

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Based on guidance from the California Department of Public Health and the California Governor's Stay at Home Executive Order N-33-20 issued on March 19, 2020 to protect the health and well-being of all Californian's and to establish consistency across the state in order to slow the spread of COVID-19, the Planning Commission meetings will **no longer provide in-person participation until social distancing requirements are modified.** From time to time due to high number of requests for public participation, the City may allow limited in person participation.

We have established alternative methods of participation in the City of Solvang Planning Commission meetings, pursuant to the California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, which states:

- Providing an opportunity to "observe and address" telephonically or otherwise electronically, alone, meets the requirement; and
- Removing the former requirement from Executive Order N-25-20 of having "at least one publicly accessible" location from which the public may observe and offer comment. Executive Order N-29-20 now states expressly, "Such a body need not make available any physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment."

The following alternative methods of participation are available to the public:

1. You may observe the live stream of the City Council meetings on [www.CityofSolvang.com/YouTube](http://www.CityofSolvang.com/YouTube).
2. If you wish to make a general public comment or to comment on a specific agenda item, the following methods are available:
  - Distribution to the City Council - Submit your comment via email prior to noon (12 p.m.) on the Monday prior to the Planning Commission meeting. Please submit your comment to [CityHall@CityofSolvang.com](mailto:CityHall@CityofSolvang.com). Your comment will be placed into the record and distributed appropriately. If you would like your comment to be read during the meeting, please state in your email that you would like this "read into the record." Every effort will be made to read your comment into the record, but some comments may not be read due to time limitations.
  - By phone- If you would like to make a comment by phone, please call into conference line **888 788 0099 (Meeting ID: 306 652 9195)** and state your name, your phone number and which item you would like to speak on. The phone line will be open starting at 6 p.m. Please notify the City ahead of time that you would like to speak on an item or during open public comment by emailing [CityHall@CitofSolvang.com](mailto:CityHall@CitofSolvang.com) or calling the City at 805-6888-5575. The clerk will call your name to speak or will call you back at the appropriate time. Please make every effort to be available and mute all streaming devices once it is your turn to speak. We appreciate your advance notice.

- Join Zoom Meeting – you may also participate by joining Zoom meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/3066529195> (**Meeting ID: 306 652 9195**). Please use the “raised hand” button to indicate that you would like to speak.