

RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 07

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THAT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENCE LIVE VIDEO STREAMING AND LIVE AUDIO STREAMING OF COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS FOR ONLINE VIEWING AND PARTICIPATION

WHEREAS, San Juan County is one of the largest counties in the United States and its citizens often live far from the County seat in Monticello, Utah. For example, citizens living in Navajo Mountain, Utah, must drive nearly four hours to get to Monticello.

WHEREAS, meetings and work sessions of the San Juan County Commission are currently held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Hideout Conference Center in Monticello, Utah. Holding meetings in this location effectively shuts out participation by citizens from the southern portions of the County.

WHEREAS, for purposes of transparency and good government, to improve public participation and ultimately decision-making, it is critical to provide better access to Commission meetings and work sessions.

WHEREAS, due to the size of the County, and the inordinate amount of time and expense involved with physically attending Commission meetings, the Commission believes the Commission's meetings and work sessions should be accessible remotely by live video streaming and live audio streaming via YouTube or other means, with a real-time capacity for remotely submitting comments and questions on topics being discussed. The County Clerk, County Administrator, or other appointed County employee could compile the questions and comments submitted remotely during the meetings and present the questions and comments at an appropriate time during the meeting.

WHEREAS, in light of the size of the County and citizens' work schedules, the San Juan County Commission believes that broadcasting Commission meetings with live video streaming and live audio streaming via YouTube or other means, will provide for greater citizen involvement in County government and a more transparent and informed decision-making process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1: The County Administrator shall commence live video and live audio streaming of County Commission meetings and work sessions, including the capacity for real time remote citizen participation via comment submission during the Commission meetings as soon as possible, but no later than the March 19, 2019, Commission meeting.

Section 2: The video and audio streaming records of County Commission work sessions and meetings shall be made available and archived for future use on the County website.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of San Juan County Commissioners this
5 th day of March 2019.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Maryboy, Commissioner Grayeyes

Those voting nay: Commissioner Adams

Those abstaining: ~~0~~

Absent:

Board of San Juan County Commissioners



Kenneth Maryboy, Chairman

ATTEST:

John David Nielson
John David Nielson, County Clerk/Auditor