



**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
BOARD OF MADERA COUNTY**

**SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA**

**January 13, 2022
8:15 a.m.**

Meeting will be held as a
Teleconference Meeting
Workforce Assistance Center
2037 W. Cleveland Avenue, Madera, CA 93637, 559-662-4589

Per California Assembly Bill 361, which allows local and state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, this regular meeting will be held via conference call and can be accessed as follows: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85987361886?pwd=WUF4T3FQZTVnVTdVdkI4V2o0bFc5dz09>
Please call: 1-669-900-9128; Meeting ID: 859 8736 1886; Password: 464350.

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If a quorum of the Workforce Development Board is not present at the time of the meeting BUT a quorum of the Workforce Development Board Executive Committee IS present, an Executive Committee board meeting will be conducted in place of the Workforce Development Board.

This agenda and supporting documents relating to the items on this agenda are available through the Workforce Development Board website at <http://www.maderaworkforce.org/workforce-board-meetings/>. These documents are also available at the Madera County Workforce Assistance Center – office of the Executive Director. The Workforce Development Board is an equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request.

ELECTRONIC MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

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- We highly recommend use of the Zoom client app, as this tool greatly enhances the attendee's experience and provides readily accessible controls.
- Remain muted until speaking and mute again when finished speaking.
- Ensure your name shows on your connection.
- Votes will be facilitated with a roll call.
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- Please avoid having both computer audio and phone audio activated as this can cause sound problems.
- If connecting via phone only, *6 will toggle mute/unmute.
- Public comments will only be taken when a hand is raised. On the phone-only connection, *9 raises the hand. You must be recognized by the presiding officer of the meeting before speaking.



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1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Additions to the Agenda

Items identified after preparation of the Agenda for which there is a need to take immediate action. Two-thirds vote required for consideration (Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2))

3.0 Public Comment

This time is made available for comment from the public on matters within the Board's jurisdiction but not appearing on the agenda. The Board will not take action on any items presented under public comment. The comment period will be limited to 15 minutes.

4.0 Introductions and Recognitions

5.0 Adoption of Board Agenda

6.0 Consent Items

6.1 Consideration to reaffirm Resolution 2021-01 authorizing remote teleconferencing for the period of January 16,2022 through February 14, 2022 in accordance with Assembly Bill 361.

11.0 Next Meeting

To be determined.

12.0 Adjournment

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF MADERA COUNTY

ADOPTING FINDINGS THAT THERE IS A PROCLAIMED STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THAT MEETING IN PERSON POSES IMMINENT HEALTH AND SAFETY RISKS TO ATTENDEES AND AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS FOR THE BOARD FOR THE PERIOD OF January 16, 2022 through February 14, 2022

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency in the State of California; and

WHEREAS in light of ongoing concerns about public health and safety, on March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20, which suspended certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (the “Brown Act”) in order to allow local government bodies to conduct open meetings safely during the coronavirus pandemic. On June 11, 2021, the Governor issued Executive Order N-08-21, extending the suspension of these provisions to allow local government bodies to continue to conduct their meetings remotely through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2021, the Legislature took additional action to allow local agencies to forego compliance with the Brown Act teleconferencing requirements under specific circumstances after the expiration of the Governor’s order by adopting AB 361, which amends the Brown Act’s requirements for teleconferencing during a proclaimed state of emergency and when certain other conditions are met and certain findings are made. Because the bill contained an urgency clause, it took effect upon Governor Newsom’s signature on September 16, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, as amended, allows local agencies to make an initial determination to hold open meetings via teleconferencing when there is a proclaimed state of emergency and any of the following circumstances exist:

1. State or local officials have imposed or recommended social distancing

2. The local agency holds a meeting for the purposed of determining by majority vote if meeting in person would pose imminent health and safety risks to attendees
3. The local agency holds a meeting after having determined by majority vote that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would pose imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

The local agency must reconsider whether the state of emergency continues to impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person or whether local or state officials continue to impose or recommend social distancing every 30 days; and

WHEREAS the rates of transmission of COVID-19 and variants, and to protect the health and safety of the public, the Workforce Development Board (WDB) of Madera County wishes to take the actions necessary to comply with the Brown Act, as amended and to continue to hold its Board meetings remotely via teleconference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the WDB hereby finds that pursuant to the Governor's State of Emergency Declaration, issued on March 4, 2020, there is a proclaimed State of Emergency in the State of California; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the WDB finds that meeting in person in the next 30 days would pose imminent health and safety risks to attendees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the WDB approves meeting via teleconference for all Regular and Special and Regular meetings of the WDB for 30 days following this resolution, in accordance with the Government Code section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

Regularly passed and adopted this 13th day of January by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSENT:

Chair
Workforce Development Board of Madera County

ATTEST:

Executive Director
Workforce Development Board of Madera County