



Legislation Text

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Second Reading and Action on Ordinance 20-019, an Ordinance to Revise Certain Measures Which Have Been Deemed Necessary to Slow the Community Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the City of Brookings, South Dakota.

Summary:

Brookings COVID numbers have increased dramatically. The guiding metrics have all been triggered with the exception of hospitalization. The current Ordinance (Phase 3) regulates bars, restaurants, salons, and retail and was extended at the September 2nd meeting. Additional regulations are needed to mitigate the increase in cases. Staff recommends approval of Ordinance 20-019 which requires masks for city-permitted events and inside business / public places when six feet social distancing cannot be achieved.

Background:

The City of Brookings is currently under Phase 3. On Thursday, the seven-day positive rate was 35.4%. The desired rate is 5%. As of Friday, Brookings County had 431 cases with 248 recovered or 183 active. There has been substantial increases in the past two weeks.

Thresholds and metrics were provided as guidance for Council and the public of existing conditions. This information is provided by local professionals and weighs metrics such as test positive rates, health care capacity, testing scope and mitigation measures. As of the last report, the only metric met was the capacity of hospitalization available.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval.

Attachments:

Memo Ordinance 9/8/2020 clean Ordinance 9/8/2020 marked Ordinance 9/2/2020 Summary of COVID Triggers