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Megg Sulzinger submitted a new eComment.

Meeting: City Council Virtual Meeting - Closed Session - 5:00 P.M. Regular Meeting - 6:00 P.M. Duly Posted Online July 24, 2020 at 6:45 p.m. By E.S.

Item: a) REPORT 20-0484 ADOPTION OF AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, THAT REQUIRES MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS; AND TO CONFIRM CITY MANAGER/DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-09 REGARDING SUSPENDING LOCAL ZONING REGULATIONS TO PERMIT SPECIFIED BUSINESSES TO OPERATE OUTDOORS AND TO PERMIT CERTAIN HOME OCCUPATIONS TO OPERATE WITHOUT A COMMERCIAL BUSINESS LOCATION DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS (City Attorney Michael Jenkins)

eComment: Dear Council, It is extremely disappointing to see a mask mandate with a \$1000 fine posted on the agenda. It is also disappointing that the staff recommended grouping this with this item TO CONFIRM CITY MANAGER/DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-09 REGARDING SUSPENDING LOCAL ZONING REGULATIONS TO PERMIT SPECIFIED BUSINESSES TO OPERATE OUTDOORS AND TO PERMIT CERTAIN HOME OCCUPATIONS TO OPERATE WITHOUT A COMMERCIAL BUSINESS LOCATION DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS" which truly have nothing to do with each other. Please SEPARATE these 2 agenda items to they can be discussed on their own merit. Of course the council should support relaxing zoning regulations and helping businesses operate outside, this

should not be grouped with any decision to MANDATE face masks. As I'm sure you know our neighbors in MB have enacted this ordinance and it has been a complete disaster. How dare you in a time like this threaten residents with a fine so outrageous. Most people are being responsible, I have not ran into one person who has not had a mask on their person. However to require people on the beach, riding bikes and simply walking around socially distanced from each other to require masks all the time is way beyond necessary. Using masks while exercising could also cause a health risk and cause someone to lose their breath, pass out, etc. When this person loses consciousness because of your silly ordinance will you take it seriously then? The constant government overreach of this council during this time has been extremely sad to see. It is also disappointing that you think that our already understaffed police department has nothing better to do that run around town looking for people walking on the beach without a mask. Our police officers have dedicated their lives to protecting us and to basically limit them to mask regulators now is completely off base. To quote from The Beach Reporter on MB's "mask mandate". "Manhattan Beach is adding "common sense" language to it's new citywide mask requirement to avoid worst-case scenario ticketing as residents & some city council members say the rules are unclear" "The silver lining over the weekend, Abell said, is the most people at least had face coverings with them, even if not being worn when seen by an officer". "Some residents expressed concern during public comment to have seen CSC staff not distancing, improperly wearing masks and handling residents & visitors used pens" "Hadley was shocked, she said, to see the order required masks while playing singles tennis, on a walk with a member of one's household and in neighborhoods well beyond the city's commercial district. 'I understand we've made things simpler to enforce by making it so draconian', Hadley said, 'But I think we have gone overboard. I think the lack of common sense exemptions, she added, (like) 'for walking alone on a residential block when there's no one around, erodes respect for law enforcement.'" I'm not going to quote the entire article but I think you understand the concept, people have common sense. The council does not need to further place restrictions on residents that will surely backfire. The state says masks are required when you can't maintain social distance. So why again is the council trying to place even stricter enforcement on our city? Whether it's police, which is ridiculous that you make these highly trained long tenured officers to be meter maids or whether you are paying additional enforcement officers around town, which is my understanding we can't afford with our deficit, what is the purpose? Please learn from the mistakes of our neighbors, show respect for our community and stop treating us like children. We are certainly capable of following the rules & recommendations of the county/state without them being shoved down our throat with the threat of an extremely outrageous fine. Most people out of jobs right now. People can't afford food, rent, etc how on earth would they afford to pay this type of fine? In closing please separate the mask wearing agenda item from the zoning regulations agenda item as again they have nothing to do with each other and remember that we are adults who live here and we are capable of following the rules. Thank you. -Megg Sulzinger

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