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- SB707 passed in 2025, modernized the Brown Act
  - Included teleconferencing provisions for advisory bodies
- City Council passed R-316972, enacted 10/16/26
  - ADOPTING FINDINGS TO ALLOW CERTAIN CITY OF SAN DIEGO ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEMBERS TO USE TELECONFERENCING FOR MEETINGS
  - 20 Boards & Commissions including CAB, RAB, Mobility, Community Forest AB
- Each board separately approves teleconferencing before members may attend remotely
  - Remote member attendance counts towards quorum and can vote
- To continue remote attendance, Council & Board must renew the resolution every six months

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- CAB letter June 2026 supported this
  - Teleconferencing can enhance public access and support the attraction, retention, participation, and diversity of members serving on advisory bodies.
  - We recognize the continued value of in-person meetings
    - Teleconferencing is a tool to support participation and improve continuity of advisory body operations when in-person attendance is not feasible, rather than as a replacement for in-person meetings

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- Logistics
  - Use the existing meeting room and hybrid platform.
  - Ensure a staff member is physically present, remote members can participate by video and audio
  - Remain on camera unless a technology issue or physical or mental condition prevents it.
    - If a board or commission member disables their video due to connectivity issues, they must announce the reason before turning off their camera.
  - Connection-failure protocol: Pause briefly. If cannot reconnect, continue only if quorum remains, excluding the disconnected member.

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- Motion: Approve the use of virtual or teleconferenced meetings and virtual attendance by members of this board beginning 12/1/26