

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

753A



FROM: TLMA – Transportation Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
October 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Report on the Mission Boulevard Underground Utility District, Rule 20A District 39, City of Jurupa Valley. 2nd/2nd District; [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors receive and file the attached report on the status and actions taken with regards to the Mission Boulevard Underground Utility District, Rule 20A District No. 39, and authorize the Director of Transportation and Land Management to take the necessary actions to implement Phase 1A of the District.

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The underground utility conversion program known as the Rule 20-A program was formed by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for the purpose of converting existing overhead distribution lines to an underground location. Funds for the conversion of electrical facilities are kept in trust by the owning utility and apportioned to local agencies by an established formula.

By resolution dated March 7, 2000 (Agenda Item 7-1). the Board of Supervisors established the Mission Boulevard Underground Utility District, between Ben Nevis Boulevard and Pedley Road.

[Signature]
Juan C. Perez
Director of Transportation and Land Management

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,200,00	\$ 0.00	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$	\$	\$	\$	

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Previously approved Rule 20A budget
Budget Adjustment: N/A
For Fiscal Year:

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY *[Signature]*
Tina Grandel

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried,
IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Stone, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: Tavaglione
Date: December 17, 2013
xc: [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By *[Signature]*
Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 3/7/2000, Item 7-1 | District: 2/2 | Agenda Number:

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- A-30
- Positions Added
- 4/5 Vote
- Change Order

Departmental Concurrence

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BACKGROUND:

Summary (continued)

Phase 2 of the project, between Kenneth Street and Pedley Road, has essentially been completed.

The undergrounding of aerial utilities on Mission Boulevard is a complex project involving the undergrounding of facilities owned by the Edison Company, AT&T California, and Charter Communications over a distance of approximately 1.5 miles. The overall project requires the conversion of approximately 130 electric meters, and a similar number of phone and cable TV services.

Since the establishment of the district in 2000, the project has been delayed due to the overall complexity of the project, right of way constraints, and coordination efforts with the Mission Boulevard road and sidewalk Redevelopment Agency project. Due to the large size and scope of the undergrounding project, the project was split into two phases. Phase 2 (0.56 miles) was the first to be completed due to having a greater public benefit and having full property rights.

The original project budget for the entire 1.5 mile undergrounding project was \$3 million. The most recent estimated cost to complete provided by Edison is \$12 million. Edison has invested a large amount of time and resources into developing the construction plans for Phase 1, including securing necessary easements, and requests that the County complete the undergrounding of a portion of Phase 1 (Phase 1A). Phase 1A can be completed at a cost of \$1.2 million and will continue the undergrounding northerly of Kenneth for 600 feet. Funds have already been budgeted for this work.

The Transportation Department has met with the City of Jurupa Valley and the Edison Company, and the collective staff conclusion reached is that the best approach for all three entities is for the County to complete undergrounding improvements on Mission Boulevard for Phase 1A, and for the City of Jurupa Valley to take the lead on the remainder of the project as City funding, development activity and future allocations allow. This project would complete the County's involvement in Rule 20A projects within Jurupa Valley. Edison has advised us that not completing this phase of work would potentially negatively impact future CPUC funding.

The project phasing is as follows:

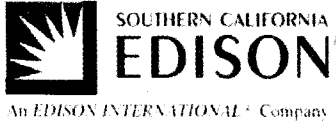
Phase 1B	Ben Nevis Blvd. to 600' West of Kenneth St.	Inactive
Phase 1A	600 Ft. west of Kenneth St. to Kenneth St.	Completion: March 31, 2015
Phase 2	Kenneth St. to Pedley Rd.	Completion: Oct. 31, 2013

Impact on Residents and Businesses

This portion of the overall project is expected to be completed within the next 12 to 18 months. The aesthetic improvements in this area are significant due to the underground work.

It is intended that the remainder of Underground Utility District will ultimately be completed by the City of Jurupa Valley, in cooperation with the Edison Company and future development.

PR: sd



Louis B. Davis
Region Manager
Local Public Affairs

November 15, 2013

Juan Perez, P.E., T.E.
Director of Transportation
County of Riverside
Transportation Department
County Administrative Center
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Subject: Mission Blvd Phase 1 - Underground Utility District 39

Dear Mr. Perez,

Per the discussions and agreement in terms between Southern California Edison (SCE) and the County of Riverside's Transportation Department, SCE requests approval to proceed with a reduced scope of work for the Mission Blvd. Ph. 1 Rule 20A project.

As required by the County Board of Supervisor's Underground Utility District 39, Resolution 2000-048, SCE has completed its design and secured a considerable portion of the easements necessary to underground SCE's existing overhead electric facilities. Given the County's direction for SCE to abandon the undergrounding of Mission Blvd. Phase 1, SCE would not be able to recover its costs through Rule 20A funding and all expenditures would instead be written-off as a loss to the corporation.

SCE receives "capital" funding in rates for Rule 20A Projects for the recovery of costs incurred for the design and construction of new electric facilities or "plant." SCE begins to recover the cost of its investment in plant through rates only when the new underground installation is complete and operational. Abandoning the project without constructing plant will result in stranded costs that would need to be "written off" as a loss to the corporation. Abandoning the project in its entirety will also potentially impact future CPUC funding authorized SCE for future Rule 20A projects.

Given these circumstances and the level of mutual commitment that SCE and the County have demonstrated in these undergrounding projects, SCE requests approval to proceed with a reduced scope of work for Mission Blvd. Ph. 1A from east of Kenneth Way to east of Stanton St. Doing so will allow SCE to recover its investment as well as provide for the benefits and beautification of utility undergrounding. We understand the County of Riverside may be ready to move forward with its next priority Rule 20A project and SCE is of course ready to fully support in the spirit of maintaining our working partnership.

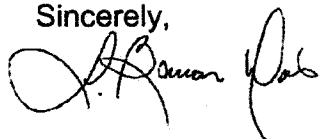
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Thank you for your assistance and support in this matter and should you have any questions please feel free to call me at (951) 249-8468.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis Davis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "D".

Louis Davis
Region Manager
Local Public Affairs

cc: Patricia Romo, County of Riverside TLMA Deputy Director
Stan Dery, County of Riverside TLMA Capital Projects
Sam Newby, SCE Rule 20A Project Manager
Todd Pearce, SCE Rule 20A Manager
Tony Mathis, SCE Rule 20A Program Manager
Talisa Lee, SCE Rule 20A Program Analyst