7:29:22 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jill Areson-Perkins (Jaresonperkins@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 18:29:20

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address: 190 FE Hartford Dr

comments: I'm not understanding while we're in the middle of a pandemic why we would allow a major gathering.  
Please MANDATE MASKS for the event for the entire time to minimize the damage to the local community.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.1.27

**From:** [Dana M via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandate Masks  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 2:15:56 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Dana M (Danarmcmahon@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 13:15:54

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address: 62 Taft Rd Portsmouth, NH

comments: I support a special council meeting to mandate the wearing of face masks in public ahead of this week's presidential rally. Thank you for your time.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.73.108

**From:** [Sarah Scott via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandate Wearing Face Masks In Public  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:09:49 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Sarah Scott (sarahsarah482@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:09:48

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address: 94 Mendum Avenue Portsmouth, NH

comments: I urge you to pass a requirement to wear face masks in public gatherings ahead of the upcoming presidential rally. This is of the utmost importance for Portsmouth, being both a public health and an economic concern. Face masks prevent deaths and debilitating illness. The evidence is overwhelming and undeniable. Lives are at stake. Furthermore, economic recovery hinges on consumer confidence in public safety. A second wave - a second quarantine - would devastate small business owners and low-income workers in retail/food service sectors. It goes without saying, none of these issues are political in nature. Please, please, please mandate face masks!

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 75.68.182.152

**From:** [Adam Sinisgalli via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory Face Mask  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 12:52:15 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Adam Sinisgalli (asinisgalli@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 11:52:13

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address: 1375 South St

comments: Due to the surge of people that will be in town this coming weekend for the Trump rally I ask that you make an emergency order mandating the wearing of face masks in the city of portsmouth in all public areas and police enforce this with a civil fine.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 65.50.0.19

**From:** [Wendy Boutsianis via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory Face Masks  
**Date:** Saturday, July 4, 2020 11:01:11 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Wendy Boutsianis (Wboutsianis@gmail.com) on Saturday, July 4, 2020 at 10:01:09

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address: 114 Ledgewood Dr. #6

comments: Please mandate the use of face masks in Portsmouth, until the Covid-19 pandemic situation is under control. It is the ONLY simple, scientifically sound measure we can take for a limited time, to ensure our economy will fully open up sooner, rather than later.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.17.192.132

**From:** [Nicole LaPierre via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** mandatory masks are a public health issue  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:43:13 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Nicole LaPierre (nicoleglapierre@hotmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:43:11

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address: 44 Rock Street

comments: Dear Council Members,

The upcoming rally on Pease has pushed the public debate of mask wearing to a feverish urgency. It is ridiculous there even remains a debate. This is not a political issue, it is a public health issue! Yes, it is time to make masks mandatory in Portsmouth! They should be mandatory in all indoor settings and outdoors when in close contact with others. A crowded rally lacking masks and social distancing is the last thing the city of Portsmouth needs. If you fail to vote for this very necessary public health action item, you are the nail in the coffin for our restaurants and businesses. It's unacceptable that people working in stores are being harassed and berated by individuals engaging in entitled, selfish, and dangerous behaviors. We need to support and protect them! It's disgusting. Furthermore, the dissension of thousands on Portsmouth who refuse to care for the greater public health is unacceptable. You need to do everything in your jurisdiction and governing powers t!

o stop such a large scale gathering and mandate masks! People want schools to open. That will not be possible with the continued spread of covid and an outbreak. This rally is the potential for a disastrous outbreak in Portsmouth. Why would you ever leave us all at risk?! We will be watching the vote Thursday. Public office is not an easy road, acknowledged. However, it is a choice. You need to be accountable and responsible for your actions or inactions. You have an obligation as an elected official to protect us. Safety belts, drunk driving, and non-smoking laws started somewhere. Here we are now with masks, do the right thing!

Sincerely,  
Nicole LaPierre  
44 Rock Street

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.186.75.0

**From:** [Patti Gormley via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory masks at Trump rally 7/11  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:18:31 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Patti Gormley (Gormleyfamily@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:18:29

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address: 7 Liberty Common, Rye

comments: For the health, safety and struggling Seacoast economy, I hope the City Council has the opportunity to meet ASAP and make masks mandatory at the upcoming Trump rally. We can't afford a Covid surge, on any level, which would most definitely be a result of rally irresponsibility.

includeInRecords: on

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.233.86.215

**From:** [Jeanne Quinn via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory masks at Trump rally AND beyond.  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 6:32:40 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jeanne Quinn (the2quinns@comcast.net) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 17:32:38

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address: 1119 Portsmouth Ave, Greenland, NH 03840

comments: NH and the Seacoast has done a good job of protecting its citizens, flattening the COVID curve, and using scientific and common-sense information on how to best adapt to the pandemic in a way that allows our economy to move forward while still putting the public's health and welfare first (as it should be.)

However with cases spiking all of the country, healthcare systems and frontline medical workers being over-run, we need to be especially diligent in our actions if we hope to open schools in the fall and keep the Seacoast open for business. Since the Governor won't make masks mandatory statewide, as other governors have done (albeit belatedly in too many cases now that the virus is out of control in their states), it is incumbent on our local government - YOU - to do the right thing. You must make mask-wearing in public mandatory, and that includes (but isn't limited to) at this weekend's Trump rally.

The citizens of the Seacoast of NH are counting on you to not let us turn into Florida, Arizona or Texas, with aggressive reopening, lack of mask requirements (and in fact, misinformation about their usefulness in preventing transmission), and playing politics with people's lives.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.224.30

**From:** [Austin Lochtefeld via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory Masks at Trump Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:47:33 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Austin Lochtefeld (alochtefeld603@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:47:31

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address: 137 High Street

comments: We need to take the safety of our community seriously please mandate masks for the trump rally!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.61.220.147

**From:** [Katie Leiser via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory masks for Trump rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 7:13:40 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Katie Leiser (Katie.leiser@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 18:13:38

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address: PO Box 1438 Grantham NH

comments: Good evening,

I am not a member of the Portsmouth community, but I am a medical provider in our state who sees many patients from your region. Please mandate masks at the upcoming rally being held for President Trump. Our state has worked so hard to curb COVID, as have other states in New England. I am sure that many will come not only from NH, but from all over the Northeast. Please require masks to lessen the likelihood that these people will bring the virus back to our communities.

Thank you so very much for your consideration.

Katie Leiser

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**From:** [Ellen Lynch via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory Masks in public gathering spaces  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 1:42:00 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Ellen Lynch (Ellenlynch@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 12:41:58

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address: 158 Portsmouth Avenue, New Castle

comments: Please please please! With the planned presidential visit this weekend, can we get ahead of any disaster by requiring masks in our great city of Portsmouth! We must remain vigilant, even if itâ€™s inconvenient.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.147.243.105

**From:** [Julia via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory masks!  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 7:31:18 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Julia (Jbarrett575@yahoo.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 18:31:16

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address: Rye,NH

comments: I take my life, my family , and my communities lives very seriously . Please make it mandatory to wear masks so we can avoid any negative effects it will have on us all.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.72.206

**From:** [Anna Ohara via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 5:47:44 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Anna Ohara (anna.ohara24@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 16:47:42

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address: 580 Greenland rd, Apt 2

comments: To whom it may concern,

I learned that the city council is considering a mandatory mask ordinance ahead of the planned Trump rally. I want to voice my support for that measure and also express my concern at the prospect of many people coming into the city without measures in place to ensure the safety of those who live here.

I do not think requiring masks is an extreme measure, I think it is the least that should be required if there is the heightened possibility of transmission.

Thank you for the work that you do and for the measures you will take to keep us safe.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.15.85

From: [Shantel Surles via FormMail.com](#)  
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
Subject: Mandatory Masks  
Date: Monday, July 6, 2020 3:31:39 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Shantel Surles (shantel.doterra@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 14:31:37  
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address: 226 Bartlett st.

comments: As a resident of Portsmouth for nearly 10 years, also having a background in neuroscience and specializing in healthy immune support and function, I absolutely REJECT the notion for mandatory masks. How does a city, in a state that's slogan is "Live Free or Die", want to take away our RIGHT to individual liberty?! These are DRACONIAN measures and UNCONSTITUTIONAL. The science DOES NOT support the notion that masks protect or prevent illness, the science actually supports the notion that masks cause further harm to our health; it drastically lowers the available amounts of oxygen to enter the body (it causes us to breathe in excess amounts of CO2) which is harmful for not just the already vulnerable population, which you are claiming to want to protect with this move, but it also is harmful to healthy individuals. It is also shown that the COVID droplets are small enough to pass though masks (thus we are not protected), touching the masks causes spread of germ!

s (from improper use and wear), and if you are not changing your mask regularly you are re-inoculating yourself with germs as well as particles that can cause further irritation and damage to the lungs. The science has also proven that sunlight KILLS the virus within a minute and that it is not easily transferred among surfaces. The science also has not proven infectivity of transmission of Asymptomatic carriers for COVID-19, or even the common flu for that matter, so it is clear that this notion is to push a POLITICAL not SCIENTIFIC agenda, and I plead that you consider the liberties that you would be taking away if this notion were to pass.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.2.75

**From:** [Margie Cremer via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:27:40 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Margie Cremer (Mcremer54@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:27:36

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address: 280 F.W. Hartford Drive

comments: Please require masks to be worn at the rally for President Trump on Saturday July 11th. Our community has worked so hard to stay safe , having a large gathering where masks are not mandatory puts us all at risk. Masks are not about politics - they are about the safety of our residents.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.0.163

**From:** [Tammie Burns via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:02:19 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Tammie Burns (Tammieburns@verizon.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:02:17

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address: 9 Marjorie Way

comments: Imperative for masks to be required to stop the spread of covid virus if large gatherings are allowed!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.15.6

**From:** [Darci Knowles via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** mandatory masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:29:56 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Darci Knowles (darci@edarci.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:29:54

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address: 51 Pinehurst Road

comments: Please require mandatory mask-wearing for all public gatherings and any instances where social distancing is impeded. We do NOT want to go backwards with this pandemic!!!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.191.78

**From:** [Scott Forte via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mandatory requirements of citizens  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 1:26:09 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Scott Forte (Scott@scottmforte.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 12:26:07

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address: 777 Middle Rd #45

comments: Dear Council,

I would like you to know as concerned citizens, my wife and I feel freedom to choose is more important than "mandated safety". We are firmly opposed to the idea of "mandated" masks. Please prioritize our freedom to choose when making any and all decisions that would be "mandatory" and not suggested actions.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.4.22.152

**From:** [Robin Vogt via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate & Emergency Meeting Now  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:31:17 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Robin Vogt (robin.w.vogt@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 06:31:16

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address: 10 Blue Heron Drive

comments: Morning Councilors,

We cannot allow 45 to touch down here in Portsmouth without a mask mandate in place. I am not too confident in Mayor Rick Beckstead's ability to lead on this front, as he is now known to photo op's with a Governor who has put this State in a dangerous place. In all honesty, his recent comments about not implementing a mask mandate fall in line with what is said within the walls of Pennsylvania Avenue as well. You MUST meet via a city council emergency meeting to discuss the immediate implementation of a mask mandate here in Portsmouth. We will face the terrible consequences if not. I myself will not stand around much longer, and watch our Mayor's inaction.

The next steps will be a public petition asking for Mayor Beckstead to step down, and I do not want to have to push that envelope across the table alongside many citizens here in Portsmouth who are simply sick and tired of it.

There MUST be a meeting. Thank You.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 99.203.56.208

**From:** [Meaghan McNeal via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:25:25 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Meaghan McNeal (essential.meaghan@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:25:23

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address: 225 Austin St

comments: Please I urge all of you to call a meeting and vote on a mask mandate. We need to get back to normal so our beloved businesses and restaurants are not doomed forever. We can only do this if everyone is wearing a mask. Keep our city running! It is your duty and responsibility as our representatives to handle these problems. Ignoring them is not handling them.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.61.223.233

**From:** [Monique Deforge via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:33:15 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Monique Deforge (modeforge@yahoo.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:33:12

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address: 101 Beech Ridge Road

comments: Trump is holding a rally in Portsmouth Saturday. We know that many participants will not socially distance or wear masks and because of this, we can expect to see a rise in cases in our community.

Please, City Council, work fast to protect the Seacoast community. I fully support a face covering requirement that is put in place immediately.

Thank you,  
Monique Deforge

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 74.65.138.159

**From:** [David Farrington via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 8:58:23 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
David Farrington (Davefarrington@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 07:58:21

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address: 579 Sagamore Ave #119

comments: Please an emergency requirement for mandatory face mask use in public spaces. I am very concerned that next weekend's rally for Pres. Trump will bring an influx of people not wearing masks who will also visit downtown Portsmouth and the surrounding area. I am concerned that this will lead to a local spike in COVID-19 cases which could easily set back our efforts to reopen Seacoast businesses. All of our restaurants and stores have work hard to get us to where we are now. It would a travesty for people from outside the area to derail this progress

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.196.197.100

**From:** [Jason Walls via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 8:01:52 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jason Walls (jason.sedley.walls@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 19:01:50

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address: 1113 Maplewood Ave

comments: I can't believe this. Is this a constant fight we have to have?

A mandate is unsound and unnecessary. It's unenforceable, and if it is enforced, it sets a terrible tone for the city and is disrespectful of PPD's jobs.

To say that this isn't political is insane. Making a law is LITERALLY politics. So don't make it political.

The people coming to our town are coming here to get away, and are coming here for our welcome, respectful tone. Don't ruin that. This is a line for me and many others. We may even be in the minority, but the fearful mob should never get their way.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 72.65.104.135

**From:** [Jody Hayes via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Mandate  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 12:36:51 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jody Hayes (jhayes6@worchester.edu) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 11:36:49

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address: 22 Hough St Dover NH

comments: Hello- for the financial and physical protection of our community, I would like to request that a mask mandate be put in place for this Saturday's rally. I believe the size and nature of this rally will create a high risk for the spread of COVID-19, in turn damaging the progress that we have made both in our communities and our state as a whole. New Hampshire has done well overall to combat the virus and I believe this rally could cause us to take a huge step back. Please protect us. Thank you.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 64.140.235.204

**From:** [Kristie Jorgensen via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Obsession with Trump Rally  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 9:32:08 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kristie Jorgensen (knejorg@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 20:32:05

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address: 774 Middle Street

comments: I am outraged at the hypocrisy with the whining members of the city council and beyond demanding a mask mandate at President Trumps rally this Saturday at Pease. Why did we not hear of a mask mandate for the BLM Protests? Sounds like a political maneuver from the liberals on this council. Why are you not demanding mandates for the BLM planned protest at the rally? Smells like the liberals attacking again.

People have a right to make their own decisions. They can choose to wear a mask or not and run the risk of getting infected. People choose to smoke and run the risk of dying of lung cancer. People choose to or not to wear helmets riding a bike or motorcycle and risk dying from an accident. ITS THEIR CHOICE! Stop trying to control peoples lives and let them freely make a decision whether it's good or bad, it's their freedom to decide - NOT YOU!

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.17.59.113

**From:** [Jeanne Amato via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask required  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:12:04 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jeanne Amato (jeanneamato@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:12:03

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address: 365 F.W. Hartford Drive

comments: Please pass a mask in public requirement before the Trump rally next Saturday to keep our community safer.  
Thank you.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 72.71.238.254

**From:** [Linda Leland via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask requirement before Rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:37:08 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Linda Leland (LindaLeland@hotmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:37:07

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address: 26 Thaxter Road

comments: Please do your best to keep our beautiful city/state safe by requiring masks during large venues such as the upcoming Trump Rally. You WILL be saving lives. Thanks so much for all you do.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.233.86.137

**From:** [Samara Doucette via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask requirement this weekend  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 11:03:52 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Samara Doucette (samara.doucette@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 10:03:50

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address: 37 sherburne Ave Portsmouth NH 03801

comments: To whom it may concern,

I feel it is irresponsible the city has allowed a rally for Trump to proceed this Saturday, July 11th. NH is the ONLY state now with declining covid cases and that will soon reverse if our state is flooded with thousands attending a rally. At the very least, mask wearing should be required in the city of Portsmouth for the day of the rally and the days leading up, considering many will converge on the city prior to the event. There is not much we can do to combat this virus, but mask wearing is one of the only tools we have to keep residents safe. Of course my preference is to cancel the rally all together, but if it must proceed, the city is obligated to its residents to implement measures to keep us safe and reduce the risk to the virus.

I hope you will take my thoughts into consideration.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.30.228.172

**From:** [Celeste Ledoux via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Requirement  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:32:05 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Celeste Ledoux (ledouxcc@comcast.net) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 06:32:03

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address: 100 Dennett Street

comments: Please act quickly to enact a mask requirement for the City of Portsmouth. The ability of businesses to survive and children to return to school depends on us all doing the right thing. It is time to put the common good over individual rights. We can't afford to allow disease spread happening in the majority of the country to happen here.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.1.63

**From:** [Kevin Genestreti via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Requirement  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:14:01 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kevin Genestreti (kevin.genestreti@unh.edu) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:13:46

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address: 8 College Rd, Durham, NH

comments: I urge you to pass the requirement to wear face masks in public gatherings ahead of the upcoming presidential rally. This is of the utmost importance for Portsmouth, being both a public health and an economic concern. Face masks prevent deaths and debilitating illness. The evidence is overwhelming and undeniable. Lives are at stake. Furthermore, economic recovery hinges on consumer confidence in public safety. A second wave - a second quarantine - would devastate small business owners and low-income workers in retail/food service sectors. It goes without saying, none of these issues are political in nature. Please, please, please pass the requirement!!! Thank you for your time, Kevin

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.11.181

**From:** [Carla Rice via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Requirement  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 8:07:11 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Carla Rice (kealrice1@aol.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 19:07:09

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address: 25 Morning St Portsmouth

comments: Please mandate masks in public for our city. Please save the lives of your citizens. Please stop waiting for people to do the "right thing", it is not happening.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.234.6.194

**From:** [Lori Tiernan via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Requirement  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:49:24 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lori Tiernan (loritiernan@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:49:22

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address: 230 Thornton Street

comments: I'm writing to ask the council to consider a mask requirement when social distancing isn't possible. We've seen in recent weekends, many tourists not wearing masks while walking downtown. Boston radio describes Portsmouth as a great "mask free holiday". I manage the Seacoast Business Owners group locally and many owners continue to struggle with customers who refuse to wear masks.

I believe Portsmouth needs to lead on this issue. With the scheduled Trump rally, it's concerning that the city may be bombarded by many that refuse to wear masks. This unfortunately is what we've seen at the previous rallies. I'd like to think this isn't a political issue as the science shows masks help reduce the spread but President Trump would like to make it one. When our own President refuses to follow basic CDC guidelines, the burden falls on State and Local officials to do what is necessary to protect us.

Please consider calling a special meeting this week to discuss masks. If only to set the precedent that in Portsmouth we believe in science. The nation is watching us.

Many thanks for your consideration-

Lori

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 72.65.104.250

**From:** [Kathleen Watson via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Requirements  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 12:12:12 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kathleen Watson (salisburywatson@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 11:12:10

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address: 200 New Castle Ave , Portsmouth

comments: Requesting special City Council meeting to vote on a mask ordinance prior to President Trump's visit at Pease.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.4.23.150

**From:** [Rachel Hopkins via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Requirements  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:09:27 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Rachel Hopkins (rachel.hopkins@comcast.net) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:09:25

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address: 9 Middle Road

comments: Mayor Beckstead - I implore you to listen to your fellow city councilors, scientists, and concerned community members. Masks have been shown to reduce transmission. Please step up and be a leader for our city. If we wish to return to normal we must stop delaying this requirement.  
Thank you,  
Rachel Hopkins

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.63.76.115

**From:** [Lisa Rapaport via FormMail.com](mailto:Lisa.Rapaport@icloud.com)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Requirements  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 4:14:55 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lisa Rapaport (lisarapa@icloud.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 15:14:53  
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address: 139 A South St

comments: Dear Councilors,

I'm writing to implore you to do whatever you can to enforce the use of masks in Portsmouth in all circumstances when it's not possible for people to maintain a safe social distance -- currently 6 feet per the CDC -- to help prevent community spread of COVID-19.

I'm alarmed by the upcoming Trump rally at Pease this weekend that may bring many people who don't wear masks to our community. While I understand the city doesn't control affairs on the base, I urge you to act immediately to respond to a very serious public health emergency by mandating that all people in Portsmouth wear masks when social distancing isn't possible. In Los Angeles, failing to wear a mask is punishable by a \$300 fine. While that may be more enforcement than we want in our community, I believe the mask ordinance should include some civil fine - at least on par with a parking ticket.

In addition, I implore you to do what you can to encourage mask to be worn by all city employees including police and fire. I'm concerned that police officers walking patrols downtown are not wearing or visibly carrying masks. Not only does that put their health and the health of others around them at risk, it also sends a message to people that masks don't matter and shouldn't be required when our police don't wear them when they're out in the community.

We can't say masks are a key component of reopening businesses and schools and churches and resuming normal life, and fail to set an example by having police officers wear masks. And we can't safely reopen our community if people are allowed to gather by the 100s or 1,000s at a rally without wearing masks.

We have sacrificed so much to keep our community healthy and had low COVID-19 numbers so far. But we can't be lulled into a false sense of security just as we're trying to do so many things to restart businesses and reopen schools. We can't do anything to move forward with our lives as long as people keep getting sick and people can't leave the house without risking COVID infections.

Please do everything in your power during this urgent public health emergency to require people to wear masks and to enforce this requirement with any appropriate fines.

Sincerely,

Lisa Rapaport

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 107.3.14.172

**From:** [Bianca Monteiro via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Use  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:51:29 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Bianca Monteiro (Bfcm76@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 06:51:27

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address: 21 Brewster

comments: I support the mandatory use of masks throughout town to keep our COVID numbers low.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.30.231.95

**From:** [Jason Boucher via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask Wearing Should Be Mandatory in Public  
**Date:** Monday, June 29, 2020 6:21:49 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jason Boucher (boucher.jason@gmail.com) on Monday, June 29, 2020 at 17:21:47

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address: 65 WIBIRD ST

comments: As a resident of Portsmouth, I am very concerned that masks are not required and that possible spreading of COVID-19 continues. Please vote and require masks in Portsmouth when in public areas, outside, in grocery stores, restaurants, and retail through September 2020. Until it's mandated, many residents and tourists that help to keep this city afloat simply will not return to public life. This is a serious health threat to all of us, it' snot political. It should be taken seriously so we can all get back to public life sooner and support our city. Thank you.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 67.189.239.213

**From:** [Helene Mullaney via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask wearing  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:05:19 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Helene Mullaney (lennie.mullaney@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:05:17

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address: 579 Sagamore Ave #52

comments: City Council: Please make mask wearing mandatory in all indoor businesses, restuarants, and other venues. And at any large rallies or getherings where socail distancing is difficult. I am immune compromised, and 68 years old. I wear a mask in all stores and carry one in my pocket while walking outdoors. If I come upon a group and can't move 6 ft away, I pop on my mask. Many stores have no policy or a "suggested" policy. I have had multiple experiences where unmasked people have bumped into me, coughed on me, or handled my purchases with no mask on. I am helping raise 3 young grandchildren who have no mother. I can not get sick or they will have no one. Masks must be mandatory to keep Portsmouth and NH as safe as it has been thus far. Masks are not a political issue. The virus does not care about party affiliation. But we all know it has become political. Teenagers and young adults, God love them, often think it can't affect them. But they can infect me. I !

am never rude to someone who is unmasked. But their desire for "freedom" means I am put at risk. Please make it mandatory.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.12.170

**From:** [Ann cole via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Mask wearing  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:35:41 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Ann cole (Cole.annie155@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:35:40

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address: Rye, NH

comments: I am in favor of masks being worn at trump rally. It's crazy that he doesn't encourage it

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.192.67

**From:** [joseph Caldarola via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks at Pease Rally Saturday  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 12:17:01 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
joseph Caldarola (joe@smithfieldconstruction.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 11:16:59

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address: 170 Dennett St, Apt 2

comments: The Pease Development Authority should require masks to be worn when rally attendees are inside the hanger. This is consistent with their requirement that masks be worn when travelers are inside the terminal.

It is not the Federal Government that has authority over the airport, it is the PDA. The PDA already has the authority to extend the indoor rule they have in place for the terminal.

The City has influence with the PDA. I ask the City Council to use this influence to implore the PDA to require masks when inside the hanger.

Attendees will tend to visit downtown afterwards. This is the best the City can do to reduce the risks to our residents inherent in a rally where the track record indicates that many attendees will not wear masks.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.147.243.69

**From:** [Courtney Moore via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks at Presidential Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 1:14:46 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Courtney Moore (Courtney.anne.moore@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 12:14:44

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address: 10 Stowecroft Dr, Hampton NH

comments: I support a special council meeting to mandate the wearing of face masks in public ahead of this week's presidential rally. I urge you to pass a requirement to wear face masks in public gatherings ahead of the upcoming presidential rally. This is of the utmost importance for Portsmouth, being both a public health and an economic concern. Face masks prevent deaths and debilitating illness. The evidence is overwhelming and undeniable. Lives are at stake. Furthermore, economic recovery hinges on consumer confidence in public safety. A second wave - a second quarantine - would devastate small business owners and low-income workers in retail/food service sectors. It goes without saying, none of these issues are political in nature. Please, please, please mandate face masks!!!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 75.67.108.216

**From:** [Randall Thomas via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks at rally  
**Date:** Thursday, July 9, 2020 6:30:20 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Randall Thomas (atlantisboy@hotmail.com) on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 05:30:18

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address: 83 Hanson Farm Rd

comments: Please require masks to be worn at trump rally and protect the rest of us. Look at Tulsa's numbers 2 weeks after their rally.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 72.227.112.219

**From:** [Margaret caswell via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks at the Trump rally at Pease  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 8:07:14 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Margaret caswell (helenlokos@yahoo.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 19:07:12

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address: 328 Washington rd. Rye nh 03870

comments: Please consider making masks a requirement. NH is low on the COVID scale and as a resident, I don't want our progress and safety to get derailed.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.167.216.192

**From:** [Susan Masterson via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks at Trump Rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 5:09:13 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Susan Masterson (Smasterson@rocketmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 16:09:11

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address: 18 Alderwood Dr Stratham

comments: We have worked hard to contain covid-19 in NH. I am just able to go see my mother in a senior living facility. Please do what you can to mandate masks at the Trump rally. I am happy to have him in NH but he will bring a following and increase the risk of Covid-19 to everyone on the Seacoast. Thank you for your service to Portsmouth and the Seacoast.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 76.24.60.161

**From:** [Janet L Polasky via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** masks for Saturday  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 5:52:06 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Janet L Polasky (janet.polasky@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 16:52:05

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address: 62 Mendum Ave

comments: Dear Mayor Becksted and Portsmouth City Council:

I strongly support discussion of a mandate that masks be worn in Portsmouth. I appreciate the councilors' efforts to keep our community safe.

Even if Portsmouth has no control over the airport and the actual rally, councilors do have control over our city streets and restaurants where rally goers will no doubt spill over after the rally. We have all pulled together to socially distance, to wear masks, and when possible to stay home.

I would hate to see all of our months of community action torn asunder by an ill-advised rally of people who are unwilling to wear masks and spread the virus through the city infecting local residents and merchants.

Please act to keep Portsmouth safe.

thanks,

Janet Polasky

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 75.68.180.48

**From:** [Maya Bailey via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks for Trump Rally  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 7:57:55 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Maya Bailey (mayagracebailey@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 18:57:53

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address: 90 Clinton Street

comments: Hello!

My name is Maya and I've been home from college in Portsmouth since March. I have been doing my best to stay safe during this pandemic, and it is great to see our numbers slowly start to fall. However, I am very worried about the Trump rally happening this Saturday in Portsmouth. While I understand that it is likely not possible to cancel the rally, I am requesting that the City Council strongly consider making masks a requirement at the rally. I am worried that this large of a group of people (who based on recent rallies and current political climate seem strongly against wearing masks) will cause a spike in cases in our area. Mandating masks will be a way that we can prevent a huge increase in covid cases.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Maya

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 72.71.240.98

From: [Patrick Ganz via FormMail.com](#)  
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
Subject: Masks for Trump Rally  
Date: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 10:44:39 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Patrick Ganz (apatrickg@comcast.net) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 09:44:38

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address: 54 HILLSIDE DR, Greenland

comments: Dear City Councilors :

If we learned that multiple people were walking through town spraying an invisible toxic liquid that could sicken and kill others nearby, we would call the police and expect that all such individuals be arrested and charged with crimes.

When hundreds or thousands gather at Donald Trump's Portsmouth rally this coming Saturday evening, many will choose not to wear masks to protect others from the Covid-19 virus. Yet, is there any difference between their actions and the hypothetical scenario described above?

Thank you to the councilors who, thus far, have demonstrated a willingness to protect our community using any available means. To claim nothing can be done because the land in question falls under federal jurisdiction indicates lazy and irresponsible thinking. If a scenario like I described earlier were taking place, you would not sit quiet. You would use every means necessary - from the bully pulpit to all available legal avenues - to protect the lives of the members of our community. It is incumbent upon you to do so now.

To be clear, masks should be required at any rallies and protests in the city in which high volumes of people congregate (in fact, masks should be required in any instance in which social distancing is not possible, period). Those who participated in recent Black Lives Matter protests have overwhelmingly worn masks ; previous Trump rallies in Oklahoma and South Dakota indicate that the vast majority of this weekend's attendees will not do the same.

I ask that you demonstrate your responsibility as elected officials and require all of Saturday night's rally attendees and counter-protestors to wear masks.

Thank you for your consideration.

Patrick Ganz

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.61.219.54

**From:** [Molly Ganley via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks MUST be Mandated in Portsmouth  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:37:35 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Molly Ganley (mollyjganley@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:37:33

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address: 16 Alderwood Drive, Stratham, NH

comments: Hello,

I am writing today to ask that masks are mandated in Portsmouth (especially the downtown area) IMMEDIATELY. I am a local resident and I was downtown several days this weekend. I saw lots of tourists and lots of cars from other states (including Georgia and Florida, where the covid outbreak is the worst in the country) and plenty of folks were not wearing masks, and I am very concerned that vacationers are bringing the disease to Portsmouth and will continue to do so all summer. It has been proven that the transmission of covid is reduced by 95% if masks are mandated. This is an easy fix to contain the spread of a disease that WILL kill the people in this community. We cannot wait to mandate masks - if we wait until our community infection rate begins to spike, it will be far too late. Please, please, take action now!

Thank you,

Molly Ganley

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 68.67.156.217

**From:** [Katherine Place via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks Needed at Trump Rally  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 9:18:56 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Katherine Place (Kplace62@comcast.net) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 08:18:55

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address: 11 Fairhill Avenue

comments: Please ensure that all attendees to the upcoming Trump Rally wear masks. This area relies on tourists to support our many entrepreneurial businesses. To ensure that they remain open, we must wear masks, wash hands and stay a good 6 feet apart! Let's all do our part and stand in support of our community businesses and ensure masks are worn at this upcoming and other future rallies!

Thank you,  
Kathie Place

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 70.88.242.17

**From:** [Olivia Pexton via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks!!  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 10:35:55 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Olivia Pexton (opexton@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 09:35:53

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address: 225 Hillside Drive

comments: I am constantly out and wearing my mask and so many other individuals think it's okay to not wear theirs. It's disrespectful and infringes on my safety. If there is going to be a huge rally this weekend for Trump, I IMPLORE YOU to require face masks. It will slow the spread from a big crowd. I don't think it's safe otherwise and don't want to see NH numbers rise like the rest of the nation.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.250.4.5

**From:** [Juliet Grant via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks!  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:12:03 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Juliet Grant (Julietgrant@me.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:12:01

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address: 243 Wibird St Portsmouth NH

comments: Please make it a requirement for all attendees at the Trump rally this Saturday to have to wear face coverings. Our state is one of the few with COVID cases decreasing, and weâ€™ve worked hard and done our share to get to this level. It has been proven by science that face masks are the number one way that we know of at this time that help prevent the transfer of this virus. Please!

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**From:** [Elizabeth Cushing via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks!  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 3:11:05 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Elizabeth Cushing (ecushing395@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 14:11:03

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address: 383 Central Ave, Dover

comments: As a former resident of Portsmouth and a current resident of Dover, I ask that for the safety of ALL seacoast residents, please mandate masks for all attendees of the Trump rally. This is a public health issue unlike any we have seen before. New Hampshire has only just started showing signs of decreased infections rates of COVID-19. This is not the time to get lax in our safety measures.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 162.246.195.18

**From:** [Bob Withington via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 5:33:04 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Bob Withington (Withingtonandcompany@yahoo.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 16:33:02

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address: 207 Market St.

comments: Let's make masks mandatory. Let's stay ahead of the pandemic. I have a business downtown and it is very perplexing that many people either have no mask or are clutching one in their hand or wearing it like a weird necklace. This is not a hardship. Wear your damp mask!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.13.147

**From:** [Amy-Mae Court via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 2:03:47 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Amy-Mae Court (amymaemessage@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 13:03:45

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address: 47 Taft Road

comments: Dear Portsmouth City Councilors,  
It is no longer a debatable issue. Scientists and health experts have said repeatedly that masks and social distancing are THE WAY to keep covid19 from spreading. We need to make masks mandatory in public spaces. Thanks.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 74.92.11.70

**From:** [Ruthie Spiero via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 1:07:05 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Ruthie Spiero (ruthie.spiero@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 12:07:03

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address: 396 Leslie Drive

comments: Call the special meeting and mandate mask use, not just for the Trump rally but for the good of our local economy.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.192.186.119

**From:** [Susan Philbrick via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:35:10 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Susan Philbrick (Whistleadver@aol.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:35:08

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address: 579 Sagamore Ave Unit 75

comments: Please pass an ordinance requiring masks in Portsmouth before Saturday July 11

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.100.60.208

**From:** [Andrea Ardito via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 9:53:06 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Andrea Ardito (oihmommy@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 08:53:04

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address: 121 Northwest st

comments: Please hold a special meeting before the Trump rally on Saturday. Please make a clear call and “extreme ask” to the influx of people coming into Portsmouth to wear masks. To not strongly come forward and advocate to protect the health of Portsmouth citizens is unconscionable. I am appalled at the lack of leadership from our Mayor. You must do better.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.233.86.167

**From:** [Louise Cameron via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:03:07 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Louise Cameron (louisebcameron@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:03:05

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address: 25 Hampshire Rd

comments: In an effort to improve business in our lovely downtown, I urge you to make mask wearing mandatory. As an older person, I do not feel comfortable spending any amount of time in the downtown area. I miss my shopping and eating experience is so unique to Portsmouth. With the upcoming weekend promising many visitors from out of town, for the sake of business and health the city Council should move on this immediately. I am a nurse who spent a good period of my career working with bone marrow transplant patients. Those patients are immunocompromised, and a plain surgical mask was routine in order to care for them. We are in a unique situation now where we can look upon ANY person as being at risk. Masks work! Pleas take action now!

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.196.208.232

**From:** [Marla Baldassare via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:55:03 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Marla Baldassare (marlaperri24@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 21:55:01

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address: 191 Sagamore Ave

comments: Please make masks mandatory in town.  
We have a crowded downtown with many tourists. I am especially concerned about this trump event.  
Look at Stowe Vermont as an example. The city made tasteful masks and have them in all business and streets

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.233.85.48

**From:** [Sara Smith via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 2:25:59 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Sara Smith (sara.rose.ssmith@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 13:25:25

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address: 386 Pembroke St.

comments: Please institute a mandatory mask order for Portsmouth NH to protect the workers and public who will be exposed to all the Trump rally participants from out of state. If the workers are exposed, I will avoid coming to visit your city for the rest of the summer even though it is a favorite spot to visit. This event will make it too risky. Keep Portsmouth safe for visitors.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.62.146.105

**From:** [Duncan Craig via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:53:41 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Duncan Craig (duncancraig@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:53:39

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address: 175 State Street

comments: Please require masks be worn in Portsmouth (not a suggestion to wear one but a requirement). There are laws that require that people wear pants, require people to stop their cars at red lights, prohibit people from assaulting others physically, etc. There are many permanent laws that require us all to act in the interest of public safety. There is no reason not to require masks temporarily when you're in public during this pandemic. This should not be political. This is about safety. Please don't put our community at risk.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.61.217.12

**From:** [Mark Vangel via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:37:13 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Mark Vangel (Mvan52@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:37:11

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address: 70 constitution ave 226

comments: Please require people to wear masks when in proximity to others - for example the trump rally, which is a horrible idea in the first place in this precarious Covid time. We donâ€™t want a resurgence in NH.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.73.142

**From:** [Zoe Rice via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 8:13:38 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Zoe Rice (zoerice21@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 19:13:36

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address: 25 Morning St, Portsmouth, NH 03801

comments: Please make masks mandatory for the city of Portsmouth when social distancing is not possible. Thank you!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.234.6.194

**From:** [David Speltz via FormMail.com](mailto:David.Speltz@formmail.com)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Friday, July 3, 2020 3:52:55 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
David Speltz (Dspeltz@speltz.com) on Friday, July 3, 2020 at 14:52:54

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address: 579 Sagamore AVE #108

comments: It is time to mandate masks. This weekend it was impossible to go into a grocery store (Hannafordâ€™s this time) and not be surrounded by people with no masks who appear to not care about the rest of us. All the education in the world will not help. Shaming does not help. The only two things that could help is they catch Covid, are on a ventilator for two weeks and nearly die and then become mask champions, or the city mandates masks. They work. Please, we do not want to die for lack for leadership (and there is certainly not much of that anywhere).

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.234.7.240

**From:** [Lauren rosen via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks, please  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 7:00:09 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lauren rosen (Lrosen2015@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 18:00:07

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address: 68 Crocketts neck road

comments: Although I live in Maine, I work in Portsmouth. Most of my colleagues live there. Please require masks—we've all sacrificed to keep our city as healthy as possible. We are all hoping to reopen cautiously and safely. Please please please mandate masks when president trump visits. Even if people are unsure it's proven to work—it's a respectful way fir them to demonstrate some level of consideration. If they won't do it-we look to those who don't erase our city to stand up for us. Thank you.

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**From:** [Maria Elliott via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Masks  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 3:51:34 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Maria Elliott (Beemee@comcast.net) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 14:51:32

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address: 141 Sagamore Ave

comments: Here is a copy of the message that I just sent to Cliff: Hi Cliff, I live on Sagamore Ave. neighbors to Mark and Marla Baldassare and Nancy and Jim Andrews. We are 34 year residents of NH, 5 in Portsmouth. As a conservative I have never felt more unwelcome than I have here in Portsmouth. The liberal voice is so loud and shames anyone who doesn't comply. I drive home from work at night and see signs that say "Hate has no home here" and "RESIST ". Drawing a line like no where I've seen before. But we've stuck it out because we love our home, the location and our neighbors. The proposed "mandatory mask" order may be the final straw. My question in the ever-divisive Facebook thread that you posted was pertaining to walking my dog in the neighborhood. One response was "perhaps a citation ". Another was just gross and rude. The CDC set guidelines, wear a mask when you can't social distance. Is Portsmouth above the law? And seriously,!

you are still justifying the protests and stating they are "different" than political rallies??? NO DIFFERENCE. Not to mention the number of cases was much higher during the time of the protests. You are making rules based on your own personal opinions. This will be final straw of our residency in the city of Portsmouth if something like this passes. Freedom is what our country was founded on. And yes, I am a huge Trump fan, he has done so much for our country with nothing but disrespect. That being said, I will not be attending the rally as I have been extremely cautious during this pandemic as many of my neighbors were not while attending protests. One final thought, there is the possibility that this could backfire and people will be put off by the requirement of masks to visit our town.

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**From:** [Robert J. Kozman via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Middle St. bike lanes  
**Date:** Monday, June 29, 2020 11:20:31 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Robert J. Kozman (kozman@comcast.net) on Monday, June 29, 2020 at 10:20:29

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address: 81 Park St.

comments: Dear City Council,

I was sickened by the announcement that we, the people of Portsmouth, would have to put up with the abomination of the bollards and parking along Middle Street.

I fully agree with all the proposals Mayor Becksted has offered: return the cars to the curb, reduce the speed limit to 25 miles per hour, and eliminate the bollards.

Please listen to Mayor Becksted and those councilors who support him. We threw out the old city council and elected you to make changes to right the wrongs the previous city council perpetrated on us.

Let me be clear, I would prefer the city to have to repay the grant money than to have to live with the horrible mess the bollards and parking situation have created on Middle Street.

Please pay attention to the letter to the editor from Charlie Griffin dated June 24, and seek to correct the mistake made by the vote to accept the changes put forth by the Parking, Traffic and Safety Committee.

Thank you for reading my letter.

Sincerely,  
Robert Kozman

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.30.230.24

**From:** [Thomas A via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** no meetings  
**Date:** Sunday, June 28, 2020 2:48:03 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Thomas A (tomholbrook1970@gmail.com) on Sunday, June 28, 2020 at 13:48:01  
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address: 86 Morning St

comments: HI there-

I'm a business owner concerned that I see no upcoming City council meetings on the schedule until July 13. Can this be true? Our city's business are facing an unprecedented crisis, and time is of the essence. Not just what happens during this tourist season, but we need long-term planning now around how we are going to help businesses survive the coming winter, when outdoor dining will not be possible, and holiday shopping with occupancy limits is going to be hard on retailers. I know there is a task force, but the council needs to be taking more action? Thanks.

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**From:** [Susan Hubbard via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** NO to 7/11/2020 Trump rally at Pease  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 8:00:19 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Susan Hubbard (shphubbard@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 19:00:15

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address: 57 Haven Rd Portsmouth, NH

comments: As a Portsmouth home owner since 1971, I would like to commend you for your attention to implementing clear measures during the pandemic to protect our city and its residents. As a city and state we have worked hard to mitigate Covid 19 cases and deaths. Let's not turn that around. The rally on July 11th puts our health and economy at risk.

The CDC has provided facts and information to help with the mitigation of flattening the curve and getting to the other side of this crisis. I am stymied as to why we would choose to ease up now as there is a resurgence occurring in other parts of the country. It is a poor decision to have people come to our city who are unwilling to wear masks or engage in social distancing.

I strongly urge you to stand up for the people of Portsmouth.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.227.60

**From:** [Brad via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** No Trump Rally a Pease  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 7:33:07 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Brad (bgorges07@yahoo.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 18:33:04

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address: 9 Central Ave Portsmouth

comments: Please do not let that horrible excuse for a president bring more virus to our town and state. Do ask him to go F-off completely if those hicks are not required to at least wear masks. Also please ask that they do not visit our restaurants while they are here

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**From:** [Matthew Plourde via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Outdoor seating for my store  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020 1:38:02 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Matthew Plourde (US2238628@starbucks.com) on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 12:38:00

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address: 1 Market Square Starbucks

comments: Hello,

I'm reaching out to see who I would need to connect with to learn more about creating an outdoor seating space for my store, the Starbucks in 1 Market Square. I've noticed a few of the surrounding businesses have been able to block off a subsection of street, and I think creating an outdoor patio for Starbucks in two of the metered parking spots off of high street, next to the store would truly help us recover our business, and help bring back some of the city's livelihood. We have a ton of umbrellas, and tables throughout our store portfolio that I'd be able to utilize to create this space/

Thank you,  
-Matt Plourde  
Store Manager  
Starbucks Store 7459  
Portsmouth, NH  
207.420.7510

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 50.245.55.202

**From:** [Katherine M Hatem via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Paige Trace  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 12:40:46 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Katherine M Hatem (katemph@gmail.com) on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 11:40:44

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address: 1 Ash St

comments: Dear Portsmouth City Council,

I am writing to you because of the comments that Councilor Trace made in regards to all of the letters from parents that you all received regarding the school budget.

I was one of those parents who wrote to you a couple of times as you were considering making substantial cuts to the school budget. I wrote to you, as did many other residents, of my own volition. I was not pressured or coerced. I was (and am) a concerned citizen trying to advocate for what I believe in. Many parents, teachers, and community members did the same.

The school board was transparent about what would be on the chopping block if they had to cut 1.8 million dollars from the budget. People paid attention. People care about their children. People care about the education that the children of our city receive.

I was appalled by Councilor Trace's remarks during the meeting and her subsequent remarks in the newspaper. Not only were they inappropriate, they were counterproductive. Her comments foster divisiveness in a time when it is especially important to be working together. There was no remorse in her half-hearted apology in the paper. Someone who behaves in this way has no place being on a City Council.

This council received hundreds of letters from concerned constituents. That was not a conspiracy. It was activism and advocacy as its best. Our community is paying attention and making the effort to let our voices be heard.

Thank you to those who see value in an involved community and took time to read and consider those letters that you received when it came time to vote. For that, I am thankful.

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**From:** [James Karen via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Parking Complaint  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:42:28 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
James Karen (jimkaren@icloud.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:42:26

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address: 47 King Street, Unit 7

comments: To All City Councilors:

I was a visitor to your city on June 30, 2020, paid the required parking charge of \$8.00, and left well within the 4 hour time limit. I nevertheless received a \$15.00 citation with the comment: "No Payment." I can provide all supporting records. Speculating, the officer issued this citation, even though payment was made, because I made a one digit mistake in inputting my license plate. My plate is 6201WT but I keyed in 6211WT. I have filed an appeal but have little faith in the city's internal appeals process. Respectfully, this is a travesty. There is no question that I paid in full and intended to follow the law. The officer could not reasonably have believed that I intended to skirt my responsibilities, the law was violated, or the city was shortchanged. He/she clearly understood that my car was parked properly and that full payment was made for the actual car occupying the parking space. This is an issue of principle, for the city and for me, and not just a matt!

er of \$15.00. Thank you.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 76.179.108.56

**From:** [Marc Stettner via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Parking Fee Changes  
**Date:** Friday, July 3, 2020 10:05:46 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Marc Stettner (marcstettner@yahoo.com) on Friday, July 3, 2020 at 09:05:44  
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address: 91 Fairview Avenue

comments: Is it legal to change the fees without a proper notice notice to the public and an opportunity to provide comment at a City Council Meeting? As far as I can tell the fee increases were buried as a line item in the massive document detailing fee changes for budget purposes only. I do not believe this constitutes proper notice and is a violation of NH RSA 91-A:1 "Preamble. "Openness in the conduct of public business is essential to a democratic society. The purpose of this chapter is to ensure both the greatest possible public access to the actions, discussions and records of all public bodies, and their accountability to the people."

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/press-releases/new-fiscal-year-brings-parking-changes-july-1>

New Fiscal Year Brings Parking Changes July 1

June 30, 2020

The new fiscal year for the City budget brings some changes to fees charged to residents. There are also some adjustments in parking to announce. First, the following changes in fees were adopted by the City Council:

Hanover Garage:

Hourly rate increases from \$1.75/hour to \$2/hour.

Sunday parking for residents increases to \$5 for the day. Sunday parking is free to residents at Foundry Place Garage.

Monthly parking fee for non-residents increases from \$225 to \$275. There is NO change in the resident fee.

Foundry Place Garage:

Special event rate decreases from \$5 flat rate to a \$3 flat rate.

Employee parking is now available for \$3 per use with a maximum of 20 uses per month.

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**From:** [Kirsten Howard via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Pass mask requirement before Trump Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 2:40:58 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kirsten Howard (kirstenbhoward@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 13:40:12

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address: 173 Stark Street

comments: Hello,

I am writing to implore you to please hold a special council meeting to pass a mask requirement prior to the Trump rally this weekend. The Trump rally will not be like the Black Lives Matter protests where nearly 100% of participants wore masks. We know that participants are far less likely to wear masks to Trump rallies. Given our forward progress and the negative trends in other states, I truly hope you can get your act together to use our local power to stand up to this health risk.

Thank you,  
Kirsten Howard

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.193.225

**From:** [Alain Ades, M.D via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Payment for wearing masks.  
**Date:** Friday, July 3, 2020 3:27:50 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Alain Ades, M.D (aadesmd@yahoo.com) on Friday, July 3, 2020 at 14:27:48

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address: Hanover St, Portsmouth

comments: Two issues-

To reward people for wearing masks is a terribly horrific idea. You would be rewarding socially favorable behavior where you should be punishing behavior that places people at risk. This is similar to rewarding people for being sober when driving.

In terms of the Worth Lot restaurant/store area. Great idea! However, to put the corporate pro developer/anti citizen contingent such as Cavalaro, Marchand and pro Kane zealots in charge would be a grave mistake. Do not give this huge responsibility to those who would sell the people of Oortsmouth to the highest corporate bidder.

Thanks so much for the great work you are all doing!

Alain Ades

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 67.189.233.131

**From:** [Jenny Rosenson via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Pease rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 11:10:13 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jenny Rosenson (jrrosenson@yahoo.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 10:10:11

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address: New Castle NH

comments: Good morning, I am writing to you as a concerned seacoast citizen. the upcoming rally at pease airport (5/11/2020) will offer masks to patrons, I feel mask wearing should be mandatory. I ask you to step up, support CDC recommendations and protect our seacoast community. New Hampshire is doing an exemplary job that should the entire nation should follow. Thank you

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.198.143.139

**From:** [KatInka de Ruiter via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please consider mandate to wear masks this week  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 6:17:07 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
KatInka de Ruiter (kjderuiter@yahoo.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 17:17:05

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address: 420 Lincoln Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801

comments: PLEASE issue an emergency mandate on mask wearing this weekend. I'm concerned that Trump rally attendees (who are not likely to wear masks) will cause our COVID case numbers to skyrocket. We've been so good and so careful—please let's not ruin this right as Portsmouth starts to reopen.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 69.122.120.155

**From:** [Kate Hubbard Woll via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please do not host a rally on Saturday  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 11:26:01 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kate Hubbard Woll (katewoll@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 10:26:00

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address: Arlington, Massachusetts/ Haven Road, Portsmouth

comments: Dear City Council,

My parents both live in Portsmouth and have lived there since 1969. I grew up in Portsmouth and continue to visit regularly for extended periods of time.

Based on current CDC recommendations (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/considerations-for-events-gatherings.html>) regarding community gatherings and COVID-19, I urge you to reconsider hosting a large in-person rally this coming Saturday.

By hosting a rally run by an organization that has demonstrated a disregard for public health recommendations you are risking the health of all Portsmouth residents.

Having spent so many months functioning in a thoughtful, conservative way to protect Portsmouth residents I am surprised and disappointed that you would take such a significant risk. The risk posed is both to individuals and to the businesses that have just begun the path to economic recovery.

All around you Portsmouth residents have made adjustments to daily life routines and are working hard to protect themselves. Every individual is reliant upon the whole community to take reasonable action in order to prevent suffering, illness and death due to COVID-19. Please honor the hard work and ingenuity of both individuals and businesses to not only survive but to thrive during the pandemic.

Hosting a rally on Saturday will have negative health and economic effects far into the future as both residents, former residents and tourists consider what kind of a city would make such a decision. You have chosen to host an event in the highest risk category.

Please reconsider and cancel.  
Thank you for your time and stay safe,  
Kate Hubbard Woll

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 198.55.239.71

**From:** [Olivia via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please don't mandate masks  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 10:17:08 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Olivia (Comeauol@icloud.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 21:17:06

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address: 17 Sixth street, Portsmouth Nh

comments: Masks cannot be mandated. The constitution guarantees freedom over our own body and mandating masks is an infringement on our rights and liberties.

Masks are useless if you are a healthy adult. Healthy people without any symptoms cannot spread the virus. Stop with this ridiculousness already. Those who are afraid or are in the risk group can do whatever they feel comfortable with, but the rest of us should also be allowed to live our life, to be free in the great state of NH. No one should have the right to dictate other individuals or groups what to do. I certainly don't expect you to work our daily, drink lots of water, and eat only raw food. By this token, you cannot mandate what I will be wearing when in public. The muzzle over my face is just that - a useless cloth that prohibits me from breathing in clean air and has an accumulative effect on my immune system. I'd appreciate it if you put a bit of thought behind your policy making. Thank you.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 67.189.246.53

**From:** [Sydney Bilodeau via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please make masks a requirement at the Trump Rally on 7/11  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 10:36:25 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Sydney Bilodeau (Sydney.Bilodeau@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 09:36:23

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address: 302 Lafayette Road

comments: Good Morning Portsmouth City Council Members,

I implore you to make masks a mandate at the upcoming Trump rally at Pease this weekend, on Saturday July 11. Currently, our state is in a moderate risk level and we, as a community, must come together to do everything in our power to protect our physical and economic well being. The continued efforts of lowering COVID-19 rates need to continue to keep our community thriving.

Not only is it in the interest of public health, it is of the utmost importance to remain as healthy as possible for our economic health. If we do not continue to curb COVID-19 rates, we may need to shutter operations of many businesses again - which in a city that prides itself on being comprised of largely mom and pop locally owned shops, we MUST protect them.

Public health is a non-partisan issue. Please consider the safety of our vibrant community and implement a mask mandate for this rally.

With gratitude,  
Sydney Bilodeau

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.61.96.52

**From:** [Jessica Goudreault via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please make masks mandatory  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 11:46:06 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jessica Goudreault (Jessica.goudreault@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 10:46:04

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address: 26H Piscassic St, 302 Newmarket NH

comments: During the upcoming presidential rally, please make it mandatory for all participants to wear facemasks to protect themselves and our community. Thank you.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.186.64.214

**From:** [Lynne Ganley via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please Make Wearing Masks Mandatory  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 5:29:21 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lynne Ganley (lynneganley@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 16:29:19

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address: 16 Alderwood Dr Stratham, NH

comments: Please make the wearing of masks mandatory in the city of Portsmouth until we have a clear solution for the eradication of Covid-19. I live one city over, on the Greenland / Stratham line, so the decisions made by the city of Portsmouth greatly affect me and my family of five. Thank you for considering the health of all NH Seacoast residents.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 75.67.104.36

**From:** [Jody Papandrew via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please mandatory face masks!  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 12:55:40 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jody Papandrew (Papandrews@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 11:55:38

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address: 14 Pollock Drive

comments: All you'd have to write is "I support a special council meeting to mandate the wearing of face masks in public ahead of this week's presidential rally". Copy/paste/submit takes about 30 seconds.

If you're looking for something more, here's what I wrote "I urge you to pass a requirement to wear face masks in public gatherings ahead of the upcoming presidential rally. This is of the utmost importance for Portsmouth, being both a public health and an economic concern. Face masks prevent deaths and debilitating illness. The evidence is overwhelming and undeniable. Lives are at stake. Furthermore, economic recovery hinges on consumer confidence in public safety. A second wave - a second quarantine - would devastate small business owners and low-income workers in retail/food service sectors. It goes without saying, none of these issues are political in nature. Please, please, please mandate face masks!!!"

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.15.172

**From:** [Barbara Ward via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please pass a mandatory mask ordinance  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:34:14 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Barbara Ward (wardports@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:34:12

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address: 16 Nixon Park

comments: We in NH have been very fortunate to have had, up to now, fewer cases of CoVid19 in our state than in much of the rest of the country. With numbers on the rise in other areas of the nation, and increasing numbers of visitors coming to NH, we implore you to pass an ordinance requiring people to wear face coverings in public situations -- such as walking around downtown -- especially where social distancing cannot be maintained. Personally, I am particularly concerned about attendees at the rally planned for this weekend because the president and his supporters have been vocal in their opposition to maintaining social distance and wearing face coverings. This poses a direct threat to all of us, as people from that gathering spill over into our city. Passing a mandatory face covering ordinance is something that you can do to help protect Portsmouth. Please do so. Thank you.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.8.223

**From:** [Lisa Sweet via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please Require Face Coverings  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 8:28:04 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lisa Sweet (lisacsweet@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 07:28:03

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address: 7 Winslow Way

comments: Please vote to require face coverings in advance of the upcoming Trump rally next Saturday. We know face coverings help reduce the spread of coronavirus. We know that Trump rallies feature many participants who do not wear masks and who do not social distance. We lived in Portsmouth for 20 years and now live in Rye. But we still buy most of our goods and services in Portsmouth and also work and volunteer in Portsmouth. This is a matter of urgent public safety!

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.142.129.30

**From:** [Hannah Beck via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Please Require Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:09:07 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Hannah Beck (Hbeck327@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:09:06

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address: 7 Penstock Way Newmarket NH

comments: I live in Newmarket, but have worked in the service industry in Portsmouth restaurants for several years. Iâ€™m writing to urge you to PLEASE require masks in public spaces. As many of us are going back to work, please consider how many people in the service industry(like myself) do not have health insurance because it is not offered by our employers or is too expensive at this time. I have to put myself at risk in order to make money to survive, but I would feel way safer if the people around me in town were required to wear masks.

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**From:** [Kent Hubbard via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Political Rally at Pease Air Base  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 5:03:14 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kent Hubbard (khubbard57@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 16:03:13

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address: 57 Haven Rd Portsmouth NH

comments: Dear Councilors,

I support any effort by councilors to look for possible means to restrict activities, such as the political rally planned for Saturday, July 11, at Pease airbase, that present a serious health and economic risk to Portsmouth, our state, and the whole seacoast region.

I feel good about what you on the council have done to keep residents safe and to carefully allow the businesses and recreational activities to begin to reopen. I find that most residents are willing to follow suggested guidelines including wearing masks and observe social distancing. Together we are making a difference and our city and state can take heart with the difficult progress we've made.

Allowing large crowds of people, many of whom have come from states, cities, and social or political activities where these precautions are not being observed puts our health and economic recovery in jeopardy.

Please look into any and all means you have to restrict or prevent activities that don't strictly adhere to CDC, NIH, and state health guidelines.

Thank You,  
Kent Hubbard

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.227.60

**From:** [Jason Boucher via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Political Rally™s during a pandemic are a bad idea  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 10:34:06 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jason Boucher (boucher.jason@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 21:34:04

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address: 65 Wibird Street

comments: Dear City Council,

Is it possible to cancel President Trump's rally at Pease in Portsmouth, NH on Saturday, July 11?

This rally will undo all the hard work we've done to keep Portsmouth safe and the Coronavirus numbers low. You done a great job in your response but I'm afraid this rally will undo everything we've worked so hard for. We've been able to keep #Covid19 at bay in Portsmouth with and canceling this rally is the right thing to do in a pandemic — it's not political, but for the health and safety of every resident and visitor. Otherwise, it's back to quarantine for many as more will get sick, outbreaks will occur, and an even further economic hit will take shape in our city. We all should practice NH's slogan, "safer at home."

Thank you,  
Jason Boucher  
Resident and voter

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 67.189.239.213

**From:** [jeremy citrino via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** pop up rooftop  
**Date:** Monday, June 22, 2020 5:55:53 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
jeremy citrino (JEREMYCITRINO@GMAIL.COM) on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 16:55:51

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address: 188 madison st

comments: i would like the city to approve of this wonderfully creative and inspiring opportunity to be an example of progress and hope for the future of the community and local economy

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.222.27.13

From: [James Hewitt via FormMail.com](mailto:James.Hewitt@formmail.com)  
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
Subject: Portsmouth & Pease Water  
Date: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:52:17 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
James Hewitt (samjakemax@aol.com) on Friday, June 26, 2020 at 21:52:15

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address: 726 Middle Road

comments: June 26, 2020  
Dear Mayor Becksted and City Councilors:

As you may be aware, the 2019 Water Quality Reports for the Portsmouth Water System and the Pease Water System were issued recently. The reports can be found at the links below:

<https://view.publitas.com/city-of-portsmouth-1/portsmouth-annual-water-quality-report/page/1>

<https://view.publitas.com/city-of-portsmouth-1/pease-tradeport-annual-water-quality-report/page/1>

A few highlights are as follows:

- 1) The Portsmouth and Pease Water Systems supplied a combined total 1,459,455,132 gallons in 2019.
- 2) The Portsmouth System supplied 1,299,491,778 gallons in 2019 ( 89% of combined total)
- 3) The Pease System supplied 159,963,354 gallons in 2019 (11% of combined total)
- 4) The two active wells at Pease, Smith and Harrison wells, can only supply about 50% of the Pease demand. The Portsmouth Water System, therefore, must make up the difference, or supply the Pease Water System with 80,998,836 gallons in 2019. The Portsmouth Water System has been supplying the Pease Water System with about half its water since Pease's Haven Well was shut down in May, 2014.
- 5) The average daily demand in 2019 at Pease was 0.44 million gallons per day. (mgd). LONZA Biologics average daily demand was 0.337 mgd or 75 % of the total demand at Pease.
- 6) Red Hook Brewery uses 0.05 mgd, or 11 % of total demand at Pease.
- 7) Lonza and Redhook use 86 % of all water supplied by the Pease Water System.

I hope the City Council finds this information useful in understanding Portsmouth and Pease water system's supply and demand. I also hope it dispels the cockamamie rumor that the PDA golf course "deserves" receiving 15 million gallons per year for free since 1998 because the golf course is only using water from its own aquifer.

Regards,

Jim Hewitt

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**From:** [Dixie Tarbell via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Portsmouth NH  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:58:33 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Dixie Tarbell (dixiemcleantarbell@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 19:58:31

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address: 25 Driftwood Lane

comments: Please think, "An ounce of prevention is a pound of cure" and hold a special meeting regarding mask wearing. We need to do all we can to maximize the odds of safety, for lives and livelihoods. There's never been a more important time to be proactive rather than reactive. Let's get together and keep our city's residents and businesses strong. One unnecessary case of COVID19 is too many. ...The potus and fans should join us in the fight against the virus while they're in our town by not adding one iota of extra risk.. Thank you for caring!

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**From:** [Matthew Bartell via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Portsmouth Outside (Closing Streets)  
**Date:** Monday, June 22, 2020 5:05:25 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Matthew Bartell (matt772002@yahoo.com) on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 16:05:24

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address: 13 Point of Rocks Ter, Stratham

comments: I wish to join the restaurant owners of Portsmouth in supporting the plan to close certain streets in downtown to allow for outside seating and dispersed pedestrians. The novel situation calls for a solution which is not unique, but rather successfully implemented in other cities.

Whether this plan will be enough to support and save all of the restaurants in Portsmouth we canâ€™t be certain. But we can be fairly certain that if nothing is done, many will fail and Portsmouth will lose much of what attracts visitors causing a chain reaction of business failures.

Please sincerely consider the proposal and act swiftly to help our neighbors.

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**From:** [Jillian Maclaughlin via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Portsmouth Workers Want Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:34:27 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jillian Maclaughlin (Jillian.r.maclaughlin@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:34:25

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address: 40 Downs Ave

comments: I work for a retailer in Downtown. Although we have made masks mandatory in our store, it is deeply concerning to see the behavior of people wandering around downtown. Many people don't have masks with them, do not social distance properly, and think it's just a normal summer in Portsmouth. As someone who is fresh out of college, needing to work to stay afloat, and concerned about several of my high-risk family members, I think it's crucial that Portsmouth enforce a mask mandatory policy. It is not a normal summer in Downtown Portsmouth. But wearing masks may increase our chances of having a normal summer next year!

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**From:** [John McNair via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** President Trump"s proposed visit  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 9:51:33 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
John McNair (Jmac12@comcast.net) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 20:51:31

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address: 35 Brackett Rd Rye, NH

comments: I do not want President Trump to visit Portsmouth because his presence promotes the spread of Covid 19. Please block his visit.

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**From:** [Mary Ellen Hoerman via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Rally at Pease  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 7:25:18 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Mary Ellen Hoerman (hoermanme@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 18:25:16

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address: 56 Dennett Street

comments: We here in NH have done a tremendous job flattening the curve from COVID-19. I was concerned with the protests for BLM but the crowds mostly wore masks- we have traveled farther into the future since then and are seeing other states increasing their rates due to lack of compliance with mask wearing. As a nurse, I am pleading with you to please mandate masks at any upcoming rallies/ protests. Our health of our residents is at stake as well as our economic survival. We are just starting to open up and it has been well thought out and done correctly. Please don't risk our lives unnecessarily. Now is the time to take a stand and protect our citizens and businesses.  
Thank you.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 67.189.238.152

**From:** [Ann C. Bliss via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Rally at Pease  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 4:50:47 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Ann C. Bliss (abliss426@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 15:50:46

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address: 48 Thornton St.

comments: Dear Council Members,

I am writing to ask if you can pass an emergency ordinance that requires social distancing and masks both inside and outside the Pease Hanger on Saturday. Portsmouth has been doing well to flatten Covid in our community and NH in general has also been one of the few states in the country to not be experiencing a surge. I am concerned that people who are not exercising caution and protecting others by wearing masks and practicing good social distancing could easily go to local stores in our community and begin to spread this disease. Our job as citizens is to protect each other. Requiring responsible behavior is the least our council members can do to provide as much safety as is possible regardless of whether some refute the science of it. Thank you for considering this issue. Ann Bliss

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 72.65.103.194

From: [Esther Kennedy](#)  
To: [William Gum](#)  
Cc: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#); [Karen Conard](#)  
Subject: Re: URGENT! PHS GRADUATION.  
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 10:53:41 AM

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William this is sad news, I have forward this email to the city manager so the city can fix it.  
You are right the residents (students) should have priority  
Esther

On Wed, Jun 24, 2020, 8:39 AM William Gum via [FormMail.com](#)  
<[fp1\\_fm192@formmail.com](mailto:fp1_fm192@formmail.com)> wrote:

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
William Gum ([backgum@comcast.net](mailto:backgum@comcast.net)) on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 07:39:25

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address: 71 Taft Road

comments: Dear Mayor/Counselors,  
I just received an email from the PHS Project Graduation committee that the planned parade through Market Square will not happen for our graduating seniors due to the upcoming rally planned for Friday. The parade has been scheduled for over a month, many volunteer hours have been put into planning the parade and to give some normalcy and recognition to our Class of 2020. I'm asking that you reach out to the rally organizers and explain the situation to see if it is possible they move the rally to another day. Our students have missed proms, senior week, the fine art of signing yearbooks, spring sports, and having normal graduation.

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.167.217.222

**From:** [Zelita Morgan via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Recently approved Budget  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 1:42:25 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Zelita Morgan (zelita.morgan@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 12:42:23  
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address: 39 Richards Avenue

comments: Good afternoon, Mayor and City Councilors

Thanks for leading our city the best way possible as we navigate these trying times. I believe this Council has the expertise needed and has demonstrated such.

I take this opportunity to thank staff, frontline workers, teachers, educators, volunteers in our community and beyond, all those who have been the first line of response and support during COVID-19.

I want to thank Councilor Huda's last efforts in identifying additional potential opportunities to streamline our budget, as well as the council's support in reviewing such proposals. Considering loss of revenue, and families facing total or partial loss of income, unable to meet existing financial obligations such paying for their rent, mortgage and medical bills, a closer look at our budget becomes more relevant now than ever before.

I am puzzled, however, as to why the council had to be so deeply involved, why the Council's directive to the City Manager of bringing a flat budget seemed to be so difficult to be materialized. In response to Councilor Huda's request to look further into potential savings, our City Manager had the following comment at the media before she had reviewed the proposal: "We are certain it means cutting people and cutting services" (Portsmouth budget deferred after councilor pitches \$4M in cuts, Portsmouth Herald 16Jun2020. I assume by "we" the City Manager meant her direct reports.

Issuing such strong opinion on high stake financial matters without the expected and required professional assessment does not seem very sensible or appropriate for someone in the capacity of a City Manager.

It was a short statement, and yet so revealing: of instilling a sense of fear, where professionalism and collaboration were in the order; of a "herd" mentality ("WE are certain..."), where leadership had to be demonstrated; of close mindedness, where unprecedented circumstances demanded flexibility and a can-do attitude.

In closing, "... the only thing we have to fear is fear itself - nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance." – Franklin D. Roosevelt's Inaugural Speech, March, 1933.

Thanks for all those who have chosen to "convert retreat into advance".

With appreciation for your time and service,  
Zelita Morgan

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**From:** [Laura Carrigan via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Require Mask  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:35:47 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Laura Carrigan (agentlaura24@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:35:45

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address: 87 market street

comments: I am writing asking that the Mayor and the city counselors please make mask required in our town especially for the rally on Saturday. You have a sign in Market Square suggesting it, now enforce it! I live on my Market Street and my 85 year old father lives on Congress. he likes to walk into the square each day and enjoy the sun and people watching. We have done everything to help him enjoy this experience like the rest of us. If my father gets Covid because someone was too selfish to cover their mouth, my father will die. Lots of people will die. Just because we have an irresponsible President bringing his parade of like minded followers to town, this does not mean you cannot enforce this!!

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.13.147

**From:** [Judy Miller via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Requiring Masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 8:48:53 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Judy Miller (jamiller37@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 19:48:51

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address: 77 Hanover Street, Unit #7

comments: I urge the City Council to require wearing masks in Portsmouth. I reside downtown and the majority of out-of-state tourists are not wearing masks. As you know, MA residents are required to wear masks. However, NH does not. The rally at Pease on Saturday has heightened my concern. This event will most likely encourage non-residents to visit downtown Portsmouth. Please take action now, require wearing masks, and protect the city's residents. Thank you.

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.147.240.9

**From:** [Jocelyn Philbrook via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Response requested: Allegations on trading letters for grades  
**Date:** Monday, June 22, 2020 9:04:11 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jocelyn Philbrook (jocelyn.philbrook@mac.com) on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 20:04:08

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address: 89 Odiorne Point Road

comments: Dear City Council,  
I would request a response to this inquiry. I am deeply concerned as a taxpayer about the accusations raised on the June 22nd Special City Council Meeting.

As far as I'm aware, it is against our school ethics and should illegal to trade a grade for a letter. I'm not savvy on sports ethics, but I would hope it is equally unacceptable.

If Councilor Trace is aware of teachers or coaches trading letters to the council for grades, she should absolutely bring those forward to the appropriate authorities. The implication was that the Superintendent was involved, and if so, that must be investigated thoroughly.

If these are not factual accusations, then we need to take a tough look at how allegations of improprieties are handled. It is reckless at minimum to raise these allegations on a public call. We have enough fear and false information circulating. The job of the City Council is to be a steady hand on the wheel.

Please take a comprehensive and deliberate review of the allegations raised.

Regards,  
- Jocelyn Philbrook

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.186.74.88

**From:** [Erin Bakkom via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Response to remarks made by Councilor Trace on June 22nd regarding School Department  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:24:06 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Erin Bakkom (ebakkom@sau52.org) on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 22:24:04  
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address: 1275 Maplewood Ave. #12

comments: June 23, 2020

Portsmouth City Councilors:

Good evening.

As I sit reflecting on the June 22nd City Council meeting, I feel compelled to write and share my thoughts about statements made by Counselor Paige Trace regarding the Portsmouth School Department.

During the meeting at 48:30 and 1:17:16, Councilor Trace levied accusations against School Superintendent Zdravec, Teachers, and Coaches and Parents in the Portsmouth School Department Community. In the subsequent article today in Seacoast Online about the inevitable controversy, Counselor Trace stated that: "I will stick up for the parent who felt pressured," Trace said. "I'm not remotely suggesting someone would write a letter to buy a grade. The only reason I used the analogy is I felt it was a way to convey the way this parent felt."

I, too, wish to stick up for the countless teachers, parent's district wide, and our current Superintendent. So, I must state clearly that what was alleged during the meeting was an accusation, not an analogy. Stakeholders were not manipulated or threatened to support the Portsmouth School Department budget; instead, what was offered to the Council by these stakeholders was a voice in public politics, a way to be heard and a clear means of demonstrating their desires to the public body that will make decisions that impact them. Ensuring the public voice in city government was in large part the platform that Councilor Trace campaigned on, and making this type of response is contradictory to her pledged commitment, and disappointing to a large constituency of our city.

The transcript of Councilor Paige Trace's comments at 1:17:16-1:19:00, responding to her accusations at 48:30: "and my comments about the School Superintendent and the letters that emanated from the PTA or wherever, Little Harbor Seals, um...I...my comments weren't about whether I agree with them retaining the budget as they see it now, my comments are about a process and that I would like to see in the future that we, um, hopefully that the school will endorse staying away from requesting parents to write the council. I am perfectly fine if a parent wants to write me and say you haven't done a good job, or you've cut the budget or you have done this or done that, that's one on one, and that's the parent that's writing me, but to sit there and try and suggest that parents have to write or that they need to be afraid bothers me tremendously...so I do agree with Counselor Whelan I think that the school budget is an obvious spot, ummm, that hasn't been...um, cut if you will as much as other budgets but I also understand that its exceedingly important to the future of the!

children of the city. And I would never want to see a child suffer from less of an education than they are currently getting now. Um, it's just something that I felt I needed to raise because I didn't think it was appropriate, thinking that any parent needed to feel that they had to write me so that their child could make the lacrosse team or get an A, I mean that's ridiculous. So anyway that is all I have to say and thank you again City Manager for all you have done".

What was publicly accused in the words used by Counselor Trace at 2 points in the June 22nd meeting is Quid Pro Quo: a favor or advantage granted or expected in return for something. Again, this is an accusation, NOT an analogy. This felt inflammatory, disingenuous and inaccurately represents our community who came out to support

our schools and add their voice to conversations about our schools.

As the President of the Association of Portsmouth Teachers, I feel a tremendous responsibility for my members and the care and support that they provided to their students during the Spring school shut down due to COVID-19. I did write and submit a letter previously to the Portsmouth City Council during the budget deliberations, and I did so using my school email address, as well as my Portsmouth address. I did not include that email as a way of hiding who I am and what my role is to the city. I am proud to be a teacher, I am proud of the services and work we provide to the students of our community and I did not wish to hide who I was representing.

In regards to the statement earlier in the meeting at 48:30, “Trace said she applauded parents who wrote in support of the schools, but has “not much regard personally for the superintendent because it has to start there.” As a membership, the School Department and the Association of Portsmouth Teachers have created a purposeful partnership that is not driven by a traditional “labor vs union” divide; we have instead chosen to focus our work as partners who are seeking to solve problems, to proactively work to abate conflict and try and create the best system that we can for the city, focused on the students we serve. The Council charged us to undertake an exercise that asked what cuts would look like specifically if enacted; the School Department put in countless hours and provided that. The letters you received were from impassioned parents and teachers who believe in what we provide to our students and do not wish to see any of those programs or services cut.!

To shame members of a PTA or imply that a quid pro quo was demanded for placement on a sports team or a grade is wrong. It is an accusation, not an analogy.

As I shared in my previous letter to the council, all teachers who had children at home due to daycare closures or school shut downs were eligible under Families First Covid legislation to stay home at 2/3 pay, and if they had accrued sick leave, they could use 1/3 of each day to make themselves whole and be able to care for their families at full pay. Not ONE member of the Portsmouth School Department chose to take this option and prioritize their families over the students; they chose to provide the best remote learning experience and connections that they could to try and engage students in this new learning process and to ascertain if students were emotionally cared for. Personally, I sat through countless Zoom meetings watching small children climb in and out of teacher’s screens, asking for the comfort and needs that parents provide, while those teachers still continued to reach each and every student. To then sit and watch and wonder what might be cut during the b!

udget process was painful and exhausting for our entire school community. But I am so proud of their efforts throughout this process, of the causes they have championed and the shift in education that they valiantly rose to the occasion for. Many teachers, such as myself, are Portsmouth Tax Payers and understand the issues of rising taxes, but yet also see the benefits of rising home valuations. We understand your challenge, and I hope you see ours.

As a teacher, I think one of the strongest skills we possess is the ability to say when we are wrong. There are times that we have all said words that may not have represented the true intent or actions, but when stated in a public arena such as a taped City Council Meeting, I do believe the lasting hurt that was incurred from the accusations levied against the Portsmouth School Department must not be the ending. We must do better. Those accusations should be redacted.

I hope that this incident doesn’t represent the leadership of our city, how we work to solve problems, and how we share different opinions.

To quote one of MY favorite analogies...never ruin an apology with an excuse.

Erin Bakkom  
Association of Portsmouth Teachers  
(...and proud to share it: ebakkom@sau52.org )

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**From:** [Deborah Stokel via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Safety protocols for large public gatherings  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 9:04:56 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Deborah Stokel (dstokel@comcast.net) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 08:04:54

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address: 42 Elwyn Rd.

comments: In light of a public rally scheduled for July 11th and any other large gathering planned during this pandemic I request that the City Council conduct an immediate special meeting to discuss the need to follow the same strict CDC guidelines that the citizens of Portsmouth are being asked to follow. Education as we know it, graduations, weddings, baptisms, and sadly funerals (some from Covid 19) have been sacrificed for nearly four months in an effort to keep our community safe. I support holding any gather to the same protocols and restrictions that have kept our city moving forward successfully.

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**From:** [Nancy Ray via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Saturday Rally at Pease Air Guard  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:07:57 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Nancy Ray (brunoray@aol.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 19:07:55

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address: 39 Hemlock Haven, Hampton, NH 03842

comments: Hi~ I am writing with the hope that safety practices when the President comes to NH. Please consider the health of local residents by requiring masks, distancing, crowd size etc. Governor Sununu has done a great job of keeping us safe, please don't undo that.

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**From:** [Kate Beland via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** School budget cuts  
**Date:** Monday, June 22, 2020 5:06:50 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kate Beland (Katembeland9@gmail.com) on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 16:06:49

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address: 373 Union Street, Portsmouth

comments: It is your job to figure out how to NOT make cuts to our schools which will adversely affect our children. I don't care how you figure it out...get creative...the youth should be our priority. They have already lost so much. Why not ask the teachers & teachers union to NOT take a raise this year. Many of us working professionals have had to take pay cuts to keep our jobs & NOT lay anyone off. Now is the time to make our children the priority.

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**From:** [Anna Goldsmith via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** So worried about rally -- please mandate masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 12:54:33 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Anna Goldsmith (anna@thehiredpens.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 11:54:31

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address: 91 Spring Street

comments: We have been doing such an amazing job of keeping our numbers down. With the Trump rally in Portsmouth and attendees from out of state -- most of whom do not wear masks -- coming into town I am really worried our numbers will skyrocket. Please do an emergency mask mandate for our city! Our health depends on it!  
Thank you so much!  
Anna

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**From:** [Chris Warnick via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Special council meeting  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 11:34:26 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Chris Warnick (Cwarnick7@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 10:34:24

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address: 11 Viola Circle

comments: I am at seacoast resident who frequents the Portsmouth area. Iâ€™m hopeful that the upcoming event with President Trump will have a requirement for masks. The people of New Hampshire have worked diligently to keep the coronavirus curve flattened and having a large gathering without precautions seems unnecessary at this time. Thank you for your time.

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From: [Rep. David Meuse via FormMail.com](#)  
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
Subject: Special Meeting Before Saturday's Rally at Pease  
Date: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:51:08 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Rep.David Meuse (David.Meuse@leg.state.us.nh) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:51:06

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address: 579 Sagamore Avenue, Unit 97, Portsmouth

comments: I strongly urge all councilors to support Deaglan McEachern and Jim Splaine's request for a special meeting this week to consider enacting a mandatory mask ordinance before Saturday's Rally at Pease. To delay this meeting until after the damage has been done would be an unforgivable breach of your responsibility to protect public health in our community.

Based on evidence available from the Trump campaign's two previous rallies in Tulsa and at Mount Rushmore, there is no reason to believe any more than a handful of attendees will comply with "requests" to wear face coverings. Take a look at this video from July 4 and tell me how many people you see wearing masks.

<https://youtu.be/nZ9BfztEjBs>

As you make your decision, also keep in mind the words of DHHS Commissioner Lori Shibinette who in response to a reporter's question said "Yes, you should have anxiety" and said New Hampshire should expect a second wave that is just as severe, if not more severe, than the first. <https://www.concordmonitor.com/Second-Wave-New-Hampshire-COVID-19-35006999>.

The bottom line is that this is the time to put politics and your personal feelings aside and to do the right thing to protect the lives and livelihoods of people in our community. Enact a mandatory mask ordinance this week.

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**From:** [David Steady via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Special meeting regarding masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:05:17 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
David Steady (dvdsteady@yahoo.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:05:15

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address: 23 Shearwater Drive Portsmouth

comments: I am requesting that you have a special meeting before the rally at Pease on Saturday, July 11th to mandate that masks need to be worn while in public. It's irresponsible for a gathering of hundreds, if not thousands of people will be happening in Portsmouth, without a requirement of masks to be worn. This is a matter of public safety, and as a 20 year resident and voter, I am requesting this meeting to be held, and the council to make mask wearing mandatory in public

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**From:** [Elizabeth Kinney via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Stop mandatory masks  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:04:49 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Elizabeth Kinney (marylandbeth07@hotmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 07:04:47

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address: 337 Thornton St

comments: Please stop the discussion of mandatory masks in Portsmouth. The majority of businesses are already requiring them and the majority of people are wearing them. In addition, there is differing evidence on the actual effectiveness of masks as well as a wide variety of medical and mental conditions that can not wear masks. This is not what Portsmouth needs and to bring it up at this time is not warranted. This will only cause further strife among neighbors and put a burden on the police that is not enforceable. For the sake of the city, please end this discussion. Nashua is currently in litigation over trying to enact this. Portsmouth does not need or can it afford anymore unnecessary litigation. If you would like to go over the evidence with me or discuss this further, please reach out to me.

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**From:** [Steve little via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** STR  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 1, 2020 12:49:11 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Steve little (Slsurfaol@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at 11:49:08

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address: 2 Moebus terrace

comments: Given the number of years that city policy on str has gone un finished and given the financial hardship many residents are experiencing it is time to establish a policy that addresses this. Also, given that the virus is far less likely to infect family members or small groups who are related or known to each other the level of infection risk is very low as opposed to a hotel .thus, tourism can safely resume which is badly needed for our economy!

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**From:** [Khali Maden via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** support our community  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 6:32:47 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Khali Maden (khalimaden@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 17:32:45

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address: 136 Hill St, Apt 2

comments: Hello,

I am requesting that you oppose budget increases to the police department, and instead reinvest resources into community services such as housing, substance abuse treatment, and public health. Portsmouth has the opportunity to value prevention and support for our community over punishment and unjust policing practices. As we face this global health crisis, manage the continuing opioid epidemic, and join the current movement for racial justice, utilizing our budget to care for our community must be our top priority.

Thank you.

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**From:** [Ryan Costa via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Teachers and bike lane  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 7:40:25 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Ryan Costa (Ryancosta89@gmail.com) on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 06:40:23

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address: 126 Hill Street

comments: I will send this in one message to save time here...

Paige Trace - your comments have disgusted me. Both as a teacher, and as a tax payer in the city. You weren't making an analogy, you were making an attack. Apologize all you want, but it is truly gross to have a council member think so lowly of one of the top rated school systems in our state. I cannot believe how little this counsel as a whole represents anything I stand for: education, civility, and growth.

My second point - the Middle Street bike lane. Give it a rest! It is built and it works. You lost! Shut up about it and move on. I mean, it's literally a protected bike lane connecting two schools. It is fantastic! Worst case scenario, you have to drive a little slower on Middle. That is a good thing!

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**From:** [Kristin Mckenney via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Terrible idea to hold a political rally NOW!  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 1:51:07 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kristin Mckenney (McKenney.patrick81@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 12:51:05

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address: South Berwick, ME.

comments: Is anyone concerned about holding a political rally right now on Pease for a candidate and crew who have no respect for following safety guidelines? Our numbers are finally improving on the seacoast and many have been working so hard to improve things. Why would the PDA allow a large rally to occur right now? This is irresponsible, disrespectful and not in anyone's best interest. I live right over the border in Maine and yes, your decisions will impact us. My entire extended family is beyond frustrated.

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**From:** [Evan via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** This isn't a normal time. Let's start acting like it.  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 10:45:05 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Evan (Elkace97@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 09:45:03

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address: 26 Shearwater Dr. Portsmouth NH

comments: We need action to prevent the spread of COVID 19. I live in an immuno-compromised household and to have people Drinking in crowds down town feels disrespectful and dangerous. I'm in fear for my mother and my father who are both older and at higher risk on top of medical issues that make it hard to be in public especially down town where my mother works. We want to support our favorite restaurants from a safe distance but we worry about the employees taking it seriously. We need to stop pretending like everything is normal. It's not and it's too dangerous for us to pretend it is. Masks should be mandatory and all public gathering places indoors or out need to be closed. these numbers aren't getting smaller. I understand that the businesses are struggling but we can't stop now.

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**From:** [Gerald W.R. Ward via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump campaign visit  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 11:56:21 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Gerald W.R. Ward (ward4staterep@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 10:56:18

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address: 16 Nixon Park

comments: Dear Members of the Council:

In anticipation of the Trump campaign's proposed visit to Portsmouth this coming Saturday, I would like to ask that you immediately institute a citywide mandate for the wearing of face masks or related shields, and for observing physical distancing. Many, probably most, of the attendees at the campaign's rally will not be from the seacoast area, but largely from out of state or elsewhere. It is imperative that you do all within your power to protect our local citizens, health care system, struggling local restaurants and workers unable to take paid leave during the aftermath of a super-spreader event by instituting these long overdue mandates. Many of the attendees at these rallies exhibit a high degree of selfishness and insolence, and Portsmouth needs to do all that we can to keep our residents safe and to avoid losing ground in our struggle against COVID-19.

We also hope that the Portsmouth police will behave with their usual professionalism during the inevitable demonstrations and counter-demonstrations.

In the interests of time, I am submitting this message personally, but it has the endorsement of several other members of our delegation, including Tamara Le, Laura Pantelakos, and Rebecca McBeath. I have not been able to reach the other folks this morning. I suspect you will hear from us again as a group as the week progresses.

Thank you for your consideration.

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**From:** [Matt Siler via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Portsmouth rally  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 8:15:27 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Matt Siler (Msiler@comcast.net) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 07:15:25

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address: 75 Odiorne Point Rd Portsmouth NH

comments: Given the impact of prior Trump rallies on public health, like the uptick in COVID-19 cases after Trump's Tulsa rally, Gov. Sununu should issue an order to require social distancing and masks and cancel the event if the Trump campaign will not comply. Gov. Sununu has kept the 'state of emergency' in place and has the authority to do this. Public health of Granite Staters should take priority over politics..

Any situation where people will be at risk of not being able to stay at least 6 feet apart poses a risk. The crowds attracted to such a rally is concerning. The fact that many who attend choose not to wear a mask is concerning..

New Hampshire has been working hard to mitigate the COVID virus spread and we have been cautiously wary, guarding against the uncertain course of this novel, lethal virus, The airborne droplet spread of the virus is certain and the current national surge of cases and hospital admissions is alarming. Donald Trump's contempt of the science regarding this virus and his willful defiance against masks and holding large gatherings inflicts direct harm and escalates the potential spread of contagion significantly.

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**From:** [Anne Baker via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally - require masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:21:11 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Anne Baker (annerbaker@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:21:09

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address: 630 central rd rye beach nh 03871

comments: Plz have those attending Trumpâ€™s rally, as well as all other public gatherings, wear masks.

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**From:** [Arlene Childs via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump rally 07/12/20  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 2:39:55 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Arlene Childs (aechilds@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 13:38:38

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address: 7 Hunter Place

comments: Please meet and mandate masks be worn at the Trump rally by ALL in order to help not increase the cases of COVID 19 locally. I am an RN in Boston and worked very closely with COVID patients. It was a very traumatic experience and I really fear increased cases due to ignorance around wearing masks to protect the the general public, especially the vulnerable. Also, a rally should practice social distancing as my daughter's high school did for graduation. (Exeter High School)—Thank you— this is a matter of life and potential death!!

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**From:** [Arlene Childs via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump rally 07/12/20  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 2:39:56 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Arlene Childs (aechilds@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 13:39:04

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address: 7 Hunter Place

comments: Please meet and mandate masks be worn at the Trump rally by ALL in order to help not increase the cases of COVID 19 locally. I am an RN in Boston and worked very closely with COVID patients. It was a very traumatic experience and I really fear increased cases due to ignorance around wearing masks to protect the the general public, especially the vulnerable. Also, a rally should practice social distancing as my daughter's high school did for graduation. (Exeter High School)—Thank you— this is a matter of life and potential death!!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 134.174.110.41

**From:** [Carolyn Oconnor Collymore via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally and Public safety  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 9:26:42 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Carolyn Oconnor Collymore (CaraCollymore@yahoo.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 20:26:41  
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address: 450 Cutts Ave

comments: Although the federal government has jurisdiction over Pease, don't we have jurisdiction over all the roads leading to Pease and our city? Please require masks in all public spaces and establishments in this city! We have sacrificed too much ---our Children's education, economy, Jobs , mental and emotional well-being to allow a bunch of yahoos who have no regard for others to come for a political gain. Most of The attendees will be out of towners who will leave a scar of misery and potential death As they bring the Covid disease to our public places! Is there is a right to assembly? Yes, but public health and well being must be seriously considered! Please, at minimum, REQUIRE masks!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.6.217

**From:** [Jean Sullivan via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally at Pease  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 11:25:46 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Jean Sullivan (Jsullsmith@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 22:25:45

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address: 10 long hill road

comments: Requesting masks are required to hold an outside presidential rally at Pease Air Force base during pandemic.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 107.77.226.83

**From:** [James Eiffe via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump rally at Pease  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 9:21:54 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
James Eiffe (j\_eiffe@yahoo.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 20:21:52

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address: 40 Sunset Road

comments: Please, for the safety of the residents of the entire sea coast area and especially us who work and live in Portsmouth, either cancel this rally or require masks and social and distancing protocols.

Tulsa is seeing a surge after their rally. Be smarter than the virus and protect our citizens.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.17.5.184

**From:** [Deborah Cuenca via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump rally in Portsmouth 7/11, Sat.  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 5:42:38 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Deborah Cuenca (Debcuenca20@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 16:42:36

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address: 15 Phillip Rd Derry NH 03038

comments: If there is going to be a Trump rally in NH, we here in NH value the lives of our neighbors so we must ensure that face coverings are used and also that folks maintain proper social-distancing. This includes the POTUS and any and all of his administration. Thank you.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.92.37

**From:** [Faith via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump rally in Portsmouth  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 7:29:43 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Faith (moll60@aol.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 18:29:41

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address: 8 Champernowne

comments: Hello,

Please do not allow this Trump rally to happen in Portsmouth. New Hampshire is one of very few places where the number of new coronavirus cases each day is decreasing. Trump supporters do not wear masks. Having many non-mask wearers congregating together is a terrible mistake. I do not live in Portsmouth but I am concerned for the safety of its residents and I live in a neighboring town to Portsmouth. Also, the coronavirus is invisible, and it spreads rapidly. I am worried for the safety of New Hampshire residents outside of Portsmouth as well. If you do not have the power to prevent the rally from happening please require the attendees of the rally to wear masks. A virus should not be political. Wearing a mask and taking health precautions should never be a political statement.

thank you,  
Faith

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.147.4.63

**From:** [Ann Sexton via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally Mask Mandate  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 12:52:19 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Ann Sexton (anniesexton09@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 11:52:17

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address: 488 Newington Rd Newington NH

comments: Dear City Council People,

As we approach the date of President Trumps rally at Pease I would like to request that you put in place a mask requirement. NH coronavirus infection rate has remained low and I am fearful that a lack of caution around the rally and mask requirements will result in an increase in infection levels in NH, especially the seacoast. Please help keep our community safe and require attendees to the upcoming rally to wear masks to prevent community spread

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 72.65.104.249

**From:** [Gabiell Goldberg via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally Mask Requirement  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 4:16:49 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Gabiell Goldberg (gabefilm@hotmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 15:16:47

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address: 15 Water Street

comments: Please make the responsible choice and help protect our citizens by making mask-wearing at the rally a requirement and also by enforcing the requirement.

Thank you,  
Gabe

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.100.253.69

**From:** [Gabe Dakowicz via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally Masks required.  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 7:38:52 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Gabe Dakowicz (g.dakowicz@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 18:38:50

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address: 270 McKinley Rd

comments: Hello Mayor,  
Please consider making masks mandatory for this rally. Keep in mind that the COVID 19 vaccine is being made down the street from the Trump rally (Lonza Bio) and many workers of that facility live in town. (Myself included)  
Thank you.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.61.222.63

**From:** [Janel Holmes via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump rally this weekend.  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:14:24 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Janel Holmes (bballholmes@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:14:22

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address: 20 Louisburg Circle. Exeter, NH

comments: Please make it mandatory to wear masks at this rally! New Hampshire is doing well with covid, and this rally could turn the table in a negative and deadly way! People will be entering our state from all over, and studies show how the transmission without a mask is a high risk. Weâ€™ve worked hard in this state and are trying to get back to school for the health of our children and well being of all!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.68.29.127

**From:** [STEPHEN SMALL via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020 11:11:11 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
STEPHEN SMALL (stevesmall3772@gmail.com) on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 10:11:10

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address: 12 B Cedarbrook Avenue

comments: Given the recent history of President Trump's complete disregard for science and his insistence on his Rally's, I want to know what you're doing to protect the people of New Hampshire from what will undoubtedly show in increase in COVID-19 cases across this State. I am not from Portsmouth, but I am only about 15 miles from Portsmouth and given the Governor's guidelines for the citizens of New Hampshire, it only seems fair that the rally participants are expected to do the same. I realize Governor Sununu will not oppose the President of his own party, but at what point do we start to expect that EVERYONE be socially responsible? This virus will continue to thrive in an environment where the people in power do nothing to prevent it, other than "suggesting" people's behavior. Please, please, please do your jobs and protect us.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 24.233.96.235

**From:** [Laurel DiMatteo via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 6:10:33 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Laurel DiMatteo (laurel26@msn.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 17:10:31

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address: 579 Sagamore Ave #68

comments: Dear Council Members, I am extremely worried about Trump holding a rally in Portsmouth. His supporters are notorious for not believing in wearing masks, social distancing or any actual science around this deadly pandemic. They will move throughout downtown Portsmouth before and after the event, spreading Covid 19 in a community that has worked hard to keep the infection numbers down. Please at least pass a mandatory mask rule so keep the residents and workers safe. I am truly dumbfounded that you would allow this rally to go on. Please do the right thing. Thank you for your consideration.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.63.76.71

**From:** [Sarah via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 2:54:46 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Sarah (Sechids02@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 13:54:45

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address: 7 Hunter Place

comments: Masks must be required at Saturday's Trump Rally to ensure the safety of New Hampshireites and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 172.58.228.178

**From:** [Taraneh Azar via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 2:38:55 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Taraneh Azar (azarmood@yahoo.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 13:37:28

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address: 963 Ocean Blvd

comments: As a Seacoast physician, with a practice in Portsmouth and at PRH, I implore you to take steps to protect the health and safety of our residents. While I assume stopping this weekend's Pease rally is unlikely, please do whatever possible to reduce the risk of COVID spread by requiring mask usage and social distancing. We have worked too hard as a community to avoid the worst of the impact of the virus spread to allow outsiders to put us at greater risk than is necessary. Thank you.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.142.128.162

**From:** [Allison Marie Spahr via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 8:59:26 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Allison Marie Spahr (ALISPAHR@HOTMAIL.COM) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 07:59:24

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address: 579 SAGAMORE AVE, UNIT 40

comments: Mandate the face masks in Portsmouth!!!!!!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.235.13.72

**From:** [Liam Blanchard via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 8:38:40 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Liam Blanchard (Liam.blanchard19@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 07:38:38

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address: 1487 Ocean Blvd rye Nh 03870

comments: Hello,

I'm writing in concern over the rally this upcoming Saturday. I am extremely concerned for my safety, as many will attend without proper face coverings, spreading the virus in our town. I am concerned for my safety as well as the overall health of our town. It's ignorant to have the rally in general, but since it seems inevitable, please at least make masks mandatory. Some of us are still doing our part to slow the spread. Don't let this rally destroy everything we have worked for.

Thank you,

-Liam Blanchard

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 174.196.199.247

**From:** [janet tucker via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 8:05:36 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
janet tucker (msutley@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 19:05:34

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address: 104 Ledgewood Dr

comments: Portsmouth is hosting a SuperSpreaderPalooza 2020. Who will make sure those attending will only be from other Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut, Vermont and Rhode Island. or have quarantined for 14 days, per Governor's orders.

If the SuperSpreaderPalooza I would like to see a mandatory mask requirement.and seating 6 foot apart.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.31.226.14

**From:** [Lynn Schweikart via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 6:10:47 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lynn Schweikart (Lkschweik@aol.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 17:10:45

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address: 579 Sagamore Avenue #119

comments: Any way this rally can be stopped due to the Covid emergency? While I know the event is to be held at Pease, I am very worried about the city being overwhelmed by thousands of people who refuse to social distance and wear masks. And some on his advance teams have tested positive for the virus before and after the events in Tulsa and Phoenix. If the rally can't be stopped, can you pass an emergency ordinance requiring masks be worn outdoors and indoors at all times next weekend? Please! NH and Portsmouth have been so good at managing this pandemic. Don't let our progress and hard work be jeopardized. Thank you for your consideration.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.149.193.102

**From:** [Chelsea via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 2:12:57 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Chelsea (chelseampeel@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 13:12:55

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address: Portsmouth, NH

comments: Make masks mandatory at upcoming Trump Rally! All public gatherings for that matter.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.238.230.164

**From:** [Kate Nolte via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** TRUMP RALLY: Please wear a mask  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 5:15:56 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Kate Nolte (nolte.kate@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 16:15:54

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address: Aldrich Rd., Portsmouth

comments: To our town leaders,  
Please protect our community and country by requiring masks be worn during the upcoming Trump rally at Pease International Airport. My family and your community is depending on you for our safety.

Thank you,  
Kate

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.17.4.5

**From:** [Brandee Prevost via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump Rally/mask requirement  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:10:31 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Brandee Prevost (brandeeprevost@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:10:29

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address: 23 Hutchinson dr Hampton NH 03842

comments: Please pass a city ordinance requiring mask wearing so cases to not jump up in Nh

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 75.67.105.237

**From:** [Charlie raynes via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump visit  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 7:16:01 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Charlie raynes (charlie.raynes@mersen.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 18:15:59

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address: 1 guzzi drive rye

comments: Seriously?!! Putting politics aside this is about human lives and science. We have spent the last four months in quarantine conditions and now there is a COVID nuclear bomb about to hit us. Why?? All of the sacrifices we have done are in vain?? My dad is really compromised and Iâ€™ve barely seen him in four months to be safe

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.234.6.11

**From:** [Andrea Deforge via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump visit to Ports.â€™masks  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 10:07:51 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Andrea Deforge (Candydeforge@yahoo.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 09:07:49

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address: 29 Candlewood Ln. York,Me.

comments: Why must the innocent suffer for those who just can't be bothered  
WEAR YOUR MASK!!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 98.11.127.119

**From:** [Lisa Hebert via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump visit to Portsmouth  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 7:46:54 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lisa Hebert (mslisahebert@hotmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 06:46:52

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address: 183 Hillside Drive

comments: Allowing a crowd to gather in Portsmouth for the Trump rally when our wonderful community and state has fought so hard to beat Covid 19 through mitigation practices such as staying home, wearing masks, social distancing, not gathering with loved ones, and of course hand washing is like setting a potentially fatal bomb off in our community. This is flat out wrong to allow any crowds to gather, for any reason. We are one of the few states holding our own with this pandemic and frankly the thought of someone coming into our state encouraging congregating is appalling. I want the city to cap the number of attendees and fully enforce mask wearing, and social distancing. I have three children that want and need to be in their classrooms this fall- please don't allow anyone to jeopardize their education. Wear a mask should be mandatory. Please. Protect our community. How many Portsmouth residents are attending this? Protect our hard work, don't allow us to become a st!

ate with rising Covid 19 cases. Stand up for our community.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 66.30.231.173

**From:** [Nancy clarke via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump visit  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:28:09 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Nancy clarke (nancyclarke@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:28:08

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address: 6 Ambler Way Durham NH

comments: We have done so well in the seacoast controlling the spread of COVID. Can we please require masks be worn at the upcoming Trump rally? Is it worth asking the same of the Governor's office? If so, I will ask them as well. Thank you!

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 173.44.98.135

**From:** [Louise Duprey via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump visit  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:21:09 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Louise Duprey (Lwduprey4@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:21:08

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address: 300 FW Hartford Drive, Portsmouth

comments: To all Portsmouth city counselors; please keep our community safe by making it mandatory should you or anyone attend President Trump's rally this coming Saturday to wear a mask. As you know there are three simple steps we can take as a community, as a country, to reduce the cases of coronavirus... Wash your hands, social distance, and wear a mask. It would be impressive and would make a positive statement to not only our community, our children in our community, our elderly in our community if you could make mandatory two of the three steps by providing hand sanitizer at all gates and mandatory masks at checkpoints and/or provide masks for those who arrive without them, and/or turn away those that refuse to wear them. Thank you very much for your consideration.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 71.233.83.98

**From:** [Stacy whittier via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump visit  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:55:46 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Stacy whittier (smwhittier@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 20:55:44

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address: 15 chapel rd

comments: I think it is very important for the city to require masks at the Trump rally for the health of our community. Please put measures in place to keep NH safe.

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**From:** [Joanne Wendell McNair via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 8:24:59 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Joanne Wendell McNair (wraps@ttlc.net) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 19:24:56

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address: 35 Brackett Rd

comments: I respect freedom of speech but I do not condone a trump rally during a pandemic and putting the lives of Portsmouth residents at risk. Social distancing outdoors, mask wearing, and hand sanitizer. Who is responsible for allowing this to happen. People will be coming from states that are not doing well. Now I have seen it all. If one person gets sick from this event, if there is a spike after this event, If a person dies this will be on you. This is irresponsible and unnecessary at this time.

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**From:** [Patty Small via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:39:07 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Patty Small (psmall59@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:39:05

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address: 1201 Piscassic Street Newmarket NH

comments: I realize you can't stop Trump from holding a rally in our State but you can make masks required for attendance...including the president. We've worked too long and too hard for these people to come to NH and ruin things for all of us. Please do something to protect us from the president's ego.

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**From:** [Deidra Scarponi Boucher via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump"s rally  
**Date:** Sunday, July 5, 2020 11:19:59 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Deidra Scarponi Boucher (deidra.boucher@gmail.com) on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at 22:19:57

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address: 65 Wibird St

comments: Dear City Councilors,  
Governor Sununu's website advises us to "stay home, stay safe, and stay healthy" and states that we are "keeping NH safe and strong." We are all extremely lucky to live here and to have maintained such a low number of COVID-19 cases in the Seacoast area and throughout the state.  
Today I learned that President Trump is planning a rally in Portsmouth next Saturday. Under normal circumstances, I would expect him to hold rallies all around the state in an election year. However, these are not normal times. I find it alarming that there have been so many cases of COVID-19 in his administration's orbit over the last few months. Presently, his son's girlfriend has tested positive, as well as many members of his campaign team and secret service team. I noticed from coverage of his events this weekend that the majority of people were not social distancing and not even wearing masks. It is highly irresponsible for the country's leader to organize such events during this pandemic, so it is our responsibility to make sure we take care of each other. Empirical, scientific evidence has shown that mask wearing reduces the spread of this insidious disease. I implore you to use your good judgment and please, at the very least, require that masks be worn for the dura!

tion of this event by all organizers and attendees.

Thank you for your time and consideration.  
Deidra Scarponi Boucher

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**From:** [Lydia Meade via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trumps Rally, Saturday, July 11, 2020  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:52:55 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Lydia Meade (lcmeade@comcast.net) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:52:53

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address: PO Box 122, Rye Beach,NH 03871

comments: Please vote to require masks at the scheduled Trump rally Saturday, July 11th. Please vote for the safety and warfare of our state and itâ€™s citizens.

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Engage: Submit

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REMOTE\_ADDR: 73.234.6.68

**From:** [Elizabeth Knies Storm via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Trump"s rally  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 1:05:23 PM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Elizabeth Knies Storm (elizabeth.knies.storm@gmail.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 12:05:21

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address: 24 Osprey Dr

comments: Dear Councilors,

The announcement of Trump's rally at Pease this coming Saturday took me by surprise. I assume his campaign had to get permission for this event. As repulsed as I am by the thought of it being nearby, at least it's not in the middle of town.

Pence's appearance at the Sheraton messed up that whole end of town for the better part of a day. I'm writing to ask whether political campaigns are obliged to honor the expenses they incur on their chosen locales. Am I remembering correctly that Pence didn't do this and Trump doesn't either? Can Portsmouth require that the campaign pay up? I certainly hope so.

Thank you for your time and good work.

includeInRecords: on

Engage: Submit

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**From:** [Carol Ranshaw via FormMail.com](mailto:Carol.Ranshaw@formmail.com)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Upcoming political rally  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 11:03:39 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Carol Ranshaw (Carolranshaw9@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 10:03:38  
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address: 19 Broad St. #301, Merrimac, MA 01860

comments: What follows is the text of an email I sent to Gov. Sununu regarding the

Carol S. Ranshaw  
19 Broad Street Unit 301  
Merrimac, MA 01860  
Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
New Hampshire State House  
107 North Main Street Suite 208  
Concord, NH 03301

July 7, 2020

Dear Governor Sununu,

I am writing to ask you to find a way to stop the political rally scheduled for Saturday, July 11.

You and Governor Charlie Baker are to be congratulated for your handling of the Covid 19 Pandemic, which has resulted in New Hampshire and your neighbor, Massachusetts, having the lowest rates of new Covid 19 cases in the country. What a shame it would be to see all of the efforts to stop the spread go for naught.

Although not a New Hampshire resident, I would be directly affected by any return to the terrible virus spread caused by such an event, as I live only 23 miles from Pease International Airport where the event is scheduled to be held.

We are all aware that most people attending these rallies neither social-distance nor wear face coverings. Medical experts say these are the two most effective ways of stopping the spread of the virus.

Recent outdoor events such as opening of beaches, holiday parties, and other summertime events have shown that large gatherings of this sort cannot help but cause further spread, as Florida, Texas, California and other southern and western states have shown.

Please use whatever powers you have to stop this rally so we can continue our recovery.

Sincerely,

Carol Ranshaw

Cc: Gov. Charlie Baker

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**From:** [Karen Conway via FormMail.com](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** WEAR MASKS!  
**Date:** Monday, July 6, 2020 9:27:38 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Karen Conway (Karcon@aol.com) on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 08:27:36

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address: 4 Suzanne Drive

comments: PLEASE REQUIRE ALL PARTICIPANTS THAT GO TO THE TRUMP RALLY BE REQUIRED TO WEAR MASKS. There will be numerous people coming into the state for this event - TAKE CONTROL-It is a very easy decision to make.

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Engage: Submit

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