

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)**

**\*\*\* MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR IN-PERSON MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2021 \*\*\***

**A. ROLL CALL: MEMBERS PRESENT;** 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Donna Tisdale; 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** 1) VACANT; 2) Earl Goodnight-excused; 5) Michele Strand-unexcused

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**C. ACT ON DRAFT MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 5TH MEETING.**

- **M/S: COYNE/GOOD: Approve August 5<sup>th</sup> minutes/summary as written: Passed: 4-0-0**

**D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:** Opportunity for public comment on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. No action can be taken on non-agenda items. Items can be added on future agendas.

- Jim Whalen reported that the old Rough Acres Conference Center / campground facility MUP was reportedly back under consideration with new consultants.

**F. ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. COUNTY REQUEST FOR PRIORITY LISTS FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:**

- Request were made for better clearance of public road shoulders to benefit pedestrians and cyclists; improvement of blind intersection at Tierra del Sol Road (County) and Hwy 94 (State); and better signage and reflective striping at Old 80 and Live Oak Trail to help drivers during foggy weather.
- **M/S: KEANE/COYNE: Accept list of requests for submission to DPW: Passed: 4-0-0**

**2. REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK:**

- Attention was directed to notice included in the agenda package.
- Review and public discussion took place including impacts to rural residents.
- **M/S: GOOD/KEANE: Authorize Chair to submit a comment letter with concerns related to disproportionate adverse impacts to our backcountry.**

**G. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Chair repeated that applications for long-vacant Seat #1 are still being accepted. No one has applied or seems interested.
2. **REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:** No reports were provided

**H. PROJECT UPDATES:**

- Chair Tisdale reported the following:
  - San Diego County Board of Supervisors voted to join the San Diego Community Power alternative to SDG&E. The very same group that signed a Power Purchase Agreement for JVR Solar. They may also look to sign contracts with Rugged Solar, Starlight Solar, Campo Wind, Torrey Wind and other projects that may be in the works. Attention was directed to the news article in packet.
  - San Diego County is in the Redistricting process that may split up Supervisor District 2. She submitted a brief comment asking them not to split up existing community planning areas the way they did when congressional district boundaries were previously drawn that split the Boulevard Planning Area into two separate districts. It is hard enough to get the attention of one County Supervisor for Boulevard, let alone trying to get attention from two different ones. Attention was directed to related article in packet.

1. **STARLIGHT SOLAR:**

- Jim Whalen reported that the Haagens had hired a civil engineer and planner. Still need an electrical engineer. Working on site plan, project description, and right-of-way for interconnection. Discussions with SDG&E. The elder Mr. Haagen, prefers line to be placed underground instead of overhead.

2. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR: PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION-NEW PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

- Jim Whalen reported that the County is in final review of resubmitted response to comments and revised reports, including glare. He offered to conduct a presentation to BPG in future.

3. **TERRA-GEN'S 252 MW-60 TURBINE CAMPO WIND PROJECT APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 3-17-21 WITH VOTE TO APPROVE BOULDER BRUSH FACILITIES:**

- Chair Tisdale reported that the FAA appears to have approved the Campo Wind turbines with NO HAZARD determinations, for a second time, DESPITE opposition from their own Southern California Traffic Control over significant aviation impacts.
- Terra-Gen's most recent Campo Wind construction schedule (1page) was included in the agenda packet. It was included in court filings by Terra-Gen's Craig Pospisil. Clearing and grading estimated to start in Nov 2022 with commercial operation estimated to start in Feb 2024.

4. **TERRA-GEN'S BOULDER BRUSH SUBSTATION FACILITIES PDS2019-MUP-19-002; PDS2019-ER-19-16-001; UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 3-17-21:**

- Legal challenge of County approval is still unresolved.

5. **90 MW JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR); APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 8-18-21:**

- No news to report.

6. **ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ (ESJ) WIND II-EXPANSION: C**

- Current 108MW (26-Vestas V150-4.2MW) expansion of existing 155 MW ESJ Wind I project (47-3.3 MW turbines) on 13,000 acres south of the border just east of Jacumba and Ejido Jacume is visible US side of border.

7. **TERRA-GEN'S 126 MW TORREY WIND PROJECT WITH 30-4.2 MW TURBINES: PDS2018-MUP-18-014:**

- No news to report.

8. **TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW:**

- No news to report.

**I. ADJOURNED AT 7:38 PM: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7TH, 2021.**

**MINUTES APPROVED BY GROUP ON 10-7-21**

**Michele Strand, Secretary:** 

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