

County of San Diego
Jacumba Hot Springs Community Sponsor Group
FINAL Agenda for the JCSG Meeting at 6 pm on January 9, 2023
Highland Senior Center, 44681 Old Hwy 80, Jacumba Hot Springs, CA 91934

A. Call to order/Roll call: Seat 1. Vacant; Seat 2. Greg Curran (Vice-Chair); Seat 3. Cherry Diefenbach (Chair); Seat 4. Jeffery Osborne; Seat 5. Katrina Westley (Secretary).

B. Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Approval of the draft minutes for the JCSG meeting held on November 14, 2022.

D. Public Communication: The public may comment on any subject within the JCSG’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 support for the Ramona Planning Group’s proposal to add a new Unincorporated Communities Advisory Board Member and Alternate to SANDAG’s Board of Directors.

2. Update on the County’s Regional Decarbonization Framework (RDF). The District 2 RDF workshop is January 30, 2023 from 6-8pm. (<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sustainability/regional-decarbonization/outreach-and-engagement.html>) Vote to approve that the Chair provide comments.

3. Update on JVR Energy Park Project. On November 10, 2022, PDS approved a JVR Minor Deviation (PDS2021-MUP-18-022M1) to the project. The Minor Deviation included a project setback increase from 300-feet to 943-feet next to the community north of Hwy 80 only.

a. Request that PDS requires the project developer to apply a similar setback adjacent to the Highland Senior Center and Jacumba Community Park. (At the 2021 JVR project hearing, the BOS directed PDS and the developer to “strive for a 1,000-foot setback” next to the community. The current project setback next to the park and senior center is just 300-feet.) The Highland Senior Center and Community Park are integral parts of the community. The larger project setback should be applied there as well. Vote to designate Mike Appelman as the community’s representative to personally address this issue with PDS and the BayWa.

b. Discuss/vote on support for the establishment of a new non-profit foundation with financial assistance provided by BayWa. This unique foundation would manage/invest JVR community benefit money using JCSG meetings as a means to provide Jacumba residents with transparency. Vote to confirm Mike Appelman as the community’s liaison with BayWa and PDS on the development of a JVR Community benefits foundation.

c. Discuss the potential flooding risks with regards to the JVR project’s grading plan. Vote to send a letter/email to PDS stating our concerns with the existing JVR grading plan.

d. Discuss/approve sending a letter to the San Diego Community Power Group (SDCPG) regarding Jacumba’s continued rejection of the JVR project. Request that the letter is read at the SDCPG’s next board of directors meeting on January 23, 2023.

4. Nominate/vote on a JCSG Chair, Vice-chair, and Secretary to serve during 2023.

F. Group business/project updates, to include correspondence-discussion only:

1. Jacumba’s 2022-2023 PLDO and Capital Improvements Recreational Priority List sent to Chelsea Jander (DPR) on 11/16/2022.

2. Confirmation of Jacumba’s desire to participate in the County’s Decorative Community Identification Signage Program sent to Benjamin Baker (DPW) on 1/03/2023.

3. Community interface reports.

a. Highland Senior Center.

b. Real East County Fire Safe Council and JBRA (Revitalization).

4. Some JCSG members still need to complete their annual CPSG training and their Ethics training. Form 700 financial disclosures must also be completed electronically NLT 4/3/2023. See eDisclosure link: <https://www.southtechhosting.com/SanDiegoCounty/eDisclosure/>

G. Adjournment:

The next JCSG meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6 pm.

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