# CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, May 24, 2023

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(RELATES TO FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AGENDA NO. FL01)

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

# Agenda # Subject

9. INCREASING UNDERSTANDING OF DECARBONIZATION EFFORTS BY CONDUCTING A LOCAL ANALYSIS OF EXISTING RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND OTHER INFILL RENEWABLE ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND IDENTIFYING REMAINING AVAILABLE ROOFTOP, PARKING LOT AND OTHER INFILL CAPACITY FOR FUTURE RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

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It's prudent to collect a more detailed local accounting of existing renewable energy generation and remaining capacity in San Diego County. Again, the intent of today's item is meant to give us more information to ensure we maximize energy production while minimizing impacts as California moves away from traditional sources of energy. Ordinary San Diegans must be the largest beneficiary of our local decarbonization efforts. Taking steps now to make sure the RDF is reflective of local reality and focuses on ratepayer control over their energy needs is critical for the wellbeing of every community in the region, for both existing and future generations.

Today's action would direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to conduct a local analysis of existing residential, commercial and other infill renewable energy infrastructure throughout the region (with an emphasis on existing solar) and provide a report inventorying existing conditions by supervisorial district. Today's action would also direct the CAO to perform an opportunity analysis identifying remaining available rooftop, parking lot and other infill capacity for future renewable energy projects.

## RECOMMENDATION(S) SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND

- 1. Find that the proposed actions are not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a solicitation or solicitations for a study of renewable energy generation, transmission, distribution, and storage capacity in the San Diego region that considers resiliency from power outages, economic benefits and costs, and local community context, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contracts for a term of two years, with two option years and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes to services and funding.
- 3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to report back to the Board in 180 days on the progress of the study and include the study in future Regional Decarbonization Framework reports and updates.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Low-income and other vulnerable communities often bear the brunt of energy insecurity and high utility bills. As the County continues its decarbonization efforts, we must prioritize reliability, affordability and ratepayer control over an "at-all-costs" approach to emissions reductions. Actions we take to completely transform our energy systems and existing power grid will have a profound impact on our constituents and ratepayers throughout San Diego County and will set the stage for future generations. We must ensure that our actions around decarbonization do not disproportionately impact low-income and other vulnerable communities.

### SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County's commitment to sustainability requires us to consider the long-term consequences of our actions on the environment, economy, and social well-being of our communities. While the environmental benefits are often touted, I also recognize the potential economic benefits of pursuing renewable energy solutions, such as job creation and reduced reliance on imported energy sources. However, as we begin to invest heavily in alternative forms of energy, it is imperative we do so in a way that creates a more resilient and prosperous economy for everyone in the region, both now and for future generations.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Land Use & Environment Group Executive Office (LUEG). There is no impact to net General Fund costs, and there will be no additional staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

10. SUBJECT:

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND RELATED CEQA

**EXEMPTION (05/24/2023 - ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS** 

**INCLUDING INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE;** 

06/0714/2023 - SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE, UNLESS

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(DISTRICTS: 1, 2, & 5)

#### **OVERVIEW**

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# RECOMMENDATION(S) TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

- 1. Find that the proposed project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified under Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines because the proposed action involves minor alterations of existing public facilities relating to regulatory traffic control on County of San Diego maintained roadways, resulting in negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.
- 2. Adopt the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendations.
- 3. Adopt the following Resolutions: RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 299 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ALL-WAY STOP INTERSECTIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Items 2-A & 2-B).

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4. Approve the introduction of the following Ordinance:
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SECTION 72.169.74.8. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED
IMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY
(Items 1-A, 1-B, & 5-A).

If, on May 24, 2023, the Board takes action as recommended, then, on June 7<u>14</u>, 2023: Consider and adopt the following Ordinance: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 72.163.54. AND 72.164.56. AND DELETING SECTION 72.169.74.8. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (Items 1-A, 1-B, & 5-A).

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#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Department of Public Works Road Fund. If approved, this request will result in costs of \$24,160 for staff time, materials, and supplies. The funding source is State Highway User Tax Account. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### 11. SUBJECT:

**SET HEARING FOR JUNE 28, 2023:** 

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONFIRM FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 LEVIES IN THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ZONES NO. 1 - RANCHO SAN DIEGO AND NO. 2 - JESS MARTIN PARK AND RELATED CEQA EXEMPTION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

#### **OVERVIEW**

Special districts are created in order to provide new or enhanced local services and infrastructure to specific communities. The special districts in today's action were created to fund community parks and streetlights in the unincorporated areas of the region. Services are primarily funded by property owners and paid through assessments that are collected through the tax roll, reducing administrative costs from billing and payment collection. District boundaries, services, and maximum rates were established by voters or as a condition of development at the time of formation. The method for calculating how much each parcel pays is established in the ordinance adopted at the time of formation and may be based on a variety of factors, commonly including the type of land use, or parcel acreage. The rate cannot exceed the maximum amount in the adopted ordinance without voter approval from affected property owners. At the time of formation, residents in some districts voted to include cost escalators in their ordinances, which allow the maximum rate to increase each year to keep pace with inflation. The most commonly used cost escalator is the Consumer Price Index (CPI), which measures the cost of consumer goods.

Board of Supervisors Policy B-29: Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery directs departments to recover the full cost of services provided to the residents of special districts. County of San Diego (County) staff reviewed budgets for the three districts included in today's action to determine if revenues were adequate for services or if rates should be adjusted. Staff determined the proposed rates for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 are needed to continue to fund services and to ensure compliance with Board Policy B-29. Rates are also necessary to maintain financial reserves to fund future services, facility repairs, emergency repairs, improvements, and replacements. The proposed rates subject of today's action is in accordance with Articles XIII A-D of the California Constitution (Proposition 218) as amended to date and are within maximum rates set forth in each district's adopted ordinance; and therefore, do not require voter approval from affected property owners. Under Proposition 218, voters must approve the formation of the special district and the maximum amount that can be collected from property owners.



# **COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO**

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TERRA LAWSON-REMER

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JIM DESMOND Fifth District

## LAND USE AGENDA ITEM

DATE:

May 24, 2023, and June 7-14, 2023

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TO:

**Board of Supervisors** 

#### **SUBJECT**

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#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) agenda items are provided to the 28 Community Planning and Sponsor Groups. The items associated with this report are located within the Spring Valley (Item 1-A), Sweetwater (Item 1-B), Ramona (Items 2-A & 2-B), and Bonsall (Item 5-A) Community Planning Group (CPG) Areas. A member of the Spring Valley CPG in attendance provided comments and support for the TAC's recommendation on Item 1-A. The Ramona CPG provided minutes from their December 1, 2022, meeting where the CPG approved a motion requesting the County to approve all six intersections as all-way stop intersections as subsequently recommended by the TAC in Item 2-B. The Community Planning and Sponsor Groups did not provide input on the other items.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The County of San Diego's (County) Department of Public Works (DPW) operates a traffic engineering program that includes services such as establishing all traffic regulations, operating, and maintaining traffic signals and streetlights, issuing traffic control and special event permits, and addressing traffic related customer service concerns. Within the traffic engineering program, members of the public and other agencies can make requests or recommendations for transportation needs within the unincorporated areas of the County. Requests or recommendations such as changes to traffic control, speed limits, stop signs, traffic signals, or parking regulations require direction by the Board of Supervisors (BOS).

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#### LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

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Respectfully submitted,

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Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

## ATTACHMENT(S)

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# LAND USE AGENDA ITEM

DATE:

May 24, 2023, and June 14, 2023

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TO:

**Board of Supervisors** 

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#### **OVERVIEW**

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# RECOMMENDATION(S) TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Item 2-A. Ninth Street & H Street in Ramona – Establish an all-way stop intersection.

Item 2-B. Six intersections in San Diego Country Estates – Establish six all-way stop intersections.

#### **District 5:**

Item 5-A. West Lilac Road from Camino del Rey to Old Highway 395 in Bonsall – Recertify the 45 MPH speed limit.

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

- 1. Find that the proposed project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified under Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines because the proposed action involves minor alterations of existing public facilities relating to regulatory traffic control on County of San Diego maintained roadways, resulting in negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.
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TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND RELATED CEQA EXEMPTION ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDING INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE; 06/14/2023 - SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE, UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND

READING) (DISTRICTS: 1, 2, & 5)

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT**

The proposed action consists of the approval of recommendations from the Traffic Advisory Committee relating to regulatory traffic control on County of San Diego maintained roadways (e.g., establish parking prohibitions, install traffic control signage, establish and certify/recertify speed limits for enforcement). Section 15301 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use. The proposed action involves minor alteration of existing public facilities resulting in negligible or no expansion of existing or former use and is therefore categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review in accordance with Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

#### LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today's proposed action to establish/certify/recertify speed limits and install all-way stop intersections supports the Community Quality of Life Initiative in the County of San Diego's 2023-2028 Strategic Plan with the objective of providing services that enhance communities though increasing the well-being of our residents and our environments. Today's requested action fulfills this initiative by improving the opportunity for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists to interact safely with the roadway and each other.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. AGHASSI

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

#### ATTACHMENT(S)

- A. Summary of Traffic Advisory Committee Recommendations
- B. Resolutions and Ordinance Required to Implement Recommendations
- C. Community Input

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#### County of San Diego Board of Supervisors AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

#### **AGENDA ITEM SUBJECT/TITLE:**

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (05/24/2023 - ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS; 06/14/2023 - SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE) (DISTRICTS: 1, 2, & 5)

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES:	Yes No
WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION §1000.1 REQUIRED:	Yes No 🗸
NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED:	Yes 🗸 No 🗌
PROJECT UNDER CEQA:	Yes No 🗸
If Yes, approval of CEQA document required?	Yes No 🗸
DECISION WITHIN GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308:	Yes No 🗸

#### PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

- 1-A. Jamacha Road: September 16, 2015 (10): ON MOTION of Supervisor Jacob, seconded by Supervisor Cox, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to recertify the existing 45 miles per hour (MPH) speed limit for continued radar speed enforcement.
- 1-B. Central Ave: September 23, 1970 (07): ON MOTION of Supervisor Craven, seconded by Supervisor Austin, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to establish and certify a 35 miles per hour (MPH) speed limit for radar speed enforcement.
- 2-A. H St at Ninth St: August 10, 1965 (86): ON MOTION of Supervisor Austin, seconded by Supervisor Cozens, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the recommendation to re-establish a stop intersection.
- 2-B. Vista Ramona Rd / Sargeant Rd: September 19, 1989 (56E): ON MOTION of Supervisor MacDonald, seconded by Supervisor Williams, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to amend the through highway.

Vista Ramona Rd at Sargeant Rd: March 15, 1988 (30G): ON MOTION of Supervisor MacDonald, seconded by Supervisor Williams, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to establish a yield intersection.

Arena Way: April 4, 2001 (24): ON MOTION of Supervisor Slater, seconded by Supervisor Roberts, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Supervisor Jacob's recommendation to amend the through highway.

Arena Way at Open View Rd: March 24, 2004 (11): ON MOTION of Supervisor Roberts, seconded by Supervisor Horn, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to legalize an existing stop intersection.

Arena Dr: November 3, 1987 (47): ON MOTION of Supervisor Bailey, seconded by Supervisor Williams, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to establish the through highway.

Gunn Stage Rd: November 3, 1987 (47): ON MOTION of Supervisor Bailey, seconded by Supervisor Williams, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to establish a through highway.

5-A. West Lilac Rd: May 13, 2015 (05): ON MOTION of Supervisor Jacob, seconded by Supervisor D. Roberts, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendation to establish and certify a 45 miles per hour (MPH) speed limit for radar speed enforcement.

#### **BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:**

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS: N/A	
MANDATORY COMPLIANCE: N/A	
ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACN/A	CT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Department of l	Public Works
OTHER CONCURRENCE(S): N/A	
INTERNAL REVIEW COMPLETED: YES	NO Madison O'Barr O'Barr Date: 2023.05.18 18:06:14 -07'00'
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