

CITY OF SANGER
EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR EXECUTIVE ORDER 22-02
RELATING TO THE LIFTING OF INDOOR MASKING FOR VACCINATED
PERSONS AND THE REOPENING OF CITY HALL

As the Director of Emergency Services pursuant to Sanger City Code Chapter 26, Article I and by the powers vested in me by Sanger City Code Section 26-6, I hereby issue the following orders, to be effective immediately and for so long as the City's declared emergency is in effect related to COVID-19:

Given the current rates of disease transmission in the State of California, the Governor of the State of California with the California Department of Public Health have issued new guidance that lifts the indoor masking mandate for fully vaccinated individuals to begin on February 16, 2022. Additionally, with the decrease in transmission rates within Fresno County, all City buildings will reopen to the public as of February 16, 2022.

1. This order is issued as a result of the statement released by the California Department of Public Health on February 7, 2022 that specified that universal masking shall remain required only in specified conditions. Only unvaccinated persons are required to mask in all indoor public settings. Fully vaccinated individuals are recommended to continue indoor masking when the risk may be high.
2. The CDPH reports that COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations are declining across the State due in large part to the collective efforts of Californians to get vaccinated, boosted and wear masks. While the current hospital census is still over capacity, the dramatic surge in cases and hospitalizations due to the highly infectious Omicron variant over the last two months has declined significantly. Accordingly, it is now appropriate for the universal indoor masking requirement to expire on February 15, 2022, as scheduled.
3. Masks are still required for all individuals in the following indoor settings, regardless of vaccination status. Surgical masks or higher-level respirators (e.g., N95s, KN95s, KF94s) with good fit are highly recommended.
 - On public transit (examples: airplanes, ships, ferries, trains, subways, buses, taxis, ride-shares) and in public transportation hubs (examples: airport, bus terminal, marina, train station, seaport or other port, subway station or any other area that provides transportation).
 - Indoors in K-12 schools, childcare.
 - Emergency shelters and cooling and heating centers.
 - Healthcare settings.
 - State and local correctional facilities and detention centers.
 - Homeless shelters
 - Long Term Care Settings & Adult and Senior Care Facilities.

Additionally, masks are required for unvaccinated individuals or those who do not state their vaccination status in indoor public settings and businesses (examples: retail, restaurants, theaters, family entertainment centers, meetings, state and local government offices serving the public). Fully vaccinated individuals are recommended to continue indoor masking when the risk may be high. Surgical masks or higher-level respirators (e.g., N95s, KN95, KF94s) with a good fit are highly recommended.

4. Those individuals that are exempted from wearing masks at all times includes:

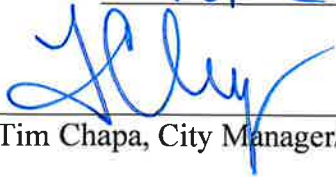
- Persons younger than two years old. Very young children must not wear a mask because of the risk of suffocation.
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a mask. This includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a mask could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a mask without assistance.
- Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- Persons for whom wearing a mask would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.

5. As a result of the guidance from the CDPH all City buildings will reopen on February 16, 2022, and will adhere to the provisions set above for the protection of the general public while in City buildings.

6. This order shall be immediately translated into Spanish, and accommodations shall be made for all disabled persons to read its contents; it shall also be distributed to all local media and made prominently available on the City's website.

THEREFORE, I, Tim Chapa, as Director of Emergency Services, to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 order this lifting of the indoor masking mandate and the reopening of City buildings subject to the above conditions and effective immediately within the City of Sanger.

DATE: 2/15/22



Tim Chapa, City Manager/Director of Emergency Services

ATTEST:



Rebeca Ramirez, City Clerk/Deputy Personnel Officer