

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP (BCPG)
*****7 PM THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026 – FINAL AGENDA / NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING**
COMMUNITY ROOM, 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905***

TONIGHT'S MEETING IS BEING SHARED ON ZOOM.

The current login is provided:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88933790042?pwd=aHighWMgVHHWgP99Nw2rzx3VgAIGB4.1>

Note: The Zoon login link has changed for this agenda.

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

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. APPROVE MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR DCEMBER 4th MEETING:

D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: This is an opportunity for public comment on any subject 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:

1. **DESERT JEWEL BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS):** Michael Huynh, AES has requested agenda time to follow up on the questions asked during their initial presentation at the September BCPG meeting. They also plan to provide an update on the general project timeline/process.
Discussion only - Questions and Answers to follow
2. **ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Group members shall nominate and vote to elect officers for positions of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary to serve year 2026. The secretary position can be rotated among members of the Group throughout the year. Newly elected members assume office effective February 5, 2026.

F. GROUP BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **DISCRETIONARY PERMIT FOR AMERICAN TOWER'S 43.5 FT. COMMUNICATION SITE UPDATE:** Submittal of Form #534, denying the request, initiated the following response from Patricia Caldron, County Planner: She stated the facility had been in place for 15 Years. The re-permitting was requested to ensure compliance with the current County Wireless Ordinance; she also supplied the following.

“The Boulevard Planning Group had expressed concerns regarding potential health effects from EMF (Electromagnetic Field) and RF (Radiofrequency Field) energy. We appreciate the planning group’s concerns regarding the potential health effects from the existing wireless facility, and we will do everything we can to address your concerns or answer any questions. By federal law, the County is prohibited from regulating the placement, construction and modification of personal wireless service facilities on the basis of the environmental effects of radio frequency (RF) emissions, if the facilities comply with the FCC’s regulations concerning RF emissions. Therefore, information or comments relating to such effects will not be considered by the County in determining whether to approve this Use Permit Modification. If you would like more information, please visit the following links regarding the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and RF Safety.”

- [Telecommunications Act of 1996 | Federal Communications Commission](#)
- [RF Safety FAQ | Federal Communications Commission](#)

- **SOCIALLY EQUITABLE CANNABIS PROGRAM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING:** The Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the Socially Equitable Cannabis Program. The hearing information is as follows:
Date: January 14, 2026
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 310, San Diego, California 92101

Those wishing to participate in the meeting and/or comment should visit the Clerk of the Board website at <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/cob/bosa.html>. If you have any questions, please contact the Board Operations Unit at (619) 531-5434 or via email to publiccomment@sdcounty.ca.gov.

At the January hearing, the Board will hear stakeholder feedback received and provide policy direction for several key program areas, including allowed cannabis activities (allow or prohibit outdoor cultivation, consumption lounges and temporary events), buffer distances, the definition of sensitive uses, and separation requirements between cannabis facilities. Additionally, staff is requesting Board direction on whether to continue to develop the Community Equity Contribution Program (as directed by the Board on June 15, 2022).

- **COUNTY'S AGING & INDEPENDENT SERVICES (AIS):** AIS provided a link to their winter 2026 newsletter, The link is listed below:

[AIS Community Newsletter for Winter 2026.](#)

A useful source of information for the aged.

- **SANDAG UNINCORPORATED REPRESENTATION:** The Association of Planning Groups (APG) minutes for SANDAG's Board of Directors December 2025 meeting are included in your agenda packet.
- **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Information that has been received considered of interest to the community.
- **REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:**

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

1. **100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR AND BATTERY STORAGE PROJECT DRAFT EIR RELEASED 7/31/2025 (PDS2022-MUP-22-010):** Jim Whalen to report.
2. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR DISCRETIONARY PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 TIME EXTENSION PERMIT:** Jim Whalen to report.

NO MOVEMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS 3,4,5,7 SINCE THE JUNE UPDATE.

Item 6 90 MW Solar and Battery Storage JVR Park project is now under construction.

3. **TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW:** Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the Ewiiapayaap 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: Ruling on appeal submitted 6/20/2023 by non-profit:** On March 13, the Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, ruled in favor by issuing a judgement that reverses the previous court dismissal of BADs legal challenge. The new ruling remands San Diego County's 2021 approval of Terra-Gen's Boulder Brush Substation back to superior court to vacate their judgement of dismissal and the underlying order granting Campo's motion to dismiss, and to enter a new order denying the motion to dismiss.

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.**
6. **90 MW SOLAR AND BATTERY STORAGE JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR):** The project is currently under construction.
7. **60 MW 420 ACRE BOULEVARD SOLAR MUP12-010TE PDS2012-3300-12-00 @ 796 Tierra Del Sol Road;** No project progress reported. This project is currently still in process with the County; however, they have not received a new submittal for some time.
An absentee owner is promoting the project.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2026

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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