

Richland County Finance and Personnel Committee

Agenda Item Cover

Agenda Item Name: Mask Mandate

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| Department | County Board | Presented By: | Shaun Murphy-Lopez |
| Date of Meeting: | May 4 th , 2021 | Action Needed: | Vote |
| Disclosure: | Open | Authority: | HHS Board, Section C |
| Date submitted: | May 3 rd , 2021 | Referred by: | n/a |

Recommendation and/or action language:

Recommend a motion to refer the issues of requiring masks in county-owned buildings and a countywide mask mandate to the Health & Human Services Board.

Background:

Supervisor Gentes has asked the committee to discuss the issue of a countywide mask mandate, in light of the Wisconsin Supreme Court's decision to rescind the Governor's statewide mask mandate. Local jurisdictions may implement their own mask mandates. The County's COVID-19 Plan (see Attachment A), adopted by the County Board on May 19th and amended September 15th, requires under Section 12 that masks be required in public meetings, but does not require masks in county-owned buildings or on a countywide basis.

The County's Committee Structure document gives authority to the Health & Human Services Board to carry out the powers and duties of a local board of health, "Perform the duties set forth in Chapter 251, Wisconsin Statutes, and such other duties as may be imposed on it by the County Board." See Attachment B.

Attachments and References:

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| Attachment A: Richland County COVID-19 Plan |
| Attachment B: Wisconsin Statute 251 |

Financial Review:

(please check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | In adopted budget | Fund Number | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Apportionment needed | Requested Fund Number | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other funding Source | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No financial impact | | |

(summary of current and future impacts)

Approval:

Review:

Department Head

Administrator, or Elected Office (if applicable)