

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-04**

**MAKING FINDINGS THAT THE PROCLAIMED WINTER STORM EMERGENCY  
IMPACTS THE ABILITY OF THE MPWD BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ITS  
COMMITTEES TO MEET SAFELY IN PERSON**

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**MID-PENINSULA WATER DISTRICT**

**WHEREAS**, extraordinary rainfall on December 31, 2022, resulted in flooding, mudflows, and sanitary sewer overflows in many areas throughout the County of San Mateo, including the flooding of Belmont Creek; and

**WHEREAS**, the extraordinary rainfall experienced on December 31, 2022 was the first of a series of severe storms, or “atmospheric rivers,” which collectively have been termed the “Late December / Early January Winter Storm Event” by the California Office of Emergency Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of California declared a statewide state of emergency due to the Late December / Early January Winter Storm Event on January 4, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Mateo, and the Cities of Belmont and San Carlos declared a local emergency due to the Late December / Early January Winter Storm Event on January 2, 2023, January 3, 2023, and December 31, 2022, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mid-Peninsula Water District’s Operations Center at 3 Dairy Lane, including administrative offices, shop, and corporation yard, sustained significant property damage due to flooding resulting from extraordinary rainfall on December 31, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the flooding sustained at 3 Dairy Lane rendered the administrative offices unsafe for use as a venue for District public meetings.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the Mid-Peninsula Water District has considered the circumstances of the proclaimed Late December / Early January Winter Storm Event emergency and finds that, as a result of damage to the District's Operations Center, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of meeting attendees; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mid-Peninsula Water District will comply with the requirements of Government Code Section 54953(e)(2) when holding Board and committee meetings pursuant to this resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the Mid-Peninsula Water District will reconsider the findings in this resolution every thirty (30) days and may, by motion, reaffirm these findings.

**REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 23rd day of February, 2023.

AYES: Zucca, Wheeler, Jordan, Schmidt, Vella

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENCES: None

ATTEST:

  
BOARD SECRETARY

  
BOARD PRESIDENT