

#### FRESNO COUNTY ZOO AUTHORITY

#### **AGENDA**

9:00 AM, Wednesday, October 27, 2021

To Be Held Via Zoom

Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association 7772 N. Palm Ave. Fresno, CA 93711 (559) 457-0681

#### \*SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DUE TO COVID-19\*

Due to the current Shelter-in-Place Order covering the State of California and Social Distance Guidelines issued by Federal, State, and Local Authorities, the Zoo Authority is implementing the following changes for attendance and public comment at all Board meetings until notified otherwise. The Board room will not be open to the public. Any member of the public and the Zoo Authority Board may participate from a remote location by teleconference. 15 minutes will be allotted for the public comment period, and a maximum of 15 minutes (three minutes per person) following each agenda item. If no members of the public immediately speak following each agenda item, five minutes will be allotted to provide sufficient time for members of the public to do so.

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- 1. Call to Order
- Roll Call
- 3. Approve Agenda
- 4. Public Comments

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction that are not on the Agenda. Attention is called to the fact that the Board is prohibited from taking any action on matters that are not on the Agenda. Members of the public are limited to three minutes to speak during Public Comments as well as for each item on the agenda. Before beginning comments, please state for the record your name and affiliation, if any. If no members of the public immediately speak during this time, 15 minutes will be allotted to provide sufficient time for members of the public to do so.

- 5. Approve and adopt resolution acknowledging the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency, and finding that the proclaimed State of Emergency, and conditions causing imminent risk to attendees, including widespread local transmission of COVID-19, the presence of the highly transmissible COVID-19 Delta variant, limited availability of intensive care and hospital beds in local hospitals, and relatively confined Board meeting space, which restricts social distancing, have caused, and will continue to cause, conditions of peril to the safety of persons attending Board meetings of the Fresno County Zoo Authority, and authorizing the Fresno County Zoo Authority to conduct its Board meetings without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54953, as authorized by subdivision (e) of section 54953, provided that Fresno County Zoo Authority shall comply with all requirements of Government Code section 54953 to provide the public with access to all Board meetings.
- 6. Approve and adopt the 2022 Zoo Authority regular board meeting calendar, as outlined in Attachment A.
- 7. Approve next meeting date

Dates include:

Wednesday, November 24, 2021 Wednesday, December 29, 2021

- 8. Receive staff reports
- 9. Chair's comments
- 10. Board Member comments
- 11. Adjourn

All supporting documentation is available for public review in the office of the Fresno County Zoo Authority, 2281 Tulare Street, Room 304, Fresno, 93721, during regular business hours.

For further information, please contact Ronald Alexander, Zoo Authority Coordinator, at 600-1710, email <a href="mailto:zooauthority@co.fresno.ca.us">zooauthority@co.fresno.ca.us</a>, or visit <a href="www.zooauthority.org">www.zooauthority.org</a>. Requests for disability-related modification or accommodation needed in order to participate in the meeting must be made to the Zoo Authority Coordinator no later than 9:00 a.m. on the day prior to the meeting.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5**



DATE: October 27, 2021

TO: Fresno County Zoo Authority Board

FROM: Ron Alexander, Zoo Authority Board Coordinator

SUBJECT: AB 361 Resolution

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve and adopt resolution acknowledging the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency, and finding that the proclaimed State of Emergency, and conditions causing imminent risk to attendees, including widespread local transmission of COVID-19, the presence of the highly transmissible COVID-19 Delta variant, limited availability of intensive care and hospital beds in local hospitals, and relatively confined Board meeting space, which restricts social distancing, have caused, and will continue to cause, conditions of peril to the safety of persons attending Board meetings of the Fresno County Zoo Authority, and authorizing the Fresno County Zoo Authority to conduct its Board meetings without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54953, as authorized by subdivision (e) of section 54953, provided that Fresno County Zoo Authority shall comply with all requirements of Government Code section 54953 to provide the public with access to all Board meetings.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Resolution

# BEFORE THE BOARD OF THE FRESNO COUNTY ZOO AUTHORITY

#### FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of	)
THE FRESNO COUNTY ZOO AUTHORITY	Resolution No. 21-001
ACKNOWLEDGING THE PROCLAMATION OF A	, )
STATE OF EMERGENCY BY GOVERNOR'S	)
ORDER, DATED MARCH 4, 2020, AND	)
AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE	)
BOARD MEETINGS OF THE FRESNO COUNTY	)
ZOO AUTHORITY FOR THE PERIOD OF	)
OCTOBER 27, 2021 THROUGH	)
NOVEMBER 26, 2021, PURSUANT TO BROWN	)
ACT PROVISIONS.	)
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WHEREAS, the Fresno County Zoo Authority is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in Board meetings of the Fresno County Zoo Authority; and

WHEREAS, all Board Meetings of the Fresno County Zoo Authority are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board conduct its business; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition is that a state of emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to Government Code section 8625, proclaiming the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the state caused by conditions as described in Government Code section 8558; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation is made when there is an actual incident, threat of disaster, or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the jurisdictions that are within the State's boundaries, caused by natural, technological, or human-caused disasters; and

WHEREAS, it is further required that state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or, the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, such conditions now exist in the State, specifically, Governor Gavin Newsom has declared a State of Emergency, due to the outbreak of novel coronavirus COVID-19 in the State of California: and

WHEREAS, because COVID-19 transmission continues to be widespread in Fresno County, the COVID-19 Delta variant is highly transmissible, and may cause more severe illness,

local hospitals currently have few available intensive care and hospital beds, and the meeting space of the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board is a relatively confined space, which restricts social distancing, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board does hereby find that the proclaimed State of Emergency, and conditions causing imminent risk to attendees have caused, and will continue to cause, conditions of peril to the safety of persons attending Board meetings of the Fresno County Zoo Authority, and desires to acknowledge the proclamation of the state of emergency by the Governor of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the state emergency, the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board does hereby find that the Fresno County Zoo Authority shall conduct its Board meetings without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54953, as authorized by subdivision (e) of section 54953, and that the Fresno County Zoo Authority shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to its Board meetings, as prescribed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of section 54953; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Zoo Authority shall conduct teleconference Board meetings in a manner that protects the statutory and constitutional rights of the parties and the public appearing before the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board, including, but not limited to: Fresno County Zoo Authority shall continue to give notice of the meeting and post agendas, use Zoom for its remote Board meetings, comply with the required comment periods for the public attending its meetings remotely, not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting, and if the Fresno County Zoo Authority experiences any technical difficulties transmitting the Board meeting, or allowing real-time comments during a Board meeting, the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board shall take no further actions until those problems are resolved.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE FRESNO COUNTY ZOO AUTHORITY BOARD DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct, and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Acknowledgement of Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency. The Fresno County Zoo Authority Board hereby acknowledges the Governor of the State of California's Proclamation of State of Emergency, effective as of its issuance date of March 4, 2020.

Section 3. Description of Imminent Risk. The Fresno County Zoo Authority Board does hereby find that the proclaimed State of Emergency, and conditions causing imminent risk to attendees, as described above, have caused, and will continue to cause, conditions of peril to the safety of persons attending Board meetings of the Fresno County Zoo Authority.

Section 4. Remote Teleconference Meetings. The staff and Board of the Fresno County Zoo Authority are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution, including conducting open and public Board meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e), and all other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

Section 5. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) November 26, 2021, or such time the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board adopts a subsequent resolution in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which the Fresno County Zoo Authority Board may continue to teleconference without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 54953.

PASSED	) AND ADOPTED	by the Fresno	County Zoo	Authority B	oard this 27th	day of October,
2021, by	the following vote	e:		•		•

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Paul A. Toste, DVM Chairman Fresno County Zoo Authority Board

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6**



DATE: October 27, 2021

TO: Fresno County Zoo Authority Board

FROM: Ronald Alexander, Zoo Authority Board Coordinator

SUBJECT: 2022 Board Meeting Calendar

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve and adopt the 2022 Zoo Authority regular board meeting calendar as outlined in Attachment A.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The Fresno County Zoo Authority holds regular meetings at the Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association, 7772 N. Palm Avenue, Fresno, California. Meetings are regulated and scheduled in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. The Chairman is authorized to schedule special meetings and cancel regularly scheduled meetings in accordance with applicable laws.

Attached is the proposed 2022 board meeting calendar. The calendar includes 12 regular board meetings, which are typically held the last Wednesday of each month. Approval and adoption of the 2022 schedule of regular meetings will establish the official 2022 board meeting calendar.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – 2022 Regular Meeting Schedule

## 2022

### FRESNO COUNTY ZOO AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING CALENDAR



## **Regular Meeting**



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