

# **Meeting Announcement**

Work Plan Subcommittee

Friday, May 20, 2022 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. \*BY VIDEO CONFERENCE ONLY\*

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## **AGENDA**

#### Call to Order / Roll Call / Declaration of a Quorum Present

Sam Hindi, Roundtable Chairperson

#### Public Comment on Items NOT on the Agenda

Speakers are limited to two minutes. Roundtable members cannot discuss or take action on any matter raised under this item

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Action to Set Agenda and Approve Consent Agenda
- 2. Brown Act Remote Meetings Resolution

**Attachments: Memo and Resolution of Approval** 

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

- 3. Work Plan & Budget Discussion
- 4. Adjourn

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- 3. You will be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you that it is your turn to speak.
- 4. When the Roundtable Chairperson calls for the item on which you wish you speak click on "raise-hand" icon. You will then be called on and unmuted to speak.
- 5. When called, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.





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May 17, 2022

TO: Work Plan Subcommittee & Interested Parties

FROM: Doreen Stockdale, Interim Roundtable Coordinator

SUBJECT: Resolution to make findings allowing continued remote meetings under Brown Act

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution finding that, as a result of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom, meeting in-person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21, which rescinded his prior Executive Order N-29-20 and which waived, through September 30, 2021, certain provisions of the Brown Act relating to teleconferences/remote meetings. The Executive Order waived, among other things, the provisions of the Brown Act that otherwise required the physical presence of members of a local agency or other personnel in a particular location as a condition of participation or as a quorum for a public meeting. These waivers set forth in the Executive Order were to expire on October 1, 2021.

On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed Assembly Bill (AB) 361, a bill that codifies certain teleconference procedures that local agencies have adopted in response to the Governor's Brown Act-related Executive Orders. Specifically, AB 361 allows a local agency to continue to use teleconferencing under the same basic rules as provided in the Executive Orders under certain prescribed circumstances or when certain findings have been made and adopted by the local agency.

In order to continue to hold video and teleconference meetings, the membership will need to review and make findings every 30 days or thereafter that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and that state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing. If the membership does continue to hold video and teleconference meetings, to meet the requirements of AB 361, the membership will need to adopt a resolution at every meeting.

The San Mateo County Board of Supervisors has adopted a resolution to continue remote meetings and encouraged other local agencies to make similar findings.



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The membership previously found, and it remains the case, that public meetings pose risks for COVID-19 spread for several reasons. These meetings may bring together people from throughout a geographic region, increasing the opportunity for COVID-19 transmission. Further, the open nature of public meetings makes it is difficult to enforce compliance with vaccination, physical distancing, masking, cough and sneeze etiquette, or other safety measures. Moreover, some of the safety measures used by private businesses to control these risks may be less effective for public agencies.

These factors continue to combine and directly impact the ability of members of the Roundtable to meet safely in person and to make in-person public meetings imminently risky to health and safety.

As noted above, under AB 361, local agency bodies were required to return to in-person meetings on October 1, 2021, unless they chose to continue with fully teleconferenced meetings and made the prescribed findings related to the existing state of emergency. At its meeting of April 6, 2022 the membership adopted a resolution wherein the membership found, among other things, that as a result of the continuing COVID-19 state of emergency, meeting in-person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

The April 6, 2022 resolution also directed staff to bring an item to the membership prior to its next meeting to consider making the findings required by AB 361 in order to continue meeting under its provisions.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

We recommend that your Board or Commission avail itself of the provisions of AB 361 allowing continuation of online meetings by adopting findings to the effect that conducting inperson meetings would present an imminent risk to the health and safety of attendees. A resolution to that effect and directing staff to return each 30 days with the opportunity to renew such findings, is attached hereto.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**:

None

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 22-01WRKPLN**

PANDEMIC STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM,
MEETING IN PERSON FOR MEETINGS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT/COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE WOULD PRESENT
IMMINENT RISKS TO THE HEALTH OR SAFETY OF ATTENDEES

RESOLVED, by the San Francisco Airport Community Roundtable that

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed pursuant to his authority under the California Emergency Services Act, California Government Code section 8625, that a state of emergency exists with regard to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2021, the Governor clarified that the "reopening" of California on June 15, 2021 did not include any change to the proclaimed state of emergency or the powers exercised thereunder, and as of the date of this Resolution, neither the Governor nor the Legislature have exercised their respective powers pursuant to California Government Code section 8629 to lift the state of emergency either by proclamation or by concurrent resolution in the state Legislature; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 that suspended the teleconferencing rules set forth in the California Open Meeting law, Government Code section 54950 et seq. (the "Brown Act"), provided certain requirements were met and followed; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361 that provides that a legislative body subject to the Brown Act may continue to meet without

fully complying with the teleconferencing rules in the Brown Act provided the legislative body determines that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and further requires that certain findings be made by the legislative body every thirty (30) days or when meeting next; and,

WHEREAS, the San Francisco International Airport/Community Roundtable has an important interest in protecting the health and safety of attendees, and welfare of those who participate in its meetings; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting April 6, 2022, the San Francisco Airport/Community Roundtable adopted, by unanimous vote, a resolution wherein the membership found, inter alia, that as a result of the continuing COVID-19 state of emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Airport/Community Roundtable has not met since its regular meeting on April 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the membership has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that the state of emergency continues to impact the ability of members of the Roundtable to meet in person because there is a continuing threat of COVID-19 to the community, and because membership meetings have characteristics that give rise to risks to health and safety of meeting participants (such as the increased mixing associated with bringing people together from across the community); and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety, as affected by the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, the membership deems it necessary to find that meeting in-person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of

attendees, and thus intends to invoke the provisions of AB 361 related to teleconferencing;

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that

- 1. The recitals set forth above are true and correct.
- The Roundtable finds that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.
- 3. Staff is directed to return no later than thirty (30) days after the adoption of this resolution or at their next regular meeting with an item for the Technical Working Group of the Roundtable to consider making the findings required by AB 361 in order to continue meeting under its provisions.
- 4. Staff is directed to take such other necessary or appropriate actions to implement the intent and purposes of this resolution.

Adopted at the Regular meeting of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Chairperson Date

## DRAFT: SFORT Updated Work Plan 2021 - 2022

Work Plan Goal	Status
Goal 1: Review and Comment on Aircraft Procedures: Focus on all aircraft procedures including	
arrival, departure, and ground based procedures.	
Action item: The Roundtable will focus, advocate, and respond on procedural changes that limit	
the noise impacts on our communities.	
Work Plan Item(s):	
The Roundtable Technical Working Group will evaluate the FAA NIITE and HUSSH Departures	
modified proposal for nighttime noise abatement regarding location, level of flight paths, night	
time hours, and environmental review process. The Roundtable Technical Working Group will	
recommend next steps to the full Roundtable, as appropriate.	Complete
Working with the technical consultant, the Roundtable will evaluate options for nighttime arrivals	·
on Runways 28R and 28L.	Ongoing
Working with the technical consultant, the Roundtable will evaluate options for Redirect Southern	0 0
Arrivals (SERFR) and PIRAT STAR Airspace arrival procedures.	Ongoing
Goal 2: Address Airport Operation Noise: Abate noise impacts to surrounding communities from	
airport and airline operations.	
Action item: The Roundtable will identify noise impacts and provide recommendations to SFO	
Airport Noise Abatement Office for outreach to airlines and FAA as well as to the Airport Director	
to address in the Airport Development and Noise Action Plans.	
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Work Plan Item(s):  Review and provide feedback on the SFO Strategic Plan, Development Plan, and Noise Action Plan.	
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Include Environmental Justice in the feedback.	Ongoing
The Roundtable Technical Working Group will actively work with SFO on Ground Based	
Augmentation System to provide feedback on the GLS (global navigation satellite landing)	
approach, the associated noise evaluation, and the Community Flight Procedure Package (CFPP)	_
and plan for community evaluation of innovative GLS approaches.	Complete
The Roundtable Ground Based Noise Subcommittee will complete the Ground Based Noise Study	
and make a recommendation to the Membership on next steps.	Ongoing
Goal 3: Lobby for Aircraft Noise Reduction. Lobby for aircraft noise reduction by sponsoring	
legislation and research.	
Action item: Actively monitor, review, and oppose or support legislation, research, and/or aircraft	
noise reduction programs to achieve measurable noise reduction in our communities.	
Work Plan Item(s):	
Receive regular reports from N.O.I.S.E., a national organization to insure a sound controlled	
environment, regarding federal legislation and action.	Ongoing
Actively monitor activities from the congressional Quiet Skies Caucus.	Ongoing
Lobby/advocate as needed.	Ongoing
Work with Congressional delegation to help develop and pass noise-related legislation.	Ongoing
Goal 4: Airline Award Program: The Roundtable will partner with SFO to modify the Fly Quiet	
Program to obtain compliance and measurable improvement year over year.	
Action item: The Roundtable will report to its community's Fly Quiet Program compliance and	
measurable improvement in compliance year over year.	
Work Plan Item(s):	
Receive Noise Office presentation on new plan, provide feedback, and recommend needed	
revisions.	Ongoine
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Goal 5: Address Community Concerns: Focusing on San Mateo, and San Francisco Counties	
continue to actively respond to community concerns regarding aircraft and airport noise issues.	
Action item: Provide the forum for communities to voice their concerns and give their input.	
Educate community members about FAA, SFO International Airport, Airlines, and SFORT roles and	
responsibilities and authority.	
Work Plan Item(s):	
Revamp the Roundtable website to include accessible meeting information, useful documents, and	
archived history so that it can be used as an education tool for the community. The website can	
also be used to communicate Roundtable successes.	Ongoing
Conduct an Annual Report of Accomplishments and celebrate the Roundtable 40th Anniversary.	Complete
Analyze noise monitor methodology and make recommendations at the local, state, and federal	
levels.	Ongoing
Goal 6: Improve Roundtable Effectiveness: Increase Roundtable effectiveness with inward focused	
Member education, support and mentorship.	
Action item: The Roundtable will make an ongoing effort at strengthening our membership, by	
developing a mentorship program, creating a new member packet, and translating technical	
jargon.	
Work Plan Item(s):	
Conduct Noise 101 training.	Ongoing
Create a member packet for onboarding and supporting new members including mentorship.	Complete