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SUBJECT: Resolution Regarding Tele/Video-Conference Meetings During the Covid-19 State of Emergency

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a resolution allowing continued use of Tele/Video-conferencing for County public meetings.

SUMMARY: Last week, Governor Newsom signed AB-361 (attached). The legislation, which took effect immediately, provides that local government bodies subject to the Brown Act can continue to use video and/or teleconferencing through December 31, 2023, in the manner that Governor Newsom's executive orders authorized during the COVID-19 pandemic. A public entity can use AB 361's provisions under certain conditions, including when state or local officials have recommended social distancing during a proclaimed state of emergency.

The Director of Health & Human Services has recommended that the County continue to use social distancing to enhance safety at public meetings. Your Board may wish to consider transitioning to hybrid (onsite and remote) board meetings when the Marin County new COVID-19 daily case rate declines to less than 7 per 100,000 residents. At the time of submission, Marin's case rate stood at 9.2 per 100,000 residents.

The proposed resolution would provide the County Board of Supervisors, and all subsidiary County boards and commissions, with the option to continue to use video- and/or teleconferencing when appropriate while the state proclamation of emergency remains in place. The proposed resolution does not require that Your Board (or any other County board/commission) continue holding teleconference meetings.

FISCAL IMPACT: There will be no impact to the General Fund from this action.

Respectfully submitted,

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County Administrator

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