

Lemos, June

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City Council

Regarding opening up some areas for the public I would suggest open as much as can be done, mainly all sites. Tourists visits are at a minimum with no ability to rent a motel.

Encourage everyone to continue our "social distancing" the more spread out the better. Everyone that has been sheltered these last week's either has the virus, has had it and is now well , or not exposed at all so are not contagious at all. So all efforts seem to work well.

Four cases all recovered in the entire county then folks should be pretty safe locally. I would think less safe indoors in a grocery store or pharmacy, but still only four cases regardless.

We have the luxury of living in a remote area, open space enough for all to walk, enjoy rather than hide indoors afraid and watching to see who they can turn in for a perceived violation.

Sitting in a car eating take out food is very very very unlikely to contaminate anyone assuming you did have anything to communicate. We should all be helping the few restaurants that do take out to keep open. Several have chosen to close, McDonalds and Taco Bell are doing well as they were set up for drive through in the fist place. Logic needs to be involved at some point, even if you don't like the result. Masks are fine for any that choose to use them if it makes them feel better, mandating the same just because it makes you feel better is not a good reason. Personally, I won't wear one, I am not sick . I wear glasses. If you don't then you don't know the result. Fogged glasses. May not sound too bad to you, just try it and try to work with sharp objects.

At this point, the virus has run its course locally. Keeping tourists out by not allowing them to rent a motel should be enough, but that cant go on forever, remember how critical the TOT tax an sales tax is to our fragile city budget. We need the motels to survive.

Many hate the folks they bring but remember we are a tourist industry area, and will not survive without them.

Paul Clark

Conduct of Business item 3A. 20-696; Council Discussion

Mendocino County Sheriff, Matt Kendall has reported that violence has increased since the Shelter in Place mandate has been ordered. Documented suicides are up, physical domestic violence is up 23%, child abuse cases are up 36%, and general assaults are up 20% in our county. The Sheriff also acknowledged that most residents are complying with stay-at-home orders.

The CDC has reported that SARS-CoV-2 has been circulating in California since December, yet was not recognized because of a “severe flu season.” Others have reported that the virus may have peaked even before the lock down orders came in from the Governor and that sheltering in place might end up killing more people because when you flatten a curve, you also elongate it. It has been reported that there are perhaps at least three different viral strains (A,B and C) and that the less deadly, strain A, is what we have here on the West Coast.

Please note and consider that some religions include their health care cosmology within that religion, including yet not limited to Christian Scientists. We also know that in the not so distant past the medical hierarchy mandated egregious procedures such as lobotomies and have recommended smoking for good health. With each generation we assume our models of health, medicine, and procedures are accurate and effective. And still it seems we know very little about this virus that has brought our country to its knees.

To date Mendocino county has had 4 confirmed cases with 0 deaths and 0 reported cases on our Fort Bragg coast. Compare that to so many other deadly issues of concern.

The mandate does not seem to make attempts to protect constitutional activities or proceed to not infringe on foundational liberties, which could have easily been done with recommendations and advisement.

Please consider not supporting any fines that would be directed at businesses or individuals related to the county Covid-19 health Mandate. Also, please do not support any action that would criminalize or level penalty upon those demonstrating constitutionally protected activities.

Thank you all for a thoughtful discussion related.
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Fort Bragg City Manager Tabatha Miller, Mayor Will Lee, Vice Mayor Bernie Norvell, Council Members

Item 3 A

It is my hope during the discussion of the SIP order revisions some statistics will be offered by our local Law Enforcement about encounters with those they have run into at Pomo Bluff, Noyo Headlands Trail, Glass Beach Trail and other areas of the City. Anyone with a scanner knows more than a few are coming from out of the area. It seems those from out of the area are violating the SIP orders from their own areas so why would one expect them to come into Fort Bragg and follow the orders? Each encounter with persons not following the orders could possibly put our local Law Enforcement at risk of infection from this virus. For that reason I feel our Law Enforcement men and women need to be heard from on this issue. This isn't a decision that should be made because it will make someone happy, it is a health and safety decision. We need Law Enforcement persons on the job, not home ill when it could have been avoided.

Perhaps make the decision on a weekly basis. Send letters to other City's so they can advertise that Fort Bragg is off limits for visitors. Give Law Enforcement the extra tool of fines at the time of contact with those knowingly in violation of the orders. Going under "keep out" tape or around barriers would be a hint that they knowingly violated the order. If it's at all possible have signage on Hwy. 20 near Willits and on Hwy. 1 north and south stating that Fort Bragg is closed to tourists.

I can't help but wonder what locals would do if the Mill was still on the property and the Trail wasn't there. I have a feeling they would probably walk around and enjoy their neighborhoods.

A report was given that our Hospital is expecting an influx of patients in May and possibly into June. Please keep that in mind during your discussion.

Judy Valadao