

Policy of the Central Virginia Planning District Commission regarding participation in meetings via video conference or telephone

- 1. A quorum of the Planning District Commission members must be physically present.
- 2. At the beginning of each meeting, the Commission must vote to allow electronic participation to verify that the policy is being followed by the member claiming exemption from personal attendance.
- 3. The member must notify the chair or staff on or before the day of the meeting that he or she plans to use the exemption.
- 4. The member must identify the reason for the use of the electronic meeting provision:
 - a) a temporary disability or other medical condition that prevents the member's attendance;
 - b) a personal matter which prevents the member's attendance (The nature of the personal matter must be specifically identified and included in the minutes.);
 - c) a family member's medical condition that requires the member to provide care for such family member, thereby preventing the member's physical attendance; or
 - d) a member's personal residence more than 60 miles from the meeting location.
- 5. The minutes shall also include a statement as to the remote location where the member is connected electronically.
- 6. There is no limit to the number of times a member may use:
 - a. the temporary disability or other medical condition reason;
 - b. a family member's medical condition; or
 - c. residence more than 60 miles from the meeting location.
- 7. The use of personal matters (4b) is limited to two of the total meetings of the Commission in a calendar year.