COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

7 PM THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024 – FINAL AGENDA / NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING 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 JANUARY 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. Comments shall be limited to (3) minutes.

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

1. <u>LETTER TO ASSEMBLY MEMBER MARIE WALDRON:</u> Group shall review and approve the board authorized support letter requested by Rett Lawrence.

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **GROUP MEMBERS ANNUAL TRAINING:** Board Members that have not completed the 2024 Community Planning/Sponsor Group training have one date left to attend. Saturday, February 10, 2024. RSVP is required to receive the Zoom login passcode.
- COUNTY OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE PARK STUDY UPDATE: The Tier 1 phase of the OHV project is complete the selected areas show potential locations for a future OHV site. The second OHV virtual (Zoom) public meeting was held on Tuesday, January 30, 2024.
- **NEW SOLAR PROJECT IN BOULEVARD:** Bear Peak Power, Denver identified the site as a 5MW Solar and Battery Storage project on 45.7 acres at 1746 Tierra Del Sol Rd. No further information has been received except the County wants to be notified if any activity is noticed at the site.
- **SANDAG UNINCORPORATED REPRESENTATION:** The first Association of Planning Groups in-person meeting was held1/10/2024, several items were discussed. Standing rules were drafted, A Code of Conduct was drafted, A member vote was passed to include Community Sponsor Groups as APG members.

APG's Chair and Vice Chair attended their first SANDAG's BOD meeting 1/12/2024.

Letters extending Associate Membership to the Community Sponsor Groups were sent 1/24/2024. There are 10 CSGs, with the 18 Community Planning Groups the Association will be 28 members strong should all Sponsor Groups join.

Association of Planning Groups has been added to SANDAG's website of Board members. Association of Planning Groups has been added, as a member, to SANDAG's website of Board members.

• **CANNABIS LICENSING & ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM NOTICE:** The County is presenting a virtual listening session to discuss the updates on the program.

Wednesday, February 7th at 6:00 pm

The session will be held virtually on Zoom, use the link below or call in: The session will be held virtually (Zoom), use the link below or call in:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82648032387?pwd=5kHiCG5q2JaS8Q9RUPqZAFYyTI5qgg.XzmN4eeGu7UsER-Phone Call-in Number: 669 900-6833, Passcode: 026906

• YEAR 2023/2024 ROAD RESURFACING UPDATE: Boulevards resurfacing projects have not changed since last year's schedule.

Crestwood Road: From Old Hwy 80 to the end.

Old Hwy 80: 100 feet west of Crestwood Rd. to 900 feet south of Crestwood Rd.

- Dates of resurfacing have not been released.
- **FIRE GUIDELINES FOR WILDLAND FIRE AND FIRE PROTECTION UPDATE:** The Conty has sent emails alerting the public of this update. The updated guidelines do not propose any development. The purpose of the guidelines is to clarify and standardize.
 - Rather than reading the entire email, a copy with a provided link to review the proposed Guidelines is included in your agenda packet.
- **SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATORS:** I placed this on the agenda to share information on the Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) placement program.
 - SVP Alan James is up for release, to be placed in Campo, at a location less than a mile from the community park. Recently Judge Gil granted another SVP release (only known by the last name Quarles) for crimes committed in 1989.
 - I have included an article from the San Diego Union in your agenda packet.
- REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

- 1. <u>100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR AND BATTERY STORAGE PROJECT ON 565 ACRES OF THE EMPIRE RANCH ON JEWEL VALLEY RD; PROJECT: PDS2022-MPA-22-006.</u> Jim Whalen to report.
- 2. 74 MW RUGGED SOLAR PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION APPROVED BY BOS ON 10-12-22: Change of ownership is ongoing. Jim Whalen to report.
 - AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 3 THROUGH 8 HAD NO ACTIVITY, NOTHING TO REPORT.
- 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.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY MARCH 7TH, 2024.

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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