COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

BOULEVARD COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP (BCPG)

***7 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 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 Hayden; 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. APPROVE MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 3rd 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:

1. <u>DISCRETIONARY PERMIT PDS2024-MUP-12-007W1TE FOR RUGGED SOLAR TIME EXTENSION</u>: A time extension request has been brought before the BCPG for the Board's recommendation. Once the Board's recommendation is made, it must be forwarded to the PDS, within 7 days, using Form 534. The recommendation will be included in correspondence to the project applicant and as part of the staff report for the appropriate hearing.

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **PLANNING GROUP ZOOM MEETING UPDATE:** Manny Casanova will present the plan for going forward with a Zoom meeting format.
- **CPG REVIEW OF POLICY I-1**: The County has requested that all Planning and Sponsor Groups review the Board of Supervisors Policy I-1. A digital copy has been sent to BCPG members for their input. Responses shall be made to the Chair only. Group discussions, if necessary, will be conducted in today's meeting. This item does not require a Board vote on any recommendations submitted to the Chair.
- BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP MEMBER SEATING STATUS: The Registrar of Voters has confirmed members Manny Casanova Jr., Melanie Hayden, and Nancy Good will be reappointed by the Board of Supervisors to new four-year terms. Seat 3 will become vacant effective January 6, 2025, with the resignation of Kevin Keane. Kevin has served the community with dedicated service for the past ten years.
- BOARD MEMBERS FILING OF FORM 700: Starting January 1, 2025, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will
 transition to a new electronic filing system, eFile, which will enhance the filing experience for both agencies and
 individual filers.

Key Features of eFile:

- User-Friendly Access: eFile boasts an upgraded user experience that is compatible with various devices.
- o **Gift Tracker App:** The **eFile** Gift Tracker app allows you to track gifts received throughout the year.
- Streamlined Filing: Currently, if you need to file with multiple agencies, such as both the City and County, the new system will allow your Form 700 to be seamlessly transferred to the appropriate agencies.
- PARKS LAND DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PRIORITY LETTER: The Department of Parks and Recreation
 (DPR) requests the Boulevard Community Planning Group recommend projects eligible for PLDO funding for the
 FY2024-25 PLDO Priority Project List for the Mountain Empire Local Park Planning Area (LPPA).
 The most recent PLDO Priority Project List information received from this group is attached.
 The Project List must be submitted to the PLDO by 1/22/2025. Suggestions will be gathered in our December planning meeting.

• NEW SOLAR PROJECTS IN BOULEVARD:

 Bear Peak Power, Denver identifies the site as a 5MW Solar and Battery Storage project on 45.7 acres at 1746 Tierra Del Sol Rd, Boulevard.

No further information has been received.

• <u>SANDAG UNINCORPORATED REPRESENTATION</u>: The Association of Planning Groups_SANDAG's October 11th & 25th meeting minutes highlights.

SANDAG CEO, Mario Orso Report:

Mario Orso said that they were cooperating with the Independent Auditor and working to build openness and trust.

State Route 125 Toll Removal:

Mario Orso reported that a pre-environmental analysis and an equity analysis need to be performed and these two actions will take one year.

Wildfire Evacuation Tour SR-94:

On October 18th members of SANDAG, Caltrans and the Jamul Community Planning Group completed an evacuation tour.

News:

At the October 11th and 25th SANDAG Board meetings The APG had zero voting representation from anyone living in the Unincorporated Area. Only Nora Vargas was present to vote on behalf of the County. Chair Vargas lives in Chula Vista according to her profile.

A full text of the meeting report is included in your agenda packet.

- SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATORS: From an article in the San Diego Union; A Superior Court Judge has ordered Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) Merle Wakefield be released as a transient because officials haven't secured a place for him to live. But release for Merle Wakefield is not imminent. His case will be back in front of Judge Yvonne Campos on Nov. 20, when officials are expected to present a plan for Wakefield's release, which could include placing the 67-year-old in a motel. If Wakefield is eventually released as a transient, Judge Campos has ordered that he have round-the-clock, in-person security.
 - Senate bill 1074, Sexually Violent Predators; Assemblymember Marie Waldron, bill co-author, has reported SB 1074 died in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- CLIMATE ACTION PLAN: The Climate Action Plan October's newsletter is included in your agenda packet.
- REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

- 1. 100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR AND BATTERY STORAGE PROJECT ON 565 ACRES OF THE EMPIRE RANCH ON JEWEL VALLEY RD; PROJECT: PDS2022-MPA-22-006. Jim Whalen to report.
- 2. 74 MW RUGGED SOLAR PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION APPROVED BY BOS ON 10-12-22: Time extension request is pending with the PDS.
 - ***** NO PROGRESS TO REPORT ON AGENDA ITEMS 3 THROUGH 8 ******
- **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: 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 JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR); APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 8-18-21: 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (360 MWh) on 613 acres.
 - Update 5/30/2024, The litigation has been resolved and the developer is now moving forward on conditions that were required as part of the project.
 - 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. <u>SEMPRA'S CIMMARON WIND</u>: 300 MW wind & 500 MW Volta Mexicali battery storage project in Baja, Mexico. Sempra is moving forward with \$550 million phase 3 of Energia Sierra Juarez Wind, connecting to ECO Substation at the border near Jacumba. They have a 20-year PPA contract with Silicon Valley Power. It will include 64 5 MW Vestas turbines. This will bring ESJ complex to 580 MW. They have the capacity for an additional 300 MW and future potential for an additional expansion of 650 MW.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY DECEMBER 5th, 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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