

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: October 4, 2004

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution setting a date for Public Hearing to consider the Establishment of Underground Utility District No. 04-2 Hill Avenue (*Villa Street to North City Limit*)

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council adopt a resolution setting a date for a public hearing to consider the formation of Underground Utility District No. 04-2 on October 25, 2004.

BACKGROUND

The City has a continuing program to underground all overhead electric systems, specifically communication and power lines. The undergrounding of overhead electric systems improves system reliability and the aesthetic quality of an area is enhanced by the removal of unsightly utility poles and overhead wires. Although the affected utilities are currently preparing draft plans for the undergrounding system, an established underground utility district is necessary to require the affected property owners to underground their private property facilities.

A finding of compliance with the General Plan was previously made and this project is shown in the adopted fiscal year (FY) 2005 Capital Improvement Program. It is recommended that the City proceed with formation of this underground district.

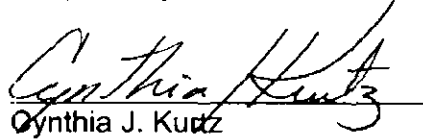
The initial step in the creation of an Underground Utility District is for the City Council to conduct a public hearing to ascertain whether or not the change from an overhead to an underground electric system is in the public interest. Detailed information pertaining to the establishment of the district will be presented at the hearing. The City Clerk will notify all affected utilities and affected property owners of the time and place of the hearing.

A meeting between various City staff, public utilities and the affected property owners within the proposed district is scheduled for Monday, October 11, 2004 to permit property owners an opportunity to discuss matters pertaining to the proposed utility district and be fully informed of their responsibility under Chapter 13.14 of the Pasadena Municipal Code entitled Underground Utility Districts.

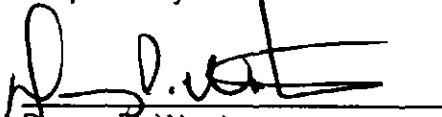
FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for the proposed Underground Utility District 04-2 is available in the Underground Surtax Fund as part of the City's adopted fiscal year (FY) 2005 Capital Improvement Program, Hill Avenue – Street Lighting and Electric System Undergrounding, Villa Street to North City Limits under Budget Account Number 74488.

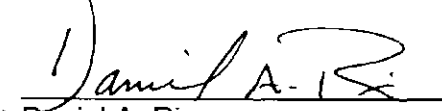
Respectfully submitted,


Cynthia J. Kutz
City Manager

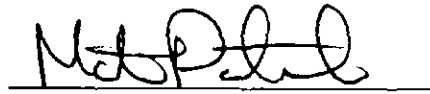
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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER PUBLIC NECESSITY, HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE REQUIRES THE FORMATION OF AN UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT ON HILL AVENUE FROM VILLA STREET TO NORTH CITY LIMITS

WHEREAS, Chapter 13.14 of the Pasadena Municipal Code establishes a procedure for the creation of underground utility districts and requires as the initial step in each procedure the holding of a public hearing to ascertain whether public necessity, health, safety, or welfare requires the removal of poles, overhead wires and associated overhead structures and the underground installation of wires and facilities for supplying electric, communications, or similar or associated service in any such district; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended by the Public Works Department that such an underground utility district, hereinafter called "District" be formed on Hill Avenue from Villa Street to North City Limits to include portions of the following described tracts: Clarke Place Tract as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 153; Tract No. 44587 as recorded in Map Book 1090, Page 18-19; Pasadena Heights Tract, Block 48 as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 82; Pasadena Heights Tract, Block 35 as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 82; Pasadena Heights Tract, Block 33 as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 82; Tract No. 172 as recorded in Map Book 13, Page 161; Pasadena Heights Tract, Block 47 as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 82; Pasadena Heights Tract, Block 22 as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 82; Sutton Villa Tract as recorded in Map Book 16, Page 61; Pasadena Heights Tract, Block 11 as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 82; Pasadena Heights Tract, Block 10 as recorded in Map Book 8, Page 82; Tract No. 1088 as recorded in Map Book 17, Page 96; R. Williams Replat of the Alpine Tract, Block A as recorded in Miscellaneous Record Book 39, Page 71; Nazarene University

Park Tract as recorded in Map Book 17, Pages 19-19; Tract No. 1945 as recorded in Map Book 24, Page 12; Nazarene University Park, Block 9 as recorded in Map Book 17, Pages 18-19; Tract No. 2417 as recorded in Map Book 23, Page 32; Nazarene University Park Tract, Block 2 as recorded in Map Book 17, Pages 19-19; Tract No. 6667 as recorded in Map Book 68, Page 46; Parcel Map as recorded in Book 6, Page 24; Tract No. 5064 as recorded in Map Book 53, Page 86; Tract No. 5204 as recorded in Map Book 57, Page 42; Tract No. 1345 as recorded in Map Book 18, Page 134-135; all in said City of Pasadena, County of Los Angeles, State of California and all records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Pasadena that:

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Pasadena on October 25, 2004 at 8:00 p.m. in the Pasadena Senior Center, Multi-purpose Room located at 85 E. Holly Street, Pasadena, California, to ascertain whether the public necessity health, safety, or welfare requires the removal of poles, overhead wires and associated overhead structures and the underground installation of wires and facilities for supplying electric, communications, or similar associated service in the District hereinabove described.

2. Such hearing shall be open to the public and all interested persons may appear whether in person or by agent and shall be heard. Said hearing may be continued from time to time as may be determined by the City Council.

3. The City Clerk shall notify all affected utilities and affected property owners, as shown on the real property records of the County Assessor, Tax and License Collector, of the time and place of such hearing by mailing a copy of this resolution and a cover letter prepared by the Public Works Department, to such utilities and property owners at least 10 days prior to the date thereof.

4. The area proposed to be included in the District is shown upon City of Pasadena Public Works Department Drawing No. 5338, Sheets 1 entitled "Underground Utility District No. 04-2, Hill Avenue from Villa Street to North City Limit", a copy of which hereby is filed in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Pasadena.

Adopted by the _____ meeting of the City Council on the _____ day of, _____ 2004, by the following vote:

AYES:

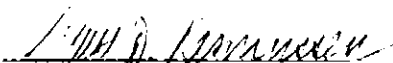
NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

JANE L. RODRIGUEZ
City Clerk

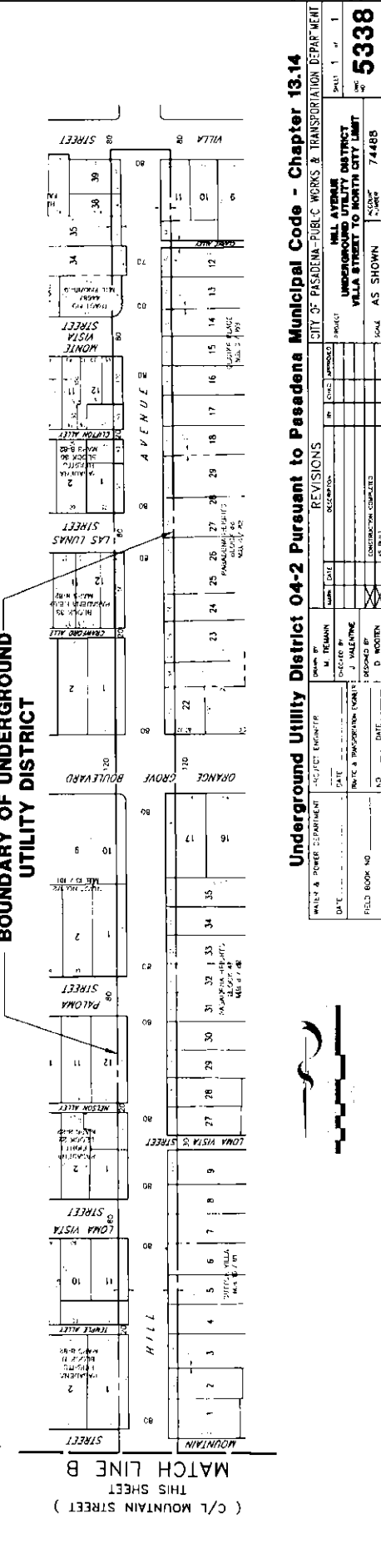
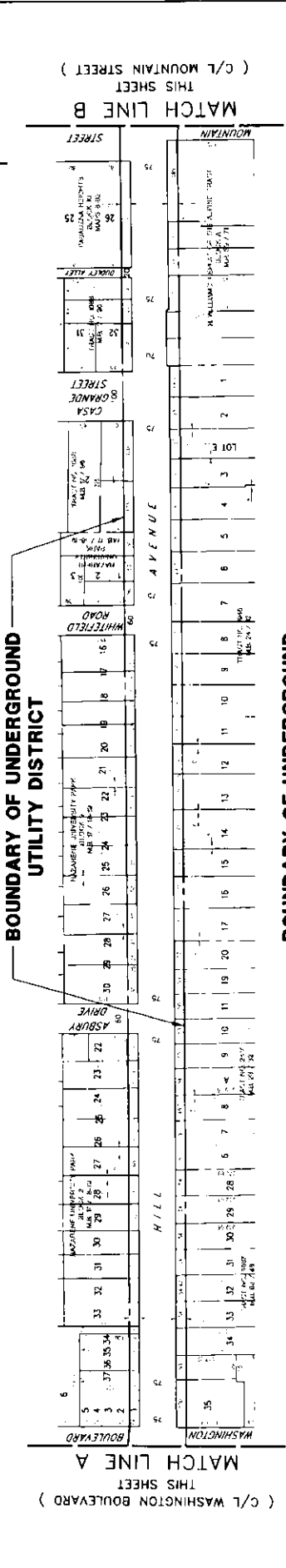
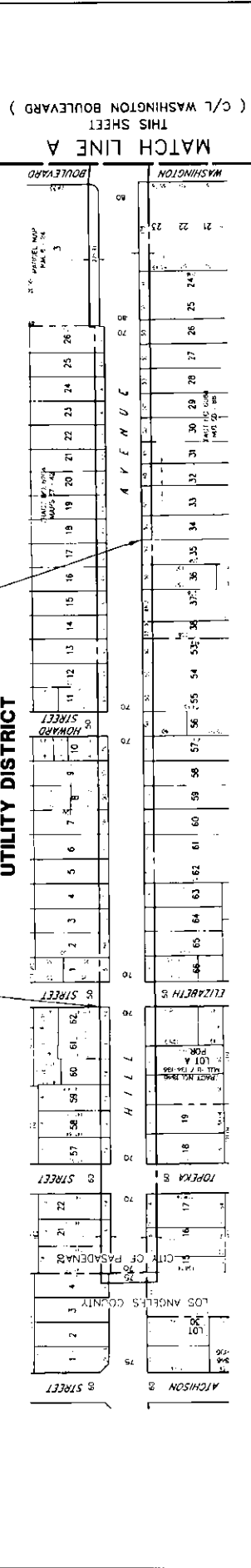
Approved as to form:


SCOTT D. RASMUSSEN
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED: **DANIEL A. RIX** DATE: _____
 CITY ENGINEER (C/L WASHINGTON BOULEVARD) (C/L WASHINGTON BOULEVARD)

SUBMITTED: _____

CITY ENGINEER (C/L WASHINGTON BOULEVARD) (C/L WASHINGTON BOULEVARD)
 LICENSE NO. 34888
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Underground Utility District 04-2 Pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code - Chapter 13.14

CITY OF PASADENA - PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

PROJECT ENGINEER: M. TEBBINS
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DESIGNED BY: J. PALMER
 DATE: _____

FIELD BOOK NO: _____

NO. _____ DATE: _____

REVISIONS:

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DRAWN BY: D. BOYD
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PROJECT NO: 74485

SCALE: AS SHOWN

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