



MONTEREY COUNTY EMS AGENCY EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE AGENDA



Special Meeting-AB 361/Remote Meeting Status
Wednesday, February 8, 2023
9:00 A.M. to 9:15 A.M.

Monterey County Emergency Medical Services Agency
1441 Schilling Place, Salinas, CA 93901

Meeting to be held remotely through Zoom

Zoom attendance information is attached

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

II. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider finding, pursuant to AB 361 and in order for the Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) to continue meeting remotely, that the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom is still in effect; the EMCC has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency; and the Monterey County Health Officer continues to recommend social distancing measures for meetings of the legislative bodies.-*Action*

III. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled EMCC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. Room and Zoom information will follow.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Attachments:

1. Zoom meeting information
2. AB 361 and Remote Meeting Requirements-Staff Report

If you have difficulty accessing the meeting, please contact Steve Brooks, EMS Analyst, at BrooksSP@co.monterey.ca.us or (831) 682-3542.

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When: *Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 09:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)*

Topic: Monterey County EMS – Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC)

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COUNTY OF MONTEREY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Elsa Mendoza Jimenez, Director of Health

Administration Animal Services Behavioral Health Clinic Services
Emergency Medical Services Environmental Health Public Administrator/Public Guardian Public Health

Date: February 8, 2023
To: Monterey County EMS Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC)
From: Susan K. Blicht, Chief Assistant County Counsel
Regarding: AB 361 and Remote Meeting Requirements

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) find, pursuant to AB 361, that the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom is still in effect; the EMCC has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency; and the Monterey County Health Officer continues to recommend social distancing measures for meetings of legislative bodies.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361. This legislation amends the Brown Act to allow meeting bodies subject to the Brown Act to meet via teleconference during a proclaimed state of emergency in accordance with teleconference procedures established by AB 361 rather than under the Brown Act's more narrow standard rules for participation in a meeting by teleconference. AB 361 provides that if a state or local health official recommends social distancing, the EMCC may meet remotely after September 30, 2021, provided that within 30 days of the first meeting after September 30, and every 30 days thereafter, the EMCC finds 1) the Governor's proclaimed state of emergency is still in effect; 2) the EMCC has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and 3) the Monterey County Health Officer continues to recommend social distancing measures for meetings of legislative bodies or the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet in person.

The Monterey County Health Officer has recommended social distancing measures for meetings of legislative bodies, so the EMCC was able to meet remotely the first time after September 30, 2021. In order to continue meeting remotely, the EMCC must make the findings outlined above.

Accordingly, staff recommends making the appropriate findings. This action will be required every 30 days in order to keep meeting remotely; a special meeting may be necessary for that purpose.