THE CITY OF PLEASANTON

REQUEST TO VIRTUALLY ATTEND MEETING
FOR JUST CAUSE
Government Code section 54953.8.3

REQUESTOR'S NAME:	
MEETING DATE:	

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(Signature)

JUST CAUSE: The official must notify staff and the legislative body at the earliest opportunity possible, including at the start of the meeting, that the official has "just cause" to attend virtually. As defined, "just cause" means that an official has:

- Childcare or caregiving need of a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner that requires the official to participate remotely;
- A contagious illness that prevents an official from attending in person;
- A need related to a physical or mental condition that is not subject to subdivision (c) of Section 54953;
- Travel while on official business of the legislative body or another state or local agency;.
- An immunocompromised child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner of the member that requires the member to participate remotely;
- A physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from attending in person;
- Military service obligations that result in a member being unable to attend in person because they are serving under official written orders for active duty, drill, annual training, or any other duty required as a member of the California National Guard or a United States Military Reserve organization that requires the member to be at least 50 miles outside the boundaries of the local agency.

An official is limited to:
(i) Two meetings per year, if the legislative body regularly meets once per month or less.
(ii) Five meetings per year, if the legislative body regularly meets twice per month.

If an official participates virtually for just cause or emergency circumstances, the official must: (1) participate using both an audio and video connection; and (2) disclose if there is a person over the age of 18 with the official and that person's relationship with the official.