COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

*** 7 PM THURSDAY OCTOBER 7, 2021 – FINAL AGENDA/NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING COMMUNITY ROOM IN BACK AT 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905***

A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum): 1) VACANT; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Donna Tisdale; 5) Michele Strand; 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good (Applications are being accepted to fill vacant Seat #1. Must reside in and be registered to vote in Boulevard Planning Area)

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

C. ACT ON DRAFT MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2ND MEETING:

<u>D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:</u> 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 to future agendas. **F. ACTION ITEMS (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request):**

- 1. RESPOND TO SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON'S LETTER REGARDING FILLING VACANT SEATS:
- 2. SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL EIR: Planning Commission hearing October 1, 2021, at 9:00 am; County Operations Center (COC) Campus Center Chambers, 5520 Overland Ave, San Diego, CA 92123. Email questions and comments to: CAP@sdcounty.ca.gov or call (619) 323-7987. Climate Action Plan website: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sustainability/climateactionplan.html
- 3. RESPOND TO SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON'S REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK ON PROPOSED MICROENTERPRISE

 HOME KITCHEN OPERATIONS (MEHKOS): MEHKOS can create a pathway for individuals currently operating in gray market of informal food economy to become legal home-based businesses. Dept of Environmental Health and Quality will be drafting language for proposed ordinance. Contact: mike.fredenburg@sdcounty.ca.gov
- 4. SANDAG'S REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN DRAFT EIR COMMENT DEADLINE OCT 11: Potential for Vehicle Miles Travel fees and other impacts for rural residents / commuters: https://sdforward.com/mobility-planning/draft-eir/; Send comments to: RegionalPlanEIR@sandag.org
- 5. ZONING & SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS FOR INACTIVE/IDLE PROJECTS- POLICY I-137 IS SET TO EXPIRE IN APRIL 2022: Boulevard Solar and Boulevard Energy Storage projects may be impacted by change. Contact Bronwyn.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-414-3244
- 6. REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK TO MOVE THE REGION TO ZERO-CARBON: Recent project discussion includes some of the following ideas promoted during workshop to reach zero carbon goal by 2036: No wood burning, no propane, various vehicle miles-traveled taxes, and lots and lots of renewable energy projects. Contact for project team: zerocarbon@sdcounty.ca.gov . Website: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sustainability/regional-decarbonization.html
- **7. SAN DIEGO COUNTY REDISTRICTING COMMISSION:** County Supervisor district boundaries review: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/redistricting/; redistricting@sdcounty.ca.gov
- 8. SAN DIEGO COUNTY COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM PROJECT INITIATION: County staff is exploring community benefit agreements and other programs that may improve conditions where new development is located. Findings may be presented to Board of Supervisors on November 17, 2021. Staff wants to know: 1) what types of development projects should it apply to (energy, residential, industrial)? 2) Should the program be voluntary or mandatory? 3) How would a community benefit be selected? Li.Li@sdcounty.ca.gov

G. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Applications for vacant Seat #1 are being accepted. Contact: tisdale.donna@gmail.com; 619-766-4170
- 2. REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

H. PROJECT UPDATES:

74 MW RUGGED SOLAR: PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION-NEW PROJECT
 DESCRIPTON: Project originally approved in 2014 but never built. Clean Focus is moving forward slowly with a reported 20% reduction in project footprint. Final public review pending.

- 2. **STARLIGHT SOLAR:** The application is pending for this 20 MW project planned on Empire Ranch, Jewel Valley, with intent to connect to grid via the Boulevard Substation.
- 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: Approved for Campo Reservation land by Dept of Interior April 2020. Federal lawsuit filed 7-8-20. On August 6, 2021, the federal judge granted the Campo Band's Motion to Dismiss the case filed in 2020. FAA approved project for second time despite SO CAL TRACON objections over significant aviation impacts.
- 4. TERRA-GEN'S BOULDER BRUSH SUBSATION FACILITIES PDS2019-MUP-19-002; PDS2019-ER-19-16-001; UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 3-17-21: Boulder Brush Facilities include 3.5 miles of overhead 230 kilovolt generation transmission (gen-tie) line on private land, approximately 32 steel poles at a maximum height of 150 feet, a high voltage substation, a switchyard, in/out connection to the existing Sunrise Powerlink. These facilities will connect Terra-Gen's 60-4.2 MW Campo Wind turbines on the Campo Reservation to Sunrise Powerlink via the substation and switchyard on private land. See more project details at this link: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/BoulderBrush.html
- 90 MW JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR); APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 8-18-21. CEQA LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST APPROVAL ON 9-20-21: 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (360 MWh). The development footprint of the proposed solar facility is approximately 623 acres. Project documents are posted at: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-18-022.html. Project Manager: Nicholas.Koutoufidis@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858.495.5329.
- 6. ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ (ESJ) WIND II-EXPANSION: 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. Energy exported cross border to ECO Substation per Power Purchase Agreement with SDG&E: https://www.bnamericas.com/en/news/ienova-reportedly-seeks-full-ownership-of-baja-california-wind-farm; https://www.renewableenergymagazine.com/wind/vestas-wins-108-mw-epc-order-in-20200220/
- 7. TERRA-GEN'S 126 MW TORREY WIND PROJECT WITH 30-4.2 MW TURBINES: PDS2018-MUP-18-014: No project progress reported since approximately 2018. Torrey Wind will rely on Campo Wind's approved but not yet built Boulder Brush Substation. PDS has extended their project resubmittal with a due date of *March 24, 2022*: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov//content/sdc/pds/ceqa/TorreyWindNOP.html
- TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW: Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the
 Ewiiaapayaap Reservation, with a capacity of 69 megawatts, as expansion to existing 131.1 MW Tule Wind I
 with 57 -2.3 MW turbines. No project progress since approximately 2016:
 https://www.eastcountymagazine.org/state-approves-tule-wind-phase-ii-opponents-voice-concern-eagles-wildlife-residents
- **9. BOULEVARD ENERGY STORAGE PDS2017-ZAP-17-006:** 100 MW battery storage project proposed to connect to Boulevard Substation is on County's idle project list. County will be sending letter to applicant to withdraw, reactivate, or moved forward for denial after April 30, 2022.

I. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH, 2021.

For More information contact Donna Tisdale, Chair at 619-766-4170 or tisdale.donna@gmail.com; Current and past meeting agendas and approved minutes are posted on the County website @

http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/gpupdate/comm/blvd.html

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