City of Grass Valley
City Council
Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Assembly Bill 361 Resolution

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: Adopt resolution R2023-02 authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the City Council and other legislative bodies of the City pursuant to government code section 54953(e)

Prepared by: Taylor Day, Deputy City Clerk

Council Meeting Date: 1/24/2023   **Date Prepared**: 1/20/2023

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: On March 4, 2020, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency pursuant to government code section 8625. Assembly Bill 361 went into effect October 1st, 2021, it allows legislative bodies to hold public meetings by teleconference without reference to otherwise applicable requirements in the Government Code section 54953(b)(3). The option for teleconferencing is allowed so long as the legislative body complies with certain requirements, there exists a declared state of emergency, and one of the following circumstances is met: 1) State or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing. 2) The legislative body (City Council) is holding the meeting for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. 3) The legislative body (City Council) has determined, by majority vote, that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. This action will allow City Council and all other legislative bodies to continue with virtual meetings as has been done throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Live streamed meetings will continue to be available via the City's website, as will the option to leave public comments in real time via voicemail or email.

Council Goals/Objectives: Approval of AB 361 Resolution executes portions of City Strategic Goal **#6:** Public Safety. The City of Grass Valley is devoted to providing a safe Place to Live, Work and Play.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Funds Available: N/A   **Account #:** N/A

Reviewed by: __ City Manager

Attachments: R2023-02