

**RESOLUTION NO. PC \_\_\_-2021**

**RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG PLANNING COMMISSION MAKING THE LEGALLY REQUIRED FINDINGS 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**, on September 29, 2021, the Fort Bragg Planning Commission resolved to hold in-person meetings due to the nature of public hearings for land use matters, while continually monitoring the nature of the threat associated with the emergency; 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 December 7, 2021, the COVID-19 pandemic has killed more than 74,221 Californians; and

**WHEREAS**, social distancing decreases the chance of spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Coren, the Mendocino County Health Officer, has strongly recommended that public bodies continue to meet remotely to the extent possible to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate for this body to make the findings specified in subsection (3)(1) of section 54953, to thereby authorize this body and all of its standing subcommittees to meet remotely;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED** by the Planning Commission of the City of Fort Bragg as follows:

1. This legislative body finds that as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

**The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, and passed and adopted at a special meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 15th day of December, 2021, by the following vote:**

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:  
RECUSED:

ATTEST:

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Jeremy Logan  
Chair

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Sarah Peters  
Administrative Assistant