



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 8.1

DATE: June 8, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Marianna A. Burch, City Manager

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the adoption of a Technology Disruption Policy in accordance with Senate Bill 707 and Resolution amending and adopting City Council Meeting Rules of Procedure.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommend City Council receive a presentation regarding Senate Bill 707 (SB 707) and adopt the following resolutions: 1) A resolution adopting a Technology Disruption Policy in accordance with SB 707; and 2) A resolution amending and adopting City Council Meeting Rules of Procedure. The proposed Rules of Procedure implement provisions of SB 707 in addition to incorporating minor miscellaneous revisions.

SUMMARY

The Brown Act establishes requirements for open and public meetings of legislative bodies in California. Under SB 707, the City is required to provide public access and comment opportunity through two-way remote participation during City Council meetings. The legislation expands teleconferencing rules for members of the legislative body and requires agencies to adopt procedures governing interruptions to remote participation platforms.

DISCUSSION

Senate Bill 707 (SB 707), which was signed into law on October 3, 2025, amends portions of the Ralph M. Brown Act relating to teleconferencing, hybrid public meetings, accessibility, and procedures for technological disruptions affecting remote public participation. Many of the provisions of SB 707 took effect on January 1, 2026, with additional requirements taking effect on July 1, 2026.

The legislation establishes new requirements for eligible legislative bodies, including procedures to maintain public access during hybrid meetings, expansion of teleconferencing rules, and protocols for responding to interruptions of remote participation technology platforms. The hybrid meeting requirement will take effect on July 1, 2026.

The City's current Rules of Procedure do not include provisions addressing remote participation

disruptions or certain operational procedures required under SB 707. In compliance with SB 707 and in order to maintain transparency and public access, staff is seeking Council adoption of a Technology Disruption Policy and the amendment and adoption of revised City Council Meeting Rules of Procedure (Attachment 1 - redlined version).

FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

There are no anticipated costs associated with these resolutions.

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GOAL

1: Engage Effectively with the Mayor and City Council

ATTACHMENTS

1. Redlined Rules of Procedure
2. Resolution - Technology Disruption Policy
3. Exhibit A - Technology Disruption Policy
4. Resolution - Rules of Procedure
5. Exhibit A - Rules of Procedure

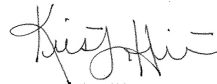
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