Board of Health regulation to require proof of vaccination.

This proposal is counterproductive and dangerous. If the vaccine prevented transmission of the virus than maybe this would be a reasonable short-term measure to slow the spread. But as we have all learned over the previous months the vaccine reduces the negative impact on people who contract the virus but does not prevent transmission.

In addition, the science is pretty clear that cloth masks are not effective in preventing the spread. The only masks that would actually work in light of the science would be a fitted N-95 mask.

So the most dangerous people in the population with regard to transmission are those who are fully vaccinated and wear a cloth mask. They are the new “super spreaders.” They feel confident having done everything the authorities have told them to do that they are not part of the transmission problem when actually they are transmitting the virus to other people whether vaccinated or not.

The vaccines and treatments available to people now allow them to reduce the likelihood of hospitalization or death to near zero. We need to take the opposite approach and remove the mask mandates in MoCo and resume a normal life.

We should not allow the most fearful among us to drive public policy especially when their fears are not supported by the science.

Vote No to all these measures and repeal the mask mandate.