



Board Action Memorandum

TO: Jackie Flowers, Director of Utilities
COPY: Charleen Jacobs, Director and Board Offices
FROM: Chad Edinger, Electrical Services Manager
MEETING DATE: May 26, 2021
DATE: May 10, 2021

STRATEGIC DIRECTIVE ALIGNMENT (select as many that apply):

Please indicate which of the Public Utility Board’s Strategic Directives is supported by this action.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> SD1 – Equity & Inclusion | <input type="checkbox"/> SD8 – Telecom |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SD2 – Financial Sustainability | <input type="checkbox"/> SD9 – Economic Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SD3 – Rates | <input type="checkbox"/> SD10 – Government Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SD4 – Stakeholder Engagement | <input type="checkbox"/> SD11 – Decarbonization/Electric Vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SD5 – Environmental Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> SD12 – Employee Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SD6 – Innovation | <input type="checkbox"/> SD13 – Customer Service |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SD7 – Reliability & Resiliency | <input type="checkbox"/> SD14 – Resource Planning |

SUMMARY: Request to consider a resolution to set a City of Tacoma Hearing Examiner date of June 28, 2021 relating to the formation of Local Improvement District No. 7732 for the conversion of existing overhead primary electrical distribution, utilities, telephone, and cable – TV lines to underground.

BACKGROUND: Property owners representing 67.01% of the assessable frontages have signed Advisory Survey No. 8640 requesting formation of a LID. A Resolution by both the Utility Board and Tacoma City Council to set a date before the Hearing Examiner is required. The Hearing Examiner would receive testimony from property owners to consider the construction of certain improvements identified by Local Improvement District No. 7732 which would provide long-term financing for the improvements along:

- Cascade Avenue from North 13th Street to the Cul-De-Sac north of North 17th Street;
- The alley between Cascade Avenue and Fir Street from North 13th Street north to 1528 Cascade Avenue;
- Fir Street from North 15th Street to the Cul-De-Sac north of North 17th Street;
- North 13th Street from Cascade Avenue to the alley between Cascade Avenue and Fir Street;
- North 15th Street from Jackson Avenue to Fir Street;
- North 17th Street from Jackson Avenue to Juniper Street.

Following the formation hearing, the Hearing Examiner would issue a findings of fact, conclusions of law to the Tacoma City Council for its consideration.



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ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

Expenditures are budgeted within the Transmission and Distribution Additions and Replacements project budget. Authorization for the formation of this LID will allow the project to meet eligibility requirements for 30% Utility contribution towards underground conversion costs. It is estimated the 30% contribution will total \$137,970. The contribution amount is calculated based on costs of labor, materials and civil work necessary for the movement and installation of Tacoma Power facilities only. Other costs related to conversion of cable and telephone services are not eligible for a 30% contribution.

IF THE EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW IT IS TO BE COVERED.

Does not apply.

IF THE ACTION REQUESTED IS APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT, INCLUDE LANGUAGE IN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING \$200,000 INCREASE IN ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY TO DIRECTOR? No

ATTACHMENTS: Utility Resolution for LID 7732
City Council Resolution for LID 7732
Advisory Survey Number 8640
LID 7732 Assessment Map

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