



# City of Prince Albert

September 9, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

**RE: Mandatory Masks at City Facilities**

In recent weeks, Prince Albert has experienced a rapid and uncontrolled rise in COVID-19 cases leading to a greater concern for public safety in our community.

Following consultation with the Chief Medical Health Officer on September 7<sup>th</sup>, City Council approved a motion requiring mandatory face masks at **all indoor City facilities, for gatherings at outdoor City facilities, and on Prince Albert Transit effective Friday, September 10, 2021.**

The measure to require masks will be implemented as an immediate first step to protect the health and safety of residents, customers and employees. Wearing a mask protects others as well as yourself.

Exemptions exist for the following:

- Children under 2 years of age;
- Persons who are medically exempt;
- Individuals who cannot place or remove masks without assistance;
- While actively participating in a sport or aquatic activities
- While seated to consume food or beverages;
- Short-term removal for the purposes of identification; or
- When providing personal support services to an individual with a disability when wearing a mask could hinder the ability of that individual to receive the service (i.e. lip reading).

The City will continue to consult regularly with the Medical Health Officer for the Prince Albert Region to assess and re-evaluate health and safety measures. The mask requirement will remain in effect until such time as it is deemed appropriate to remove it.

For updates on current and future COVID-19 safety measures, please visit:

<https://www.citypa.ca/covid19/>

Thank you,

**Greg Dionne**  
Mayor