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CITY COUNCIL

Council Special Meeting

7232 East Main Street
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Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Council Chambers

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

The Community Comments portion of the meeting is an opportunity for citizens to address Council. Citizens may wish to bring matters to the attention of City Council or discuss items on the agenda.

Before addressing City Council, members of the public are asked to complete a speaker's form and give it to the Clerk of Council. The Council President will invite speakers to step to the microphone and give their name and address. All remarks should be addressed to Council as a whole and not exceed three minutes.

5. MOTIONS

1. A Motion to Suspend Article IV, Section 8 Mandatory Referral of the Council Rules for the Reynoldsburg City Council

6. LEGISLATION FOR EMERGENCY APPROVAL

- a. An Ordinance Requiring Face Coverings in Any Public Space to Limit the Spread of Covid-19, and Declaring an Emergency --- Strickland, Jenkins, Bryant.

ADJOURNMENT

Clerk of Council**Mollie Prasher****7232 East Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****614-322-6836 Phone****MOTION REQUEST**

DATE: **July 7, 2020****TO:****RE:** **Suspend Mandatory Referral**

Approval:

Joe Begeny	Chris Shook	Stephen Cicak
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This motion is needed in order for Council to consider the mandatory face mask ordinance. The Council Rules require that all ordinances shall be referred to an appropriate committee for review and recommendation for adoption or denial prior to any final action being taken by Council. This provision may be suspended by an affirmative vote of three-fourths majority of Council.

A Motion to Suspend Article IV, Section 8 Mandatory Referral of the Council Rules for the Reynoldsburg City Council

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ORDINANCE REQUEST

DATE: **July 7, 2020**

TO:

RE: **Mandatory Face Mask Ordinance**

Approval:

Completed Joe Begeny	Pending Chris Shook	Stephen Cicak
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Emergency/Suspension: Emergency

Reason For Emergency: Immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety

Explanation of legislation and need: This legislation is in reaction to the increasing numbers of Covid-19 infections in the area in and around the City of Reynoldsburg.

Statement of necessity for Emergency passage: This ordinance is an emergency health measure to help protect and reduce the infections from the Covid-19 virus.

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING FACE COVERINGS IN ANY PUBLIC SPACE TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and is easily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports over 2,545,250 cases of COVID-19 in the United States, resulting in over 126,369 deaths, to date; and

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WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Mike DeWine issued Executive Order 2020-01D, declaring a State of Emergency, as a result of community spread of COVID-19 in the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization officially declared COVID-19 to be a global “pandemic” requiring “urgent and aggressive action” to control the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has 52,865 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 2,876 deaths and continues to experience “community spread” of the virus that causes COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 endangers the lives of the citizens of Reynoldsburg, creating an emergency to life and public safety and disrupting commerce; and

WHEREAS, the CDC reports that, while people are most contagious when they exhibit symptoms of COVID-19, some spread is possible before an individual may exhibit such symptoms and even when an individual remains asymptomatic; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, the Ohio Department of Health issued an Order requiring all Ohioans to stay in their homes to prevent further spread of COVID-19, later amending such Order on April 30, May 20, and May 22, 2020, to allow business to open with the recommendation that facial coverings be worn except in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, Mayor Joe Begeny issued a Declaration of Emergency in response to COVID-19 to protect the well-being of the citizens of the City as well as those who work, attend school, and visit the City from the dangerous effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as businesses have reopened, more people are traveling in and out of the State of Ohio and within the City of Reynoldsburg; and

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WHEREAS, a local and statewide emergency continues to exist with limits on mass gatherings and recommendations of social distancing; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the above-described emergency, there is a continuing need to protect all citizens and guests of the City of Reynoldsburg from the risks relating to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends wearing face coverings in public where other physical distancing measures are difficult to maintain to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 from symptomatic, asymptomatic, or unknown carriers to others; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2020, the Franklin County Department of Health stated, “It’s time to require face coverings to give us the best opportunity to protect and promote the health, safety and economic recovery of our community.”; and

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2020, the Governor of the State of Ohio designated Franklin County as a Risk Level 3 with a “very high exposure and spread” with guidance to “limit activities as much as possible,” and the Governor identified Franklin County as the only county in the State of Ohio approaching a Risk Level 4, which would indicate the county has a “severe exposure and spread,” and the Franklin County Commissioner have adopted a resolution urging all communities in the County to encourage and mandate the appropriate wearing of face coverings; and

WHEREAS, requiring face coverings to be worn by any person in a public place within the City of Reynoldsburg promotes health, safety, and efforts to limit the spread of COVID-19 while enabling the continuation of essential services, business, and travel necessary to protect public health and safety, and for the continuity of social and commercial life during the state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, after consideration of the known information about COVID-19, and in consultation with the Franklin County Department of Health, and considering guidance from the Ohio Department of Health, the City Council of the City of Reynoldsburg finds that the safety of its citizens is best protected by implementing a requirement to wear face coverings in public places as set forth herein; and

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WHEREAS, for the reasons stated in this preamble, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect at 8:00 a.m. on July 10, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG:

SECTION 1. All individuals within the City of Reynoldsburg shall wear a face covering over the individual's nose and mouth in accordance with the following:

- A. When entering, exiting, or waiting in line to enter a place of business that is open to the public, and while inside a place of business as to the areas within the place of business that are accessible to, and are intended for the use of, the public.
 - 1. "Place of business" shall be defined as any facility, building, or structure operated by or for a business engaged in the sale or other transaction of any kind for anything of value in exchange for goods, commodities, services, or temporary lodging and that is open to the general public or by appointment, and includes, but is not limited to, grocery stores, retail stores, pharmacies, health care facilities, restaurants and bars (including outdoor seating for such facilities), hotels and motels (excluding the rented room or suite), gyms and similar facilities.
 - 2. When entering, exiting, or waiting in line to enter a City of Reynoldsburg operated building or facility that is open to the public, and while inside a City of Reynoldsburg operated building or facility as to the areas within such City of Reynoldsburg facility that are accessible to, and are intended for the use of, the public.
 - 3. In any public transportation such as a bus or other public transit vehicle, a taxi or ridesharing vehicle or any other vehicle for hire, or at a transit stop or waiting area for any public transportation.

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4. In any outdoor space or outdoor place where or when a person is unable to maintain or does not maintain physical separation of not less than six feet from others who are not members of their own household.

SECTION 2. All places of business shall require all employees that interact with the public to wear a face covering; and all places of business shall only sell or otherwise enter into any transaction of any kind for anything of value in exchange for goods, commodities, services, or provide temporary lodging to those who comply with this Ordinance.

- A. All places of business shall further display a sign(s) at or near the entrance to the business, in a conspicuous manner, setting forth the requirement for facial coverings, consistent with this Ordinance.
- B. Any manager, owner, or person in charge of a place of business who fails or refuses to comply with this Ordinance shall be in violation of this Ordinance and subject to the penalty provisions of Section 5.

SECTION 3. The requirement to wear a face covering through this Ordinance does not apply in the following situations:

- A. Any individual who cannot wear a face covering because of a medical condition, mental health condition or developmental disability, or who is unable to remove the face covering without assistance, and any individual who should not wear face coverings under the CDC guidance. An individual is not required to produce medical documentation of the condition or disability, provided an employer may require such documentation from an employee in accordance with state and federal law.
- B. Individuals under 6 years old.

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- C. Restaurant and bar patrons while eating or drinking. If a patron is not seated at his or her table or at the bar, a face covering is required.
- D. School individuals, including, but not limited to, students, administrators, and teachers, on or in school or school district facilities, so that schools and school districts may follow the regulations and guidelines promulgated by their governing bodies and the Ohio Department of Education.
- E. In settings where it is not practicable or feasible to wear a face covering such as when receiving dental services, medical treatments, or while swimming.
- F. Walking or exercising outdoors so long as physical separation of not less than six feet is maintained, or while walking or exercising outdoors with other members of the same household.
- G. While actually engaged in exercising in a gym or other similar indoor facility so long as physical separation of not less than six feet is maintained and the individual wears a face covering at all times when not actually engaged in exercising.
- H. Any individual who is utilizing outdoor property or facilities and actively engaged in recreational exercise or athletic activities.
- I. In an area of a place of business not used by a customer and not intended for access by the general public, as long as individuals are maintain a safe six-foot distance.
- J. To any individual who is communicating with someone who is hearing impaired, when such communication requires the speaker's mouth to be visible.
- K. When an individual is in his or her work office, conference room, or other workspace not intended for use by the general public.

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- L. When inside a personal or commercial vehicle either parked or moving that is not a vehicle described in Section 1(C).
- M. Individuals while acting in their official capacity as a public safety employee or emergency responder when wearing a face covering would interfere with or limit their ability to carry out their official duties or functions. These include peace officers, firefighters, and other public safety or emergency medical personnel that support public safety operations.
- N. Any individual who is not in compliance with this Ordinance but who, upon request of a law enforcement officer, comes into compliance with the Ordinance within a reasonable period of time, shall not be cited under Section 5 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. For the purposes of this Ordinance, "face covering" means a piece of cloth, fabric, or other material that fully covers the mouth and nose and that is secured with ear straps or otherwise tied so as to prevent slipping. A face covering may be factory-made or may be handmade and improvised from household materials. Face coverings include, but are not limited to, bandanas, scarfs, medical masks, and cloth masks; and also include respirators, N95 masks or other personal protective equipment that provides a higher level of protection than a face covering defined in this Section. A face covering shall be worn so as to cover the mouth and nose in compliance with the CDC's guidance on wearing face coverings.

SECTION 5. Whoever violates this Ordinance is subject to a civil penalty in the amount of \$25. Any business in violation of Section 2 of this Ordinance shall be subject to a civil penalty in the amount of \$150.

SECTION 6. For the reasons set forth in the preamble hereof, the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg declares this Ordinance to be an emergency measure that shall take effect at 8 a.m. on Friday, July 10, 2020 and shall remain in effect during the pendency of state of Ohio Executive Order 2020-01D.

RESOLUTION 20-088

June 29, 2020

RESOLUTION TO UPHOLD CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION
("CDC") RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING FACE COVERINGS

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings when around people outside their household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain;

WHEREAS, cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others;

WHEREAS, cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings; and

WHEREAS, cloth face coverings should NOT be worn by children under the age of 2 or anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

Now, therefore, upon motion by Board Member Dr. James, second by Board Member Dr. Barnewall.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS:

1. Franklin County Public Health supports its cities, townships and villages to pass local ordinances and emergency declarations, as allowable by law, to require residents and visitors in those communities to wear face coverings while in indoor settings such as, but not limited to, retail stores, restaurants, and other workplaces;
2. Franklin County Public Health staff are available to work with municipal staff and elected officials to provide any assistance and support as would be helpful in the drafting and implementation of such actions;
3. This resolution shall be in full force until the emergency declaration of the Board of Health has been rescinded.

Resolution 20-088
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Voting Aye Thereon:

Roy Barnewall
Thomas L. Rudge, Jr.
Sally W. Morgan
Latisha Chastang
Arthur James
Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health

Voting Nay Thereon:

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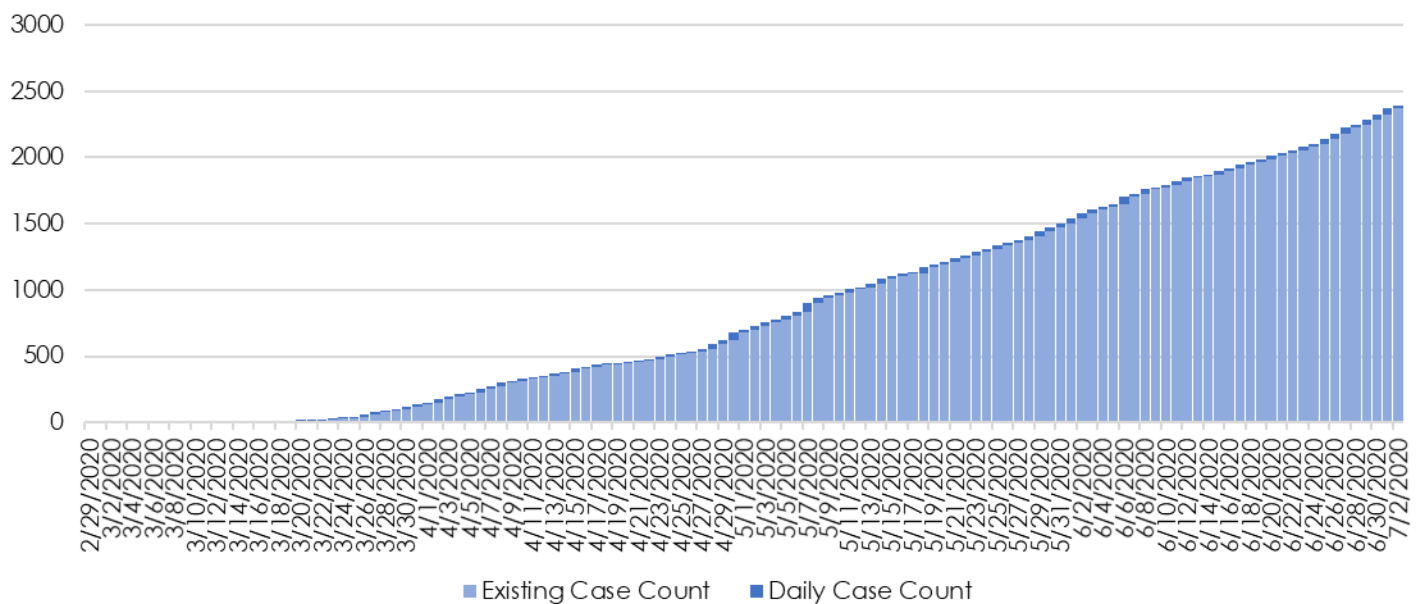
Epidemiology Update for COVID-19 for Franklin County Public Health, 2020 July 2, 2020, 10:00am

COVID-19 Case Data*		
Total Cases	2,393 (2,289 Confirmed, 104 Probable)	
Age Range	<1 – 102 years	
Median Age	46 years	
Gender	1,273 female	1,084 male
Hospitalized (overall)	266	
ICU Admissions (overall)	76	
Deaths***	102 (67 White, 28 Black, 3 Asian, 2 Hispanic, 2 Unknown)	
Onset Date Range	02/23/2020 – 06/28/2020	
Asymptomatic Cases	344	
*Data are pulled from the Ohio Disease Reporting System and are subject to change as additional information is gathered. Some data may have a lag time based on completion of case finding at the time of this report. ** Probable case counts added to the data as of 4/14/2020. ***Cause of death has not yet been determined.		

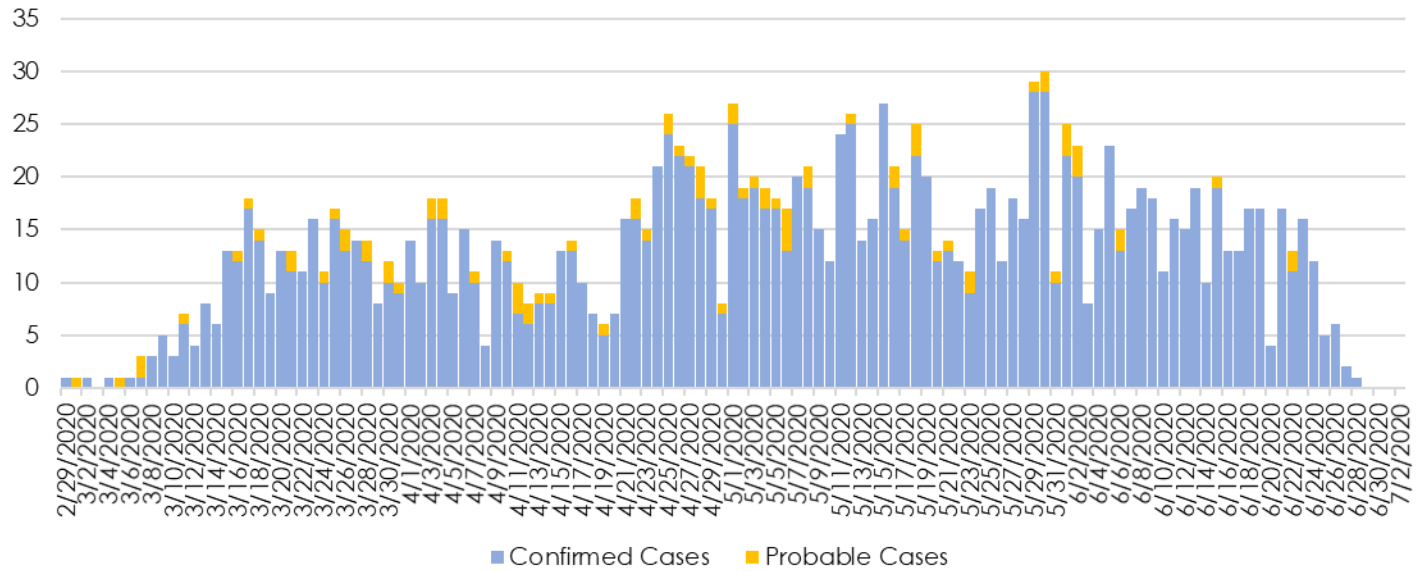
Cases in Franklin County Public Health Jurisdiction Residing in Another County

Franklin	2,064
Union	7
Fairfield	158
Delaware	39
Licking	123

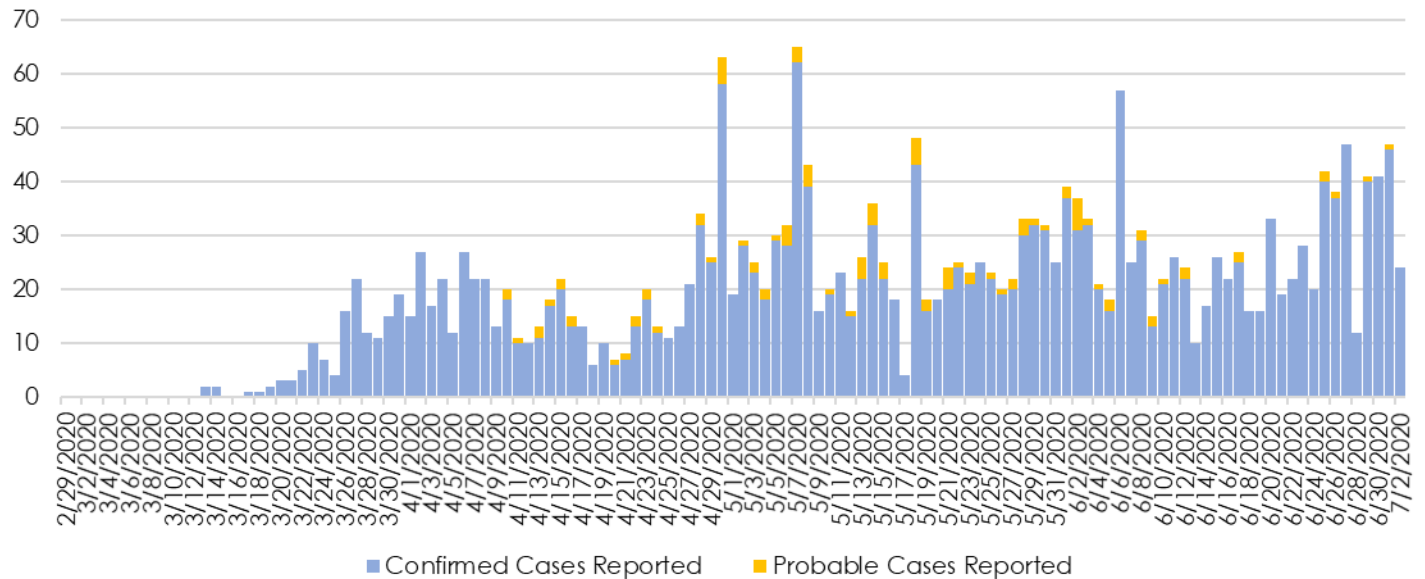
Cumulative Total Confirmed and Probable Cases of COVID-19
by Reported Date, Franklin County Public Health (N=2,322)

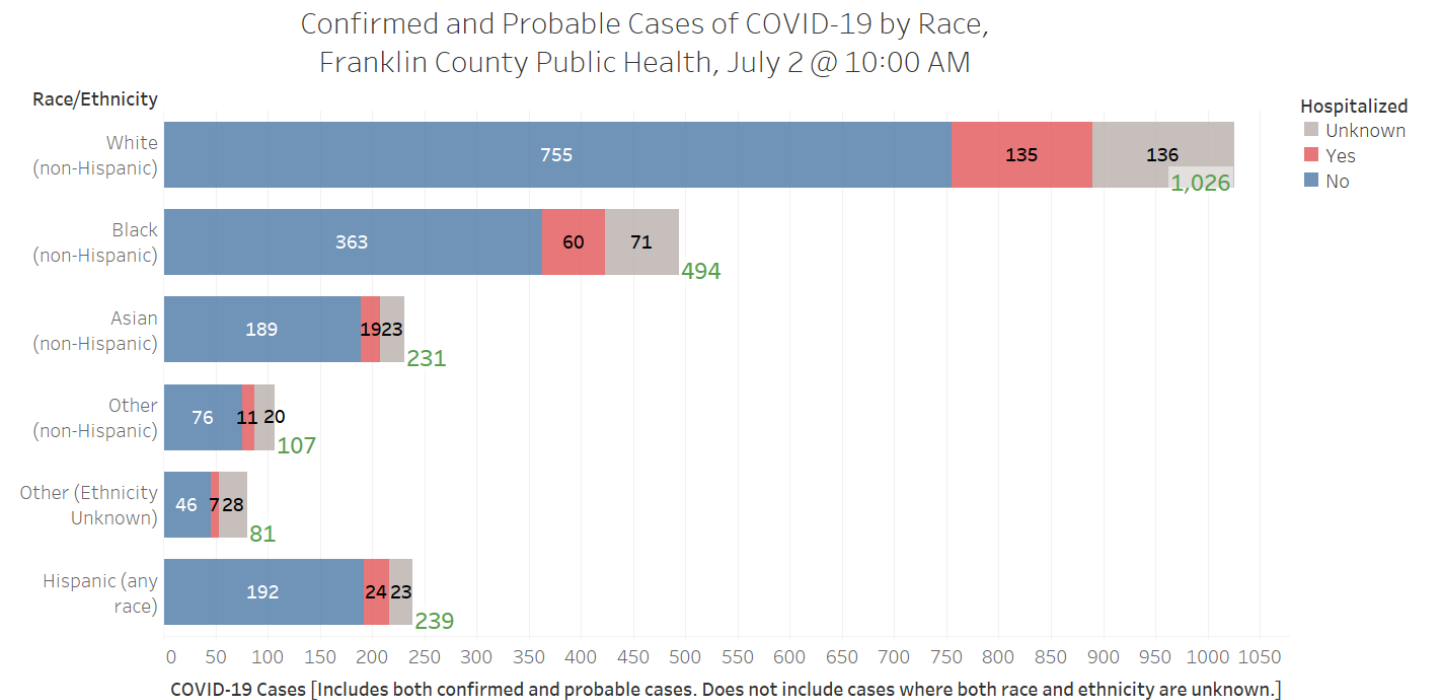
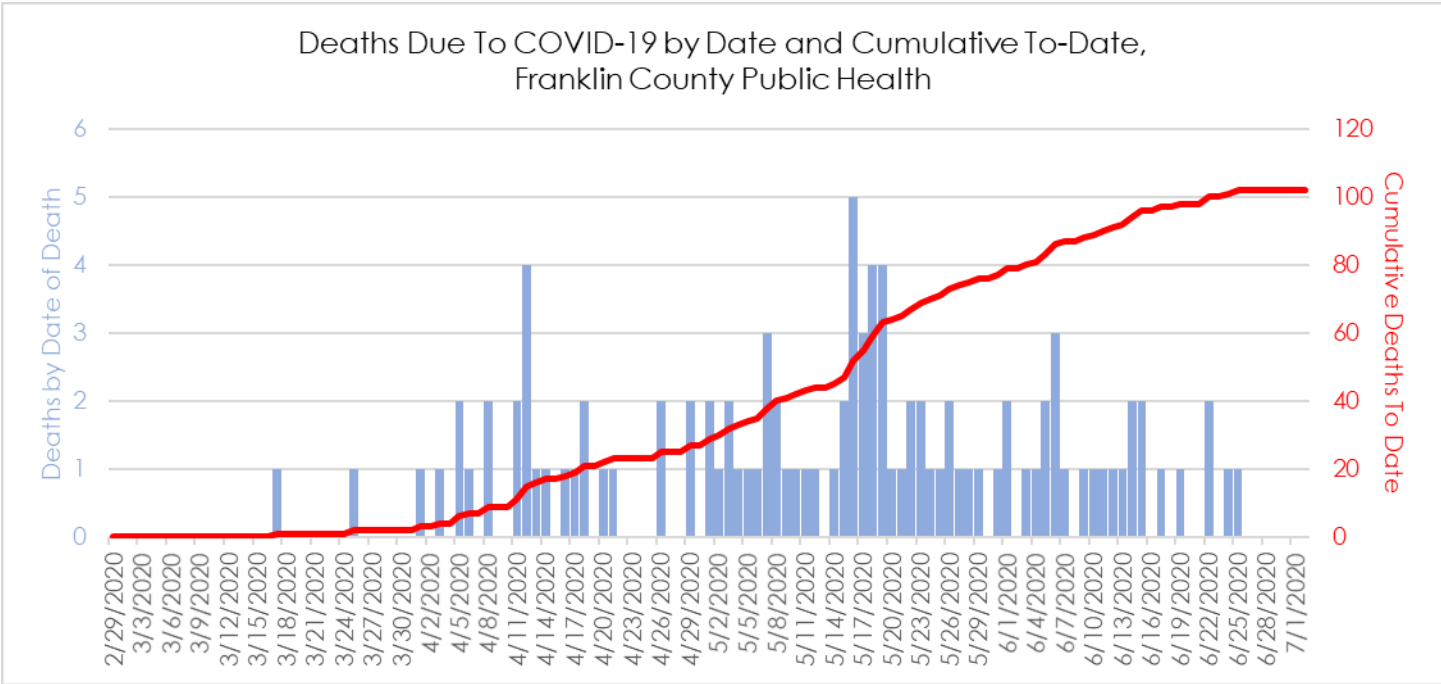


Epidemiological Curve of Confirmed and Probable Cases of COVID-19
by Onset Date, Franklin County Public Health (N=1,642)

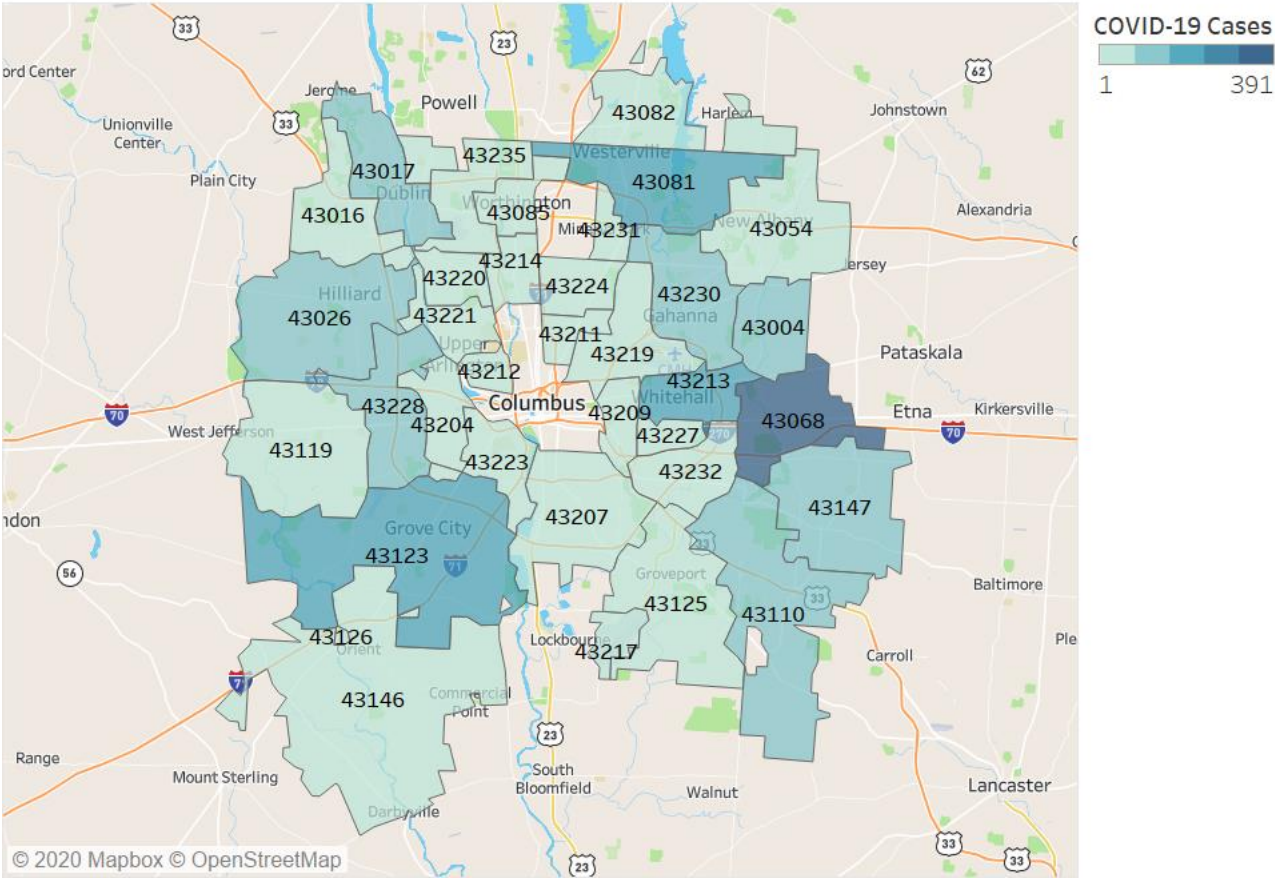


Epidemiological Curve of Confirmed and Probable Cases of COVID-19
by Reported Date, Franklin County Public Health (N=2,322)





COVID-19 Cases per FCPH ZIP Code, July 2 @ 10:00 AM



Attachment: COVID-19 Epi Report 7-02 (Mandatory Face Mask)