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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS BETWEEN KTPG AND THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO REGARDING PROPOSED UTILITY UNDERGROUNDING IN KENSINGTON

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BACKGROUND

The following list of questions is being submitted by a group of Kensington residents at the request of Bob Coffin, chairperson for the Transportation & Safety Subcommittee of the Kensington Talmadge Planning Group. These questions/requests have been prepared to help our community better understand the undergrounding process and the policies of the various utility companies that will be tasked with that project. We would like to thank you in advance for considering our requests and responding to our inquiries.



Q & A

Questions

1. Will the Underground Utility District for all of Kensington be created at the same time (3CC, 3CC-1, 3CC-2 all at once), with various phases of implementation, or will only portions/phases of Kensington have an Underground Utility District created in any single public hearing and/or Council vote?
2. At which phase in the process should community members and/or the KTPG get involved with City staff in order to have input in the type and placement of above-ground fixtures?

Answer

The normal process is to annually create each Undergrounding Utility District by the vote of the City Council. However, the environmental review process may require that portions/phases/segments of a project be combined. Under that scenario the combined project will be delayed to include the separate portions/phases/segments from the next allocation years. I think that the Kensington Underground Utility Districts/Residential Project Blocks 3CC, 3CC-1 and 3CC-2 may need to be combined into a single environmental document.

The creation of the Undergrounding Utility District by the City Council allows the design process to start. The discussions regarding the design elements and the implementation of the utilities undergrounding project could also start with City staff and the utility companies.