

# Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: May 19, 2008

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION SETTING A DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 08-1 ALPINE STREET, MARENGO AVENUE TO EL MOLINO AVENUE

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution setting a date for a public hearing to consider the establishment of Underground Utility District No. 08-1, Alpine Street, Marengo Avenue to El Molino Avenue on July 14, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

## BACKGROUND

The City has a continuing program to underground all overhead utility systems, specifically power and communication. The underground of overhead systems will improve the system reliability and enhance the aesthetic quality of the area by removal of unsightly utility poles and overhead wires. Although the affected utilities are currently in the design phase for the undergrounding system, an established underground utility district is necessary to require the affected property owners to convert their private properties to underground.

A finding of compliance with the General Plan was previously made and this project is shown in the adopted Fiscal Year 2008 Capital Improvement Program. It is recommended that the City proceed with formation of this underground district.

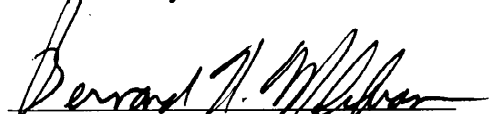
The initial step in the creation of an Underground Utility District is for the City Council to conduct a public hearing to ascertain whether or not the change from an overhead to an underground electric system is in the public interest. Detailed information pertaining to the establishment of the district 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 consisting of City staff, public utilities, and affected property owners within the proposed district is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2008 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.

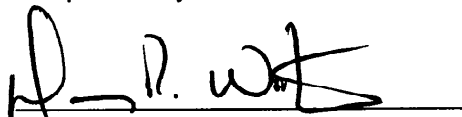
**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding for Underground Utility District 08-1 is available in the Underground Surtax Fund as part of the City's adopted Fiscal Year 2008 Capital Improvement Program, Street Lighting and Electric System Undergrounding, Alpine Street, Marengo Avenue to El Molino Avenue under Budget Account Number 74801. Affected property owners will receive a utility reimbursement up to \$2000 or the lesser actual cost for conduit installation on private property, which includes electrical conduit only.

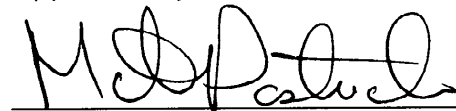
Respectfully submitted,

  
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City Manager

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Approved by:

  
Martin Pastucha  
Director  
Department of Public Works

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 ALPINE STREET FROM MARENGO AVENUE TO EL MOLINO AVENUE

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 Alpine Street from Marengo Avenue to El Moline Avenue to include portions of the following described tracts: Raymond Tract recorded in Miscellaneous Records, Book 9, Page 24; Tract No. 5099 recorded in Map Book 53, Page 85; Tract No. 42955 recorded in Map Book 1039, Page 23-24; Tract No. 40372 recorded in Map Book 965, Page 14-15; Raymond Tract No. 5099 recorded in Map Book 53, Page 85; Tract No. 40925, recorded in Map Book 1062, Page 75-76; Tract No. 49436 recorded in Map Book 1173, Page 83-84; Tract No. 45975 recorded in Map Book 1127, Page 61-62; Tract No. 52123 recorded in Map Book 1223, Page 74-75; Tract No. 53745 recorded in Map Book 1290, Page 92-93; Tract No. 34 recorded in Map Book 13, Page 190-191; Tract No. 391 recorded in Map Book 14, Page 185; Madison Avenue Heights Tract recorded in Map Book 8, Page 137; Tract No. 34 recorded in Map Book 13, Page 190-191; Tract No. 391 recorded in Map Book 14, Page 185; 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 July 14, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 247, the Council Chamber of the City Hall, located at 100 N. Garfield Avenue, 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 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 the attached City of Pasadena Public Works Department Drawing No. 5731 entitled "Underground Utility District No. 08-1, Alpine Street, Marengo Avenue to El Molino Avenue, 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,  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:


ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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JANE L. RODRIGUEZ  
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
SCOTT D. RASMUSSEN  
Assistant City Attorney

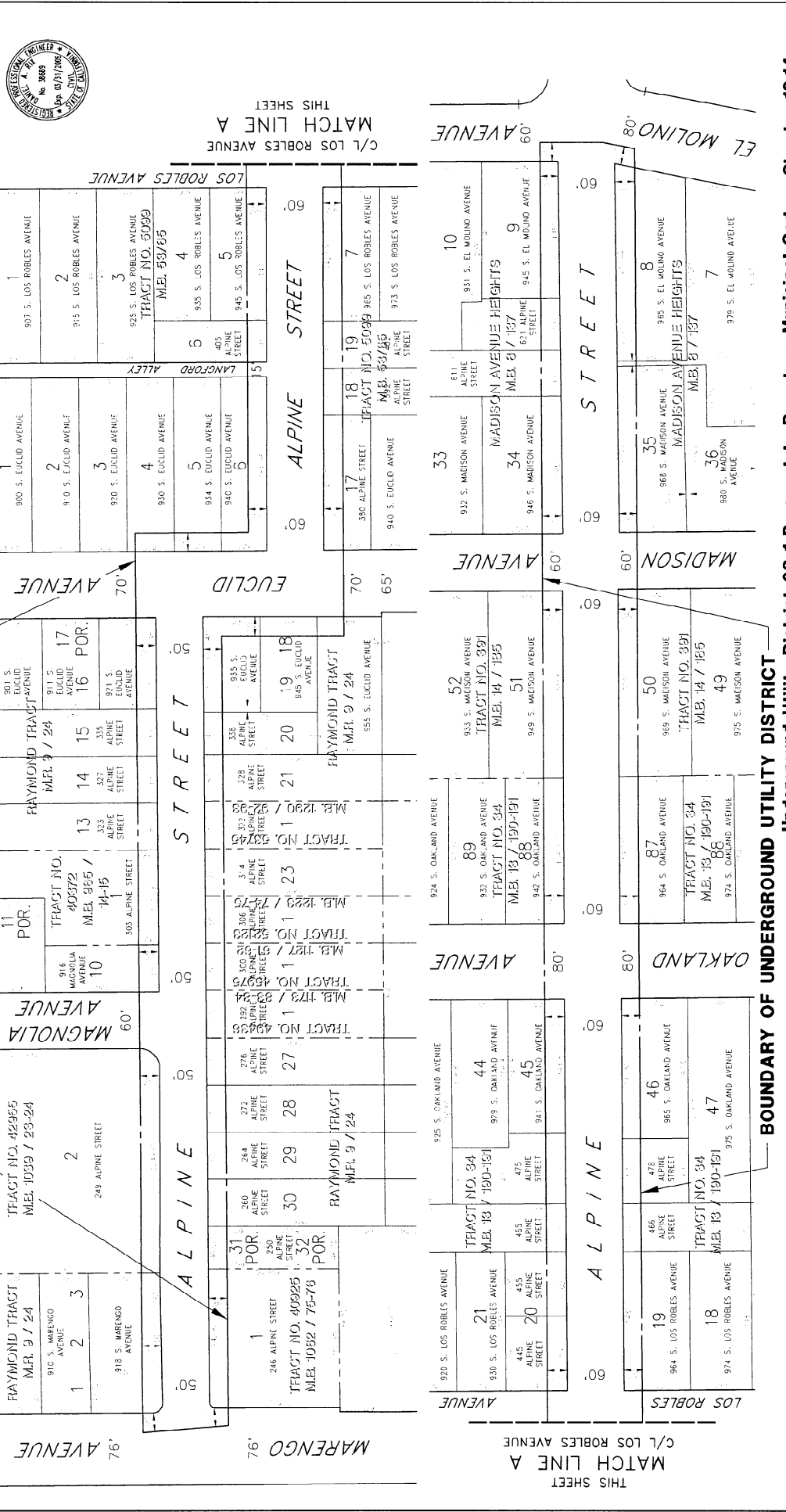
APPROVED: **DANIEL A. RIX**, CITY ENGINEER, REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER NO. C-20689, REGISTRATION EXPIRES: MARCH 31, 2025. DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_

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REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER - CIVIL  
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**Underground Utility District 08-1 Pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code - Chapter 13.14**

CITY OF PASADENA-DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY	ENCL. APPROVED

DRAWN BY: N. TEJANNI  
CHECKED BY: J. VALENTINE  
DESIGNED BY: J. WOOTEN

PROJECT: ALPINE STREET UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT MARENGO AVENUE TO EL MOLINO AVENUE

FIELD BOOK NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SCALE: AS SHOWN ACCOUNT NUMBER: 74801

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