## RESOLUTION NO.

## A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING CONTINUED REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF ALL CITY OF GLENDALE LEGISLATIVE BODIES FOR AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY DAYS IN ACCORDANCE WITH AB 361

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Glendale is committed to preserving and fostering public access and participation in meetings of the Council, and all City of Glendale "legislative bodies" as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code §§ 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend and participate as the bodies conduct the public's business; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, as amended by Assembly Bill No. 361 ("AB 361"), makes special provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings when the Governor has declared a state of emergency pursuant to Government Code section 8625, and either state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or the state of emergency directly impacts the ability of legislative body members to meet safely in person; and

WHEREAS, such conditions now exist in the City of Glendale. Specifically, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency with regard to the COVID-19 pandemic ("State of Emergency"). Los Angeles County Health Officer has issued numerous Health Orders regarding safety protocols during the COVID-19 pandemic, most recently dated September 28, 2021. Pasadena's Health Officer has also issued numerous Health Orders regarding safety protocols during the COVID-19 pandemic, including a June 14, 2021 Order To Comply With California Department Of Public Health Guidance For The Use Of Face Coverings And Select Sector Guidances And Public Health Protocols (which, among other orders, requires physical distancing of at least 6 feet) and a July 21, 2021 Order For Wearing Of Face Masks In Public Settings (requiring face masks be worn, regardless of vaccination status, in all indoor public settings). These latest orders were made necessary by the rise in the more contagious and easily spread Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus throughout the nation, and specifically in the Los Angeles County region. State and local health orders also continue to promote social distancing and outdoor activity to the extent feasible; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the current situation with regard to COVID-19, and particularly the Delta variant, is causing, and will continue to cause, risks to the safety of persons within the City of Glendale and finds that the Council and all City of Glendale legislative bodies, including the Council, Successor Agency, Housing Authority, all boards, commissions and committees, and all legislative bodies established by the Council shall conduct their meetings with remote participation in the manner authorized by Government Code § 54953(e), and such legislative bodies shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed in Government Code § 54953(e)(2);

WHEREAS, the Council adopted Resolution No. 21-167 making the findings set forth above and authorizing remote teleconference meetings for the Council and the City's boards, commissions and committees in accordance with AB 361 for a period of 30 days.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Glendale, California as follows: Section 1. <u>Recitals</u>. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Findings. The Council finds:

- A. It has reconsidered the circumstance of the State of Emergency, which is still in effect;
- B. The State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the City's legislative bodies (and the members of the public who would wish to attend) to meet safely in person; and
- C. State and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Section 2. <u>Remote Teleconference Meetings</u>. The Council and all City of Glendale legislative bodies, including the Council, Successor Agency, Housing Authority, all boards, commissions and committees, and all legislative bodies established by the Council, shall conduct their meetings with remote participation in the manner authorized by Government Code § 54953(e), and such legislative bodies shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed in Government Code § 54953(e)(2).

Section 3. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of December 16, 2021, or such time as the Council adopts a subsequent resolution in accordance with Government Code § 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which meetings may continue to be held remotely by teleconference in compliance with that section.

Adopted this	day of	, 2021.
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Mayor
ATTEST:

City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
I, Aram Adjemian, City Clerk of the City of Glendale, certify that the foregoing
Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_\_ was adopted by the Council of the City of Glendale,
California, at a regular meeting held on the \_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, by the
following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

City Clerk