

AGENDA REPORT

Agenda Item

Approvals:

City Manager

Dept. Head

Attorney

Finance

SAN CLEMENTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Date: October 7, 2014

Department:

Public Works / Engineering

Prepared By:

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Subject:

APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FOR NEW STREET LIGHTS IN THE CALLE VALLE/LOS

MOLINOS UTILITY UNDERGROUNDING DISTRICT No. 98-3.

Fiscal Impact:

Yes. The requested supplemental appropriation will reduce the General Fund

Unassigned Fund Balance by \$25,000.

Summary:

This request is for City Council approval of additional funding for new streetlights in

the Los Molinos area as described below. An update on the project schedule is also

provided below.

Discussion:

New Streetlight Funding

The design of the undergrounding project for the Calle Valle/Los Molinos area includes replacement of several existing SDG&E-owned streetlights, plus ten new streetlights to provide better lighting of public streets and sidewalks in this area. The additional street lights will also be owned and maintained by SDG&E, and will look similar to the City's standard street lights. The existing street lights that SDG&E is replacing as part of the undergrounding project are included in the project and funded by SDG&E. However, the new additional street lights cannot be funded via the undergrounding project fund. The City previously budgeted \$25,000 for new street lights, but SDG&E recently updated its estimated costs and the updated cost for new streetlights is about \$50,000. If the City were to obtain and install street lights the cost would be significantly higher, therefore staff recommends City Council approval of additional funding so that the new lights can be installed in conjunction with the undergrounding project. As the City Council is aware, after the undergrounding project is completed, the City will re-pave Calle de Los Molinos and Calle Valle, therefore staff recommends installing new street lights (and associated service trenches) in conjunction with the undergrounding project.

Project Schedule

As for next steps, SDG&E is preparing to bid the project for construction. The following are SDG&E's planned key milestones:

- Trench and conduit installation: January-March 2015.
- Electrical cable and new services installation: March-May 2015.
- Existing overhead system removal: June 2015.

The City's planned street rehabilitation would begin in July 2015, after the existing power poles are removed.

Recommended

Action:

STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT the City Council approve a supplemental appropriation of

\$25,000 from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance to the Los Molinos Street

Lights Project Account (001-416-45300-000-14324).

Attachments:

None.

Notification:

None.

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