

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND
SOLICITOR GENERAL**

Emergency Program Act

Ministerial Order No. M114

WHEREAS a declaration of a state of emergency throughout the whole of the Province of British Columbia was declared on March 18, 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND WHEREAS strata corporations must be able to conduct their business in accordance with public health advisories to reduce the threat of COVID-19 to the health and safety of persons;

AND WHEREAS section 10 (1) of the *Emergency Program Act* provides that I may do all acts and implement all procedures that I consider necessary to prevent, respond to or alleviate the effects of any emergency or disaster;

I, Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, order that the attached Electronic Attendance at Strata Property Meetings (COVID-19) Order is made.

April 15, 2020

Date


Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Emergency Program Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 111, s. 10

Other: MO 73/2020; OIC 173/2020

ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE AT STRATA PROPERTY MEETINGS (COVID-19) ORDER

Application

- 1 This order applies during the period that starts on the date this order is made and ends on the date on which the last extension of the declaration of a state of emergency made March 18, 2020 under section 9 (1) of the *Emergency Program Act* expires or is cancelled.

Electronic attendance at strata property meetings

- 2 (1) In this section,
 “strata property enactment” means
 - (a) the *Strata Property Act*, or
 - (b) any regulation made under the *Strata Property Act*, including, without limitation, a bylaw of a strata corporation;
 “strata property meeting” means a meeting authorized or otherwise provided for under a strata property enactment, including, without limitation, an annual or special general meeting.
- (2) Despite anything in a strata property enactment, a strata corporation may provide for attendance, or voting in person or by proxy, at a strata property meeting by telephone or any other electronic method, if the method permits all persons participating in the meeting to communicate with each other during the meeting.
- (3) A person who participates in, or attends or votes at, a strata property meeting in a manner contemplated by subsection (2) is deemed, for the purposes of the strata property enactment referred to in the definition of “strata property meeting”, to be present in person at the meeting.