## CITY OF LANSING CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

#### Call To Order:

The special meeting of the Lansing City Council was called to order by Mayor McNeill at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Roll Call:**

Mayor McNeill called the roll and indicated which councilmembers were in attendance.

#### **Councilmembers Present:**

Ward 1: Dave Trinkle and Gene KirbyWard 2: Don Studnicka and Marcus MajureWard 3: Kerry Brungardt and Jesse GarveyWard 4: Ron Dixon and Gregg Buehler

#### **Councilmembers Absent:**

Councilmembers were present via ZOOM video conference.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Ordinance No. 1056 – Face Mask Ordinance:** Mayor McNeill stated that before we have internal discussion, he asked if we received any public comments.

City Clerk Sarah Bodensteiner read two letters received regarding the Mask Ordinance:

- Tom and Andi Pawlowski, 186 Canyon View, Lansing, KS expressed their concerns about residents being able to make their own decisions about wearing masks and why the Council the needs to make the decision for them. They also stated it may be confusing when residents have to wear masks in Aldi's and QT but not Dillon's or Home Depot since Leavenworth is not continuing their mask requirement. They stated it is insulting that there is a fine for not wearing a mask and it's ridiculous the police department is tasked with enforcing the mandate. They asked the Council to make a statement advising the use of masks but not to continue with the mandatory requirement.
- Sarah George of Lansing, KS asked the Council to make unemotional decisions. She continued that Lansing residents are able to determine when and where to use a mask as they did last summer. She stated the Councils oath of office requires they follow the Constitution which was instituted to protect citizens rights from government overreach, even if the overreach is well-intentioned.

Councilmember Buehler moved to deny Ordinance No. 1056. Councilmember Majure seconded the motion. The motion was not approved with Councilmember Dixon, Brungardt, Studnicka, Trinkle and Kirby voting against the motion.

Councilmember Brungardt moved to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 1056. Councilmember Studnicka seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Councilmember Majure, Garvey and Buehler voting against the motion.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Councilmember Brungardt moved to adjourn. Councilmember Studnicka seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony R. McNeill, Mayor

Sarah Bodensteiner, CMC, City Clerk