COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

*** 7 PM THURSDAY +October 5th, 2023 – FINAL AGENDA / NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING LARGER MEETING ROOM AT 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905***

A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum): 1) Manuel Casanova, Jr.; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Anthony Ralphs; 5) Melanie Zardeneta-Hayden; 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. APPROVE MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 7th MEETING:

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

- 1. **SDG&E IN PERSON PRESENTATION**: There will be a SDG&E presentation on the Undergrounding Program, the Boulevard Microgrid, and an update on Mountain Top Market power.
- 2. **PARK LANDS DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PRIORITY LIST**: The Priority Project List shall be listed in order of priority of projects, reviewed and submitted to Park Lands prior to Nov. 30, 2023.
- 3. **LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE CAMPO LAKE MORENA PLANNING GROUP:** During our September meeting Rhett Lawrence made a presentation on the proposed cemetery near Miller Valley. He is requesting our Planning group lend their support to the CLMCPG in their resistance to the Project. Also aligning with the Pine Valley Planning Group to show solidarity.
- 4. **SANDAG UNINCORPORATED REPRESENTATION:** The Association of Planning Groups is requesting the vote of all Planning Groups to join the Association and if joining, select a representative and alternate from the BPG to attend scheduled in person APG meetings.

E. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

• LETTERS WERE SENT TO RESIDENTS WITH NOTIFICATION OF SCHEDULED ELECTRICAL WORK.

Undergrounding:

C445G-Tecate Divide Rd, Red Shank Ln, High View Pt, Quail Run Rd, Paso Alto Ct, Arroyo Poco Ln, Alta Viva Ln, Camina Del Mesa

C445D- Opalocka Rd, Clements St, Ribbonwood Rd.

Pole replacement and powerline hardening:

C445P CC- Tierra Del Sol Rd, Tierra Del Sol Dr

C445G CC- Hwy 94, Old Hwy 80, Tierra Del Sol Rd

C445D CC- Jewel Valley Rd, Hwy 94

C445A CC- Jewel Valley Rd, Jewel Valley Way, Jewel Valley Ct, Manzanita Rd

- <u>MESSAGE FROM MARIE WALDRON, STATE ASSEMBLYMEMBER, 75th DISTRICT:</u> Assembly Constitutional Amendment 13 (ACA 13) was passed in Sacramento to undermine Prop 13 property tax protection. ACA 13 will require a change to the State's Constitution which in turn takes voter approval.
- CANNABIS PROGRAM EIR PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS: The Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the EIR is being circulated for a public review period from September 15, 2023, to October 31, 2023.

PDS is hosting two virtual (Zoom) public meetings to receive your input.

October 12 and October 17, 2023, at 6:00 to 8:00 PM. (registration link is provided).

Registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN InkTYI3sQP2bmb86gPXoLg

- Any questions, please contact Dara Elkurdi: pds.longrangeplanning@sdcounty.ca.gov (858) 505-6677
- PARK LANDS DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PRIORITY LIST: The Planning Group has been asked to submit Boulevard's priority list. Copies of the form are available. Public input is encouraged. The lists will be compiled and submitted to PLDO following our October meeting, in time to meet their November 30.2023 deadline.
- REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

F. 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 The list of benefits previously submitted has been sent to the County per their request. The list as follows:
 - Complete the community center park next door. Leverage the Rugged Solar \$900,000.00 on top of that from the County in matching funds.
 - Conduct a regional (Boulevard) ethnobotanical survey.
 - Selectively underground certain power lines.
 - Plan/upgrade the Live Oaks Springs "park". I say "park" because the land is privately owned. This is the densest population in the area.
 - Build a new commercial site on Haagen property at the southwest corner of Old Hwy 80 and Jewel valley Road with a community resource component.
 - Supply and connect more generators.
 - Provide and fund a help desk for residents dealing with outside issues.
 - Create a "community resilience hub" attached to the refurbished community center.
- 2. 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:

Project docs link: https://bosagenda.sandiegocounty.gov/cob/cosd/cob/doc?id=0901127e80f2ae72

- 3. <u>TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW</u>: Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the Ewiiaapayaap Reservation.
 - Avangrid Inc. (parent company of Tule Wind) and Vitol Inc. have reached a transfer agreement for the 2023 **production tax credits** of the Tule Wind Project. Going forward, we will have to see how it affects the project.
- 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 was submitted on 6/20/2023 by the non-profit BAD. Project docs and maps link: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/BoulderBrush.html.
- 5. 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 non-profit BAD won their appeal against the FAA approval of the project.
- 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.
- 7. 60 MW 420 ACRE BOULEVARD SOLAR MUP12-010TE PDS2012-3300-12-00 @ 796 Tierra Del Sol Road; No project progress reported. The absentee owner is still promoting it. Permit was set to expire at the end of July 2022. Another Major Use Permit Time Extension is reportedly being processed.
- 8. **SEMPRA'S CIMMARON WIND**: 300 MW wind & 500 MW Volta Mexicali battery storage project in Mexico. This project, near Tecate, has received the green light from the environment ministry in Mexico. It will link to the

existing transmission line used to export energy generated by the Sierra Juarez wind farm and transmitted to the Boulevard substation.

<u>G. 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.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY NOVEMBER 2nd, 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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