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2 **RESOLUTION 21-02 OF ANTELOPE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING ADVISORY**
3 **COMMITTEE (AVRPAC) AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE**
4 **MEETINGS FOR THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 3, 2022,**
5 **THROUGH MARCH 5, 2022, PURSUANT TO AB 361**

6 **WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of State of
Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which Proclamation remains in effect; and

7 **WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20,
8 modifying the teleconferencing rules set forth in the California Open Meeting law, Government
Code section 54950 et seq. (the “Brown Act”), subject to compliance with certain requirements;
9 and

10 **WHEREAS**, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21,
11 providing that the modifications would remain in place through September 30, 2021; and

12 **WHEREAS**, on September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361, providing that
13 a legislative body subject to the Brown Act may continue to meet under modified
14 teleconferencing rules if the meeting occurs during a proclaimed state of emergency and state or
local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the Local Health Officer and the Director of Mono County Public Health
16 have recommended that measures be implemented to promote social distancing, including the
17 holding of virtual meetings of legislative bodies within the County of Mono, a copy of that
18 recommendation is attached as an exhibit and incorporated herein; and

19 **WHEREAS**, in the interest of public health and safety, and in response to the local
20 recommendation for measures to promote social distancing, the AVRPAC (the “Legislative
21 Body”) deems it necessary to invoke the provisions of AB 361 related to teleconferencing;

22 **NOW, THEREFORE, THE LEGISLATIVE BODY FINDS AND RESOLVES** that:

23 **SECTION ONE:** The recitals set forth above are true and correct and are adopted as
findings of the AVRPAC.

24 **SECTION TWO:** The AVRPAC has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of
25 Emergency.

26 **SECTION THREE:** State or local officials have recommended measures to promote
27 social distancing, including the holding of virtual meetings for legislative bodies within the
28 County of Mono that are subject to the Brown Act.

29 **SECTION FOUR:** Meetings of the AVRPAC shall be held 100% virtually through
30 February 6, 2022.

31 **SECTION FIVE:** Staff is directed to return to the Legislative Body no later than thirty
32 (30) days after the adoption of this resolution, or at the next meeting of the Legislative Body, if
later, for the Legislative Body to consider whether to again make the findings required to meet
under the modified teleconference procedures of AB 361.

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 3rd day of February, 2022, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

AVRPAC Chair



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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Bryan Wheeler, Director of Public Health

Re: Recommendation regarding Social Distancing and Virtual Meetings

Both Mono County “covering” Health Officer Dr. Rick Johnson and I strongly recommend that physical/social distancing measures continue to be practiced throughout our Mono County communities, including at meetings of the Board of Supervisors and other County-related legislative bodies subject to the Brown Act, to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

Whether vaccinated or not, positive individuals are contracting the Delta variant and infecting others in our communities. Social distancing and masking are crucial mitigation measures to prevent the disease’s spread. Virtual board meetings allow for the participation of the community, county staff, presenters, and board members in a safe environment, with no risk of contagion. It is recommended that legislative bodies in Mono County implement fully-remote meetings to the extent possible.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please do not hesitate to contact me. We will continue to evaluate this recommendation on an ongoing basis and will communicate when there is no longer such a recommendation with respect to meetings for public bodies.