

Thursday, November 3, 2022 at 7:30 PM • Virtual Meeting

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#### 7:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#### AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Native American Heritage Month Proclamation

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS NO. 1**

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

B. Approve Adoption of a Resolution Declaring the Continued Need to Conduct City Council, Commission and Committee Meetings Remotely Due to Health and Safety Concerns for the Public

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

C. Authorize the City Manager to execute a temporary lease of City-Owned Parking Spaces with Ample Battery

(The purpose of this item is to consider a proposal by Ample Battery to temporarily lease a limited number of city-owned parking spaces at Sierra Point and the former Bank of America site to install EV battery changing stations. If approved, per the lease agreement, Ample will pay the City \$800/month per station. Assuming they deploy all 5 stations that equates to \$4000/month or \$96,000 over the 2-year lease term.)

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

D. City Manager's Report on Upcoming Activities

# **MAYOR/COUNCIL MATTERS**

- E. Consider Letter of Support for SamTrans Route 141 and 142
- F. Countywide Assignments and Subcommittee Reports
- G. City Council Meeting Schedule
- H. Written Communications

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS NO. 2**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

# **File Attachments for Item:**

B. Approve Adoption of a Resolution Declaring the Continued Need to Conduct City Council, Commission and Committee Meetings Remotely Due to Health and Safety Concerns for the Public



#### CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: November 3, 2022

From: Clay Holstine, City Manager

**Subject:** Adoption of a Resolution Declaring the Continued Need to Conduct City Council, Commission and Committee Meetings Remotely Due to Health and Safety Concerns for the Public

# **COMMUNITY GOAL RESULTS**

Safe Community

Ensuring Public Meetings Remain Open to the Public

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution declaring the need to continue conducting the meetings of the City Council, Commissions, and Committees remotely due to health and safety concerns.

# **BACKGROUND**

In 2020 and 2021, the Governor signed various Executive Orders that allowed meetings of public agencies to be conducted remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to protect the public and governmental officials. In additional, County Health Officers issued Health Orders requiring masks indoors in public places, regardless of vaccination status and that social distancing be observed. As a result, the City has been conducting its public meetings via zoom, thereby ensuring the right of the public to participate in public meetings but keeping the public, City Council, Committees, and Commissions, and City staff safe. There have been no cancelled meetings due to technical or related difficulties arising out of conducting meetings remotely.

Notwithstanding the availability of a vaccine and boosters, and the reduction of COVID related cases in the Bay Area and the State, COVID-19 variants (Delta and Omicron) have continued to spread and infect individuals. To address the need to continue to allow public agencies to conduct meetings remotely, in September 2021, AB 361 was enacted. AB 361 amends the Brown Act to permit local legislative bodies to continue to meet remotely until January 1, 2024 provided:

- The local legislative body is meeting during a declared state of emergency
- State or local health officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing
- The local legislative body has determined that there is a need to hold public meetings remotely due to imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees

Monthly since September 2021, the City Council has determined that the requirements of AB 361 have been met, namely, the declared state of emergency proclaimed by the state (as well as one by the City) remains in place; state and local health officials continue to recommend that residents observe social distancing and take other protective measures, including that masks to be worn on public transportation and in certain government buildings, and recommending masks be work in confined spaces open to the public; and that there is a need to hold public meetings remotely due to imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees. The Council therefore has adopted Resolutions directing that the City continue to conduct public meetings normally scheduled for City Hall via Zoom to protect the health and safety of the public.

The Brown Act as amended by AB 361 requires that every 30 days the City Council review its decision not to hold in-person public meetings at City Hall and to specifically determine whether holding remote and/or hybrid public meetings continues to meet the requirements of the Brown Act as amended.

City Council last made the necessary findings on October 6, 2022 to extend meeting remotely for 30 days. Hence, there is a need to place this item on the Council's November 3 meeting agenda so that Council may consider whether to have it and the Commissions and Committees continue to meet remotely for an additional 30 days.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The state of emergency issued by the Governor remains in place but will end on February 28, 2023. Nevertheless, San Mateo County's Health Officials continue to provide guidance to prevent the spread of COVID and keep people safe and have incorporated the Center for Disease Control's recommendations in that regard, e.g., social distancing is recommended for indoor public meetings where unvaccinated individuals may be present, especially for those who are at a higher risk of getting very sick from COVID. In addition, persons with health conditions may want to attend City Council meetings but would put themselves at risk of becoming ill if they had to attend in person. Therefore, the requirements to allow public meetings to be conducted remotely continue: there is a declared state of emergency; health officials have imposed measures to prevent the spread of the virus and to promote social distancing; and there continues to be a need to hold public meetings remotely due to imminent risks to the health and safety if Council meetings were not conducted remotely.

#### **ACTION**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution making the findings required under AB 361, to require the public meetings of the City Council, Commissions and Committees normally scheduled for City Hall through December 5, 2022 be held remotely or in a hybrid fashion to protect the health and safety of the public. Because there may not be a regular City Council meeting before December 5, this item may also need to be on the Council's second meeting in November.

More significantly, because the State's declaration of emergency due to COVID-19 will end on February 28, 2023, Council, as a whole, will no longer be authorized to meet remotely thereafter. Council members who want to attend meetings remotely will need to follow the technological conferencing requirements of the Brown Act, for example, a quorum of the Council must be within the jurisdiction, the agenda must reflect where the Council member will be, the Councilmember must post the agenda at that location, the location must be accessible by the public, all votes done by roll call, etc.

**FISCAL IMPACT** 

B.

There is no fiscal impact.

Attachment: 1. Resolution 2022-XX

Clay Holstine, City Manager

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-XX**

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE DECLARING THE NEED FOR THE CITY COUNCIL, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES TO CONTINUE TO MEET REMOTELY IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the State prepare for a broader spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 19, 2020, the City Council ratified and confirmed the Director of Emergency Service's proclamation of a local emergency which allowed staff to expeditiously respond to the emergency circumstances caused by the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 suspending certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act in order to allow local legislative bodies to conduct meetings telephonically or by other means; and

**WHEREAS,** as a result of Executive Order N-29-20, staff set up Zoom meetings for all City Council, Committee and Commission meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21, which placed an end date of September 30, 2021, for agencies to meet remotely; and

**WHEREAS**, since issuing Executive Order N-08-21, the Delta and Omicron variant has emerged, causing a spike in COVID-19 cases throughout the state; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, in response to the Delta and Omicron variant, the San Mateo County Health Department ordered all individuals to wear masks when inside public spaces and maintain social distancing; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill 361 into law, amending the Brown Act to permit local legislative bodies, including the City Council, to meet remotely provided it is meeting during a declared state of emergency, state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, and the Council believes there is a need to meet remotely to protect against imminent risks to the health and safety of potential public attendees; and

**WHEREAS**, cases involving COVID 19, including the Delta and Omicron variant continue to exist, the City Council is concerned about and desire to protect the health and safety of individuals who might otherwise attend Council, Committee and Commission meetings;

and 2022 declaring the need for the City Council, Committees, and Commissions to continue to meet remotely in order to ensure the health and safety of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council does hereby find that the above described conditions of serious threat to the public health, safety, and welfare continue at this time; and

# NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. In compliance with AB 361, the City Council has reviewed and makes the following findings:
  - a. The State, San Mateo County and the City have each proclaimed a state of emergency due to the Coronavirus pandemic;
  - b. San Mateo County has issued a public health order requiring that individuals in many public spaces wear masks and socially distance and recommending that individuals in enclosed public spaces wear masks, but the City cannot maintain social distancing for the public, staff, councilmembers, commissioners, and committee members in its meeting spaces; and
  - c. The City Council has considered these circumstances and concludes that the City Council, City Commissions and City Committees must meet remotely due to imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees if the Council, Commissions or Committees were to meet in City facilities.
- 2. Based on the foregoing, the City Council declares that to protect the safety and health of the public, City Council, Commissions and Committees, meetings will continue to be conducted remotely for the next 30 days in compliance with AB 361.
- 3. The City Council will revisit the need to conduct public meetings remotely within 30 days after November 3, 2022.

Coleen Mackin, Mayor

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Brisbane City Council at a regular meeting on November 3, 2022.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council at a special meeting held on November 3, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

Ingrid Padilla, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Thomas McMorrow, City Attorney



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PASSED IN SENATE SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

PASSED IN ASSEMBLY SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

AMENDED IN SENATE SEPTEMBER 03, 2021

AMENDED IN SENATE AUGUST 30, 2021

AMENDED IN SENATE JULY 06, 2021

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MAY 10, 2021

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 06, 2021

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE — 2021–2022 REGULAR SESSION

# **ASSEMBLY BILL**

NO. 361

# **Introduced by Assembly Member Robert Rivas**

# February 01, 2021

An act to add and repeal Section 89305.6 of the Education Code, and to amend, repeal, and add Section 54953 of, and to add and repeal Section 11133 of, the Government Code, relating to open meetings, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 361, Robert Rivas. Open meetings: state and local agencies: teleconferences.

(1) Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body of a local agency, as those terms are defined, be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act contains specified provisions regarding the timelines for posting an agenda and providing for the ability of the public to directly address the legislative body on any item of interest to the public. The act generally requires all regular and special meetings of the legislative body be held within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, subject to certain exceptions. The act allows for meetings to occur via teleconferencing subject to certain requirements, particularly that the legislative body notice each teleconference location of each member that will be participating in the public meeting, that each teleconference location be accessible to the public, that members of the public be allowed to address the legislative body at each teleconference location, that the legislative body post an agenda at each teleconference location, and that at least a quorum of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the local agency's jurisdiction. The act provides an exemption to the jurisdictional requirement for health authorities, as defined. The act authorizes the district attorney or any interested person, subject to certain provisions, to commence an action by mandamus or injunction for the purpose of obtaining a judicial determination that specified actions taken by a legislative body are null and void.

Existing law, the California Emergency Services Act, authorizes the Governor, or the Director of Emergency Services when the governor is inaccessible, to proclaim a state of emergency under specified circumstances.

Executive Order No. N-29-20 suspends the Ralph M. Brown Act's requirements for teleconferencing during the COVID-19 pandemic provided that notice and accessibility requirements are met, the public members are allowed to observe and address the legislative body at the meeting, and that a legislative body of a local agency has a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable accommodation for individuals with disabilities, as specified.

This bill, until January 1, 2024, would authorize a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Ralph M. Brown Act when a legislative body of a local agency holds a meeting during a declared state of emergency, as that term is defined, when state or local health officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, during a proclaimed state of emergency held for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and during a proclaimed state of emergency when the legislative body has determined that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, as provided.

This bill would require legislative bodies that hold teleconferenced meetings under these abbreviated teleconferencing procedures to give notice of the meeting and post agendas, as described, to allow members of the public to access the meeting and address the legislative body, to give notice of the means by which members of the public may access the meeting and offer public comment, including an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in option or an internet-based service option, and to conduct the meeting in a manner that protects the statutory and constitutional rights of the parties and the public appearing before the legislative body. The bill would require the legislative body to take no further action on agenda items when there is a disruption which prevents the public agency from broadcasting the meeting, or in the event of a disruption within the local agency's control which prevents members of the public from offering public comments, until public access is restored. The bill would specify that actions taken during the disruption are subject to challenge proceedings, as specified.

This bill would prohibit the legislative body from requiring public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and would specify that the legislative body must provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comment in real time. The bill would prohibit the legislative body from closing the public comment period and the opportunity to register to provide public comment, until the public comment period has elapsed or until a reasonable amount of time has elapsed, as specified. When there is a continuing state of emergency, or when state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, the bill would require a legislative body to make specified findings not later than 30 days after the first teleconferenced meeting pursuant to these provisions, and to make those findings every 30 days thereafter, in order to continue to meet under these abbreviated teleconferencing procedures.

Existing law prohibits a legislative body from requiring, as a condition to attend a meeting, a person to register the person's name, or to provide other information, or to fulfill any condition precedent to the person's attendance.

This bill would exclude from that prohibition, a registration requirement imposed by a third-party internet website or other online platform not under the control of the legislative body.

(2) Existing law, the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a state body be open and public and all persons be permitted to attend any meeting of a state body. The act requires at least one member of the state body to be physically present at the location specified in the notice of the meeting.

The Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20 suspends the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act for teleconferencing during the COVID-19 pandemic, provided that notice and accessibility requirements are met, the public members are allowed to observe and address the state body at the meeting, and that a state body has a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable accommodation for individuals with disabilities, as specified.

This bill, until January 31, 2022, would authorize, subject to specified notice and accessibility requirements, a state body to hold public meetings through teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically, or otherwise electronically, to all members of the public

seeking to observe and to address the state body. With respect to a state body holding a public meeting pursuant to these provisions, the bill would suspend certain requirements of existing law, including the requirements that each teleconference location be accessible to the public and that members of the public be able to address the state body at each teleconference location. Under the bill, a state body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically would satisfy any requirement that the state body allow members of the public to attend the meeting and offer public comment. The bill would require that each state body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing provide notice of the meeting, and post the agenda, as provided. The bill would urge state bodies utilizing these teleconferencing procedures in the bill to use sound discretion and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to existing law, as provided.

(3) Existing law establishes the various campuses of the California State University under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University, and authorizes the establishment of student body organizations in connection with the operations of California State University campuses.

The Gloria Romero Open Meetings Act of 2000 generally requires a legislative body, as defined, of a student body organization to conduct its business in a meeting that is open and public. The act authorizes the legislative body to use teleconferencing, as defined, for the benefit of the public and the legislative body in connection with any meeting or proceeding authorized by law.

This bill, until January 31, 2022, would authorize, subject to specified notice and accessibility requirements, a legislative body, as defined for purposes of the act, to hold public meetings through teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically, or otherwise electronically, to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the legislative body. With respect to a legislative body holding a public meeting pursuant to these provisions, the bill would suspend certain requirements of existing law, including the requirements that each teleconference location be accessible to the public and that members of the public be able to address the legislative body at each teleconference location. Under the bill, a legislative body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically would satisfy any requirement that the legislative body allow members of the public to attend the meeting and offer public comment. The bill would require that each legislative body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing provide notice of the meeting, and post the agenda, as provided. The bill would urge legislative bodies utilizing these teleconferencing procedures in the bill to use sound discretion and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to existing law, as provided.

(4) This bill would declare the Legislature's intent, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20, to improve and enhance public access to state and local agency meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and future emergencies by allowing broader access through teleconferencing options.

- (5) This bill would incorporate additional changes to Section 54953 of the Government Code proposed by AB 339 to be operative only if this bill and AB 339 are enacted and this bill is enacted last.
- (6) The California Constitution requires local agencies, for the purpose of ensuring public access to the meetings of public bodies and the writings of public officials and agencies, to comply with a statutory enactment that amends or enacts laws relating to public records or open meetings and contains findings demonstrating that the enactment furthers the constitutional requirements relating to this purpose.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

(7) Existing constitutional provisions require that a statute that limits the right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest protected by the limitation and the need for protecting that interest.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

(8) This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

#### **DIGEST KEY**

Vote: 2/3 Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

#### **BILL TEXT**

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

#### **SECTION 1.**

Section 89305.6 is added to the Education Code, to read:

#### 89305.6.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, and subject to the notice and accessibility requirements in subdivisions (d) and (e), a legislative body may hold public meetings through teleconferencing and make public meetings accessible telephonically, or otherwise electronically, to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the legislative body.
- (b) (1) For a legislative body holding a public meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section, all requirements in this article requiring the physical presence of members, the clerk or other personnel of the legislative body, or the public, as a condition of participation in or quorum for a public meeting, are hereby suspended.
- (2) For a legislative body holding a public meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section, all of the following requirements in this article are suspended:
- (A) Each teleconference location from which a member will be participating in a public meeting or proceeding be identified in the notice and agenda of the public meeting or proceeding.
- (B) Each teleconference location be accessible to the public.

- (C) Members of the public may address the legislative body at each teleconference conference location.
- (D) Post agendas at all teleconference locations.
- (E) At least one member of the legislative body be physically present at the location specified in the notice of the meeting.
- (c) A legislative body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically, consistent with the notice and accessibility requirements in subdivisions (d) and (e), shall have satisfied any requirement that the legislative body allow members of the public to attend the meeting and offer public comment. A legislative body need not make available any physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment.
- (d) If a legislative body holds a meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically, the legislative body shall also do both of the following:
- (1) Implement a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable modification or accommodation from individuals with disabilities, consistent with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.), and resolving any doubt whatsoever in favor of accessibility.
- (2) Advertise that procedure each time notice is given of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment, pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).
- (e) Except to the extent this section provides otherwise, each legislative body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section shall do both of the following:
- (1) Give advance notice of the time of, and post the agenda for, each public meeting according to the timeframes otherwise prescribed by this article, and using the means otherwise prescribed by this article, as applicable.
- (2) In each instance in which notice of the time of the meeting is otherwise given or the agenda for the meeting is otherwise posted, also give notice of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment. As to any instance in which there is a change in the means of public observation and comment, or any instance prior to the effective date of this section in which the time of the meeting has been noticed or the agenda for the meeting has been posted without also including notice of the means of public observation and comment, a legislative body may satisfy this requirement by advertising the means of public observation and comment using the most rapid means of communication available at the time. Advertising the means of public observation and comment using the most rapid means of communication available at the time shall include, but need not be limited to, posting such means on the legislative body's internet website.

- (f) All legislative bodies utilizing the teleconferencing procedures in this section are urged to use sound discretion and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to the otherwise applicable provisions of this article, in order to maximize transparency and provide the public access to legislative body meetings.
- (g) This section shall remain in effect only until January 31, 2022, and as of that date is repealed.

#### SEC. 2.

Section 11133 is added to the Government Code, to read:

#### 11133.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, and subject to the notice and accessibility requirements in subdivisions (d) and (e), a state body may hold public meetings through teleconferencing and make public meetings accessible telephonically, or otherwise electronically, to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the state body.
- (b) (1) For a state body holding a public meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section, all requirements in this article requiring the physical presence of members, the clerk or other personnel of the state body, or the public, as a condition of participation in or quorum for a public meeting, are hereby suspended.
- (2) For a state body holding a public meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section, all of the following requirements in this article are suspended:
- (A) Each teleconference location from which a member will be participating in a public meeting or proceeding be identified in the notice and agenda of the public meeting or proceeding.
- (B) Each teleconference location be accessible to the public.
- (C) Members of the public may address the state body at each teleconference conference location.
- (D) Post agendas at all teleconference locations.
- (E) At least one member of the state body be physically present at the location specified in the notice of the meeting.
- (c) A state body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically, consistent with the notice and accessibility requirements in subdivisions (d) and (e), shall have satisfied any requirement that the state body allow members of the public to attend the meeting and offer public comment. A state body need not make available any physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment.
- (d) If a state body holds a meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically, the state body shall also do both of the following:
- (1) Implement a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable modification or accommodation from individuals with disabilities, consistent with the federal

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.), and resolving any doubt whatsoever in favor of accessibility.

- (2) Advertise that procedure each time notice is given of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment, pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).
- (e) Except to the extent this section provides otherwise, each state body that holds a meeting through teleconferencing pursuant to this section shall do both of the following:
- (1) Give advance notice of the time of, and post the agenda for, each public meeting according to the timeframes otherwise prescribed by this article, and using the means otherwise prescribed by this article, as applicable.
- (2) In each instance in which notice of the time of the meeting is otherwise given or the agenda for the meeting is otherwise posted, also give notice of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment. As to any instance in which there is a change in the means of public observation and comment, or any instance prior to the effective date of this section in which the time of the meeting has been noticed or the agenda for the meeting has been posted without also including notice of the means of public observation and comment, a state body may satisfy this requirement by advertising the means of public observation and comment using the most rapid means of communication available at the time. Advertising the means of public observation and comment using the most rapid means of communication available at the time shall include, but need not be limited to, posting such means on the state body's internet website.
- (f) All state bodies utilizing the teleconferencing procedures in this section are urged to use sound discretion and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to the otherwise applicable provisions of this article, in order to maximize transparency and provide the public access to state body meetings.
- (g) This section shall remain in effect only until January 31, 2022, and as of that date is repealed.

# SEC. 3.

Section 54953 of the Government Code is amended to read:

# 54953.

- (a) All meetings of the legislative body of a local agency shall be open and public, and all persons shall be permitted to attend any meeting of the legislative body of a local agency, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.
- (b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the legislative body of a local agency may use teleconferencing for the benefit of the public and the legislative body of a local agency in connection with any meeting or proceeding authorized by law. The teleconferenced meeting or proceeding shall comply with all otherwise applicable requirements of this chapter and all otherwise applicable provisions of law relating to a specific type of meeting or proceeding.

- (2) Teleconferencing, as authorized by this section, may be used for all purposes in connection with any meeting within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. All votes taken during a teleconferenced meeting shall be by rollcall.
- (3) If the legislative body of a local agency elects to use teleconferencing, it shall post agendas at all teleconference locations and conduct teleconference meetings in a manner that protects the statutory and constitutional rights of the parties or the public appearing before the legislative body of a local agency. Each teleconference location shall be identified in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and each teleconference location shall be accessible to the public. During the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body shall participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, except as provided in subdivisions (d) and (e). The agenda shall provide an opportunity for members of the public to address the legislative body directly pursuant to Section 54954.3 at each teleconference location.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, "teleconference" means a meeting of a legislative body, the members of which are in different locations, connected by electronic means, through either audio or video, or both. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a local agency from providing the public with additional teleconference locations.
- (c) (1) No legislative body shall take action by secret ballot, whether preliminary or final.
- (2) The legislative body of a local agency shall publicly report any action taken and the vote or abstention on that action of each member present for the action.
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- (e) This section shall become operative January 1, 2024.

#### **SEC. 5.**

Sections 3.1 and 4.1 of this bill incorporate amendments to Section 54953 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and Assembly Bill 339. Those sections of this bill shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2022, but this bill becomes operative first, (2) each bill amends Section 54953 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after Assembly Bill 339, in which case Section 54953 of the Government Code, as amended by Sections 3 and 4 of this bill, shall remain operative only until the operative date of Assembly Bill 339, at which time Sections 3.1 and 4.1 of this bill shall become operative.

#### **SEC. 6.**

It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this act to improve and enhance public access to state and local agency meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and future applicable emergencies, by allowing broader access through teleconferencing options consistent with the Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, permitting expanded use of teleconferencing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **SEC. 7.**

The Legislature finds and declares that Sections 3 and 4 of this act, which amend, repeal, and add Section 54953 of the Government Code, further, within the meaning of paragraph (7) of

subdivision (b) of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution, the purposes of that constitutional section as it relates to the right of public access to the meetings of local public bodies or the writings of local public officials and local agencies. Pursuant to paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution, the Legislature makes the following findings:

This act is necessary to ensure minimum standards for public participation and notice requirements allowing for greater public participation in teleconference meetings during applicable emergencies.

#### **SEC. 8.**

- (a) The Legislature finds and declares that during the COVID-19 public health emergency, certain requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code) were suspended by Executive Order N-29-20. Audio and video teleconference were widely used to conduct public meetings in lieu of physical location meetings, and public meetings conducted by teleconference during the COVID-19 public health emergency have been productive, have increased public participation by all members of the public regardless of their location in the state and ability to travel to physical meeting locations, have protected the health and safety of civil servants and the public, and have reduced travel costs incurred by members of state bodies and reduced work hours spent traveling to and from meetings.
- (b) The Legislature finds and declares that Section 1 of this act, which adds and repeals Section 89305.6 of the Education Code, Section 2 of this act, which adds and repeals Section 11133 of the Government Code, and Sections 3 and 4 of this act, which amend, repeal, and add Section 54953 of the Government Code, all increase and potentially limit the public's right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies within the meaning of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution. Pursuant to that constitutional provision, the Legislature makes the following findings to demonstrate the interest protected by this limitation and the need for protecting that interest:
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# **SEC. 9.**

This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to ensure that state and local agencies can continue holding public meetings while providing essential services like water, power, and fire protection to their constituents during public health, wildfire, or other states of emergencies, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

#### File Attachments for Item:

C. Authorize the City Manager to execute a temporary lease of City-Owned Parking Spaces with Ample Battery

(The purpose of this item is to consider a proposal by Ample Battery to temporarily lease a limited number of city-owned parking spaces at Sierra Point and the former Bank of America site to install EV battery changing stations. If approved, per the lease agreement, Ample will pay the City \$800/month per station. Assuming they deploy all 5 stations that equates to \$4000/month or \$96,000 over the 2-year lease term.)



#### CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: November 3,2022

**From:** John Swiecki, Community Development Director

**Subject:** Ample Battery- Proposed Temporary Lease of City-Owned

**Parking Spaces** 

# **Community Goal/Result**

Fiscally Prudent - Brisbane's fiscal vitality will reflect sound decisions which also speak to the values of the community

# **Purpose**

To consider a proposal by Ample Battery to temporarily lease a limited number of city-owned parking spaces at Sierra Point and the former Bank of America site to install EV battery changing stations.

#### Recommendation

That the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute the attached lease agreement (See Exhibit 2).

# **Background/Discussion**

Ample, Inc. is a California-based company with a goal to accelerate the transition to electric mobility by offering a modular and rapidly deployable EV battery swap system. More information about Ample and their platform is attached as Exhibit 1. After seven years of development, Ample launched the first deployment of battery swap stations and swap-enabled electric vehicles in the San Francisco Bay Area in early 2021. Ample is proposing to expand its network of battery swap stations with two new sites in Brisbane.

Ample proposes to lease approximately 1,725 square feet in the Brisbane Marina parking lot and 920 square feet next to the former bank building at 70 Old County Road for two years. At these two locations, Ample will deploy up to five EV battery swap stations. Each battery swap station sits atop level concrete, occupies two parking stalls, requires 100 kW electrical service, and can be deployed in just 1-2 weeks. The proposal was reviewed in August 2022 by the Economic Development Subcommittee ( CMs Cunningham and Lentz) which recommended that it be forwarded to the City Council for consideration.

The attached agreement (Exhibit 2) establishes the lease terms and obligations, and has been approved by City Legal Counsel and the Public Works Director who manages the city-owned properties. Per the agreement Ample is responsible for all improvements required to serve their facilities.

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The proposal would encompass 6 parking spaces at Sierra Point, which would not adversely impact the availability of public parking. The city has initiated a public space master planning process for Sierra Point and will soon initiate a community visioning process for the former Bank of America site. Both of these public processes will take time to time to complete and implement. Staff does not believe the limited 2-year lease term would interfere with any future redevelopment activities the City may choose to undertake on either of these sites.

# **Fiscal Impact**

Per the lease agreement Ample will pay the City \$800/month per station. Assuming they deploy all 5 stations that equates to \$4000/month or \$96,000 over the 2-year lease term.

#### **Measure of Success**

Allowing a local green business to demonstrate and deploy an innovative EV charging technology through the temporary use of a small number of underutilized city-owned parking spaces.

#### Attachments

- 1. Ample Company and Project Description
- 2. Proposed Lease Agreement

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**EXHIBIT 1** 



Ample, Inc. 100 Hooper St., Suite 25 San Francisco, CA 94107

# Ample, Inc. Briefing to City of Brisbane City Council

#### **Purpose**

This document provides an overview of Ample's existing investments in the City of Brisbane and the proposed deployment of Ample battery swapping stations for electric vehicles at two locations managed by the City of Brisbane.

# **Overview of Ample**

Ample owns and operates a repowering system for electric vehicles (EVs) that provides a superior alternative to fast charging EVs for many use cases. The system is built around a swappable battery pack and automated swapping stations that enable cleaner, faster, more efficient operation of EVs. Ample manufactures key components of the system (swappable battery packs, adaptor kits, and swapping stations) and operates a network of swapping stations that support a subscription-based repowering service for EV fleets. Ample launched operations in March 2021, providing swap-enabled Nissan Leaf and Kia Niro EVs to rideshare drivers in the Bay Area.

#### Background on Battery Swapping

Battery swapping is a replacement for fast charging that is as fast, economical and convenient as gasoline. Ample's battery swapping system robotically removes depleted batteries from EVs, racks them for external recharging and replaces them with charged batteries in just minutes. While battery swapping is functionally equivalent to a gasoline station in terms of speed and utility, it generates no greenhouse gas emissions or criteria pollutants. Battery swapping also has significant advantages over public charging. It is much faster, so swapping reduces dwell times (for both driver and vehicle); it increases utilization rates for capital intensive electrical generation, transmission and distribution assets; and it provides grid-scale storage for renewables, demand response functions and other grid services.

### Ample's Investments in the City of Brisbane

Ample has invested significantly in the City of Brisbane. It is currently working with local stakeholders to carry out two projects within the City: 1) expansion of Ample's existing fabrication facility and 2) deployment of multiple battery swapping stations. These projects will drive economic growth, create jobs for local residents and expand the City's tax base.

## Brisbane Plant

Ample opened its Brisbane modular battery pack production facility (based in the Crocker Industrial Park) in 2022. By 2024, Ample estimates that annual production at the Brisbane Plant will be equivalent to approximately 14,400 EVs. Currently, Ample employs 20 people at the Brisbane Plant. Headcount is expected to increase to 31 within two years. This growth will bring well-paid jobs to the city and generate associated tax revenue. Ample has worked with City staff



and elected officials to secure a competitive manufacturing grant through the California Energy Commission's GFO-21-605 Zero-Emission Transportation Manufacturing Grant Program. The proposed grant project would result in positive economic impacts on the Brisbane community stemming from construction-related employment (short term) and additional manufacturing employment (long term). As a result of Ample's existing investments and positive experience collaborating with City officials, Brisbane is also a top contender for future investments in facilities to support Ample's manufacturing and operations. In the coming years, Ample will require millions of square feet of industrial space for on-vehicle components, battery Swapping station subsystems, and inventory warehouses, which will employ hundreds of workers. Ample looks forward to continuing to collaborate with the City and growing our local presence.

# Battery Swapping Stations

The City of Brisbane is an ideal swapping station deployment site due to proximity to both U.S. Route 101 and San Francisco International Airport. Deploying Battery swapping stations in the City will strengthen Ample's relationship with Brisbane and directly benefit the local economy. Ample swapping stations will support the electrification of local business transport and delivery vehicles, and benefit businesses through increased customer traffic. It will also establish public EV infrastructure that will eventually serve Brisbane residents. Each of the proposed locations can serve up to 80 drivers per day per station. These drivers will patronize businesses located in the Brisbane Village Center.

# **Station Specifications**

# **Energy Storage:**

Energy Chemistry: Lithium-ion (NMC)Energy Storage Capacity: up to 440 kWh

#### **Electrical Specifications:**

Power (AC): 100 kW

Voltage (AC)
 3-phase 208/240V - 480V

• Current: 3-phase: 200 A service, 125 A typical

• Frequency: 50 / 60 Hz +/- 1%

# **Mechanical Specifications:**

Dimensions:
 19' 0" (5782mm) x 16' 8" (5074mm) x 9' 6" (2901mm)

Weight: 1,912 kg (4,215 lbs)Grading: < 2 degrees inclination</li>

#### **Environmental Specifications:**

Installation Location: Outdoor



# **Network and Compliance:**

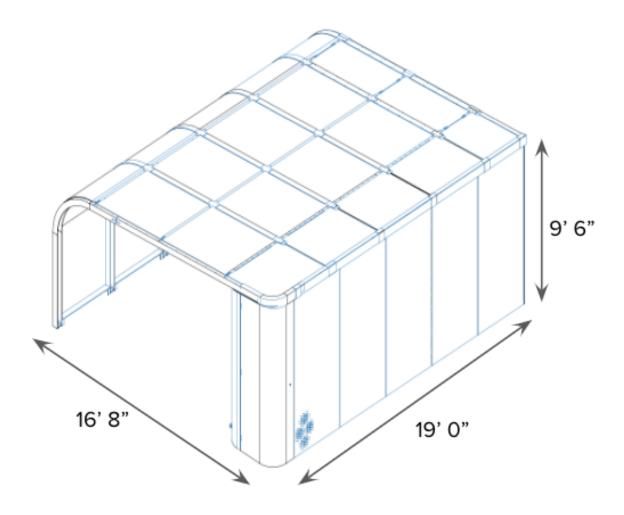
Network Connection: Ethernet (preferred)/4G LTE

• Internet Speed: 10 mbps minimum

# **Adjacent space**

• (Desired) 18' in front of station for easy turning radius

3" away from building structures or walls



# **Visual Approximations**

## **Brisbane Marina**



## 70 Old County Rd



#### **Lease Agreement**

City of Brisbane, a Municipal Corporation ("Landlord") and Ample, Inc. ("Tenant") agree as follows:

1. PROPERTY: Landlord rents to Tenant and Tenant rents from Landlord, the real property and improvements described as:\_(1) a portion of the City of Brisbane's Marina parking lot, located at 400 Sierra Point Parkway ("Marina Premises"), and 2) a portion of the parking area located on property owned by the City of the Brisbane located at 70 Old Country Road (" the OCR Premises").See EXHIBIT A for locations of the two Premises.

#### 2. TENANT USE OF PROPERTY:

- a. Tenant shall install and maintain up to 3 electric vehicle battery swapping stations ("the Station") on each of the two Premises for the duration of the agreement. The Station(s) will be used by vehicles that will temporarily park inside the Station, refuel with energized batteries, and then exit the Premises. Vehicles entering the Premises to use the Station will not be required to pay Landlord to access Premises.
- b. Tenant will install a new electric service, including electric meter, panel and additional electrical equipment as required by the distribution utility. The on-site electrical panel will be connected to the Station(s) and any additional equipment installed on the Premises. Tenant will pay for all costs associated with the electrical installation and will establish a new customer account with the utility and be responsible to pay for all energy used on both of the Premises. Tenant acknowledges that it must comply with other technical details of Landlord concerning installation of the Stations and the new electric service, which details concern, among other things, trench backfill and Tenant's responsibility for participation in DigAlert notification. A list of those technical details is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference. Landlord will provide necessary permissions and otherwise cooperate with the electricity distribution utility, internet provider, and other utilities needed to operate the Station(s).
- c. Tenant will install new pavement and may install fencing along the Premises leased by the Tenant. Tenant shall provide a phone number and email address of Landlord for 24 hour customer support to address any issues associated with the use or operation of the Stations.

#### 3. TERM:

- a. The term begins on November 6, 2022 ("Commencement Date").
- b. The agreement shall terminate on November 5. 2024 Any holding over after the term of this agreement expires, with Landlord's consent, shall create a month-to-month tenancy that either party may terminate. Rent shall be at a rate equal to the rent for the immediately preceding month, payable in advance. All other terms and conditions of this agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

#### 4. BASE RENT:

- a. Tenant agrees to pay Base Rent at the rate of \$800 per Station for the term of the agreement.
  - b. Base Rent is payable in advance on the 1st day of each calendar month, and is delinquent on the tenth day of the calendar.
- c. If the Commencement Date falls on any day other than the first day of the month, Base Rent for the first calendar month shall be prorated based on a 30-day period. If Tenant

has paid one full month's Base Rent in advance of Commencement Date, Base Rent for the second calendar month shall be prorated based on a 30-day period.

- d. Payment: Rent shall be paid to Landlord by bank transfer or check, c/o the Finance Department.
- **5. CONDITION OF PREMISES:** Tenant has examined the Premises and acknowledges that Premises are clean, in operative condition, and suitable for installation and maintenance of the Stations.
- **6. SIGNS:** Subject to Landlord's approval of such signage, Landlord authorizes Tenant to place on the Premises commercially reasonable signage with Tenant's business name and or logo consistent with the Tenant's use of the Premises.
- 7. TENANT'S OBLIGATIONS UPON VACATING PREMISES: Upon termination of agreement, Tenant shall: (i) vacate Premises and surrender it to Landlord empty of all Station(s), and other personal property; (ii) clean Premises in a commercially reasonable manner; and (iii) restore the Premises to the conditions the Premises were in prior to this agreement.
- 8. LANDLORD'S LIEN WAIVER: It is contemplated that the Stations or other Personal Property now or hereafter installed by Tenant on the Premises is or may be either leased by Tenant or purchased by Tenant from a lessor or conditional seller, or otherwise hypothecated to a "Third Party." All of Tenant's Stations or other Personal Property, now or hereafter located upon the Premises and owned by the Tenant or any Third Party, and regardless of the method in which such Station or Personal Property is attached or affixed to the Premises, shall not be deemed a fixture of the real estate and shall be and remain the Personal Property of the Tenant or such Third Party. All such Stations or Personal Property of Tenant or any Third Party is herein referred to collectively as "Tenant's Equipment." Tenant or any Third Party shall have the right to remove Tenant's Station and other equipment from the Premises from time to time; provided, however, that if such removal shall injure or damage the Property, Tenant shall repair the damage and place the Premises in same condition as it would have been if such equipment had not been installed, Landlord hereby waives its rights, statutory or otherwise, to any lien on Tenant's Stations or other equipment. Landlord shall, upon request of the Tenant or any Third Party, execute, or cause to be executed, a commercially reasonable waiver of landlord's lien or mortgagee's lien on any of Tenant's Stations or other Equipment.

#### 9. INSURANCE:

- a. Tenant's personal property, Station(s), fixtures, equipment, inventory and vehicles are not insured by Landlord against loss or damage due to fire, theft, vandalism, rain, water, criminal or negligent acts of others, or any other cause. Tenant indemnifies and holds harmless the Landlord for such losses.
- b. Tenant is to carry Tenant's own property insurance to protect Tenant from any such loss and Landlord shall be an additional insured on such policy. Tenant shall provide Landlord with a certificate of insurance and endorsement establishing Tenant's compliance.
- c. Prior to the Commencement Date, Tenant will acquire and present to Landlord an additionally insured endorsement that names Landlord (e.g.: CG2011 endorsement).
- d. Tenant releases Landlord, and waive its respective rights to subrogation against Landlord, for loss or damage covered by insurance.
- **10. INDEMNIFICATION:** (a) Except for the gross negligence and intentional misconduct of Landlord and/or any of the Landlord Parties (as hereinafter defined), Tenant shall indemnify and hold harmless Landlord and Landlord's officers, agents, employees, partners, successors, and assigns (collectively, the "Landlord Parties") from and against any and all claims arising from Tenant's use of the Premises, or from the conduct of Tenant's business or from any activity, work, or things done, permitted, or suffered by Tenant in, on, or about the Premises or elsewhere, and

shall further indemnify and hold harmless the Landlord Parties from and against any and all claims arising from any breach or default in the performance of any obligation on Tenant's part to be performed under the terms of this agreement, or arising from any negligence of the Tenant, or any of Tenant's agents, contractors, or employees, and from and against all costs, attorneys' fees, expenses, and liabilities incurred in the defense of any such claim or any action or proceeding brought thereon; and in case any action or proceeding shall be brought against Landlord by reason of any such claim, Tenant, upon notice from Landlord, shall defend the same at Tenant's expense by counsel satisfactory to Landlord. Tenant, as a material part of the consideration to Landlord, hereby assumes all risk of damages to property or injury to persons, in, on, or about the Premises arising from any cause, and Tenant hereby waives all claims in respect thereof against any of the Landlord Parties.

- (b) Except for the negligence and intentional misconduct of Tenant and/or any of the Tenant's Parties (as hereinafter defined), Landlord shall indemnify and hold harmless Tenant and Tenant's officers, agents, employees, partners, successors, and assigns (collectively, the "Tenant Parties") from and against any and all claims arising from Landlord's use of the Premises, or from the conduct of Landlord's business or from any activity, work, or things done, permitted, or suffered by Landlord in, on, or about the Premises, and shall further indemnify and hold harmless the Tenant Parties from and against any and all claims arising from any breach or default in the performance of any obligation on Landlord's part to be performed under the terms of this agreement, or arising from any negligence of the Landlord, the Landlord Parties, or any of Landlord's agents, contractors, or employees, and from and against all cost, attorneys' fees, expenses, and liabilities incurred in the defense of any such claim or any action or proceeding brought thereon; and in case any action or proceeding shall be brought against Tenant by reason of any such claim, Landlord, upon notice from Tenant, shall defend the same at Landlord's expense by counsel satisfactory to Tenant.
- **11. CONFIDENTIALITY:** The Landlord will use their best efforts to stop the disclosure of any of the Tenant's confidential information to any other party over the term of this agreement and for a period of three years after termination of this agreement. Confidential information includes but is not limited to photos, video, descriptions of the Tenant's battery swapping station or its component pieces, t, and any information about the deployment or operation of the Tenant's service.
- **12. GOVERNING LAW; VENUE:** The Laws of the State of California shall govern the validity, performance, and enforcement of this agreement. The parties consent to personal jurisdiction and venue in the state and judicial district in which the Premises is located. The courts of the State of California will have exclusive jurisdiction and the parties hereby agree to such exclusive jurisdiction.
- **13. SUCCESSORS:** The provisions of this agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Landlord and Tenant, respectively, and their respective successors, assigns, heirs, executors, and administrators. Tenant agrees to become the tenant of Landlord's successor in interest under the same terms and conditions of its tenancy hereunder.
- **14. RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES:** Landlord and Tenant agree that the relationship between them is that of landlord and tenant and that Landlord is leasing space to Tenant. It is not the intention of the parties, nor shall anything herein be constructed to constitute Landlord as a partner or joint venturer with Tenant.
- **15. AUTHORITY:** Landlord makes the following representations to Tenant, on which Tenant is entitled to rely in executing this Lease: (i) Landlord is qualified to do business in the State of

California, has the power to enter into this agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby and to perform its obligations hereunder, and by proper resolution the signatory hereto has been duly authorized to execute and deliver this agreement; and (ii) the execution, delivery, and performance of this agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated shall not conflict with or result in a violation or breach of any indenture, mortgage, note, security agreement, or other agreement or instrument to which Landlord is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its properties is subject.

- **16. PARTIAL INVALIDITY:** If any clause or provision of this agreement is illegal, invalid, or unenforceable under present or future laws, the remainder of this agreement shall not be affected thereby and there shall be added as part of this agreement a replacement clause or provision as similar in terms to such illegal, invalid, or unenforceable clause or provision as may be possible and be legal, valid, and enforceable.
- 17. TAKING: Should either of the Premises be taken, appropriated, or condemned for public purposes, or voluntarily transferred in lieu of condemnation, in whole or in such substantial part as to render the Premises unsuitable for Landlord's purposes or the Premises unsuitable for Tenant's purposes, including a material loss of access, the Term of this agreement shall, at the option of Landlord in the first instance and at the option of Tenant in the second instance, terminate when Tenant's right to possession is terminated. All compensation awarded for such taking of the fee and leasehold shall belong to and be the property of Landlord without any deduction therefrom for any present or future estate of Tenant and Tenant hereby assigns to Landlord all its right, title, and interest to any such award. However, Tenant shall have the right to recover from the condemning authority, but not from Landlord, such compensation as may be awarded to Tenant on account of interruption of Tenant's business, for moving and relocation expenses, and for depreciation to and removal of Tenant's goods and trade fixtures

Notwithstanding the foregoing: (a)Tenant shall have the right to terminate this agreement if the condemnation renders the Premises unsuitable for Tenant's purposes, including a material loss of vehicular access to the Premises, or if ten percent (10%) or more of the Premises is impaired. If Tenant elects to exercise its termination right hereunder, Tenant shall provide written notice thereof to Landlord within thirty (30) days after the condemnation acquisition (or voluntary transfer in lieu of condemnation) has occurred, whereupon this agreement shall be terminated effective as of the date of condemnation acquisition (or voluntary transfer in lieu of condemnation) and neither party shall have any further rights or obligations hereunder (except for any obligations that expressly survive the termination of this agreement).

Tenant shall have the right to make a separate claim in the condemnation proceeding for: (i)the unamortized portion of any expenditures by Tenant for its improvements or alterations to the Premises; (ii)Loss of goodwill (iii)moving and relocation costs, including relocation costs permitted under California Government Code §7262; and(iv)any other amount in addition to the foregoing that does not reduce the amount of the award payable to Landlord.]

**18. FORCE MAJEURE:** A "force majeure event" shall mean any of the following events: (a) acts of God; (b) floods, fires, earthquakes, explosions, or other natural disasters; (c) war, invasions, hostilities (whether war is declared or not), terrorist threats or acts, riots or other civil unrest; (d) proclamations, orders, laws, actions, or requests made or enacted by governmental authority; (e) embargoes or blockades; (f) epidemics, pandemics, or other national or regional

public health emergencies; (g) strikes, labor stoppages or slowdowns, or other industrial disturbances; (h) shortages of supplies, adequate power, or transportation facilities; and (i) other similar events beyond the control of the parties.

Neither party shall be liable or responsible to the other party, nor be deemed to have defaulted under or breached this agreement, for any failure or delay in fulfilling or performing any obligation under this agreement when and to the extent such failure or delay is caused by a Force Majeure Event. The failure or inability of either party to perform its obligations in this agreement due to a Force Majeure Event shall be excused for the duration of the Force Majeure Event and extended for a period equivalent to the period of such delay

To the extent either party relies on a Force Majeure Event to delay performance of any obligation hereunder in accordance with this section, such party (the "Noticing Party") shall give the other party notice within fourteen (14) days of the commencement of the Force Majeure Event, explaining the nature or cause of the delay and stating the period of time the delay is expected to continue. The Noticing Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to end the failure or delay and ensure the effects of such Force Majeure Event are minimized. The Noticing Party shall resume the performance of its obligations as soon as reasonably practicable after the Force Majeure Event ends. [In the event that the failure or delay remains uncured for a period of ninety (90) days following written notice given by the Noticing Party under this Section, the other party may thereafter terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice, in which event neither party shall have any further obligations under this agreement thereafter, except for those obligations which are expressly stated to survive termination or expiration of the agreement.

- **19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; WAIVERS:** This agreement forms the entire agreement between Landlord and Tenant and no provision hereof shall be altered, waived, amended, or extended, except in writing signed by both parties. Tenant affirms that, except as expressly set forth herein, neither Landlord nor any of its agents has made, nor has Tenant relied upon, any representation, warranty, or promise with respect to the Premises or any part thereof. Landlord shall not be considered to have waived any of the rights, covenants, or conditions of this agreement unless evidenced by its written waiver and the waiver of one default or right shall not constitute the waiver of any other. The acceptance of rent shall not be construed to be a waiver of any breach or condition of this agreement.
- 20. REAL ESTATE TAXES: "Real Estate Taxes" shall mean any form of real estate tax or assessment, general, special, ordinary, or extraordinary imposed upon the Premises, buildings, the land, or any portion thereof by any authority having the direct or indirect power to tax, including any city, state, or federal government, or any school, sanitary, fire, street, drainage, or other improvement district thereof, levied against any legal or equitable interest of Landlord in the Premises, buildings, the land, or any portion thereof. The term "Real Estate Taxes" shall also include any tax, fee, levy, assessment, or charge, or any increase therein, imposed by reason of events occurring, or changes in applicable zoning, municipal, county, state, and federal laws, ordinances, and regulations, and any covenants or restrictions of record taking effect during the Term of this agreement, including but not limited to a change in ownership of the Premises, buildings, the land, or the improvements thereon (or any portion thereof), the execution of this agreement, or any modification, amendment, or transfer thereof, and whether or not contemplated by the parties hereto. It is acknowledged by Tenant and Landlord that Proposition 13 was adopted by the voters of the State of California in the June 1978 election ("Proposition 13") and that assessments, taxes, fees, levies, and charges may be imposed by governmental

agencies for such services as fire protection, street, sidewalk and road maintenance, refuse removal, and for other governmental services formerly provided without charge to property owners or occupants. It is the intention of Tenant and Landlord that all such new and increased assessments, taxes, fees, levies, and charges and all similar assessments, taxes, fees, levies, and charges be included within the definition of Real Estate Taxes for purposes of this agreement, including, without limitation any increase in assessments, taxes, fees, levies, or charges resulting from a reassessment caused by or attributable from a change in ownership of the Building or Property, new construction, or any other cause ("Proposition 13 Triggering Event").

Tenant acknowledges that currently no Real Estate Taxes are included in the Base Rent. If the County of San Mateo imposes any form of Real Estate Taxes, such as a possessory interest tax, on either of the Premises due to this agreement, Tenant shall pay such Real Estate Taxes.

21. NOTICE: Unless specifically stated otherwise in this agreement, all notices, waivers, and demands required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and delivered to the addresses of Landlord and Tenant set forth below, by one of the following methods: (a) hand delivery, whereby delivery is deemed to have occurred at the time of delivery; (b) a nationally recognized overnight courier company, whereby delivery is deemed to have occurred the business day following deposit with the courier; (c) registered United States mail, signature required, and postage-prepaid, whereby delivery is deemed to have occurred on the third business day following deposit with the United States Postal Service; or (d) electronic transmission by email provided that the transmission is completed no later than 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time on a business day. Any Party shall change its address for purposes of this Lease by giving written notice as provided in this paragraph and notices shall only be valid if delivered in the manner provided. All notices and demands delivered by a Party's attorney on a Party's behalf shall be deemed to have been delivered by said Party. For purposes hereof, Landlord's address for electronic transmission is rbreault@ci.brisbane.ca.us and Tenant's address for electronic transmission are esorensen@ample.com

#### **TENANT:**

Ample, Inc.

Attn: Eric Sorensen

100 Hooper St. Suite 25, San Francisco, CA 94107

#### LANDLORD:

City of Brisbane 50 Park Place Brisbane, CA 94005

Attn: Director of Public Works

Such addresses may be changed from time to time by any part by providing notice to the other interested parties as described above.

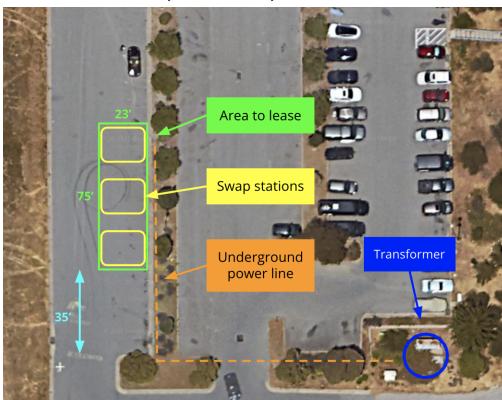
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the date first set forth below.

TENANT AMPLE, INC.
By: Eric Sorensen, President
LANDLORD, CITY OF BRISBANE
Ву:
Clay Holstine, City Manager
Approved as to form:
Michael Roush, Legal Counsel
MICHAEL NOUSH, LEKAL COULISEL

## 70 Old County Road, Brisbane, CA



## Brisbane Marina, Brisbane, CA



#### **Exhibit B:**

To the satisfaction of the City Engineer, Tenant shall:

Repair electrical utility trenches per City Standard Detail UT-1, except the backfill above the pipe zone shall be Class II slurry with added red oxide (or other approved pigment to indicate buried electrical conduit).

Replaced asphalt section shall be equal to the existing AC thickness plus 1 inch (no less than 3 inches in any repair) and to the existing AB thickness.

Place above ground utility markers as required by the City Engineer.

Maintain active membership in Underground Service Alert and respond timely to requests for marking of underground utilities as required by Underground Service Alert and as required by Government Code, section 4216.

### File Attachments for Item:

E. Consider Letter of Support for SamTrans Route 141 and 142

From: Jeffrey Tong <tong.examiner@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, October 25, 2022 3:53 PM

**To:** Salandanan, Jan Alexis <SalandananJ@samtrans.com>

Cc: CouncilSB <councilsb@sanbruno.ca.gov>; Council Members <CouncilMembers@ci.brisbane.ca.us>

Subject: Samtrans (new) Route 141 & 142

Dear Ms Salandanan

SB Mayor Rico Medina submitted my proposal to Samtrans staff to **modify Route 141 through Rollingwood and Monte Verde** in San Bruno - **instead of Rollingwood and Portola Highland.** 

But I have another modification - the opposite end. Why not extend Route 141 all the way to Brisbane and serve both SSF and Brisbane residents? Airport Blvd is extremely hazardous for bicyclists, especially the approach to Sister Cities Blvd.

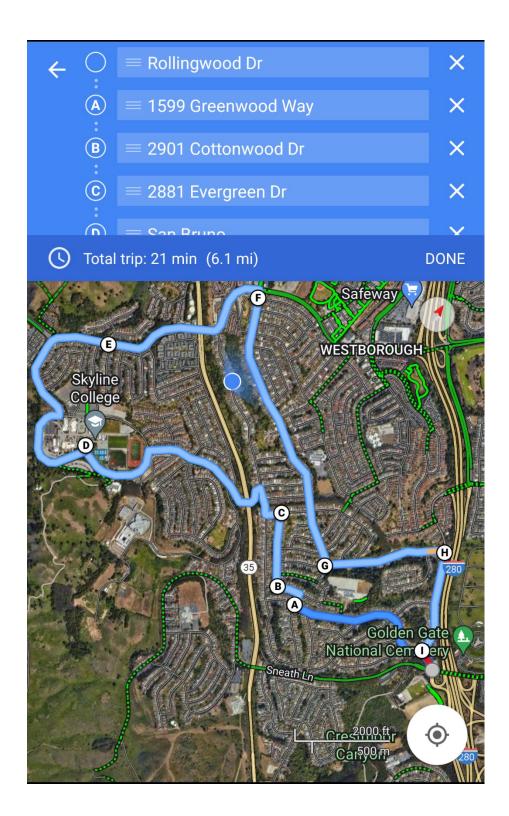
My proposal for 141 connects with (A) SB BART, (B) SB Caltrain / SB Downtown, (C-D) SSF Grand Ave / SSF Downtown, (E) SSF's new Caltrain Station, (F) Routes 130 and 292 connection point, and (G) Brisbane. Entire route is roughly one hour, so two shuttle buses will be a 1/2 hour wait.

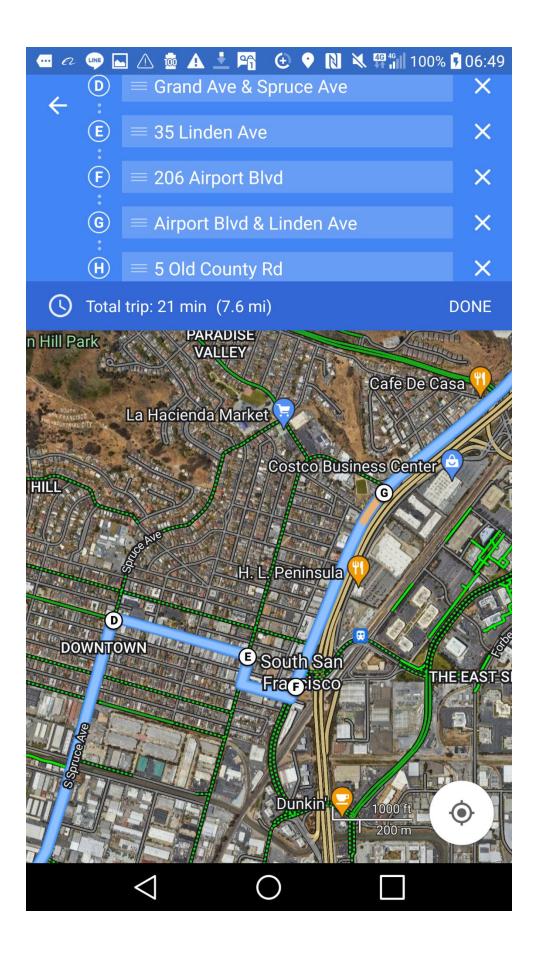
Moreover, very few residents will use Samtrans to go to SFO. I suggest **Route 142** should abandon SFO entirely. Instead, complement Route 141 by connecting Skyline College with SB BART and SB Caltrain **through Crestmoor 1, 2, 3, Portola Heights, and Pacific Heights.** 

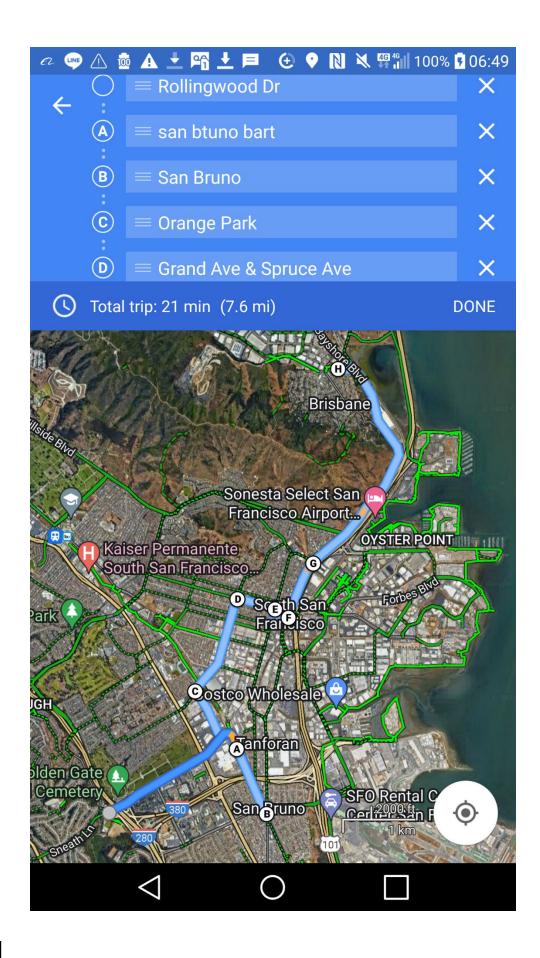
If Samtrans commits to an SFO shuttle, consider partnering with SB hotels, subsidize their existing one (1) shuttle by expanding it to two (2), and extend it to shopping districts (downtown and Bayhill) and transit hubs (SB BART & SB Caltrain).

**Conclusion: Samtrans big buses are too large to serve residential neighborhoods.** They are best reserved for El Camino Real or connector to San Francisco. Smaller shuttles = better stops, and faster turnaround will likely increase ridership exponentially. Thank you for consideration!

Jeffrey Tong, Candidate SB City Council District 1 www.Tongs.ch













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# **Route 142 Effective November 6, 2022**

