

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2026-052

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ENTITLED
“INTERNET AND TELEPHONIC SERVICE DISRUPTION POLICY FOR CITY COUNCIL
MEETINGS”

WHEREAS, SB707 amended the Ralph M. Brown Act (“Brown Act”) to require, effective July 1, 2026, the City to provide an option for members of the public to attend and participate remotely in all City Council meetings through either (1) a two-way telephonic service and live web streaming of the meeting or (2) a two-way audiovisual platform; and

WHEREAS, also effective July 1, 2026, the Brown Act requires the Council to adopt a policy to address disruption of telephone or internet services during Council meetings to implement new provisions of the Brown , and that policy may not be adopted on the consent calendar; and

WHEREAS, under these new Brown Act provisions, Council may proceed with a meeting notwithstanding a disruption in internet or telephone services if the Council makes findings, after recessing for at least one hour to allow staff to attempt to restore services, that there is good cause to proceed with the meeting; and

WHEREAS, the policy the Brown Act requires Council to adopt must describe procedures for recessing, reconvening, and attempting to restore internet or telephone service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa adopts Council Policy 000-XX entitled “Internet and Telephonic Service Disruption Policy for City Council Meetings,” attached hereto as Exhibit A.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 12th day of May, 2026.

AYES: (6) Mayor Stapp, Vice Mayor Okrepkie, Council Members Alvarez, Bañuelos,
MacDonald, Rogers

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Council Member Fleming

ABSTAIN: (0)

RECUSE: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
Acting City Attorney

Exhibit A – Internet and Telephonic Service Disruption Policy for City Council Meetings