

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL WASTEWATER AUTHORITY MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATING TO THE EXISTING STATE OF EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND DETERMINING AS A RESULT OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY THAT BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS SHALL BE HELD BY TELECONFERENCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E)

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor issued a proclamation of a state of emergency pursuant to Government Code Section 8625, relating to the respiratory illness known as COVID-19, which is caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's proclamation remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the existence of a pandemic due to the global spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Director of Emergency Services issued a proclamation declaring the existence of a local emergency within the City of Gilroy relating to COVID-19, and on March 16, 2020, the City Council adopted a resolution ratifying the declaration of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, since August 2, 2021, an order of the Santa Clara County Public Health Officer has been in effect requiring the use of face coverings indoors by all persons. Although that order was rescinded as of March 2, 2022, the County still strongly recommends wearing masks in indoor public spaces; and

WHEREAS, despite progress in addressing the pandemic, not all eligible individuals are fully vaccinated, and new variants of the SARS-CoV-2 virus are spreading in California and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, as of June 27, 2022, the Santa Clara County Public Health Department reported that the County has had 378,477 reported cases of COVID-19, and 2,329 residents of the County have died of the illness; and

WHEREAS, as of June 27, 2022, the Santa Clara County Public Health Department reported a seven-day rolling average of 961 new COVID-19 cases per day; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Morgan Hill plans to continue to meet virtually at least through the month of June, 2022; and

WHEREAS, AB 361, which was signed into law on September 16, 2021, amended Government Code Section 54953 to authorize local legislative bodies to determine by resolution

to conduct meetings by teleconferencing during proclaimed public health emergencies, and any such resolution must be reaffirmed every thirty (30) days to continue in effect.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of SCRWA adopted resolutions similar to this one on Feb. 2, 2022, and May 4, 2022, authorizing virtual meetings of the SCRWA Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL WASTEWATER AUTHORITY (the “Board”) THAT

1. The Board finds that the foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. Beginning on the date of the adoption of this Resolution, the Board shall meet by teleconferencing. Such meetings shall be conducted according to the requirements set forth in Government Code Section 54953(e)(2).
3. This resolution shall be of no further force and effect on the 31st day following the adoption of this resolution, unless prior to that date the Board reconsiders this resolution and finds that either of the following circumstances exists:
 - a. The state of emergency relating to COVID-19 continues to directly impact the ability of the members of the Board and of the public to meet safely in person; or
 - b. State or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.

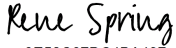
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of July, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS: SPRING, TOVAR, BLANKLEY, BRACCO, MCKAY

NOES: DIRECTORS:

ABSENT: DIRECTORS:

APPROVED:

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 Chairperson

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 Gina Bonnell, Deputy Secretary