

**MINUTES OF THE
ALUC MEETING
July 17, 2024**

The Airport Land Use Commission convened a Meeting on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at 940 Main St., El Centro, California.

Staff present: Assistant Director, Michael Abraham, Planner IV, David Black, Clerk, Kamika Mitchell.

Chairman Mike Goodsell: Called the meeting into order.

- I. **Roll Call:** Commissioners present: Goodsell, Louge, Chavez, Arguelles
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Approval of Minutes** – July 17, 2024, Minutes

Commissioner Logue: I Motion to approve the minutes for the April 17, 2024, meeting.

Commissioner Arguelles: I will second.

Chairman Goodsell: We have a motion and a second, Roll Call.

Roll Call: Goodsell (yes), Louge (yes), Chavez (yes), Arguelles (yes)

IV. Public Hearings

Chairman Goodsell: Introduces Public Hearings.

1. Public hearing to consider the proposed General Plan Amendment GPA #22-0001, Zone Change ZC #22-0001 and Conditional Use Permit #22-0005 also called the "VEGA 6 SES Solar Energy Generation and Storage Project" ("project"). The project applicant, Vega 6 SES LLC, proposes to construct and operate an 80 megawatt (MW) photovoltaic (PV) solar facility with an integrated 160 MW battery storage system on approximately 320 acres of privately-owned land. The proposed project would be comprised of solar PV arrays panels, an on-site substation, BESS, generation tie-line (gen-tie), inverters, transformers, underground electrical cables, and access roads. APN; 034-160-002-000 **Current Zoning:** S-2 (Open Space/Preservation) **General Plan Designation:** Agriculture (Supervisory District #3). Latitude 33° 0' 31.32", Longitude -115° 41' 49.02" (**ALUC 07-24**) [David Black, Planner IV, 442-265-1736, extension 1746 or by email at davidblack@co.imperial.ca.us].

David Black, Planner IV: Read the project into the record.

Chairman Goodsell: Does anyone have any questions from the panel for Mr. Black. Thank you for the report. Is there anyone present that has either online or in person in opposition to this project? Is there a representative that wants to speak in favor.

David Black, Planner IV: We have the applicant here if he wants to say anything.

Jurg Heuberger, Applicant: Good evening members of the commission, Jurg Heuberger, I am the applicant of this project, obviously, I am here representing in favor so, if there are any questions I will be happy to answer them, if not, no comment.

Vice- Chair Logue: No questions.

Chairman Goodsell: Ok thank you for coming; calls for the question. What do y'all want to do? I'll entertain a motion.

Vice- Chair Logue: I already did one.

Chairman Goodsell: There is enough for all.

Commissioner Chavez: I motion to approve it with the 1996 Airport Land Use.

Commissioner Arguelles: I second it.

Chairman Goodsell: I have a motion and a second, roll call please.

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

Commissioner Chavez: Thank you.

Chairman Goodsell: Thank you all, that was a quick one. There are no non-Action items, if there is nothing else. There is something else Michael wants to update us on.

Michael Abraham, Assistant Director: Michael Abraham with the Planning Department. As you know we are in the process of updating our Airport Compatibility Plan and we will try and get you an update here in the fall.

Commissioner Chavez: Great news.

Commissioner Goodsell: We are looking forward to it. Thank you, Michael, we are adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned.


Jim Minnick, Secretary
Airport Land Use Commission