



Board of Directors

# Adopt Metropolitan's Disruption Policy: Telephonic and Internet Service Disruptions

Item 8-5

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**Item #8-5**  
Adopt  
Metropolitan's  
Disruption Policy:  
Telephonic and  
Internet Service  
Disruptions

**Subject**

Adopt Metropolitan's Disruption Policy outlining procedures for recessing and reconvening meetings during telephonic or internet service disruptions

**Purpose**

Establish procedures for managing meeting disruptions to ensure compliance with SB 707 and the Brown Act and maintain transparency and public access

**Recommendation**

Adopt Metropolitan's Disruption Policy outlining procedures for recessing and reconvening meetings during telephonic or internet service disruptions.

**Fiscal Impact**

None

## Why this matters (SB 707 Requirement)

### New Legal Requirement

- SB 707 requires procedures for meeting disruptions
- Applies to all Board and committee meetings

### What the Procedures Should Include

- Pause meeting during disruption
- Adopt finding by roll call:
  - Good faith effort to restore access made; and
  - Public interest in continuing the meeting outweighs the public interest in remote public access

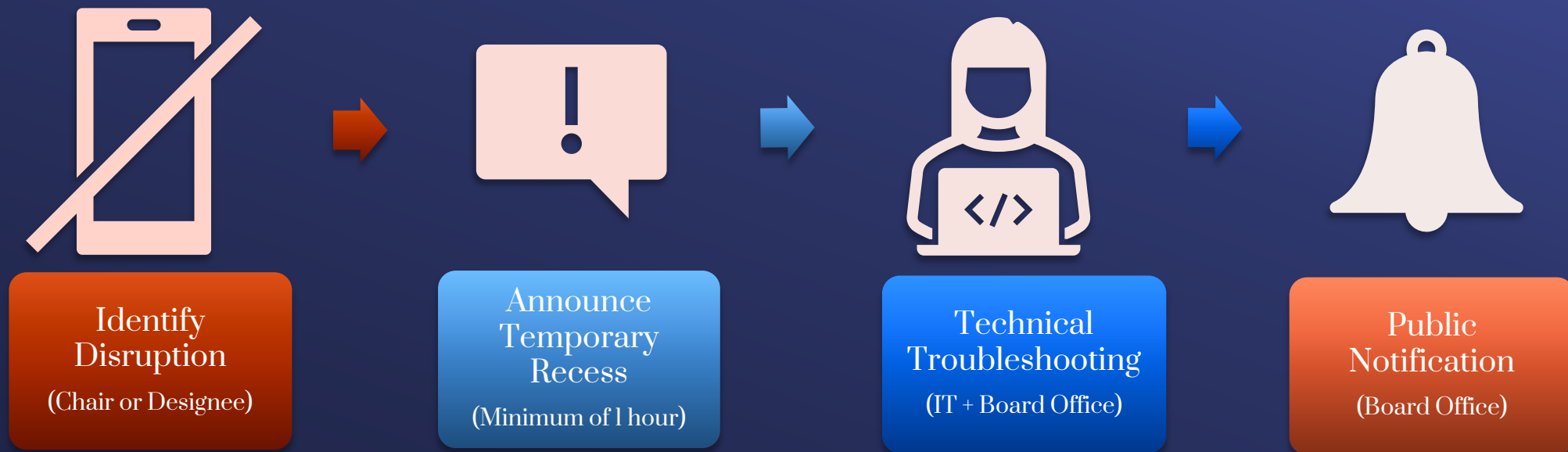
### Policy Must Be Adopted

- Non-compliance with Brown Act



Deadline to Adopt Policy is July 1, 2026

# Key Disruption Policy Procedures



# Policy Procedures if Service is Restored



Announcement  
that Service is  
Restored  
(Board Office)

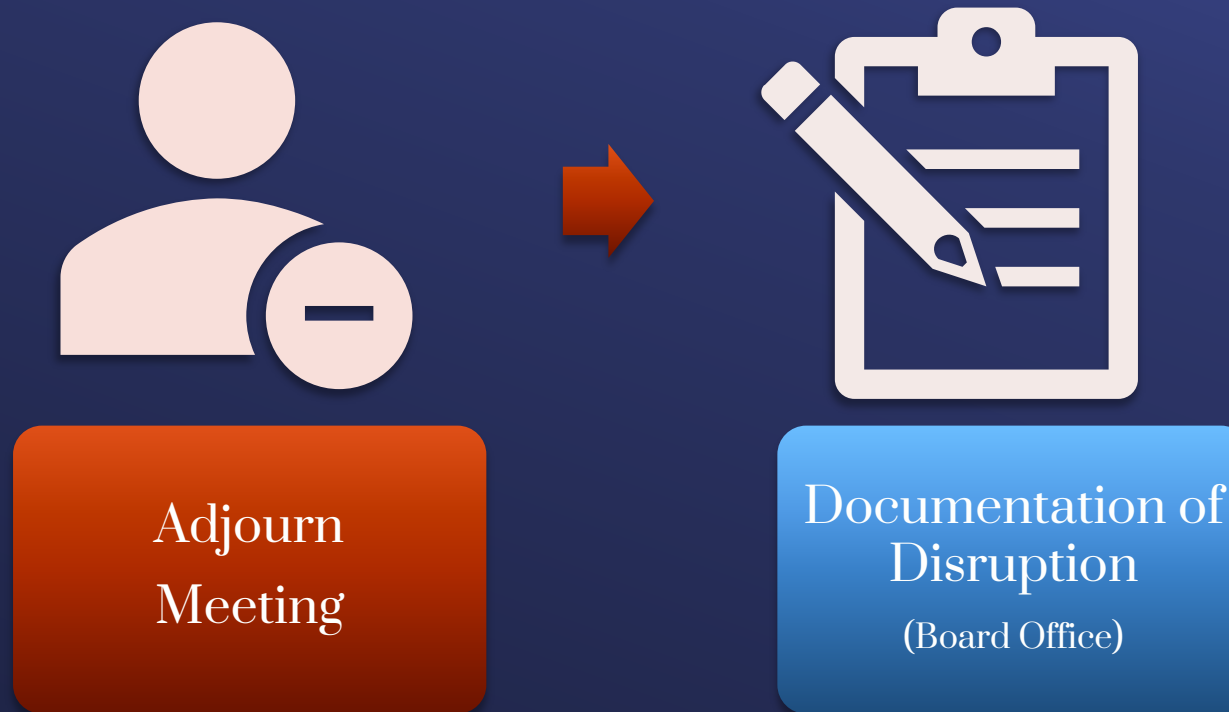
Reconvene  
Meeting  
(Chair or Designee)

Documentation of  
Disruption  
(Board Office)

# Policy Procedures if Service is Not Restored: **Reconvene Meeting**



# Option if Service is Not Restored: Adjourn Meeting Pursuant To Existing Brown Act



# Board Options

## Option #1

Adopt Metropolitan's Disruption Policy outlining procedures for recessing and reconvening meetings during telephonic or internet service disruptions.

## Option #2

Do not adopt Metropolitan's Disruption Policy at this time and provide direction to staff to revise or further develop the policy for consideration prior to the July 1, 2026, compliance deadline under SB707.

# Staff Recommendation

## Option #1

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# Questions

