

**#12-R-21**  
**Health Officer Hiring**

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***Date:** 8/4/2021*

***Referred To:** Board of Health*

**WHEREAS,** on August 4, 2021, City of Appleton Mayor Jacob A Woodford put forth new guidance in the City requiring masking in indoor public City facilities; and

**WHEREAS,** the permanent position of Health Officer for the City of Appleton has been vacant since early June, 2021, and the Mayor and city staff were aware of the pending retirement of the previous Health Officer since prior to the first COVID-19 cases in Appleton in early 2020;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Members of the City of Appleton Common Council hereby express their concern that the City has undertaken health initiatives and enacted a public health mandate while the position of Health Officer remains vacant; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Members of the City of Appleton Common Council urge the Mayor to prioritize and expedite the hiring of a Health Officer as quickly and as practicably as possible and prior to enacting or implementing any further COVID-19 guidance or mandates in the City.