



City Council Staff Report

Subject: City Council Meeting Technology Service Disruption Policy

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Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Approving the City Council Meeting Technology Service Disruption Policy.

Background:

Senate Bill 707, effective January 1, 2026, made numerous changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act (Gov. Code Sections 54950 et seq.) (Brown Act) related to local public agency meeting requirements. The new Brown Act amendments mandate that by July 1, 2026 eligible legislative meeting bodies (in this case, the City Council) must allow for the public to provide remote public comments during City Council meetings, and require the City to adopt a policy regarding the handling of potential disruptions to remote participation technology.

Remote Public Comments. Commencing July 1, 2026, all meetings of the City Council must provide the public with an opportunity to attend (hear and see) and address the legislative body (i.e., provide public comment) remotely (§ 54953.4(b)(1).) All open and public meetings shall include an opportunity for members of the public to attend via a two-way telephonic service or a two-way audiovisual platform, except when adequate telephonic or internet service is not operational at the meeting location. In order to provide the public with the opportunity to participate remotely and provide public comment, all future City Council meetings will be broadcast with a Zoom link to allow members of the public to participate using this technology. After July 1, 2026, the City Clerk post City Council meeting agendas that include Zoom meeting information and will host all City Council meetings using this platform. A livestream of City Council Meetings will continue to be available on the City's website through the Granicus video link.

Technology Service Disruption Policy Requirement. Prior to July 1, 2026, the City Council must approve a policy in open session and not on the consent calendar, a policy addressing disruptions to telephonic or internet service during a City Council meeting. The proposed City Council Meeting Technology Service Disruption Policy (Attachment 2) addresses the new Brown Act requirements and includes the following:

- A. Procedures for recessing and reconvening a meeting following a disruption before or during a meeting, and the good faith efforts the City will take to restore telephonic or internet service.
- B. If a disruption occurs during a City Council meeting, the open session meeting must be recessed and the City Council may not reconvene the open session meeting for at least one hour, during which good faith efforts to restore service will be made, or until telephonic or internet service is restored (whichever is the earlier).
- C. In the event service is not restored after one hour, the City Council meeting may reconvene without a remote connection if the City Council adopts a finding by roll call vote that:
 - i. The City made good faith efforts to restore service in accordance with its adopted policy; and
 - ii. The public interest in continuing the meeting outweighs the public interest in maintaining remote public access (i.e., continuing to pause the meeting until service is reestablished is outweighed by the public interest in continuing without remote access).

The proposed City Council Meeting Technology Service Disruption Policy addresses the new Brown Act requirements related to technology disruptions. Staff recommends approval of the Resolution and Policy.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no direct fiscal impact to the General Fund from the staff recommendation.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. [Resolution](#)
- 2. [Resolution Exhibit A - City Council Meeting Technology Service Disruption Policy](#)