



1 WHEREAS, the Board has determined it is appropriate to amend Section 1-233 of  
2 the Broward County Code of Ordinances, pertaining to quorum requirements,

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4 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
5 BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

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7 Section 1. Section 1-233 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances is hereby  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 **Sec. 1-233. Terms and process of appointment to Broward County agencies,**  
10 **authorities, boards, committees, commissions, councils, and task forces; quorum.**

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12 (g) The number of members needed to constitute a quorum on any advisory or  
13 other board shall be a majority of the total appointed board members. Except as provided  
14 in Section 1-233(g)(1), ~~Once~~ a quorum has been established by members who are  
15 physically present at a meeting, members who are not physically present may attend and  
16 participate in such a meeting by ~~telephone~~ using communications media technology  
17 ("CMT"), such as telephonic or video conferencing or other electronic transmission of  
18 audio, video, or printed matter.

19 (1) During a declared state or local emergency, both members physically  
20 present and members participating in the meeting using CMT shall be  
21 counted in determining whether a quorum is present.

22 (2) During a declared state or local emergency, Section 1-233(g)(1)  
23 supersedes any contrary provision of the Broward County Administrative  
24 Code or the Broward County Code of Ordinances with respect to any

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1           requirement that members be physically present to establish a quorum.  
2           This provision shall not be construed to increase or decrease the number  
3           of members required to establish a quorum for any advisory board or other  
4           board.

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7           Section 2.   Severability.

8           If any portion of this Ordinance is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid  
9 portion will be stricken, and such striking will not affect the validity of the remainder of this  
10 Ordinance. If any court determines that this Ordinance, in whole or in part, cannot be  
11 legally applied to any individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance, such  
12 determination will not affect the applicability of this Ordinance to any other individual,  
13 group, entity, property, or circumstance.

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15           Section 3.   Inclusion in the Broward County Code of Ordinances.

16           It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this  
17 Ordinance become part of the Broward County Code of Ordinances as of the effective  
18 date. The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word  
19 “ordinance” may be changed to “section,” “article,” or such other appropriate word or  
20 phrase to the extent necessary in order to accomplish such intention.

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Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance is effective as of the date provided by law.

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FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

EFFECTIVE

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:  
Andrew J. Meyers, County Attorney

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Kristin M. Carter (date)  
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