## RESOLUTION NO. 22-\_\_\_\_

## Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Appointing Standby Officers For Succession Of Council Member Courtney Welch In The Event Of A Declared Emergency For Calendar Year 2022

**WHEREAS**, the City Council's role during a declared emergency is to provide continuity of government, and a major disaster could destroy the ability of the City Council to carry out its functions if a Council quorum could not be established; and

**WHEREAS**, California Government Code Sections 8635-8644 provide the authority for local governments to reconstitute themselves if incumbent elected officials are unable to serve due to a state of emergency by filling vacancies from the appointed list of standby officers until there are sufficient officers available to constitute a quorum; and

**WHEREAS**, in the event that there is only one member of the governing body or one standby officer, that one shall have the power to reconstitute the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8638 authorizes the City Council to appoint three standby officers for each member, and to designate them as first, second and third choices; and

WHEREAS, in appointing standby officers, the City Council should consider the places of residence and work for each appointee to ensure the greatest possibility of survivorship and availability; other minimum qualifications to include that they are a City resident, over 18 years of age, and a registered voter; and with additional criteria that they have familiarity with City operations and/or experience having served on the City Council and/or a City commission or committee; and

**WHEREAS**, once appointed, the standby officers will be administered the oath of office, and will serve at the City Council's pleasure, and may be removed from the seats at any time, with or without cause; and

**WHEREAS**, reappointment of incumbent standby officers or appointment of new ones would occur annually for terms that run from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, appointment of standby officers by the four sitting Council Members occurred on December 7, 2021, prior to the Council Member-elect being sworn in, Council must appoint her standby officers by separate action, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Emeryville that the standby officers as indicated and attached hereto as Exhibit A, revised to show Council Member Welch's appointees, are hereby appointed for terms running from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

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**ADOPTED**, by the City Council of the City of Emeryville at a regular meeting held Tuesday, January 18, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:		
NOES:		
ABSTAIN:		
ABSENT:		
		MAYOR
ATTEST:		APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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		Andrea Visveshwara
CITY CLER	RK	INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

## ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit A – 2022 City Council Emergency Standby Officers Roster