

County of San Diego
Jacumba Community Sponsor Group (JCSG)
Final Minutes for the JCSG Meeting at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, April 14th , 2026
Jacumba Community Center, 44681 Old Hwy 80, Jacumba Hot Springs, CA 91934

Meeting was called to order at 6:05pm

A. Roll call: Seat 1. Steve Perelman (Secretary) Seat 2. Greg Curran (Vice-Chair); Seat 3. Corbin Winters Seat 4. Jeffrey Osborne (Chair); Seat 5. Katrina Westley All members present.

~10 members of the public were in attendance.

B. Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Approval of the draft minutes for the JCSG meeting held on March 9th , 2026

Motion to approve with 5 edits Osborne/Perelman Motion passes. **Vote 5.0.0**

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 3 minutes and no action can be taken on non-agenda items.)

Tanya would like to request Caution Wild Horses signs be posted on Old 80 East of town. A co-worker saw a close call early in the morning between a fast moving car and a small group of horses. We will put it on the agenda for the next meeting for a vote.

Gabriela observed that the road section East of town on old 80 is bad and should be resurfaced. Maureen would like the bike lane signs that end on mile 33.5 marker West of town be continued all the way to Inkopah because bikers frequent that route.

E. Action items:

1. Letter to County Re: Dust Conditions in Jacumba from JVR Energy Park Construction

Numerous testimonials about project dust were cited. Steve noted that they are frequently spraying water and wondered if they consider that mitigation enough. Jeff said they are obligated to spray all the time and then halt grading if dust is escaping the worksite. The letter included a summary of 28 construction days on which wind gusts exceeded the permit threshold. Apparently grading was not stopped on a single one of those days ∴ the letter requests 1) A formal compliance audit. 2) Unannounced inspections by the County and/or SDCAPCD. 3) Replacement of the developer's self-reported monitoring with 3rd party or County operated wind stations data reported in real time. 4) A written response to the JCSG detailing all complaints received, any enforcement action taken, and the County's plan for ongoing compliance through the remainder of construction.

If anyone sees dust coming from this project call ECSI at 562-442-0729

or SDAPCD at 858-586-2650

or SDCPW at 858-694-2212

Motion to approve: Westley/Curran **Vote 5.0.0** Motion Passes

2. Letter to San Diego County and San Diego County Planning Commission Re: Support of Boulevard Planning Groups requests from developer of Starlight Solar

The current design for Starlight has the BESS assemblies located right next to Jewell Valley road which is also the evacuation route. Locating the hazard source adjacent to the point of egress seems ill-advised. Their proposed community benefit plan is a DAC-GT Solar Advantage program which gives vague utility relief to an unspecified number of residents who qualify.

The letter supports a direct commitment of \$7M which is ~\$22K/MW for the ~317MW combined capacity. The amount is <1% of the >\$800M confirmed financing.

Motion to approve: Perelman/Westley **Vote 5.0.0** Motion Passes

3. Letter to Supervisor Anderson Re: DeAnza Springs Road Hazard and Repaving

Robert Randall submitted a letter to JCSG requesting consideration of the paving of Carrizo Gorge road. We in

turn are submitting this letter in support of the resurfacing of the road.

Motion to approve with 2 edits: Osborne/Curran **Vote 5.0.0** Motion Passes

E. Group Business

1. Announcements and Correspondence Received

- a. Wednesday April 15th, 2026 6:30pm - Boulevard Resource Center – Boulevard Jacumba Town Hall with Andrew Hayes from Supervisor Joel Anderson’s Office.

Jacumbians are encouraged to attend to support our neighbors and improve our cooperation with the JBRA and Fire Safe Council.

- b. April 10th, 2026 Public Hearing was held on Socially Equitable Cannabis Program at the Planning Commission.

They were looking for public input about exclusion zones around schools and number allowed in population centers.

2. Community interface reports.

- a. Jacumba Community Center.

Maureen told us that the JBRA/Fire Safe Council meeting will be held here in Jacumba next Monday at 6:30pm.

They will hold one meeting here at the J.C.C. each year to promote cooperation between the communities. She also informed us that they received a \$25k grant for fall prevention. It will be held at the Blvd Resource Center.

Tanya reminded us to stop calling the J.C.C. the Highland Center on any documentation because it’s inaccurate.

The Senior Center plans to initiate a volunteer program which could mitigate HR1/CalFresh cutbacks by documenting hours worked for food benefits.

F. Updates

1. JVR Energy Park 90MW Solar and Battery Facility in Jacumba Valley Approved by Board of Supervisors 8-18-21

- b. Project Construction: Grading Permit Issued 11/5/25. Construction Started.
- c. Community Benefit Fund: \$4,000,000 Community Benefit Funds Released 10/22/25. \$125,000 to San Ysidro Health, \$75,000 to Imperial Valley Desert Museum, \$250,000 to JCSD, \$3,550,000 released to San Diego Foundation for Endowment Fund for Jacumba. Final Agreement being Drafted Now by SDF. Community Needs Assessment Survey requested on March 9th, 2026.

2. Jacumba Fire Station 43 – site preparation has started

3. Starlight Solar 100 MW Solar and Battery Facility in Boulevard off Jewel Valley Road EIR Released 7/31/25 PDS2022-MUP-22-010 Draft EIR Comment Period Closed. Awaiting Release of Final EIR.

4. Golden Pacific Powerlink – New 500kV Transmission Line that has a possible route through Jacumba. Preliminary Route Corridor Map released by project applicant, SDGE

Current map starts at the Imperial Valley substation and traverses through Anza Borrego State Park towards Temecula then to San Onofre substation. Far away from Jacumba, but there is a warning that alternate routes may be considered. It would be a tragedy to allow it through the 600,000 acre park, largest state park in the US, but we don’t want it here either.

G. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:03

The next JCSG meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 18th, 2026 at 6 pm.

For more information, contact the JCSG Chair at jacumbacsg@outlook.com

Minutes approved at the 5-18-26 meeting