



**AMENDED ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY OF SHASTA  
AS RELATED TO MEETINGS OF ADVISORY BOARDS OR COMMITTEES  
ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCIES**

**DATE OF ORDER: May 19, 2021**

WHEREAS, a state of emergency has been declared by the State of California, and both a local health emergency and local emergency has been declared in the County of Shasta (the “County”) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, as part of the efforts to control the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, on April 6, 2020, the County Health Officer issued an order limiting meetings of advisory boards or committees established by local public agencies that were not essential and not necessary to ensure the continuity of functions critical to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, as of May 13, 2021, COVID-19 vaccines are available to all residents 12 year of age and older and vaccine appointments are abundant; and,

WHEREAS, as of May 14, 2021, 44% of Shasta County residents have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine, including 68% of individuals 65 years and older, protecting those at greatest risk of severe illness, and,

WHEREAS, Shasta County COVID-19 mortality rates and hospitalizations have decreased and stabilized relative to the winter surge, though case rates continue to cycle up and down and outbreaks occur; and,

WHEREAS, Shasta County COVID-19 case rates remain among the highest in the state and vaccination rates among the lowest; and

WHEREAS, ongoing vaccination and disease containment efforts continue and are effective tools to mitigate disease transmission in our community; and

WHEREAS, safety practices to reduce disease transmission (masking, capacity limits, distancing, vaccination, testing) are now well known and should be used by meeting planners and participants to reduce the risk of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the state of California anticipates “Moving Beyond the Blueprint” on June 15 if vaccine supplies are sufficient and hospitalization rates are stable and low; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code sections 23000 *et seq*, the Board of Supervisors established an Advisory Redistricting Commission in order to assist the Board of Supervisors in reviewing and modifying County electoral districts; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Redistricting Commission is required to meet as soon as is prudent to effectively perform its essential functions.

WHEREAS, the County Health Officer therefore issues the following:

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Karen Ramstrom, DO, MSPH, Health Officer  
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**NOW, THEREFORE, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, TITLE 17 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 2501, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA (“HEALTH OFFICER”) AMENDS THE APRIL 6, 2020 ORDER as follows:**


1. Meetings of the Advisory Redistricting Commission may commence as of May 27, 2021.
2. Meetings of advisory commissions or committees of citizens established by the Shasta County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Government Code section 31000.1 may resume as of June 15.
3. Meetings of community advisory boards for county service areas established by the Shasta County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Government Code section 25212.4 may resume as of June 15.
4. Meetings of boards, commissions or committees of citizens which are wholly advisory in nature with no independent decision making authority, and which are established in the discretion of the Shasta County Board of Supervisors, any City Council of an incorporated city within the County, and any governing board of a special district within the County, may resume as of June 15.
5. Meetings of other bodies that were not subject to the April 6, 2020 Order, including meetings of any County or City Planning Commission, the Continuum of Care, or any board, committee, or commission with independent decision making authority or is required to be established by state or federal law, shall be allowed to continue.
6. All such boards, committees, and commissions referenced in this order shall make every effort to comply with Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-29-20, paragraph 3, concerning meetings of local legislative bodies and such other guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health and the Governor regarding gatherings of persons.
7. This Order shall be effective immediately and will remain in effect until further Order of the Health Officer.
8. This Order is issued based on scientific evidence regarding the most effective approach to slow transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 specifically, as well as best practices as currently known and available to protect the public from the risk of spread of or exposure to COVID-19.
9. This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference:
  - a. The March 4, 2020 Proclamation of a State Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom.
  - b. The March 17, 2020 Declaration of Local Health Emergency and the March 17, 2020 Declaration of a Local Emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of novel COVID-19 in Shasta County.

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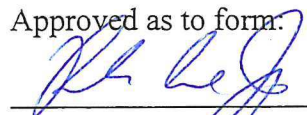
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- c. The March 24, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta ratifying the Declaration of a Local Health Emergency due to COVID-19.
  - d. The March 24, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta ratifying the Declaration of a Local Emergency due to COVID-19.
  - e. All guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health and the Governor regarding gatherings of persons.
10. This Order is made in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws, including but not limited to: Health and Safety Code sections 101030, et seq.; Health and Safety Code sections 120100, et seq.; and Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations section 2501.
11. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County of Shasta Administration Center located at 1450 Court Street, Suite 308A; (2) posted on the County of Shasta Public Health Department's website (shastaready.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.
12. If any provision of this Order to the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**

  
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Dr. Karen Ramstrom, DO, MSPH  
Public Health Officer  
County of Shasta

Dated: May 19, 2021

Approved as to form:  
  
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Rubin E. Cruse, Jr.  
County Counsel  
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