

**ITEM 8 ATTACHMENT
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-1751**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING REMOTE
TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE CALABASAS CITY
COUNCIL PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
54953(e).**

WHEREAS, Government Code section 54953(e), as amended by Assembly Bill No. 361, allows legislative bodies to hold open meetings by teleconference without reference to otherwise applicable requirements in Government Code section 54953(b)(3), so long as the legislative body complies with certain requirements, there exists a declared state of emergency, and one of the following circumstances is met:

1. State or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.
2. The legislative body is holding the meeting for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.
3. The legislative body has determined, by majority vote, pursuant to option 2, that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

WHEREAS, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency pursuant to Government Code section 8625 on March 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a state of emergency pursuant to Calabasas Municipal Code Section 2.44.060 on March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, acting as the Director of Emergency Services proclaimed the existence of a local emergency within the City on the March 16 2020, and issued Executive Orders to protect public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Calabasas ratified the proclamation of a local emergency on March 16, 2020, by adoption of Resolution No. 2020-1672; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager issued several Executive Orders, acting as the Director of Emergency Services under Calabasas Municipal Code section 2.44.060, to protect the public health and safety of persons and property within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Calabasas ratified the previous Executive Orders issued by the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services under the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency on March 25, 2020, May 18, 2020, June 10, 2020, June 24, 2020, August 5, 2020, September 23, 2020, October 14, 2020, November 10, 2020, December 9, 2020, January 27, 2021, March 24, 2021, May 12, 2021, June 23, 2021, August 11, 2021, and September 28, 2021.

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Public Health Officer has issued several orders to protect the public health and safety of persons and property within the County, and

WHEREAS, the Calabasas City Council desires to hold its public meetings by teleconference consistent with Government Code section 54953(e).

WHEREAS, the City will continue to ensure public access to meetings of its legislative bodies pursuant to the relevant sections of the Government Code as it has done throughout the Governor's declaration of a State of Emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CALABASAS CITY COUNCIL OF DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Conditions are Met. The Calabasas City Council hereby finds and declares the following, as required by Government Code section 54953(e)(3):

1. The Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency on March 4, 2020, pursuant to Government Code section 8625, which remains in effect.
2. The legislative body has determined that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.
3. All meetings held pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e) shall comply with the requirements of that section and all other applicable provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code section 54950 et seq.).
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution and shall cause the same to be processed in the manner required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 13th day of October 2021.

James R. Bozajian, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Maricela Hernandez, City Clerk
Master Municipal Clerk
California Professional Municipal Clerk

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