DESERT AND MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

MINUTES
of the
GOVERNING BOARD
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September 8, 2010

I. Call to Order.

The regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority was called to order by Chair Jim Dodson, on September 8, 2010, at Santa Clarita City Hall, Santa Clarita, at 10:00 a.m.

II. Administration of Oath of Office to new member.

Chief Staff Counsel administered the Oath of Office to Kathy Weatherman.

III. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Jim Dodson, Chair; Richard Gould; Vice-Chair; and Kathy Weatherman. Quorum present. Ronald Schafer was not present.

Staff present: Laurie Collins, Chief Staff Counsel, Diane Sacks, Board Secretary and Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA Executive Officer via teleconference.

Members of the Public present: Henry Schultz; Jack Pigott, Director, Development, First Solar; James Woodruff, Vice President, State & Local Government Affairs, First Solar; Bonnie Hayes, Hayes Consulting; Paul Novak, Planning Deputy, Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich's Office.

IV. Approval of Minutes from the meeting of July 7, 2010.

On motion of the Vice-Chair, duly seconded, the minutes from the meeting of July 7, 2010 were adopted.

V. Public comment on matters not appearing on the Meeting Agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Authority.

No public comments were made on the agenda items or any other matter.

VI. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into an agreement, and to implement said agreement, with AV Solar Ranch 1, LLC to: 1) accept mitigation lands required by Los Angeles County approvals of the AV Solar Ranch 1 Project; and 2) accept funds for project administration, property maintenance, and restoration, incorporated and unincorporated Antelope Valley. Negotiators: Joseph T. Edmiston and Jack Piggott. Under consideration: price and terms. (This item may be heard in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8)

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief Staff Counsel and Mr. Woodruff.

Questions were propounded by the Vice-Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Novak.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief Staff Counsel, Mr. Woodruff and Mr. Pigott.

Questions were propounded by the Vice-Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Pigott.

Questions were propounded by the Vice-Chair.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Weatherman.

Comments were made by the Chief Staff Counsel.

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Comments were made by the Chair and the Chief Staff Counsel.

Questions were propounded by the Vice-Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief Staff Counsel, the Vice-Chair, and the Chair.

<The Chair recessed the meeting at 10:30 a.m.>

<The Chair reconvened the meeting to order at 10:47 a.m.>

Comments were made by Mr. Woodruff and the Chair.

On motion of the Vice-Chair, duly seconded, Resolution 10-03 was unanimously adopted as amended subject to language acceptable to Staff and First Solar.

On motion of the Vice-Chair, duly seconded, the Chair is given the authority to work with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority on behalf of the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority with the acceptance of each land transfer. Motion was unanimously approved.

Comments were made by the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Woodruff.

Comments were made by the Chief Staff Counsel and Mr. Woodruff.

VII. Discussion and possible action regarding other pending green energy projects in the Antelope Valley.

Comments were made by the Chair and the Executive Officer.

VIII. Statements, responses, questions or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2(a) of the Government Code.

None.

IX. Announcement of future meeting and adjournment.

Chair announced the next regular scheduled DMCA meeting is December 8, 2010. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 10:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Joseph T. Edmiston, Hon. ASLA, FAICP
Executive Officer

Approved:

Jim Dodson
Chair