

**County of San Diego**  
**Jacumba Hot Springs Sponsor Group**  
**Final Agenda of Special Meeting 7pm on June 17, 2021**  
**Highland Center, Jacumba Hot Springs, CA 91934**

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**A. Roll Call:** Seat 1. Jacari Cousins; Seat 2. Greg Curran; Seat 3. Cherry Diefenbach; Seat 4. Jeffery Osborne; Seat 5. Katrina Westley.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**C. Motion to approve the draft minutes of the JCSG virtual meeting held on May 18, 2021.**

**D. Public Communication:** The public may comment on any subject within the JSG's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. (Speakers are limited to 2 minutes and no action can be taken on non-agenda items.)

**E. Action items:** (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request)

1. **Discuss/vote** on whether the Chair should request a new pedestrian crosswalk across Old Highway 80 at Carriso St. near the Highland Center and the Jacumba Library.

2. **Discuss/vote** a potential solution for continued trash/appliance/mattress dumping at the former recycling business located at 42748 Old Hwy 80, just west of Jacumba.

3. **Nominate/vote** on a vice-chair, and secretary for the Jacumba Sponsor Group.

4. **Discuss/vote** on authorizing the Chair to submit written comments regarding the negative impacts of the County's proposed cannabis and needle exchange ordinance.

5. **Discuss** the CEQA review process regarding the Jacumba Valley Ranch (JVR) Energy Park project (PDS2018-MUP-18-022).

a. On May 18, 2021, after a presentation by the project developer, the sponsor group voted to deny the revised 623-acre JVR project plan. The group then authorized the Chair to submit PDS Form 534 and written comments regarding the community's concerns with the project's size and scale, and its impacts on the future of Jacumba. (Those comments should be addressed in a Final EIR likely to be released in late June 2021.)

b. On May 27, 2021, the JVR project developer signed a 20-year power purchase agreement (PPA) with the San Diego Community Power (SDCP) group guaranteeing the generation of 90 MW of power by March 2023.

c. When the Final EIR is released, the sponsor group and concerned residents will likely have no more than ten days to review the document before a hearing by the Planning Commission. At the hearing, the five planning commissioners will listen to PDS recommendations as well as comments made by the developer, the sponsor group, and the public at large. It is anticipated that the sponsor group chair will be allowed up to 10 minutes to make a presentation. The other members of the sponsor group and the public will be allowed to speak for up to 3 minutes. The planning commission will also accept written comments from the public prior to the hearing.

d. Once the Planning Commission hearing date has been announced, a special Jacumba sponsor group meeting will be held to notify the community.

e. Following a vote by the Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors will hold a hearing on the JVR Project. This will be another opportunity for the sponsor group and the public to speak or send in written comments.

The Planning & Development Services (PDS) project manager for the JVR project is Nicholas Koutoufidis ([nicholas.koutoufidis@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:nicholas.koutoufidis@sdcounty.ca.gov) or 858-495-5329). The revised 20-page JVR project plan can be viewed at: [https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/pds/ceqa/JVR/DEIR/AdditionalDocs/JVR0Plot%20Plans%20\(Optimized\).pdf](https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/pds/ceqa/JVR/DEIR/AdditionalDocs/JVR0Plot%20Plans%20(Optimized).pdf).

6. **Discuss** the language in the proposed community benefit agreement between the Jacumba Community Services District (JCSD) and JVR Energy Park LLC and how it may be characterized by the solar park developer. (The next JCSD meeting is Tuesday, June 28, 2021 at 5 pm in the Highland Center.)

--**Vote** to send a sponsor group representative(s) to the next JCSD meeting.

--**Vote** to authorize the sponsor group chair to submit a letter to JCSD and JVR Energy Park LLC requesting the following statement be added to any community benefits agreement between them.

**"The JVR Energy Park LLC and the JCSD understand that it is the Jacumba Sponsor Group and not the JCSD who represents the residents of Jacumba on land use matters to County of San Diego."**

**F. Group business and Project Updates-discussion only:**

1. Announcements and correspondence.
2. Community interface and other reports.
  - a. Fire Safe Council
  - b. Revitalization

**G. Adjournment:**

The next special Jacumba Sponsor group meeting date and location is TBD.

**Purpose of Planning and Sponsor Groups:**

Advise the County on discretionary projects as well as on planning and land use matters that are proposed within their respective community planning or sponsor group area.