

462A.041 MEETINGS BY TELEPHONE OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS.

(a) Notwithstanding sections 13D.01 and 13D.02, the Housing Finance Agency may conduct a meeting of its members by telephone or other electronic means so long as the following conditions are met:

(1) all members of the agency participating in the meeting, wherever their physical location, can hear one another and can hear all discussion and testimony;

(2) members of the public present at the regular meeting location of the agency can hear all discussion and testimony and all votes of members of the agency;

(3) at least one member of the agency, the commissioner, the deputy commissioner, or an attorney for the agency is physically present at the regular meeting location; and

(4) all votes are conducted by roll call, so each member's vote on each issue can be identified and recorded.

(b) Each member of the agency participating in a meeting by electronic means is considered present at the meeting for purposes of determining a quorum and participating in all proceedings.

(c) If telephone or another electronic means is used to conduct a meeting, the agency to the extent practical, shall allow a person to monitor the meeting electronically from a remote location. The agency may require the person making such a connection to pay for documented marginal costs that the agency incurs as a result of the additional connection.

(d) If telephone or another electronic means is used to conduct a regular, special, or emergency meeting, the agency shall provide notice of the regular meeting location, of the fact that some members may participate by electronic means, and of the provisions of paragraph (c). The timing and method of providing notice is governed by section 13D.04.

History: 1997 c 154 s 4