

**Resolution 2021-R-011 on COVID-19 Guidelines  
City of Blanco, Texas**

**Whereas**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) state the new Delta variant is more transmissible than the original COVID-19 virus; and

**Whereas**, the CDC now recommends that areas with high transmission of COVID-19 resume mask-wearing indoors regardless of vaccination status; and

**Whereas**, the county data provided by the CDC places many counties in Texas, including Blanco, in high risk categories for transmission of COVID-19; and

**Whereas**, according to Texas Department of State Health data, the fully vaccinated rate for the State of Texas is currently below the national average; and

**Whereas**, forecasters at the University of Texas at Austin COVID-19 Modeling Consortium concluded recently that most regions of the state are headed back to the capacity-busting hospitalization rates of January 2021 if people do not resume masking and social distancing; and

**Whereas**, Blanco, Texas, is prohibited by Texas State Executive Orders from requiring masks or vaccinations for faculty, staff, and customers who are in close proximity contact daily; and

**Whereas**, City facilities do not permit proper social distancing for staff and visitors; and

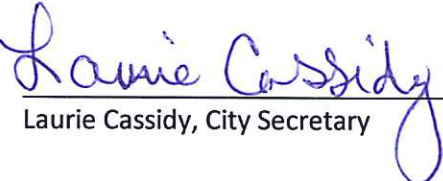
**Whereas**, the City of Blanco is being constrained in its protective and preventive measures by forces outside its control; therefore,

**Therefore, be it Resolved**, That the City of Blanco urges that individuals be allowed to make their own decisions involving the responses to the COVID-19 pandemic based on sound scientific evidence, local health conditions, and published material from the Center for Disease Control (CDC). In the event a City of Blanco staff members should contract Covid-19, the City will follow safety guidelines of the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 21 day of September, 2021.

  
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Rachel Lumpee, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Laurie Cassidy, City Secretary

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