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**1/26/2023**

**SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES  
January 12, 2023**

Present Commissioners

Via Teleconference: Michael Vargas, Chair  
Stephen Tomanelli, Vice-Chair  
Kevin Jeffries  
Steve Sanchez  
Yxstian Gutierrez  
Steve Pastor, Alternate

Present Staff

In-Person: Gary Thompson, Executive Officer  
Elizabeth Valdez, Commission Clerk  
Via Teleconference: Melissa Cushman, Legal Counsel

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG.**

Chair Vargas called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m.

**1.2. ROLL CALL.**

**2. OTHER BUSINESS:**

- a. Adoption of Resolution No. 01-23 Renewing the Emergency Declaration Authorizing Virtual Commission Meetings for Thirty Days Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act and establishing findings that state officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, justifying the ongoing need for virtual meetings. (Oral Report)

Commissioner Gutierrez joined the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

**Brad Anderson** submitted an email in opposition to AB 361.

Moved (Pastor) seconded (Sanchez) to adopt Resolution No. 01-23 Renewing the Emergency Declaration Authorizing Virtual Commission Meetings for Thirty Days Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act and establishing findings that state officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, justifying the

ongoing need for virtual meetings.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Sanchez, Pastor, Jeffries, and Gutierrez.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

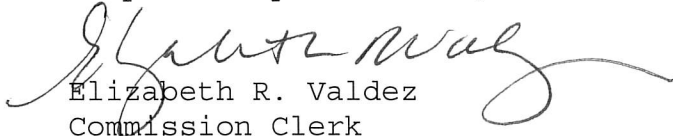
ABSTAINED: None.

Counsel Cushman joined the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

**3. ADJOURNMENT.**

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Elizabeth R. Valdez  
Commission Clerk