COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

*** MINUTES / SUMMARY FOR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2023 *** COMMUNITY ROOM IN BACK AT 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

<u>A. MEMBERS PRESENT:</u> 1) Manuel Casanova Jr; 2) Earl Goodnight; 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Vacant; 5) Vacant; 6) Michael Coyne; (excused) 7) Nancy Good

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 3RD MEETING:

 M/S: Keane/Good: Approve August3rd, 2023, minutes/summary as corrected. PASSED: 4 YES, 0 NO, 2 VACANT, 1 EXCUSED

<u>D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:</u> Chair Goodnight asked for common courtesy of all individuals to allow the Board members to conduct their duties. He shared that there had been solicitation letters to property owners to lease their property for placements of SOLAR FARMS. The Goodnight's, Tisdale's and two from the Campo area had received letters. He hoped the neighbors would not sell out.

Rhett Lawrence addressed the group with information on the cemetery that is planned near Miller Valley. He shared the address of the burial location as well as the email address info for the Crestwood burial service. He brought up how important it is to our community even though it is in the Campo/Lake Moreno area because water knows no boundaries. His water now is contaminated because of a burial site for cattle and horses. He asked for a letter of support from the BCPG to the CLMCPG in their resistance to the Project. Later he requested the Group to send a letter to the Pine Valley Group to show solidarity.

Frank Davoli spoke about the importance of taking personal responsibility for the state of our community, and not growing accustomed to expecting "handouts", in the form of financial help or compensation from the City. He spoke about the power of collective individual action. He utilized the example that if 40 people serve a common project for 5 minutes each, our cumulative 5 minutes of effort would coalesce into a collective 200 minutes of community labor. Many hands make light work!

Rupert Pedrin spoke about several issues multiple residents have had with SDG&E regarding their seemingly endless underground power project. He detailed an incident concerning a local elderly resident - who experienced SDG&E trespassing onto her property (without her permission or notification) to underground her power. They left ruts in her road where they were trenching and didn't bother to fix the altered grade in the road afterward, leaving her incapable of driving up her own driveway.

He spoke about the importance of holding SDG&E accountable for their lack of following safety standards, and negligence in informing locals of their underground plans and timelines for completion of this operation. He referenced several individual cases where SDG&E has trespassed without consent, compensation, or prior notification onto private property for the purposes of hooking up their power lines and underground power.

E. ACTION ITEMS: There were on action items.

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

• <u>SUPERVISOR ANDERSON'S GRANT FUNDS/AWARDS:</u> Chair Goodnight presented the information that he gathered on the grants: COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM and the NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT

- PROGRAM. He shared that both grants can only be applied for by non-profit or government agencies. Applications are still being accepted until November 1, 2023. Approved funds will be allotted in June 2024.
- PLANNING BOARD VACANCIES SEATS #4 & #5: Information was received from Supervisor Anderson's office that both applicants will be on the BOS 8/29/2023 agenda for approval and appointment. Chair Goodnight shared the Clerk of the Board had emailed, on the day of the meeting, BOS appointments for both Melanie Zardeneta-Hayden and Anthony Ralphs. He then invited both to join the BCPG at the table.
- MOUNTAIN TOP MARKET POWER CONNECTION TO THE SDG&E MICROGRID: Through an email Dallin Young, SDG&E, provided information on when a PSPS occurs, SDG&E knows within 72 hours prior of the shutoff and then 48 hours prior they will provide a generator to the market. He indicated the SDG&E team would be reaching out to Nick and provide details.
- <u>LIVE OAKS SPRINGS MARKET GENERATOR BOARD SUPPORT LETTER:</u> Chair Goodnight had reached out to Sam Matthe, owner of the Live Oaks Springs Market to get involved and contact SDG&E. The owner sent a letter to SDG&E requesting a generator during a PSPS. A response was received from Dallin Young, SDG&E, stating that their team was looking into supplying a generator. He believed they had surveyed his facility.
- **SANDAG UNINCORPORATED REPRESENTATION UPDATE:** The Association of San Diego County Planning Groups met on Zoom 8/30.2023 to review and ratify the Association's Bylaws. Their next meeting will be in November, the date TBD. BCPG will vote in the October meeting to join the Association.
- <u>DISCRETIONARY PERMIT FOR ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL PDS2023-ABC-23-002 DECISION:</u> The County granted approval of the permit with the conditions recommended by the BCPG. The business name will be Jamesons Liquor & Convenience Outlet. Hours 7:00 to 10:00, 7 days a week.
- **SOCIALLY EQUITABLE CANNABIS PROGRAM:** Comments are still being accepted from the public. Comments can be emailed to pds.longrangeplanning@sdcounty.ca.gov.
- PARK LANDS DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PRIORITY LIST: Public input was encouraged for ideas for Boulevard's needs. Park Department Lists will be compiled and readied for submitting to PLDO.
- **REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:** Dennis Bergland spoke about the Fire Safety Council, informed all of what it does, and its urgent need for community members to show up to the meetings and get involved. He mentioned that the Fire Safety Council will begin bringing public speakers to address the meetings and discuss common concerns; by providing education about issues relevant to our community.

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

- 1. 100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR PLUS BATTERIES PLANNED FOR 565 ACRES ON THE EMPIRE RANCH:
 - Jim Whalen presented a list of potential benefits for the community that could be possible with donations from the Starlight Solar Project. The County requested the list, that was presented. be sent to the County.
- 2. TERRA-GEN'S BOULDER BRUSH FACILITIES (SUBSTATION GEN-TIE) PDS2022-MUP-19-002TE:
 - An appeal was submitted on 6/20/2023 by the nonprofit BAD and individuals Ed and Donna Tisdale.
- 3. TERRA-GEN'S 252 MW-60 TURBINE CAMPO WIND PROJECT:
 - The non-profit BAD won their appeal against the FAA's approval of the Project. An appeal is expected.
- 4. SEMPRA'S CIMMARON WIND:
 - The 330MW wind farm in Baja has received the green light from the environment ministry Semarnat. The Cimarron wind farm will be in the Tecate municipality located close to the US border.

H. MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:33 PM: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY	<u>, OCTOBER 5TH,</u>	2023.

Minutes were approved, as written, by the Group on 10/5/ 2023.

Manuel Casanova Jr., Secretary: <u>Manuel Casanova</u>

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