

Mammoth Lakes Planning & Economic Development Commission Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Discussion Regarding Holding In-Person PEDC Meetings

Commission Meeting Date: 7/14/2021

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Recommended Motion: Staff is requesting Commission discussion and direction on preferences for attending in-person meetings or the continued use of a hybrid process allowing members to choose whether or not they wish to attend in person or by electronic means.

Summary: The actions taken by the Governor under the State Declared Emergency updated executive order extends the time frame for electronic meetings to September 30, 2021. Under the State action the Planning and Economic Development Commission may resume in-person meetings, continue to use electronic (Zoom) meetings, or use a hybrid process with members choosing how they wish to attend the meetings. Current guidance allows individuals who are fully vaccinated to gather indoors without a face covering or maintaining physical distancing requirements. Nothing prevents a person from continuing to wear a face covering. The State guidance requires a non-vaccinated person to wear a face covering in a public meeting but does not require distancing. A notice will be posted at the entrance to Suite Z letting the public know that if they attend a meeting without a face covering, they are attesting to being fully vaccinated. Staff is not equipped at this time to set up a vaccination documentation process for members of the public.

The Town will continue to provide Zoom access for members of the public for enhanced public engagement purposes as the Zoom meeting platform adds a convenient means for members of the public to be more engaged in meetings. The other viewing options through cable TV and internet will continue, but these options do not include live engagement during meetings. The use of electronic means for other community meetings will continue when appropriate for enhanced community engagement.