

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Childhood Advisory Council of Santa Cruz County (CAC), a California local governmental agency formed through the passage of AB1241, Ed. Code Sections 8499.3 and 8499.5, conducts its meetings in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Brown Act) under Government Code section 54950 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act requires all public meetings of local agencies to be publicly noticed in locations where members of the local body will be participating, that such location be open and accessible to the public, and at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body must participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local body exercises jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20, temporarily suspending certain teleconference requirements imposed by the Brown Act; and

WHEREAS, the temporary suspension of Brown Act teleconferencing requirements is set to expire on June 30, 2023 pursuant to the Governor's issuance of Executive Order N-08-21; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2021, the Governor signed into law Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361), effective immediately, authorizing a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the Brown Act teleconference requirements for public meetings during a proclaimed state of emergency, and such state of emergency still exists; and

WHEREAS, under AB 361, a local agency may hold a teleconference meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency upon a determination, by majority vote, that as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of California has declared there to be a state of emergency through the end of June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, such findings must be made no later than 30 days after the first teleconferenced meeting pursuant to AB 361, and every 30 days thereafter, in order to continue to meet by teleconference under such abbreviated teleconferencing procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Childhood Advisory of Santa Cruz County find as follows:

The facts stated in the recitals above are true and correct and the **Childhood Advisory Council** so finds, orders, and determines.

The Council hereby resolves and determines that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees, and will continue to hold its meetings by teleconference pursuant to AB 361.

This resolution shall become effective as of September 8, 2022, and shall apply to meetings of the Council and meetings of all standing committees of the **Childhood Advisory Council**.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 8th day of December 8, 2022 by the following vote:

- AYES:
- NAYS:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

Erendira Gurerro, Council Co-Chair

Attest:

Martine Watkins - CAC Member

Date: 12.8.2022

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the Childhood Advisory Council of Santa Cruz County, held on the 8th day of December 8, 2022.

Diane Munoz - CAC Community Organizer