

**CITY OF CHENEY
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION NO. E-941

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
DESIGNATING THE CITY OF CHENEY AS A COVID-19 COMPLIANT CITY.**

WHEREAS, Public Health and Safety is a core responsibility of government; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020 the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public emergency for the 2019 Norvel Coronavirus beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020 Governor Jay Inslee proclaimed a state of emergency (Proclamation 20-05) for all counties in Washington State due to the spread of COVID-19 and directed that the plans a procedures of the Washington State comprehensive emergency management plan be implemented; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 the Health Officer of the Spokane Regional Health District issued a Health Officer order, per his authority, as provided under WAC 246-100-07 intent on reducing the risk of exposure to COVID-19 which may affect government functions; and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington is experiencing a fifth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic with a majority of cases stemming from the highly contagious Delta variant; and

WHEREAS, the percent of people vaccinated in Spokane County lags significantly behind the overall percentage vaccinated in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, the rise in COVID-19 cases is placing an ongoing strain on hospitals and health care facilities to treat patients in need of emergent medical care, jeopardizing the health and well-being of residents in our region; and

WHEREAS, Governor Inslee issued new guidelines involving mandates for facial coverings for both vaccinated and unvaccinated persons in a variety of settings via proclamation 20.25.5; and

WHEREAS, The City of Cheney City Council and staff are committed to keeping the community healthy and safe; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City and public's best interest to take every reasonable and public health recommended step to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission among citizens and community members.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cheney commit to being a COVID compliant City by enforcing all relevant COVID-19 guidelines as set by Governor Inslee, the Washington State Department of Health, the Spokane Regional Health District, and any other agency with the authority to implement emergency orders or protections to limit the exposure of community members to the COVID-19 virus and to hold community members

and community organizations accountable for compliance to current and future COVID-19 guidelines.

ADOPTED on this **14th day of September, 2021**, by the Cheney City Council at their regularly scheduled meeting at the Cheney Council Chambers, 609 Second Street, Cheney, WA 99004.

Mayor, Chris Grover

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Cynthia L. Niemeier