

Magna Metro Township

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August 7, 2020

ELECTRONIC BOARD MEETING DETERMINATION

Consistent with provisions of the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act, specifically Utah Code Ann. § 52-4-207(4), and acting in my capacity as the Mayor of the Magna Metro Township ("Magna"), I hereby make the following written determinations in support of my decision to hold and convene electronic meetings of the Magna Metro Township Council without a physical anchor location:

- 1. Conducting Council meetings with an anchor location that is physically accessible for members of the public to attend in person presents a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who may be present at the anchor location.
- 2. This determination is based upon the following facts, among others:
 - a. Pursuant to the Public Health Orders issued by the State of Utah and Salt Lake County, the Magna Metro Township remains under a state of public health emergency related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and significant person-toperson transmission of the virus continues to occur in Magna;
 - b. State and local health authorities have adopted "Phased Guidelines for the General Public and Business to Maximize Public Health and Economic Reactivation, Version 4.9," which orders institutions and persons in moderate risk or "yellow" jurisdictions, which includes Magna, to take "reasonable precautions," including allowing "in-person" interactions in decreased group sizes that enable all physical distancing guidelines to be maintained; "wearing face coverings" where physical distancing cannot be maintained; and "social interactions in groups of 50 or fewer";
 - c. Pursuant to the testing guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control, Utah Health Department, and Salt Lake County Health Department, Magna's infection rates and positive test percentages indicate the municipality is in a moderate risk or "orange" requiring "extreme precautions" including allowing "in-person" interactions in decreased group sizes that enable all physical distancing guidelines

to be maintained; "wearing face coverings" where physical distancing cannot be maintained; and "social interactions in groups of 20 or fewer" and recommends "increase[d] virtual interactions";

- d. To ensure the safety of our residents, I have chosen to conduct the Council business under the "Orange" guidelines based on the CDC, State and County infection rate guidelines;
- e. The health and safety of the Council, other elected officials, staff, contract service providers and members of the public is best served by holding electronic meetings of the Council with limited in-person interaction of fewer than 20 persons; and
- f. The Council has prepared for and demonstrated the ability to effectively conduct its public meetings electronically, including providing members of the public means to observe the Council meetings and provide comments electronically, as appropriate or as required by law.

These written determinations shall be read into the minutes at the beginning of the Council meeting held in Magna on August 11, 2020, and future Council meetings as appropriate. Council staff are instructed to include in the public notice of each Council meeting the information on how a member of the public may view and make comments during the Council's Electronic meetings.

This written determination is effective until midnight on September 6, 2020, and may be re-issued by future written determinations of the Mayor at that or any other appropriate time.

Dated this 7th day of August, 2020.

ATTEST:

SHERRIE SWENSEN

SALT LAKE COUNTY CLERK

METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK/RECORDER

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