

STAFF REPORT

City of Lancaster

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Date: May 27, 2025

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Marissa Diaz, Director – Public Works
Nicholas Godin, Assistant Director – PW City Engineering

Subject: Underground Utility District No. 2025-01; Division Street from Avenue J-8 to 620 Feet South of Avenue K, and Avenue K from Division Street to Sahuayo Street

Recommendation:

Adopt **Resolution No.** of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, declaring its intention to create the Underground Utility District No. 2025-01.

G.C. Section 84308: No

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

Each year, Southern California Edison (SCE) provides Rule 20(A) funding to the City of Lancaster to pay for the undergrounding of existing overhead SCE utilities. The City has banked several years of allocations, and currently has a 2025 allocation balance of \$3,841,009.00. In order to utilize the SCE allocation balance prior to discontinuation of the Rule 20(A) Program, and to improve the safety and appearance of certain City streets, staff recommends removing utility poles and undergrounding the overhead utilities along Division Street from Avenue J-8 to 620 feet south of Avenue K, and along Avenue K from Division Street to Sahuayo Street. This project boundary includes approximately 3,824 feet (0.72 miles), and the Rule 20(A) work outlined above would be scheduled to be completed by December 31, 2027.

This location was selected because it fronts undeveloped City owned parcels where undergrounding will increase property value, remove unsightly overhead lines, and enhance the property's appeal should the City decide to pursue private development in the future.

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Attachment:
Resolution No.