COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

*** MINUTES / SUMMARY FOR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 2ND, 2023 *** COMMUNITY ROOM IN BACK AT 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM.

A. MEMBERS PRESENT: 1) Manuel Casanova Jr; 2) Earl Goodnight; 3) Kevin Keane excused; 4) Anthony Ralphs;

5) Melanie Zardeneta-Hayden; (excused) 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 5TH MEETING:

• M/S: Casanova/Good: Approve October 5th, 2023, minutes, as corrected. Passed: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

<u>D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:</u> No public comments.

Chair gave an update on Mountain Top Market and Manzanita Diner.

SDG&E has reviewed the underground power project for the market. The power will run alongside and around back of the market to tie into the store's power. The Hwy 80 easement will require a Caltrans permit. There permit will be applied for after completion of SDG&E's engineering drawings in 1/2024.

On 10/25 Ray Abdou reported they had filled (5) 40-yard containers of debris and metal from the burned out diner. He was waiting for additional containers to complete the cleanup. Applications have been submitted to SDG&E for restoring power to the tenants in the back of the property.

E. ACTION ITEMS:

1. <u>BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP STANDING RULES:</u> The December 2006 rules were revised and submitted to County Council for review and were approved. Board discussions followed with the consensus that to include an item in future meetings a Board vote should be taken to approve the Standing Rules to be in line with County Council should the question arise.

M/S: Good/Keane: Motion passed 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

- 2. PARK LANDS DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PRIORITY LIST: A reminder was given to the public in attendance to turn in the PLDO list at this meeting. With no further input from the public, the list will be submitted with the previous year's request with an addition from Michael Coyne for the PLDO purchase and revitalize the Live Oaks Springs Park.
- 3. <u>RECORDING OF PLANNING GROUP MEETINGS:</u> Pam Haas has volunteered to video our meetings, as her schedule permits. Discussions followed concerning whether public meetings are allowed to be recorded with video and audio. Pam informed anyone speaking and not willing to be on camera to let her know and only audio will be recorded.

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANNABIS PROGRAM EIR- PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING: Chair Goodnight reported attending a Zoom EIR Scoping
meeting that was asking for comments on the scope and content of the EIR. Comments were due by
10/31/2023.

The Draft EIR will be released in the Spring/Summer of 2024. There will be a 60-day public review period.

The Final EIR is anticipated in year 2025. With the EIR final release, the Cannabis Program will be presented to the Planning Commission for their recommendation.

- **LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR CAMPO LAKE MORENA CPG:** With information supplied by CLMCPG Chair, The BCPG submitted a letter of support in their opposition to the Crestwood Cemetery to Jae Roland-Chase, Planner for the project. With cc: to Greg Kazmer, Supervisor Anderson's office.

 An additional letter was sent to the Pine Valley CPG should they wish to oppose the Project.
- **SANDAG UNINCORPORATED PRESENTATION:** The ASSOCIATION of Planning Groups (APG) is planning a Zoom meeting on 11/6/2023. A letter will be drafted requesting APG's inclusion on the SANDAG Board of Directors as a new Advisory board Member representing the unincorporated communities of San Diego County. To be presented at the SANDAG BOD meeting 12/8/2023.
 - To date all 18 Planning Groups have committed to join the APG.
- **REFUGEE IMMIGRANTS:** A local resident expressed concern in last month's meeting and wanted an item added to the November agenda about the illegal immigrants from the Jacumba area that are trespassing on her and neighbor's property. A lively discussion followed from all in attendance. The Border Patrol seems helpless with the volume coming across the border. The conclusion resulting in the Planning Group and all in attendance is we do not have any authority to fix the problem.
- REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

No report was available.

G. PROJECT UPDATES

- 1. 100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR PLUS BATTERIES ON THE EMPIRE RANCH: Chair Goodnight reported receiving information on Starlight Solar's submittal to the County. Jim Whalen stated that there are 15 technical studies involved, with 5 already submitted. Numerous Indian cultural sites have been discovered; every effort is being taken to preserve as many sites as possible. Tribal culturists are working closely in the cultural studies. Starlight will be performing a 3-month wildlife study prior to construction and a 3-month study after completion to determine any effects on wildlife movement pathways at the Project area. The Community Benefit Agreement submitted their Draft program and was quickly withdrawn. Both Starlight and Rugged donations to the community are voluntary.
- 2. RUGGED SOLAR: This Project is undergoing a change of ownership.
 - Progress is ongoing, engineering and construction surveys were concerned with the rocky terrain. An additional survey deemed the construction is feasible without blasting.
- 3. <u>TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW:</u> Chair Goodnight reported receiving information that 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. Time will tell how this will affect the Project.

H. MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:15 PM: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 2023.

For More information contact Earl Goodnight at 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

Minutes were approved, as corrected, by the Group on 12/7//2023.

Manuel Casanova Jr., Secretary: Manuel Casanova

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