City of Ukiah / Ukiah Valley Fire District
Ukiah Valley Fire Authority
Fire Executive Committee Special Meeting

AGENDA

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November 10, 2021 - 4:00 PM

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1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITMES

If you wish to speak on a matter that is not on this agenda, you may do so at this time. Please limit your comments to 3 minutes per person and a total of 10 minutes per subject. The Brown Act regulations do not allow action to be taken on audience comments in which the subject is not listed on the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.a. Approval of the Draft Minutes of May 12, 2021, a Regular Meeting

Recommended Action: Approve the Draft Minutes of May 12, 2021, a Regular Meeting.

Attachments:

1. May 12, 2021, FEC Minutes - Draft

4.b. Approval of the Draft Minutes of July 14, 2021, a Regular Meeting.

Recommended Action: Approve the Draft Minutes of July 14, 2021, a Regular Meeting.

Attachments:

1. July 14, 2021, FEC Minutes - Draft

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - DISCUSSION/ACTION

6. NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSSION/ACTION

6.a. Review and Approval of a New Governance Meeting Schedule and Adoption of the Resolution for the Meeting Schedule.

Recommended Action: Approve the New Governance Meeting Schedule and Adoption of the Resolution for the Fire Executive Committee Meetings.

Attachments:

1. UVFD-UVFA Meeting Schedule - Draft
2. Resolution - Draft Governance Meeting Schedule

6.b. Adoption of Resolution of the Fire Executive Committee Teleconferencing Requirements for the Commission Meetings During a Proclaimed State of Emergency Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Recommended Action: Adopt the Resolution of the Fire Executive Committee regarding Teleconferencing Requirements for the Commission Meetings During a Proclaimed State of Emergency Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Attachments:

1. Executive Order N-15-21
2. Draft Resolution for FEC Remote Meetings

7. CHIEFS REPORTS AND VOLUNTEERS REPORT

8. CLOSED SESSION

- Closed Session may be held at any time during the meeting

9. ADJOURNMENT

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I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted at the following locations: Ukiah Valley Fire District Office - 1500 South State Street; City Hall - 300 Seminary Avenue; Ukiah, California, not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting set forth on this agenda.

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Dated: November 5, 2021
Stephanie Abba
Clerk of the Board

UKIAH VALLEY FIRE AUTHORITY
FIRE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Special Meeting Minutes
Meeting held Virtually: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/694742045

May 12, 2021
4:00 p.m.

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1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Fire Executive Committee met for a Special Meeting March 10, 2021 which was legally noticed on March 5, 2021. Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. Roll was taken with the following **Committee Members Present:** Jenifer Bazzani, Pete Bushby, Juan Orozco, and Jim Brown. **Committee Members Absent:** None. **Staff Present:** Doug Hutchison, Fire Chief; Justin Buckingham, Battalion Chief; and Stephanie Abba, Clerk of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Pete Bushby.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements given.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Approval of the Draft Minutes for the March 10, 2021 a Special Meeting and Draft Minutes for the May 15, 2020, a Special Meeting.

Motion Bushby/Brown to approve the Minutes of March 10, 2021, a Special Meeting and approve the Minutes of May 15, 2020 a Special Meeting. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Bushby, Bazzani, Orozco, and Brown. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION

a. Update on Fire District Annexation of the City and Report on Estimated Revenues.
Presenter: Doug Hutchison, Fire Chief.

No public comment was received.

Report Received

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Introduction of Proposed Fire Authority Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022
Presenter: Dan Buffalo, Director of Finance.

First reading of the Preliminary Budget for Ukiah Valley Fire Authority for FY 2021-2022

No public comment was received.

It is the Consensus of the Fire Executive Committee to accept the recommended Budget for 2021/2022 for both agencies and to move forward with the Loan from the City.

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7. CHIEF and VOLUNTEER'S REPORT

Presenter: Doug Hutchison, Fire Chief.

Reports Received.

8. CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session was held.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Stephanie Abba, Clerk of the Board

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UKIAH VALLEY FIRE AUTHORITY
FIRE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Special Meeting Minutes
Meeting held Virtually: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/694742045

July 14, 2021
4:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Fire Executive Committee met for a Special Meeting July 14, 2021 which was legally noticed on July 9, 2021. Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m. Roll was taken with the following **Committee Members Present:** Jenifer Bazzani, Pete Bushby, and Jim O. Brown. **Committee Members Absent:** Juan Orozco. **Staff Present:** Doug Hutchison, Fire Chief; Eric Singleton, Battalion Chief; and Stephanie Abba, Clerk of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements given.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Approval of the Draft Minutes for the May 12, 2021 a Special Meeting.

***Due to lack of quorum the items on the Agenda have been moved to the next regularly scheduled meeting on September 8, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.*

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION

No unfinished business was agendized or received.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Approval of the Fire Executive Committee New Governance Meeting Schedule and Approval of Resolution 2021-1, New Governance Meeting Schedule.

7. CHIEF and VOLUNTEER'S REPORT

Presenter: Doug Hutchison, Fire Chief.

Report Received.

8. CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session was held.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Due to lack of quorum this meeting was adjourned at 4:13 P.M.

Stephanie Abba, Clerk of the Board

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Agenda Item No:6.a.

MEETING DATE/TIME:11/10/2021

AGENDA SUMMARY REPORT

SUBJECT: Review and Approval of a New Governance Meeting Schedule and Adoption of the Resolution for the Meeting Schedule.

DEPARTMENT: Fire **PREPARED BY:** Stephanie Abba, Administrative Secretary

ATTACHMENTS:

1. UVFD-UVFA Meeting Schedule - Draft
2. Resolution - Draft Governance Meeting Schedule

Summary: The Fire Executive Committee (FEC) has changed how many times a year they will hold meetings, the day of the week, and the start time of each meeting. The FEC currently holds meetings on the 2nd Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in the months of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

Background: It has been agreed upon by the Ukiah Valley Fire District Board and Ukiah City Council that a jointly operated Ukiah Valley Fire Service could maximize use of existing resources, create cost containment opportunities, reduce duplication, maintain local control, and continue to deliver, fire, medical, and other emergency services at a high level of service. Duties of the Fire Executive Committee are identified in the Agreement for Shared Management of Fire Departments, which include regular meetings, at least one meeting quarterly. The Agreement also specifies that the Fire District Board and City Council shall jointly meet a minimum of twice a year to review the activities and operation of the Agreement, including a joint review of the annual budget development and a mid-fiscal year review.

Discussion: Review and Discuss the Fire Executive Committee Governance Meeting Schedule, and Approve all necessary changes. The Clerk of the Board suggests a different day for the meetings be selected due to her clerking responsibilities for the Planning Commission. Attachment 1.
Adopt the Resolution for the New FEC Governance Meeting Schedule. Attachment 2.

Recommended Action: Approve the New Governance Meeting Schedule and Adoption of the Resolution for the Fire Executive Committee Meetings.

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED: No

CURRENT BUDGET AMOUNT:

PROPOSED BUDGET AMOUNT:

FINANCING SOURCE:

PREVIOUS CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER NO.:

COORDINATED WITH: Chief Hutchison

Ukiah Valley Fire District and Fire Executive Committee
Governance Meeting Schedule

Attachment 1

Ukiah Valley Fire District 2nd Tuesday at 6pm (151 Laws - Willow County Water District Board Room)	UVFA Fire Executive Committee 2nd Wednesday at 4pm (Conference Center)	Joint UVFD/City Council to be announced (City Chambers)
	January (2nd Wed @ 4pm) Appoint Committee Chairperson Mid-Year Budget Review/Adjustments Goals – Review/Set for Next FY Fleet/Facilities Review	
February (2nd Tues @ 6pm) Measure "B" Annual Report Mitigation Fee Resolution	March (2nd Wed @ 4pm)	
April (2nd Tues @ 6pm)		
	May (2nd Wed @ 4pm) Preliminary Budget/Cost Apportionment	
June (2nd Tues @ 6pm) Preliminary Budget		June (tentative) Budget Approval
August (2nd Tues @ 6pm) Final Budget	July (2nd Wed @ 4pm) Reso-New meeting months/time	
	September (2nd Wed @ 4pm)	
October (2nd Tues @ 6pm) Mitigation Fee Annual Report JPA Review		
	November (2nd Wed @ 4pm) JPA Review	
December (2nd Tues @ 6pm) Election of Officers		December (tentative) JPA Review Mid-Year Fiscal

Fire District Approved: 8/14/2019

Fire Executive Committee Approved: 5/8/19 approved change from Wed to Thurs at 5:30pm due to scheduling conflict for Clerk. 3/10/21 Meetings moved to Wed, No vote.

RESOLUTION 2021-

RESOLUTION OF THE FIRE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ESTABLISHING REGULAR MEETING DATES

WHEREAS, the Fire Executive Committee (FEC) is comprised from representatives of the Ukiah Valley Fire District and the City of Ukiah, who jointly signed a shared services agreement that went into effect July 1, 2017, and established that the FEC shall hold at least one regular meeting each quarter; and

WHEREAS, the FEC held a meeting on November 10, 2021, at which time they adopted this resolution approving new regular meeting dates to be held on the 2nd _____ in the following months: January, March, May, July September, and November; and

WHEREAS, the FEC agreed to continue to have their meetings at 4:00 p.m.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the FEC will meet on the 2nd _____ at 4:00 p.m. in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Fire Executive Committee on the 10th day of November, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Jim O. Brown, Chair

ATTEST:

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Stephanie Abba, Clerk of the Board

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ITEM NO.: 6b.

MEETING DATE: November 10, 2021

AGENDA SUMMARY REPORT

SUBJECT: Authorizing Continued Remote Meetings per Assembly Bill 361

Background: Following the Governor's declaration of a state of emergency in March 2020 due to COVID-19, The Fire Executive Committee (FEC) switched from in-person Committee meetings to fully remote FEC meetings. The transition was authorized by Executive Orders N-25-20, N-29-20, and N-35-20, which collectively modified requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, the State's local agency public meeting law. On June 11, 2021, the Governor issued Executive Order N-08-21 which rescinds the prior executive orders modifying the Brown Act effective September 30, 2021. Attachment 1

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 (AB361), which was signed into order on September 21, 2021, in order for the Fire Executive Committee to continue to conduct its meetings remotely, it must adopt a resolution indicating that a Gubernatorial State of Emergency exists and the Fire Executive Committee has determined, by majority vote, that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, Fire Executive Committee and staff. Attachment 2

Primary Differences

The primary differences between the Governors prior executive orders modifying Brown Act requirements and AB361 are:

- Local agency must allow the public to participate (listen/comment) in the meeting in real time. This means local agencies must clearly advertise the means by which members of the public can observe a public meeting or offer comment during a meeting remotely, via either a call-in or internet-based option. Fire Executive Committee meetings have consistently met this standard by allowing the public to view and comment on agenda items in real time via the GoToMeeting.com platform.

- An individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the local legislative body that requires registration to log in to a teleconference, may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

Fire Executive Committee meetings have consistently met this standard.

At this time, the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency-COVID executed on March 4, 2020, remains in effect. Furthermore, the State Department of Public Health website *"recommends universal mask use/or indoor public settings, regardless of vaccination status."*

To provide the Committee with the greatest flexibility to conduct its business in a safe manner, Staff is recommending the Fire Executive Committee adopt the Resolution that the COVID 19 pandemic state of emergency remains in effect and continuing to allow Fire Executive Committee meetings to be conducted remotely.

Background

The Governors existing Executive Orders (N-25-20, N-29-20, N-35-20) allowing for modifications to the Brown Act to address COVID pandemic concerns terminated on September 30, 2021. These modifications allowed local agencies to conduct remote meetings with minimal restrictions. In response to the continued pandemic health and safety concerns, as well as other potential emergencies such as fires, earthquakes or floods, Assembly Bill 361 (AB361) was signed by the Governor effective October 1, 2021, and allows for local agencies, under specified circumstances, to continue utilizing remote meetings under Brown Act modifications as previously done, provided they adopt a resolution declaring such. The current process can be distilled as follows:

1. An emergency situation arises. The specific nature of the emergency produces an imminent risk to public health and safety (pandemic, fire, floods, earthquakes, etc.)
2. A state of emergency is declared by the Governor (pursuant to §8625} *or* state/local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.
3. A local agency wishes to meet remotely via teleconferencing as a result of the emergency. A meeting notice/agenda are produced and posted, with an agenda item dedicated to consideration of a resolution to transition to teleconferenced meetings.
4. A resolution is passed by majority vote determining that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. **This resolution is valid for 30 days.**
5. 30 days later, if the state of emergency remains active, a local agency may act to ***renew*** its resolution effecting the transition to teleconferenced meetings by passing another resolution which includes findings that legislative body has both***: 1) reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and 2) the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members or the public to meet safely in person.***

Governor's Executive Orders

Starting in March 2020, amid rising concern surrounding the spread of COVID-19 throughout communities in the state, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued a series of Executive Orders aimed at containing the Novel Coronavirus. These Executive Orders (N-25-20, N-29-20, N-35-20) collectively modified certain requirements created by the Ralph M. Brown Act ("the Brown Act"), the state's local agency public meetings law. The orders waived several requirements, including requirements in the Brown Act expressly or impliedly requiring the physical presence of members of the legislative body, the clerk or other personnel of the body, or of the public as a condition of participation in or for the purpose of establishing a quorum for a public meeting. Furthermore, the orders:

- waived the requirement that local agencies provide notice of each teleconference location from which a member of the legislative body will be participating in a public meeting (RETAINED in AB361),
- waived the requirement that each teleconference location be accessible to the public (RETAINED in AB361),
- waived the requirement that members of the public be able to address the legislative body at each teleconference location (NOW REQUIRED by AB361),
- waived the requirement that local agencies post agendas at all teleconference locations, (RETAINED in AB361) and,
- waived the requirement that at least a quorum of the members of the local body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local body exercises jurisdiction, (RETAINED in AB361).

The Brown Act Executive Orders Sunset - September 30, 2021

On June 11, 2021, the Governor issued Executive Order N-08-21 which rescinds the aforementioned modifications made to the Brown Act, effective September 30, 2021. After that date, local agencies must adopt a resolution pursuant to AB361 to continue to conduct remote meetings with modified Brown Act requirements or they are required to observe all the usual Brown Act requirements as they existed prior to the issuance of the orders.

New AB 361 – Flexibility for Remote Open Meetings During a Proclaimed State Emergency

Assembly Bill 361 provides local agencies with the ability to continue to meet remotely under modified Brown Act requirements during proclaimed state emergencies with the adoption of resolution finding that either:

1) Open physical meetings present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; *or*
2) State/local officials recommend/require measures to promote social distancing.

These criteria permit a local agency to schedule a remote meeting to determine whether meeting in-person during the state of emergency would pose imminent risk to the health or safety of attendees. At that remote meeting, a local agency may determine by majority vote that sufficient risks exist to the health or safety of attendees as a result of the emergency and pass a resolution to that effect. These criteria also permit a local agency to meet remotely in the event that there is a state of emergency declaration while state or local officials have recommended or required measures to promote social distancing.

Renewal

AB 361 requires that the renewal of the resolution effecting the transition to the modified Brown Act requirements must be based on findings that the state of emergency declaration remains active, the local agency has thoughtfully reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and the local agency has either identified A) ongoing, direct impacts to the ability to meet safely in-person or B) active social distancing measures as directed by relevant state or local officials.

FISCAL IMPACT:				
Budgeted Amount in 20-21 FY	**New Appropriation Source of Funds (Title & No.)**	**Account Number**	**Budget Amendment Required**	**Previous Contract or Purchase Order No.**
N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes ☐ No ☒	N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S): ***The FEC consider and adopt the Resolution acknowledging that State of Emergency exists and authorizing the use of teleconferenced meetings for a 30-day period after which this Resolution will be reconsidered.***

ALTERNATIVES:

Prepared by/Contact: Stephanie Abba, Clerk of the Board
Presenter: Doug Hutchison, Fire Chief
Attachment: 6b-1 Executive Order N-15-21
Attachment: 6b-2 Resolution 2021-

BOARD ACTION DATE: _____**:** ❑ Approved ❑ Continued to_____❑ Other _____

RECORDS APPROVED: ❑ Agreement: _____❑ Resolution_____ ❑ Ordinance_____

***Note: Please write Agreement No. in upper right corner of agreement when drafted.*

Approved: _____
Doug Hutchison, Fire Chief

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-15-21

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COYID-19; and

WHEREAS on June 11, 2021, I issued Executive Order N-08-21 to roll back certain provisions of my COYID-19-related Executive Orders and to clarify that other provisions remained necessary to help California respond to, recover from, and mitigate the impacts of the COYID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS Paragraph 42 of Executive Order N-08-21 waived and set forth certain requirements related to public meetings of local legislative and state bodies, and specified that it would be valid through September 30; and

WHEREAS on September 16, 2021, I signed into law Assembly Bill 361 (AB361), which pertains to the same subject matter as Paragraph 42 of Executive Order N-08-21, which took effect immediately pursuant to an urgency clause, and which may, in some instances, have different substantive provisions than the provisions contained in Paragraph 42 of Executive Order N-08-21;and

WHEREAS it is necessary to provide clarity around the applicable procedures governing meetings of local legislative and state bodies until Paragraph 42 of Executive Order N-08-21 expires to further mitigate the impacts of the COYID-19 pandemic as the state continues to reopen and to ensure that critical governmental functions are not interrupted.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

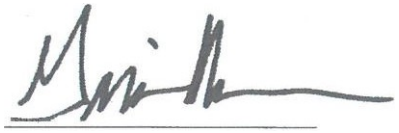
1. The provisions governing teleconference meetings in Education Code section 89305.6, Government Code section 1 1133, and subdivision (e) of Government Code section 54953 are suspended through September 30, 2021, except that any local legislative body that meets to take a majority vote pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision {e) of Government Code section 54953 shall conduct the meeting at which such vote is taken as required by paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Government Code section 54953. Except as otherwise specified in this paragraph, the requirements related to public meetings of local legislative and state bodies specified in Paragraph 42 of Executive Order N-08-21shall continue to govern such meetings through September 30, 2021.

2. This Order shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on October 1, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments and its entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 20th day of September 2021.



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Governor of California

ATTEST:

SHIRLEY N. WEBER, Ph.D.
Secretary of State

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-

RESOLUTION OF THE FIRE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IMPLEMENTING TELECONFERENCING REQUIREMENTS FOR MEETINGS DURING A PROCLAIMED STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS:

1. The Fire Executive Committee is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in meetings of the Fire Executive Committee; and

2. All meetings of Fire Executive Committee are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act, so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch the Fire Executive Committee conduct its business;

3. The Brown Act allows for legislative bodies to hold meetings by teleconference, but imposes specific requirements for doing so; and

4. On March 17, 2020, in order to address the need for public meetings during the present public health emergency, i.e. the COVID-19 Pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order No. N-29-20, suspending the Act's teleconferencing requirements; and

5. On June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order No. N-8-21, continuing the suspension of the Brown Act's teleconferencing requirements through September 30, 2021; and

6. The State Legislature amended the Brown Act through Assembly Bill No. 361 (AB 361) on September 16, 2021; and

7. AB 361, codified in part at Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

8. Such conditions now exist in the County of Mendocino, specifically, the Governor has proclaimed a state of emergency exists for the state of California due to the conditions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact on the health and safety of its residents; and

9. The Delta variant is highly transmissible in indoor spaces, the California Department of Public Health is currently investigating how long vaccine protection lasts, and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends avoiding indoor spaces that do not offer fresh air from the outdoors;

10. Current County health orders impose or measures to promote social distancing due to health and safety concerns; and

11. In accordance with Assembly Bill 361, the Fire Executive Committee does hereby find that as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety

of attendees, Staff, and the Fire Executive Committee. FEC desires to authorize continued remote teleconferenced meetings; and

12. As a consequence of the local emergency, the Fire Executive Committee does hereby find that it shall conduct its meetings without compliance with Government Code § 54953(b)(3), as authorized by § 54953(e), and that it shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed in § 54953(e)(2); and

13. The Fire Executive Committee has taken measures to conduct public meetings via virtual tools that allow its members and members of the public to join and participate in meetings remotely and provide public testimony in the virtual environment and via teleconference.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Fire Executive Committee hereby finds, determines, declares, orders, and resolves as follows:

1. That the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporates them by this reference; and

2. The Governor of the State of California issued a Proclamation of State of Emergency, which remains in effect; and

3. County of Mendocino officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; and

4. Meeting in person would present imminent risk to the health or safety of attendees; and

5. The Fire Executive Committee is authorized to take all steps and perform all actions necessary to execute and implement this Resolution in compliance with Government Code § 54953; and

6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) [Date 30 days from date of adoption of Resolution], or (ii) such time the Fire Executive Committee adopts a subsequent resolution in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which the Fire Executive Committee may continue to teleconference without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of § 54953(b)(3).

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of November, 2021, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

_____
Jim O' Brown, Committee Chair

ATTEST:

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Stephanie Abba, Clerk of the Board