

CITY OF DEL MAR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Formation of Utility Undergrounding District

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday, July 12, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as practicable), the City of Del Mar City Council will conduct a public hearing via teleconference on the following:

Ascertaining whether to designate a certain area of the City as a utility undergrounding district subject to California Public Utilities Commission Rule 20 and in accordance with Del Mar Municipal Code section 23.54.030. The area is generally described as:

District X1A (Crest Canyon): Residential areas along Crest Road and in canyon below Crest Road within areas west and north of the City of San Diego border and south of the lagoon along San Dieguito Dr.

A map of the area is available on the City's web site at www.delmar.ca.us/up.

Those desiring to be heard in favor of or in opposition to this item will be given an opportunity to do so by commenting telephonically during the meeting or by submitting written comment. Those desiring to make a telephonic comment should visit the City's website at <http://www.delmar.ca.us/publiccomment> for instructions and to submit a telecomment request form by 12:00 PM the day of the meeting. Comments submitted via email should be sent to cityclerk@delmar.ca.us by 12:00 PM the day of the meeting. For emailed comments, the subject line of your email should clearly state the item number you are commenting on. All comments received by the deadline will be transmitted to the City Council prior to the start of the meeting. Written comments may also be submitted by mail to the City Council at 1050 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, CA, 92014, Attention: Administrative Services Director/City Clerk. On any correspondence, please reference the hearing title and date. Materials related to this public hearing will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at <http://www.delmar.ca.us/AgendaCenter>, and at the Del Mar Library during their business hours. If you have questions about the information in this notice, please contact Kristen Crane at kcrane@delmar.ca.us or (858) 704-3632.

Background Information

The City of Del Mar is moving forward with the citywide Undergrounding Project (UP), which will remove utility poles and replace overhead cables for electricity and telecommunications with underground lines. This project was identified as a priority by Del Mar voters with the approval of Measure Q in 2016. This one-cent sales tax measure is generating the funds being used on the project. Information about the citywide plan,

along with Frequently Asked Questions, is available on the project web page at www.delmar.ca.us/up.

In order to proceed with this process, Utility Undergrounding Districts must be formed. The City Council has identified several districts throughout the City, and work on the UP will proceed on a district-by-district basis. At the public hearing noticed above, the City Council will consider the formation of one of the next districts to begin this process:

- District X1A (Crest Canyon): Residential areas along Crest Road and in canyon below Crest Road within areas west and north of the City of San Diego border and south of the lagoon along San Dieguito Dr.

In order to form a Utility Undergrounding District, Chapter 23.54 of the Del Mar Municipal Code requires a two-step process. This required action – the public hearing on July 12, 2021 - is the first step, by which the City Council, following the public hearing, forms the Utility Undergrounding District by adoption of a resolution. The second step is for City Council to adopt a resolution declaring the date by which all poles must be removed; that step will occur in the future. Once a district is formed, it becomes unlawful to construct or maintain above-ground facilities beyond the date established by the City for removal of such facilities.

Shortly after the City establishes the undergrounding district, SDG&E will begin the project design, which could take approximately 18 months. During the design phase, there will be extensive coordination and communication with all affected property owners and residents by City staff and its consultant team to discuss timing, any necessary required work on private property, and other helpful resources.

At this point, the only authorized step is for design. Expenditures for construction of the actual undergrounding have not yet been approved.

For additional information on this project, please call 858-375-9513 or email up@delmar.ca.us.



Sarah Krietor, Acting City Clerk

June 24, 2021
DATE

Utility Undergrounding District (UUD X1A) - Crest Canyon

