

MINUTES OF THE

ALUC MEETING

August 18, 2021

The Airport Land Use Commission convened a Meeting on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at 940 Main St., El Centro, California.

Staff present: Assistant Director Michael Abraham, Planner III Diana Robinson (via zoom), Clerk Valerie Grijalva, Administrative Secretary Carina Gomez.

Chairman Mike Goodsell called the meeting into order.

- I. **Roll Call:** Commissioners present: Goodsell, Logue, Chavez, Arguelles Cedeño (via zoom)
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Non – Action Items:** Approval of Minutes – July 21, 2021 Minutes

Commissioner Logue, Motion for the Approval of Minutes for the July 21, 2021 meeting.

Commissioner Chavez, I'll second that.

Chairman Goodsell, We have a motion to approve the minutes, and a second, Roll call vote.

Roll Call: Goodsell (yes) Cedeño (yes) Chavez (yes) Logue (yes) Arguelles (yes)

Chairman Goodsell, Ok for public hearings we have three items here, the first one, the Vega 4 Solar Energy Generation item. Who is reading this; someone on the line there?

Michael Abraham, Diana Robinson

Chairman Goodsell, Ok, Diana Robinson you are up

Diana Robinson, Planner III, read the project into the record.

1. Public hearing to consider the proposed Conditional Use Permit #20-0020 also called the "VEGA 4 Solar Energy Generation and Storage Project" ("project") by Apex Energy Solutions, LLC. The project consists on the construction of a 100-megawatt (MW) alternating current (AC) photovoltaic (PV) solar energy facility with an integrated battery storage system not to exceed 200 MW including a proposed not to exceed 60-foot high gen-tie line. The project is on approximately 531 acres of land. The project would also include electronic/electrical equipment, an on-site substation, a switching station, access road(s) and fencing. The project involves three parcels in Sections 10, 11, 14, 15, and 16 within Township 17 South, and Range 16 East SBB&M; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 059-290-010, 059-300-015, and 059-300-017), (2849 E. Hwy 98, Holtville, CA 92250, Supervisorial District #1) Project is scheduled for review with the Airport Land Use Commission on August 18, 2021. (ALUC 06-21) [Diana Robinson, Planner III at (442) 265-1736, extension 1751 or by email at dianarobinson@co.imperial.ca.us].

Chairman Goodsell, Thank you very much. Are there any proponents present or online that would like to speak in favor of the project? Hearing none.

Commissioner Logue, (opponents)

Chairman Goodsell, Anybody here speaking against this project; opponents? Hearing none, we will bring it before the Commission. Any questions?

Commissioner Logue, No questions

Chairman Goodsell, Ok we must entertain a motion then.

Commissioner Logue, I motion that we find this project compatible with the 1996 Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan.

Chairman Goodsell, and we will need a second

Commissioner Arguelles, I'll second it.

Chairman Goodsell, And we have a second, roll call vote.

Roll Call: Goodsell (yes) Cedeño (yes) Chavez (yes) Logue (yes) Arguelles (yes)

Chairman Goodsell, Ok, next item, on the public hearing is the Viking Solar Energy Generation Storage Project. Is that you again Ms. Robinson?

Michael Abraham, Yes

Diana Robinson, Planner III, read the project into the record.

- Public hearing to consider the proposed Conditional Use Permit #20-0025 also called the "Vikings Solar Energy Generation and Storage Project" ("project") by Vikings Energy Farm, LLC who is proposing to develop a nominal 150-megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) energy generation project with an integrated battery storage system not to exceed 300 MW. The project includes solar energy generation facility, battery storage system, switching station, substation, and gen-tie line. The project is to be located on approximately 603.61 acres. The property area is legally described as Portion of Section 36, Township 15 South, Range 16 East, SBB&M; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 050-070-018-000, 050-070-019-000 & 050-070-021-000, (2910 & 3000 E. Nelsons Pit Rd., Holtville, CA 92250, Supervisorial District #5), Project is scheduled for review with the Airport Land Use Commission on August 18, 2021.(ALUC 07-21) [Diana Robinson, Planner III at (442) 265-1736, extension 1751 or by email at dianarobinson@co.imperial.ca.us].

Chairman Goodsell, Thank you. Is there any attendants online or present that would like to speak in favor of the project. Hearing none, Are there any that are opposed to the project and would like to speak against it? Ok, hearing none we will bring it before the panel for any questions.

Commissioner Chavez, No questions

Chairman Goodsell, Ok, we will need to entertain a motion on this item.

Commissioner Chavez, I motion that we find the project compatible with the 1996 Airport Land use Compatibility Plan.

Chairman Goodsell, Thank you. And we'll need a second.

Commissioner Logue, I'll second.

Chairman Goodsell, And we have a second, roll call vote.

Roll Call: Goodsell (yes) Cedeño (yes) Chavez (yes) Logue (yes) Arguelles (yes)

Chairman Goodsell, Ok, third item the public hearing to consider the proposed Tectonic Engineer for Eco-site Project. Are you still onboard for this one Ms. Robinson?

Diana Robinson, Planner III, I am presenting this project in behalf of Mariela Moran, Planner II. (Planner read the project into the record)

3. Public hearing to consider the proposed Conditional Use Permit #21-0003 Tectonic Engineer for Eco-Site project for consistency with the Imperial County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. The project is for a 80-foot telecommunication tower at 1549 Dogwood Rd., El Centro CA, on property identified as Assessor Parcel Number 054-360-053-000, Latitude: 32° 45' 46.06696" N, Longitude: -115° 32' 17.73875" W, and is further described as that portion of Tract 140, Township 16 South, Range 14 East, S.B.M., shown and designated as Parcel 2 of Parcel Map No. M-1478 as recorded in Book 6 of Page 50 of Parcel Maps. Project is scheduled for review with the Airport Land Use Commission on August 18, 2021. (ALUC 08-21) [Mariela Moran Planner II 442-265-1736, extension 1747 or by email at marielamorán@co.imperial.ca.us].

Chairman Goodsell, Thank you, again. Are there any attendants online or present that would like to speak in favor of this project? Ok, hearing none, are there any that would like to speak against this project? This is your time. Again, hearing none, we'll bring it the panel for any concerns or action.

Commissioner Logue, I motion we find this project consistent with the 1996 Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan.

Commissioner Chavez, I'll second it.

Chairman Goodsell, Ok, we have a motion and a second. Roll call vote.

Roll Call: Goodsell (yes) Cedeño (yes) Chavez (yes) Logue (yes) Arguelles (yes)

Chairman Goodsell, Seeing no non-action items, I am sure you will all be pleased if I say this meeting is adjourned.


Jim Minnick, Secretary
Airport Land Use Commission