RESOLUTION NO. 2022-

RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY, CALIFORNIA, MAKING THE FINDINGS REQUIRED BY AB 361 TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES TO NOVEMBER 14, 2022

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic and local and state emergencies have been declared providing reprieve from certain public meeting laws such as the Brown Act; and

WHEREAS, beginning March 2020, California Governor Newsom executed Executive Order N-29-20 including additional updates as the pandemic progressed and extending into 2021. The most recent Executive Order N-08-21, issued June 11, 2021 waived all physical presence requirements under the Ralph M. Brown Act as a means of limiting the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order N-08-21 expired on September 30, 2021. The date was predicted as a time when hopes were that agencies could begin to transition back to public meetings held in full compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, California Governor Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill (AB) 361, which extends the authority of public agencies to conduct meetings by teleconference, including video conference, while the state of emergency resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and accompanying recommendations for social distancing remain in place; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2021, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-147 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2021, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-164 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2021, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-183 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-01 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-11 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-31 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on April 5, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-47 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-74 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-85 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-100 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-119 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days.

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-130 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days.

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2022, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-136 declaring findings to continue to teleconference for an additional 30 days.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Makes the findings required by AB 361 to continue teleconference meetings of the Legislative Body and its appointed Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

Section 2. Makes the findings that the City of National City meets the requirements to continue holding meetings remotely in order to ensure the health and safety of its staff and the public:

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall certify the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 4th day of October 2022.

Alejandra Sotelo-Solis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Luz Molina, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Barry J. Schultz, Interim City Attorney