

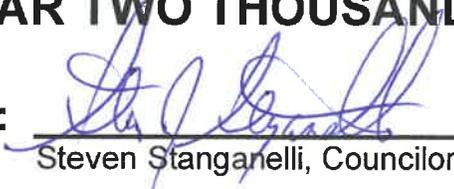


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Steven Stanganelli, Councilor-at-Large

**BILL No.**

2023-136

  
Anthony Rinaldi, Councilor, District 2

**An Ordinance** to adopt changes to Amesbury City Council – 13<sup>th</sup> Session Rules by adding Rule 5I: Remote Participation

**Summary:**

This ordinance will adopt changes to the Amesbury City Council – 13<sup>th</sup> Session Rules by adding Rule 5I: Remote Participation

**Be it Ordered by the City Council of the City of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows:**

That the City of Amesbury shall adopt changes to Rule 5 of the Order of Business of the Rules of Procedure for the Amesbury City Council – 13<sup>th</sup> Session as previously adopted in 2022-036 by adding Rule 5I – Remote Participation.

**Rule 5I – Remote Participation** shall be inserted as follows:

Remote participation shall be an acceptable option allowed in accordance with Attorney General Regulations, 940 CMR 29.10, provided that remote participation options have been adopted by the Mayor and consistent with the provisions of MGL ch 30A.

The minimum requirement for remote participation during a meeting shall be:

- 1.) A quorum of the body, including the chair, or in the chair's absence, the person chairing the meeting, must be physically present at the meeting location;
- 2.) Members of Council who participate remotely and all persons present at the meeting location must be clearly audible to each other; and
- 3.) All votes taken during a meeting in which a member participates remotely must be by roll call vote.

NOTE: Consistent with the provisions adopted in special legislation through the end of March 2025, unless such provisions are extended by further state legislative enactment, the City Council may hold remote meetings as outlined and consistent with such state law.