

DAGGETT SOLAR PROJECT UPDATE - NOV 12, 2019

1. Newberry's Appeal of the Planning Commission's approval of the EIR was appealed to the Land Use Services.
2. Our Appeal was accepted and a hearing before the Board of Supervisors will be held on Dec. 10 at 10 AM in the Board's Covington Chambers. I'm drafting PowerPoint slides for that hearing. Many members of the Newberry community have been helpful in assembling our information. This is a necessary step if we (or anybody) needs to file a lawsuit going forward.
3. For the Appeal or any future lawsuit to be successful, the Board presentation must include the proper points of law. In our October meeting, the Board authorized Director Unger and Director Paulsen to work on getting assistance from a CEQA attorney. Approximately \$3300 was still available from the \$5000 already approved by the CSD Board at the September meeting.
4. Vickie and I contacted a total of 6 law firms. One (Advocates for the Environment) contacted us back on November 9 and indicated their interest. A second firm just responded yesterday (Center for Biological Diversity) advising they would get back to us possibly by Nov. 15.
5. Dean Wallraff of Advocates for the Environment sent us an engagement agreement for approval by the CSD Board. His deliverable after 20 hours of research will be a letter outlining the legal points of our case to be included in our Board of Supervisors presentation. This should assure that our presentation is legally correct and valid in the courts later, if needed.
6. I have emailed Dean copies of our relevant case documentation.