



# City of Brookings

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## Legislation Text

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**File #:** ORD 20-028, **Version:** 2

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Second Reading and Action on Ordinance 20-028, an Emergency Ordinance Amending Emergency Ordinance 20-010, as previously amended, to Extend and to Comprehensively Adopt Provisions to Address a Public Health Crisis and to Revise Certain Measures which are Necessary for the Immediate Preservation of the Public Health, Safety and Welfare of the City and are Necessary to Slow the Community Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the City of Brookings, South Dakota.

### **Summary:**

The current ordinance (Phase 3) is set to expire November 7<sup>th</sup>. Based on threshold metrics an extension is warranted of the ordinance regulating bars, restaurants, salons, retail and requires face coverings for indoor businesses and indoor public spaces. Further discussion is desired of Council to determine if specific regulation should be augmented. Brookings is in substantial spread with all triggers met but hospitalization. Staff recommends renewal of the existing ordinance and any amendments.

### **Background:**

On September 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council renewed the existing 20-010 ordinance that requires bars, restaurants, casinos, grocery, retail, and fitness businesses to operate at half capacity and all employees are required to wear face coverings at all times. The ordinance has other requirements outlined.

September 8<sup>th</sup> Council approved an amendment that mandated face coverings where social distancing could not be achieved for indoor businesses and public places. A resolution was passed further detailing the implementation of the mask mandate.

The City collaborated with many local professionals to develop a weekly report to monitor COVID 19 within Brookings. The guiding document considers metrics of control, testing and hospitalization. Additionally, an ordinance phasing was created based on previous ordinances. The transition between these phases is guided by the weekly data. Currently the City of Brookings is in Phase three (3) which is moderate.

<https://www.cityofbrookings.org/699/Guidelines-Ordinance-Information>

### **Recommendation:**

City Staff recommends approval of the proposed ordinance.

### **Attachments:**

Memo  
Ordinance  
Threshold Report  
Phasing Plan