COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

*** 7 PM THURSDAY JUNE 1ST, 2023 – 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) Manuel Casanova; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Vacant; 5) Vacant 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR MAY 4TH 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.

E. ACTION ITEMS (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request):

- 1. <u>CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (CAP) UPDATE:</u> County Staff will present an in-person presentation with a question and answer session to follow.
- 2. MOUNTAIN TOP MARKET/ SDG&E'S MICRO GRID: Should the board take action to assist Mountain Top Market in their efforts to get connected to the SDG&E's power grid? A letter of support was sent to Supervisor Anderson (cc: to Gregory Kazmer, Dallin Young, SDG&E) By private citizen Donna Tisdale 4/25/2023. There was no response from Supervisor Anderson's office. Dallin Young responded with a commitment to supply a standby generator.

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- APPLICATIONS FOR VACANT SEATS #4 AND #5 ARE BEING ACCEPTED: Interested candidates should apply on
 the Clerk of the Board's website. The application can be found at
 https://sandiegocounty.primegov.com/Portal/NewForm/1?committeeld=315. After submitting the application,
 the candidate will receive an email containing a copy of his/her application and a supplement page for
 certification. The candidate should complete the top portion of the certification page and then provide both
 documents to Earl Goodnight PO Box 1272 Boulevard, CA 91905, or email: blvdgoodnight@gmail.com
- On 5/24/2023 the BOS voted 4-0 in support for the creation of a plan to place a representative from the unincorporated areas on the SANDAG board.
- REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

- 1. 100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR PLUS BATTERIES PLANNED FOR 565 ACRES IN 8 EMPIRE RANCH AREAS OF JEWEL VALLEY AREA; MAJOR USE PERMIT (MUP) NOTICE OF PROJECT: PDS2022-MPA-22-006. 20 MW POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT REPORTED WITH SDG&E: DISCUSSION AND VOTE: Project is industrial scale 100 MW solar facility with battery energy storage system (BESS), collector substation, transformers, inverters, gen-tie line, and 24' internal roads, water tanks for fire protection, security fencing, lighting, and signage. Project has proposed eight solar array areas with approximately 300,000 PV modules on support structures. Project documents are posted at: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/PDS2022-MUP-22-010.html . County project manager: Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov (619) 857-8012.
- 2. CAISO GRID QUEUE WIND & SOLAR PROJECT LIST FOR BOULEVARD / JACUMBA AREA: Updates on the CAISO Queue April report.
- 3. <u>REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK (RDF):</u> Consideration is pending the confirmation of a new District 4 representative.
 - Any questions should be directed to the project team at zerocarbon@sdcounty.ca.gov/rdf.

- 4. TERRA-GEN'S BOULDER BRUSH FACILITIES (SUBSTATION GEN-TIE) PDS2022-MUP-19-002TE: The County vested Terra-Gen's project so their permit Time Extension application has been withdrawn. On October 21, Judge Ronald Frazier granted Intervenor-Defendant Campo Band of Diegueno Mission Indians' Motion to Dismiss the legal challenge to the County's approval of this project, due to their sovereign immunity. An appeal is in process by a non-profit. Project docs and maps link: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/BoulderBrush.html.
- 5. 74 MW RUGGED SOLAR PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION APPROVED ON 10-12-22. CONSTRUCTION EXPECTED TO START WITHIN A YEAR OR SO: The developer agreed to remove the concertina wire from fencing; to reduce interior pole height to 40ft; and to include additional \$25,000 to community benefit donation. The Board of Supervisors approved the project on October 12, 2022 with direction to the Chief Administrative Officer to report back to the Board within 180 days with the three options for the Mountain Empire area: https://bosagenda.sandiegocounty.gov/cob/cosd/cob/doc?id=0901127e80f2ae72
- 6. **DECORATIVE COMMUNITY SIGN:** Waiting for response to our interest from Kenton Jones at DPW.
- 7. **SDG&E's BOULEVARD MICROGRID & STRATEGIC UNDERGROUNDING:** CPUC approved the project on 6/23/22. Work in progress. Completion is expected in August 2023.
- 8. TERRA-GEN'S 252 MW-60 TURBINE CAMPO WIND PROJECT. ON OCTOBER 27th THE 9th CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS DIMISSED THE LEGAL CHALLENGE BASED ON TRIBAL SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY: Campo Wind was 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 based on sovereignty. The case was appealed to 9th Circuit. In 2021, the FAA approved the project for second time despite SO CAL TRACON objections over significant aviation impacts. An appeal of FAA approval is still in process at the 9th Circuit.
- 90 MW JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR); APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 8-18-21. CEQA LAWSUIT WAS FILED AND DISMISSED. AN APPEAL WAS FILED: 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (360 MWh) on 613 acres. Project documents are posted at: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-18-022.html.
- 10. 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. Terra-Gen was granted another project time extension through March 22, 2023. https://www.sandiegocounty.gov//content/sdc/pds/ceqa/TorreyWindNOP.html The CAISO Grid Queue report (#2177) shows a Boulder Brush Hybrid with 105.8 MW wind and 314 MW battery storage with an online date of 6/1/25: http://www.caiso.com/PublishedDocuments/PublicQueueReport.xlsx
- 11. 60 MW 420 ACRE BOULEVARD SOLAR MUP12-010TE PDS2012-3300-12-00 @ 796 Tierra Del Sol Road; No project progress reported. The absentee owner still promoting it. Permit was set to expire at the end of July 2022. Another Major Use Permit Time Extension is reportedly being processed.
- 12. <u>ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ (ESJ) WIND II-EXPANSION COMMENCED OPERATIONS:</u> Moved to completed on the CAISO Queue April 2023 report.
- **13.** <u>SEMPRA'S CIMMARON WIND</u>: 300 MW wind & 500 MW Volta Mexicali battery storage project in Mexico. Nothing to report.
- **14.** <u>TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW</u>: Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the Ewiiaapayaap Reservation. No progress since approximately 2016.

H. ADJOURMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY JULY 6TH, 2023.

For more information contact Earl Goodnight, email blvdgoodnight@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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