## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-62**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE MAKING THE LEGALLY REQUIRED FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TO AUTHORIZE THE CONDUCT OF REMOTE "TELEPHONIC" MEETINGS DURING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, pursuant to California Gov. Code Section 8625, the Governor declared a state of emergency stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic ("Emergency"); and

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361, which bill went into immediate effect as urgency legislation; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 added subsection (e) to Government Code Section 54953 to authorize legislative bodies to conduct remote meetings provided the legislative body makes specified findings; and

WHEREAS, as of September 19, 2021, the COVID-19 pandemic has killed more than 67,612 Californians; and

WHEREAS, social distancing measures decrease the chance of spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body previously adopted a resolution to authorize this legislative body and all other subordinate legislative bodies of the City to conduct remote "telephonic" meetings; and

WHEREAS, Government Code 54953(e)(3) authorizes legislative bodies of the City to continue to conduct remote "telephonic" meetings provided that the City has timely made the findings specified therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Clearlake as follows:

1. This legislative body declares that it has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency declared by the Governor and at least one of the following is true: (a) the state of emergency, continues to directly impact the ability of the members of this legislative body and all subordinate legislative bodies of the City to meet safely in person; and/or (2) state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2021 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT:

Dirk Slooten, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Swanson, City Clerk