

ORDER OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF CORYELL COUNTY MAY 182021



STATE OF TEXAS§COUNTY OF CORYELL§

Guiss during ) COUNTY CLERK, CORYELL CO., TEXAS

## ORDER RESCINDING THE REQUIREMENT TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS IN COUNTY OWNED OR OPERATED FACILITIES

WHEREAS, Coryell County is under a Declaration of Local Disaster relating to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), a highly contagious communicable disease; and,

*WHEREAS*, the number of new cases of the Coronavirus in Coryell County has dropped dramatically in the past 60 days; and,

*WHEREAS*, there has been a slow but consistent increase in the number of citizens in Coryell County who are choosing to receive one of the Coronavirus vaccines available; and,

*WHEREAS*, this order is consistent with the Executive Orders of the Governor and the Emergency Orders of the Supreme Court of the State of Texas; therefore,

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERD that:

- 1. The order dated March 9, 2021, Order Requiring Face Coverings in All County Facilities, is hereby rescinded, and face coverings shall no longer be required to enter County owned or operated facilities. Face coverings are encouraged to be worn anytime social distancing cannot be maintained and by those individuals who are at a higher risk of infection.
- 2. Presiding Judges shall retain the authority to require face coverings in their courtroom in accordance with the Orders of the Supreme Court.
- 3. Elected Officials and Department Heads shall retain the authority to determine the suitability of wearing a face covering while inside their respective offices.
- 4. A face covering or mask shall be defined as an item made of fiber, gauze, or similar material which covers the mouth and nose of the wearer and may be of a commercial or homemade design and shall include face shields of a clear plastic design which covers the mouth and nose of the wearer.
- 5. Prior to entering the Coryell County Courthouse, all persons will be screened for signs or symptoms of COVID-19, in accordance with the Coryell County Operating Plan for the Judiciary and shall be refused access to the building if signs or symptoms are present.
- 6. This order is applicable to County employees as well as the general public.
- 7. Courthouse and Courtroom Security staff shall have the authority to have an individual temporarily remove their mask for security related reasons.
- 8. The sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases within this order are severable and should any be declared invalid by the final judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases that can be given effect without the invalid provision.

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This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified.

Ordered this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

ROGER A. MILLER Coryell County Judge