

**CITY OF LONE TREE, COLORADO
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-02**

**CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT FOR INDOOR RETAIL BUSINESSES TO
MANDATE CLOTH FACE COVERINGS FOR CUSTOMERS AND OCCUPANTS**

Purpose:

The purpose of this executive order is to protect the life, health, safety and economic welfare of our community as the City begins re-opening our economy during the State's Safer at Home Public Health Order 20-28. Continued forward progress in re-opening our economy will depend on limiting the spread of the COVID-19 virus and the wearing of cloth face coverings is one of the many methods intended to achieve that purpose. To that end, this order supplements the State's Public Health Order 20-28 to provide enhanced safety measures for indoor retail businesses to employ.

Applicable Authority:

Through the City's Emergency Declaration, as authorized under Section 1, Article XVII of the Home Rule Charter ("City Charter"), the Mayor is authorized to execute any action necessary for the protection of life and property in the event of an immediate danger or threat to the preservation of the public health, welfare, peace, and safety, or property of the City. Further, the Governor's Order D 2020 044 provides a municipality with the authority to adopt more protective standards than those contained in the Governor's Order including but not limited to stay at home orders, mask wearing requirements in public, or additional protective measures. See Section II.O, Governor's Order D 2020 044.

Findings:

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain, especially in areas of significant community-based transmission.

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment says that an effective way to reduce the risk of the COVID-19 virus for yourself and the people you care about is to acquire a cloth face covering that will cover your mouth and nose and to use it while in public.

Colorado State [Public Health Order 20-26](#) directs employees of Critical Businesses and Critical Government Functions to wear medical or non-medical face coverings.

The recently released "Safer at Home" [Public Health Order 20-28](#) urges all individuals to wear non-medical cloth face coverings whenever in public and makes it mandatory for numerous sectors of our economy including employees of critical and non-critical retail.

Cloth face coverings should fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face, include multiple layers of fabric, allow for breathing without restriction, and be able to be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape. Face coverings need to cover the nose and mouth at all times and should remain in place until taken off safely. Cloth face coverings can be bought or made for that purpose or you can use common household items such as scarves, bandanas, “buffs”, or an old t-shirt.

The operation of indoor retail businesses without requiring all customers and occupants of the establishment’s public spaces to wear cloth face coverings presents an increased threat to the life, health, safety, and economic welfare of the Lone Tree community.

ORDER: All indoor critical and non-critical retail businesses, as defined in Public Health Order 20-28, operating in the City of Lone Tree are required to mandate that all customers and occupants of the establishment’s public spaces wear cloth face coverings. This is in addition to the State face covering mandates for critical and non-critical retail businesses. Cloth face coverings must cover the nose and mouth at all times and should remain in place until taken off safely.

Exemptions:

This order exempts those individuals that are recommended by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention not to wear face coverings. “Cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.” ([CDC Recommendations on Face Coverings](#))

Duration:

This order is effective at 6:00 a.m. on May 8, 2020 and, in alignment with the Safer at Home Order, will remain in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 26, 2020.

Enforcement:

The City will attempt to seek voluntary compliance through education and warning notices. Compliance with this Executive Order may be enforced under Section 1-4-10, of the City Municipal Code. In addition, the City may pursue suspension or revocation of a business license under Section 6-3-70 of the Municipal Code.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF MAY, 2020.

CITY OF LONE TREE:

By: *Jacqueline A. Millet*
Jacqueline A. Millet, Mayor

ATTEST:

 J. Robb
Jay Robb, City Clerk

