

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION and ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEES REPORT relative to the feasibility of creating an Underground Wiring District along Pacific Coast Highway between Potrero and Temescal Canyons.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Bonin – Huizar):

DIRECT the Department of Public Works and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, (LADWP) and other departments as necessary, to prepare a study detailing the feasibility of creating an Underground Wiring District along Pacific Coast Highway between Potrero and Temescal Canyons.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

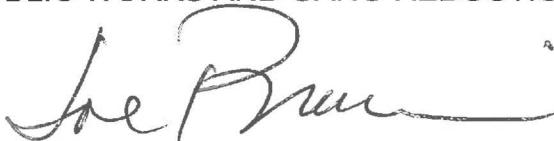
On March 17, 2015, Council considered Motion relative to the feasibility of creating an Underground Wiring District along Pacific Coast Highway between Potrero and Temescal Canyons. Motion states that Will Rogers State Beach is visited by approximately 42 million residents and tourists annually. Overhead utility lines on this beautiful and historic stretch of coastline are a visual blight to thousands of daily tourists, commuters, and the local community. The undergrounding of these utility lines is also a necessity to accommodate the construction of the beach access.

Motion movers go on to state that the utilities to be undergrounded are in an area that has a length of approximately 2,500 feet, with 13 utility poles and numerous appurtenances located within a wide flat area adjacent to the highway. The cost of the undergrounding is estimated to be \$2.4 Million. The Bureau of Engineering has been working with LADWP on a feasibility study to be conducted by the City. The study, once completed, will lead to the establishment of an underground wiring district. Council referred Motion to the Public Works and Gang Reduction and Energy and Environment Committees for consideration.

At its meeting held April 15, 2015, the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee approved Motion. On August 5, 2015, the Energy and Environment Committee concurred with this action.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE



MEMBER VOTE

BUSCAINO: YES

PRICE: YES

CEDILLO: YES

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ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE



MEMBER VOTE

FUENTES: YES

BLUMENFIELD: YES

KORETZ: YES

CEDILLO: ABSENT

O'FARRELL: YES

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