

From City Council meeting . . . to the Business Council

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Note: As a reminder, the notes below represent topics that, in my judgement, might be of interest to the business community. It does not include everything that was on the agenda.

# Regular Session – 7:00 p.m.

There was no Work Session this evening and the Regular Session was completed in less than 20 minutes, including time for Comments from the Public, Staff Comments and City Council comments.

Note the rapid increase in Covid cases and Covid patients on ventilators since November in Dr. Reintjes' North Kansas City Hospital report below – more than a 400% increase.

### **Comments from the Public**

Mindy Davis commented on the announcement that Cerner will be acquired by Oracle and expressed the need for North Kansas City to be active in appealing for continuing a strong "Cerner" (soon to be Oracle) presence in North Kansas City at the headquarters campus. She noted that KCMO Mayor Lucas has begun a campaign of a similar nature for Cerner facilities in Kansas City.

# **Agenda Topics**

# **Repeal of Motorcycle Helmet Ordinance**

This ordinance was repealed because no city can have an ordinance that exceeds what the state permits. The State of Missouri has removed the requirement for helmets to be worn by motorcycle riders.

### Covid-19 Report from Dr. Reintjes at North Kansas City Hospital

The most recent report reflects a 3 ½ times increase in Covid cases at North Kansas City Hospital in recent weeks. There are 8 times as many in ICU than a month ago.

	Dec 15	Dec 6	Nov 8	Oct 27	Oct 13	Sep 29	Sep 15	Sep 8
Total Active COVID cases:	90	68	20	14	26	35	41	41
Total recovering COVID cases:	16	13	16	18	21	19	25	18

Total COVID patients in the ICU:	13	16	2	9	7	16	16	19
Total COVID patients on a ventilator:	8	7	1	8	4	11	14	15

NKCH is closely monitoring the increase of COVID cases affecting our community and we continue to ask for all support to encourage those who are unvaccinated to get vaccinated. We will continue to meet the healthcare needs of our community. Thank you.

The full agenda for this meeting with links to critical documents is available on the City's website <u>www.nkc.org</u> under the heading of Agendas and Minutes. As always, additional details about City Council agenda topics are often available as attachments on the City's website <u>www.nkc.org</u> and later as <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z-6WpmTG2Ss</u> part of the approved minutes.