COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

*** 7 PM THURSDAY DECEMBER 2 – 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 OCTOBER 7TH MEETING (November meeting was cancelled):

<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. RENEWABLE ENERGY COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGREEMENTS DECEMBER 8TH BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING: Discussion and vote on preferences for community benefits for large scale wind, solar, and related infrastructure projects. Should benefits be required? Should benefits be solely designated or restricted to project-impacted community / zip code? Should a 3-6 month delay be requested for further research? Staff reportedly conducted preliminary best practices research, met with other jurisdictions, gathered input from CPGs and stakeholders. On December 8th, Staff will present findings and seek direction to develop options for the Board's consideration. County contact: Li.Li@sdcounty.ca.gov; 619-510-5581
- 2. SAN DIEGO COUNTY INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (IRC): Public meetings are being held regarding the regular redrawing of County Supervisor districts. Some community planning areas may be split between different supervisor districts. December 9th, the IRC selects draft map for adoption. December 15th is the statutory deadline for IRC to file Adopted Map and Final Report with Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. Draft maps are still changing. They are posted at this link along with directions for public comment: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/redistricting/IRCmeetings2.html
- 3. SAN DIEGO REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION DRAFT FRAMEWORK: Discussion and vote. The Board of Supervisors was updated on this item on November 17th with final decision expected in early 2022. The first draft is now available. It shows wind, solar, and transmission projects highly concentrated in the Candidate Project Areas (CPA) that dominate the Boulevard and Jacumba Planning Areas. See Figures 2-7 and 2.8 on pages 27-28 of the draft pdf at this link: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sustainability/regional-decarbonization.html. Comments can be submitted to: ZeroCarbon@sdcounty.ca.gov.
- 4. COUNTY REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2021-22 PARK LAND DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) AND RECREATION PROGRAMMING PRIORITY LISTS: Discussion and vote.
- **5.** SDG&E PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF EVENTS & LACK OF COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTERS: Discussion and vote on issues of concern and potential proposals for local resource centers and more.

G. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. <u>Applications for vacant Seat #1 are being accepted.</u> Contact: <u>tisdale.donna@gmail.com</u>; 619-766-4170
- PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST FOR PRESERVATION OF EVIDENCE RELATED TO LIVE OAK SPRINGS: The County
 of San Diego and the BPG received a letter from Loftin / Bedell Attorneys at Law to preserve records for
 communications related to a list of Live Oak Springs related entities. BPG records were provided to the County.
- 3. BOULEVARD MICROGRID (Dec 2 CPUC Decision) & STRATEGIC UNDERGROUNDING:
- 4. REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

H. PROJECT UPDATES:

1. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR: PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION-NEW PROJECT DESCRIPTON:** Project originally approved in 2014 for Soitec Solar but never built. Clean Focus is moving forward 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. An 80 MW expansion and 200MW battery storage project are also reportedly planned.
- 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. An appeal of FAA approval is pending.
- 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
- 5. 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.
- 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
- 8. <u>TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW:</u> 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, JANUARY 6, 2022.

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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