

CITY of CALABASAS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: OCTOBER 28, 2021

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: KINDON MEIK, CITY MANAGER

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SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2021-1760, AUTHORIZING CONTINUED

REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE CALABASAS CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e)

MEETING

DATE: NOVEMBER 10, 2021

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-1760, authorizing continued remote teleconference meetings of the Calabasas City Council and City Commissions pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).

REPORT:

Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361) was signed by the Governor of the State of California on September 16, 2021 and went into effect until October 1, 2021, by Executive Order N-15-21. The Brown Act sets certain restrictions on public agencies holding teleconference meetings. Most notably, public officials attending a meeting virtually must post the agenda in the location they are participating from and allow members of the public to attend the meeting from that space.

AB 361 amends the Brown Act to allow "a local agency to use teleconferencing" during a proclaimed state of emergency without meeting these usual Brown Act teleconference requirements. Under AB 361, the City may continue having meetings

using teleconferencing and virtual meeting technology as long as there is a gubernatorial "proclaimed state of emergency," and either (1) state or local officials imposing or recommending measures that promote social distancing or (2) the legislative body finding that meeting in person would present an imminent safety risk to attendees.

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-1751 on October 13, 2021, finding that the requisite conditions exist for the Calabasas City Council to conduct teleconference meetings under California Government Code Section 54953(e). Determinations by the City Council that the emergency affects the ability to meet safely in person must be renewed every 30 days by passing a resolution.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-1760, authorizing continued remote teleconference meetings of the Calabasas City Council and City Commissions pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)).

ATTACHMENT:

Resolution No. 2021-1760