

CITY of CALABASAS

DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING HYBRID COMMISSION MEETINGS

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Review

- First Zoom Council meeting: April 22, 2020
- Commissions followed on Zoom
- First In-Person/Hybrid Council meeting Oct. 12, 2022
- HYBRID = One of more participants is not in the same location as the others.
- Increased staffing and technology requirements

Commissions Currently:

- No Commissions in person or in a hybrid
- On Zoom fed live through CTV
- Commission meeting is also recorded on Zoom – uploaded to YouTube

Possible Meeting Types:

- Traditional (Pre-Pandemic): Pre-April 2020
- Zoom: Current Commission Meetings Platform
- HYBRID: Some or all Participants in Chambers w/ public either in Chambers or remote

Commissioner Surveys

City Clerk asked preference for In-Person / Virtual / Other

No firm preference

- In-Person = 12
- Virtual = 15
- Other = 3



^{*}Some said stay virtual until any possible winter surge is finished

Staffing Needs

- <u>Traditional (Pre-Pandemic)</u>:
 - Two Communications Staff
- Zoom: Current Commission Meetings Platform
 - Two Communications Staff (or 1 Comms staff + 1 Dept. staff)
- <u>HYBRID</u>: Participants (incl. public) in Chambers or Remote
 - 4 Staff (or 5 if needed)
 - 4 Comms Staff + 1 Dept. Staff (if needed)

Hybrid Meetings

- Running 2 meetings at once
- Everyone in Chambers and at home must be able to see/hear participants and presentations.
- A/V must be seamless





Staffing Costs (total costs):

- Traditional (Pre-Pandemic):
 - 2 Communications Sr. Media Specialists =

- Zoom only:
 - 2 Communications Sr. Media Specialists =



Typical Staffing – Council Hybrid Meeting



Costs (continued)

Hybrid Meeting (total costs):

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– 2 Communications Sr. Media Specialists = $104.54/hr. (1 FT+1PT)
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- + 1 Other Dept. Staff (if needed)\$ xx.xx/hour
- TOTAL: \$248.81/hour (including all costs) + other Dept. Staff \$
- 40 hrs. of meetings = \$9,952.40