

RESOLUTION NO. ____-2023

**RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL
MAKING THE LEGALLY REQUIRED FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TO
AUTHORIZE THE CONDUCT OF REMOTE “TELEPHONIC”
MEETINGS DURING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, pursuant to California Gov. Code Section 8625, the Governor declared a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361, which bill went into immediate effect as urgency legislation; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 added subsection (e) to Gov. Code Section 54953 to authorize legislative bodies to conduct remote meetings provided the legislative body makes specified findings; and

WHEREAS, as of January 4, 2023, the COVID-19 pandemic has killed more than 100,928 Californians; and

WHEREAS, social distancing measures decrease the chance of spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body previously adopted a resolution to authorize this legislative body to conduct remote “telephonic” meetings; and

WHEREAS, Government Code 54953(e)(3) authorizes this legislative body to continue to conduct remote “telephonic” meetings provided that it has timely made the findings specified therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg as follows:

1. This legislative body declares that it has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency declared by the Governor and at least one of the following is true: (a) the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members of this legislative body to meet safely in person; and/or (2) state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember _____, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 9th day of January, 2023, by the following vote:

**AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSED:**

BERNIE NORVELL
Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, MMC
City Clerk