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MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Supervisors
Other Boards and Commissions

From: Minh C. Tran, County Executive Officer
Karen Relucio, M.D., Public Health Officer

Date: September 27, 2021

Re: Recommendation for Continued Remote
Attendance at Brown Act Meetings

Executive Order N-08-21 issued by Governor Newsom allows legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and make meetings accessible electronically through September 30, 2021, without violating the Brown Act. Effective, October 1, 2021, AB 361 will allow local legislative bodies to continue to allow remote meetings during a proclaimed state of emergency, if “state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.”

Because the State of California has continued to permit remote attendance at boards and commission meetings, the Napa County Executive Officer and Public Health Officer jointly recommend that this practice be permitted by all boards and commissions that may prefer to continue meeting remotely, in whole or in part, in order to help minimize the spread and transmission of COVID-19. According to 8 CCR 3205(c)(5)(D) of the Cal/OSHA regulations, “the fact that particles containing the virus can travel more than six feet, especially indoors, so physical distancing, face coverings, increased ventilation indoors, and respiratory protection decrease the spread of COVID-19 but are most effective when used in combination.”