

Council Meeting_Mar23_2021**RECOVERY GOVERNANCE COVID-19 TASK FORCE**

Discussion on Temporary Mandatory Face Coverings Bylaw 46-2020**Report Purpose**

An opportunity for Council to have a discussion on the Temporary Mandatory Face Coverings Bylaw.

Report

At the August 6, 2020 Special Council Meeting, Council gave three readings to the Temporary Mandatory Face Coverings Bylaw 46-2020. Council later amended this bylaw to extend the repeal date to March 31, 2021.

At the March 8, 2021 Recovery Governance Task Force meeting, this bylaw was discussed, and the Task Force noted that it would be appropriate to refer the proposed extension of this bylaw to Council for debate and decision.

Information regarding masking bylaws from neighbouring municipalities include:

Edmonton	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bylaw expires as of December 31, 2021• Intention seems to be to align bylaw with the provincial order
St. Albert	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Currently suspended; however, goes into force if the provincial order is lifted (required to report to Council within 2 weeks of going back into force)• No automatic repeal date included in the bylaw (bylaw will need to be repealed by Council)
Fort Saskatchewan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bylaw did not include automatic repeal date
City of Leduc	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bylaw did not include automatic repeal date

Administration has prepared two proposed amending bylaws for Council's consideration: enclosure 1 provides an amending bylaw that would simply delete the auto repeal date of March 31, 2021 and enclosure 2 provides an amending bylaw that extends the repeal date to October 31, 2021. Both proposed amending bylaws would align the current Temporary Mandatory Face Coverings Bylaw to the current provincial requirements.

It should be noted, if Council wishes to remove the auto repeal date (i.e. enclosure 1 approach), then Council would need to repeal the bylaw whenever it is deemed desirable to do so.

Council may wish to give one of these amending bylaws readings or to simply allow the current Temporary Mandatory Face Coverings Bylaw to expire as per section 12 (i.e. March 31, 2021).

Enclosures

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| 1 | PROPOSED Amending Bylaw 12-2021 (deletes the auto repeal) |
| 2 | PROPOSED Amending Bylaw 12-2021 (extends repeal to October 31, 2021) |