RESOLUTION NO. 2023 -

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BRUNO DECLARING THE CONTINUED STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY AND NEED FOR THE CITY COUNCIL AND OTHER CITY LEGISLATIVE BODIES SUBJECT TO THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT TO CONTINUE TO TELECONFERENCE IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO AB 361

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of California proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in the State of California as a result of the threat of novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Governor of California executed Executive Order N-29-20 which suspended and modified specified provisions in the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code Section § 54950 et seq.) and authorized local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meeting accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and address the local legislative body; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2021, the Governor of California executed Executive Order N-08-21 which extended the provisions of Executive Order N-29-20 concerning teleconference accommodations for public meetings through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Bruno, including its City Council and all other legislative bodies subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act ("Brown Act Bodies") have been holding meetings using teleconferencing and virtual meeting technology in an effort to help protect City officials, City staff and the public from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, due to the increase or steady amount of confirmed COVID-19 cases throughout San Mateo County, the City remains cautious and concerned about the health and safety of all individuals who intend to attend public meetings of the City in person; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, the Governor of California signed into law Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361, Rivas) into law as an urgency measure that went into effect immediately; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 authorizes local legislative bodies to continue to conduct meetings using teleconferencing without complying with the Ralph M. Brown Act's standard teleconferencing requirements if certain conditions are met; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 requires local findings that meeting in person would present an imminent risk to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to continue conducting public meetings of its Brown Act Bodies using teleconferencing as authorized by AB 361.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BRUNO RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The City Council hereby finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct; the recitals are hereby incorporated by reference into each of the findings as though fully set forth therein.
- 2. In compliance with AB 361, the City Council makes the following findings:
 - a. The City Council has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and the state of emergency remains active; and
 - b. The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the City's Brown Act Bodies, as well as staff and members of the public, to meet safely in person; and
- 3. Meetings of the City's Brown Act Bodies will continue to be conducted via teleconference, pursuant to AB 361.
- 4. This resolution will be effective upon adoption.

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I hereby certify that foregoing Resolution No. 2023 - ____ was adopted by the San Bruno City Council at a regular meeting on January 24, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers:

NOES: Councilmembers:

ABSENT: Councilmembers:

Lupita Huerta City Clerk