

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster

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Date: November 10, 2015

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Carlyle S. Workman, Public Works Manager

Subject: **Underground Utility District No. 2013-01 – Avenue I from 20th Street West to 10th Street West**

Recommendation:

Adopt **Resolution No. 15-64**, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, declaring its intention to amend Resolution No. 13-46, extending the time within which work in Underground Utility District No. 2013-01 is to be completed.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

In 2011, the City was successful in obtaining Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Call for Projects Transportation Enhancement grant funding for the Avenue I Corridor Improvements (F5803). This project will enhance the streetscape within existing right-of-way via a road diet and will include landscaping, bike path, buffer, sidewalk, bus stop, centerline medians, and ADA accessibility improvements. Grant funding will become available in Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

In anticipation of these improvements and in order to improve the safety and appearance of Avenue I from 20th Street West to 10th Street West, staff recommended undergrounding the existing overhead utilities, removing associated utility poles, and created Underground Utility District No. 2013-01 when it adopted Resolution No. 13-46 on July 23, 2013.

In 2014, the City was notified by LACMTA that Transportation Enhancement funds were no longer available and that LACMTA would substitute with Local Transportation Funds (LTF). On April 21, 2015, the LACMTA Funding Agreement for the project was executed.

Each year, Southern California Edison (SCE) provides Rule 20A funding to the City of Lancaster to pay for undergrounding existing overhead SCE utilities. With adoption of this resolution, Rule 20A work on Avenue I from 20th Street West to 10th Street West is scheduled to be completed by March 31, 2019.

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Resolution No. 15-64