CAC RESOLUTION NO. 22-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF CLOVIS AUTHORIZING CONTINUED USE OF REMOTE COMMITTEE MEETINGS DURING DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953 (AB 361)

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of California declared a state of emergency in the State as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 20-20 approved by the Clovis City Council on March 16, 2020, the City Council declared a local emergency as a result of the threatened spread of COVID-19 in the City, surrounding areas, and the state; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, with the issuance of Executive Order N-29-20, the Governor suspended certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act in order to allow local legislative bodies to conduct meetings telephonically or by other remote means; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2021, the Governor issued Executive Order N-08-21, which placed an end date of September 30, 2021, for agencies to meet remotely; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 was enacted on September 16, 2021, enacting certain changes to the Brown Act for teleconferencing and remote participation at public meetings as set forth in Government Code Section 54953; and

WHEREAS, neither the state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, nor the state of emergency declared by the Clovis City Council on March 16, 2020, has been rescinded and the state of emergency remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has determined that teleconferencing from remote locations by the public and members of the Committee will not limit attendance or participation of members of the public or Committee members at Committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, On January 26, 2022, the Committee approved CAC Resolution No. 22-01 authorizing remote teleconferencing for Committee meetings in accordance with Government Code Section 54953 as amended by AB 361; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 54953, as amended by AB 361, requires the Committee to make certain findings every 30 days after approving CAC Resolution No. 22-01 in order to continue with remote teleconferencing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF CLOVIS RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Committee has reconsidered the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of emergency and finds that the following circumstance exist:

A. The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members of the public and Committee members to meet safely in person; and

2. This Resolution shall be effective immediately and a similar resolution shall be a standing item on Committee meeting agendas each month to reconsider the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of emergency and determine whether the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members of the public or Committee members to meet safely in person, or whether state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, until the necessary findings required for continuing remote teleconferencing are no longer approved by the Committee.

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The foregoing resolution was duly and regularly approved at a meeting of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on February 23, 2022, by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Chair Chris Casado, Vice-Chair Greg Newman, Enrique Avila, Stephanie Babb, Karen Bak, Adriana Boyajian, Stacey Brinkley, Lauren Butler, Karen Chisum, Noha Elbaz, Eulalio Gomez, Thomas Klose, Drew Mosher, Diane Pearce, David Samarco, LaDonna Snow, Jacob Ulam, Woua Vang, Jim Verros, Jay Virk, Rachel Youdelman

NOES:

ABSENT: Elba Gomez, Kintutu Kilabi, Chris Milton, Blake Zante

ABSTAIN:

DATED: February 23, 2022 Chair

Clerk