

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-34

**A RESOLUTION TO STRONGLY RECOMMEND AND ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS GET ONE OF THE VACCINATIONS APPROVED BY THE FDA EITHER BY FINAL APPROVAL OR EMERGENCY APPROVAL FOR COVID-19.**

**Findings of Fact**

1. The 2019 Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus previously unidentified in humans and which can spread from person to person;

2. The Delta strain of the COVID-19 has caused significant increases in number of COVID-19 cases throughout South Carolina, and these increases have been of particular note in Florence County and the metropolitan area of the City of Florence as evidenced by Exhibit A hereto;

3. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the “CDC”) continues to warn of the high public health threat posed by COVID-19 globally, in the United States, and in South Carolina;

4. There are three (3) vaccination processes that have been developed to prevent COVID-19 which have been approved or authorized by the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) which have been proven to be highly effective in preventing COVID-19 and in reducing the severity of illness if one becomes infected with COVID-19 after being fully vaccinated.

5. That despite widespread availability of the vaccination throughout South Carolina and the Florence area for over six (6) months, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) advises that only fifty (50%) percent of eligible South Carolinians have been fully vaccinated, and the numbers for the Florence area are approximately the same.

6. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the “CDC”) advises that a vaccination rate of 70% to 80% is needed to effectively combat the spread of COVID-19.

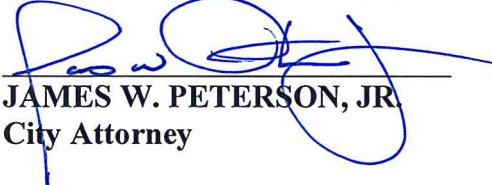
**NOW, THEREFORE, BASED UPON THE FINDINGS OF FACT REFERENCED AND SET OUT ABOVE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA AS FOLLOWS:**

a. The City hereby declares that the emergency situation created by the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic situation continues to exist.

b. The City strongly recommends and encourages all persons eligible to receive one of the FDA approved or authorized vaccines to do so immediately in order to protect you, your family, your neighbors, and you fellow citizens from this extremely dangerous COVID-19 disease.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2021.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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JAMES W. PETERSON, JR.  
City Attorney

  
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TERESA MYERS ERVIN  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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CASEY-C. MOORE  
Municipal Clerk

Cases by Zip Code (numbers are a total of confirmed and probable cases)				
Date	29501	29505	29506	Total
9/4/2021	41	27	30	98
9/5/2021	32	22	15	69
9/6/2021	26	11	9	46
9/7/2021	36	16	9	61
9/8/2021	22	13	9	44
9/9/2021	55	37	23	115
9/10/2021	36	20	11	67
9/11/2021	24	11	6	41
9/12/2021	16	10	7	33
9/13/2021	39	17	13	69
9/14/2021	13	10	13	36
9/15/2021	51	25	20	96
9/16/2021	50	20	21	91
9/17/2021	37	19	14	70
9/18/2021	17	12	13	42

<https://scdhec.gov/covid19/covid-19-data/south-carolina-county-level-data-covid-19>

## Cases & Deaths in Florence County, South Carolina

### 7 Day Moving Averages Sat Sep 04 2021 - Sat, Sep 18th 2021

Use slider to update time series chart



Data through Sun, Sep 19, 2021

#### Total Cases (last 7 days)

Case Rate (last 7 days)

% Change (last 7 days)

948

685.50

3.04

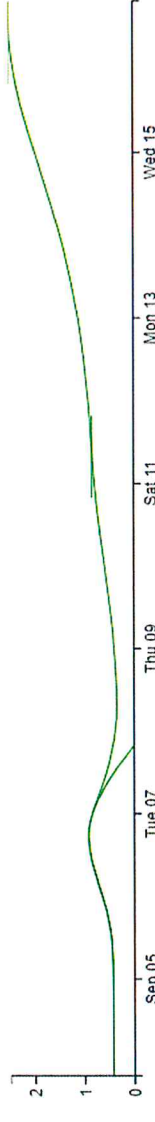
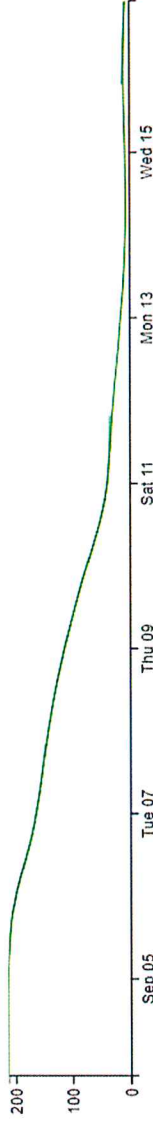
#### Total Deaths (last 7 days)

Death Rate (last 7 days)

% Change (last 7 days)

12

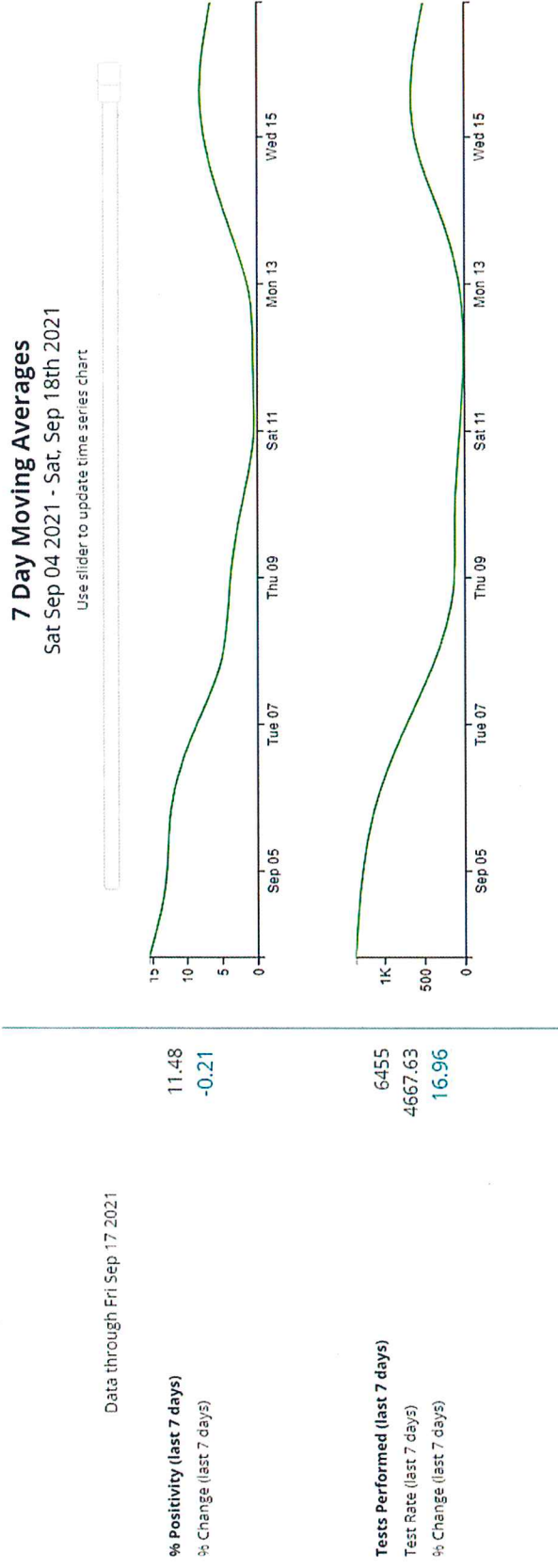
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Data from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view|South%20Carolina|45041|Risk|community\\_transmission\\_level](https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view|South%20Carolina|45041|Risk|community_transmission_level)

## Testing in Florence County, South Carolina



Data from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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