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Begin forwarded message:

From: Suzanne Dugan <sjdugan@gmail.com>
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To: Elizabeth Wood <ewood@avon.org>
Subject: Face masks

Please relay to Council for me.

I was going into The Nest store the other day and was asked by a woman (who got out of a vehicle with Calif plates) and was with 3 others, if they had to wear a mask inside the store. I said no but us Eagle County residents would appreciate them doing so. One put on her mask but none others.

Inside the store they passed me and smirked

At me! Many people in the store and many of them looked like 2nd home owners and not wearing masks.

I support the ordinance for wearing a mask in public. Sue Dugan

June 30, 2020

Hello Jennie!

I just want to reach out and give my two cents worth on the requirement for masks. I know there is a special virtual Town Council meeting tonight to discuss the matter of making mask coverings required with fines. I participated in the poll to determine whether or not this new requirement to wear a mask would be supported by the public, my vote was no. I feel the majority of society at this point is working from a place of fear, not logic. While there are some obvious benefits to wearing a mask to slow the spread of the virus there are as many illusions, due to the fact our conditioning, improper wearing of mask, a cloth masks inability to prevent the movement of virus particle through the mask and lack of daily cleanings contribute to spreading of the virus, not to mention possible contributions to other health issues, this is one of the two reasons why I don't support a requirement, the second being that a mandate with fines will only contribute to a nightmare of a situation for authorities and likely lead to discrimination issues for those of us who should not wear a mask.

I would like to know how the Town Council plans to handle the fact that not every citizen can or should wear a mask, this issue has mostly been ignored by Jared Polis's mask campaign which I feel is responsible for the mask shaming that takes place in private and public on a regular basis. I suspect with enough time Jared Polis's refusal to disclose the CDC's recommendations on who should not wear a mask (those under the age of 2 and anyone who has trouble breathing...) will lead to an increase in confrontations for those with legitimate health conditions that prevent the wearing of a mask which ultimately may lead to lawsuits for the state.

This is a personal issue for me as I have experienced first hand the assumptions people make while I am out in public without a mask. Due to a genetic blood disorder I breath heavier than normal so wearing a mask is a health hazard. Oxygen intake has always been an issue for me, but I manage. Fortunately, Eagle County's Public Health Nurse provided me with a letter to share with businesses that have a mask requirement this helps me get around within the valley, outside the valley is another story! The letter however does not stop the silent and verbal judgments. I had no idea my private health issue would turn into a public nightmare, how will the Town of Avon address this issue for individuals like myself?

I appreciate your time Jennie; feel free to share this with the rest of the council.

With Gratitude,
Maria DeSimone