

RESOLUTION 2021-074
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
EXPRESSING COUNCIL'S INTENT AND DIRECTION
REGARDING REMOTE WORK SESSIONS

WHEREAS, since March 2020, the City Council has conducted many work sessions and regular meetings using remote technologies due to the COVID-19 local emergency and related public health recommendations; and

WHEREAS, during that time, members of the public, Councilmembers and City staff have developed familiarity with the tools for remote participation; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes the increased accessibility remote participation affords to many members of the public, particularly where public comment and input is invited; and

WHEREAS, as public health recommendations related to COVID-19 and local circumstances have evolved, the Council has at times returned to meeting in person at City Hall, while continuing to allow remote participation by Councilmembers, the public and City staff; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, working with the Mayor and the Mayor Pro Tem, and others on staff, plans and prepares for Council meetings and work sessions based on the circumstances and agenda for each meeting; and

WHEREAS, some Councilmembers have expressed a preference for continuing to conduct work sessions using remote technologies, except as circumstances otherwise dictate; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution will establish Council's intent and give direction to the City Manager regarding the remote work sessions, to enable the City Manager to plan and arrange for work sessions going forward.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF FORT COLLINS as follows.

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. The Council hereby expresses its intent that Council work sessions will be conducted in person in a location determined by the City Manager, except that the City Manager may, after consultation with the Mayor and with the Mayor Pro Tem, determine that it will be advantageous to conduct a work session using remote technologies in light of the agenda or other events or circumstances related to that particular work session. Any such determination must be made and communicated to all of Council and to the public no less than seven days in advance of the in-person work session. Individual Councilmembers may choose to participate in any work session using remote technology, provided a request for remote participation is made to the City Manager no less than three hours in advance of the work session.

Section 3. The direction stated in this Resolution shall continue in effect until such time as Council acts to modify or terminate it.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 6th day of July, A.D. 2021.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk - Interim

