



Proposed Webster Street Crossings Underground Utility District

October 9, 2018, 9:30 AM

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Please tell us whether you support creating an underground utility district in this location.

Introduction

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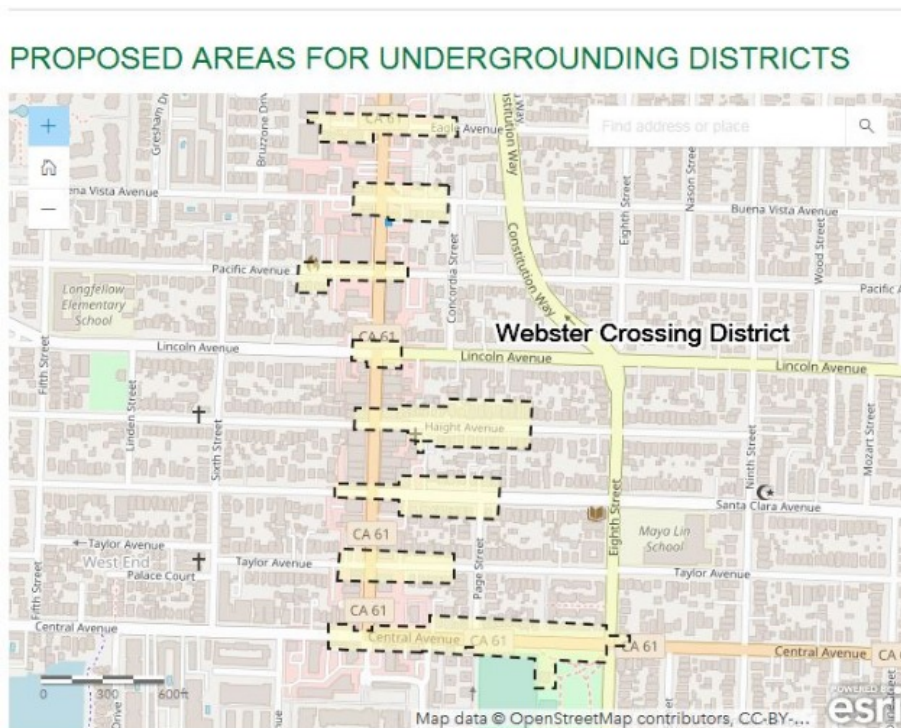
Residents and owners within these two proposed areas are receiving this survey because they will be impacted by the construction work to move the utility lines underground. The technical advisory committee for the undergrounding program plans to make a recommendation to the Alameda City Council to do the construction work in these areas. After approval, the design phase will take up to 18 months, followed by twenty four to thirty six months for construction.

There is no cost to property owners unless their service lateral exceeds 100 feet. Existing funds will go toward the project. AMP sets aside 2 percent of its gross electric revenues each year for undergrounding projects.

Learn more: <https://www.alamedamp.com/working-with-amp/undergrounding>

Your property/residence is within the proposed area defined as:

WEBSTER CROSSING DISTRICT - All Webster Street crossings from Taylor Avenue to Buena Vista Avenue including Eagle Avenue, west of Constitution Way; and along Central Avenue from Eighth Street to Webster Street.



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Please tell us whether you support creating an underground utility district in this location.

Summary Of Responses

As of October 9, 2018, 9:30 AM, this forum had:

Attendees: 46
Responses: 32
Hours of Public Comment: 1.6

Topic Start

June 14, 2018, 4:08 PM

Topic End

October 1, 2018, 3:05 PM

QUESTION 1

Are you in favor of creating the Webster Crossings underground utility district as described in the introduction?

		%	Count
Yes		56.3%	18
No		43.8%	14

QUESTION 2

If No, primary reason:

Answered 13
Skipped 19

0 2 all also any area before cost customers do don due during financial flooding from future high homeowner homeowners insurance lateral maintenance month more only option owner power property repairs residences responsible service t tides underground understand want wiring

QUESTION 3

Please select which describes you best:

		%	Count
Owner		78.1%	25
Tenant		21.9%	7

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QUESTION 4

Please enter the full address of your house/residence/business within the proposed district. Your address will not be published online with your response.

Answered 30

Skipped 2

711 716 727 752 94501 alameda apt ave avenue c ca central clara haight santa st taylor

QUESTION 5

Do you plan on upgrading or modifying your Electric Service in the next two years?



QUESTION 6

Thank you for taking this survey, if you would like to receive further updates please leave your email address below. Your email address will not be published in this website with your response.

Answered 17

Skipped 15

com comcast gmail net yahoo

Question 2 Comments: Webster Crossings
Costs
Why specific area and not the whole island
i don't want to pay for it bec living costs are already too high in Alameda
You only plan to do half of our block - you want to update Webster Street, but the rest of us don't fit into you plan so we get a half-assed project. I also object to the fact that you only notify homeowners whose property falls into the exact area that you want to underground, even though the rest of the block will be affected. Not a genuine effort here, which is why many homeowners do not trust what you are doing.
Expensive (ultimately funded by ratepayers) with no demonstrated value other than aesthetic. City claims to be underfunded, and this is not a good spending priority. Also, construction is disruptive.
The cost to the owner
There is no mention of insurance on the wiring that we would be expected to maintain. This is a better proposal than before, but still not ideal and not inclusive of full disclosure.
initial and continuing cost in a seismic area.
I am living on a low income and am concerned about my financial responsibility for the underground wiring. I also understand the homeowner is responsible for maintaining and repairing any of the wiring near their home. I understand from another neighbor that homeowners should have the option of buying insurance on the wires but I have not heard this option being made available.
earthquakes can create damages underground and may be even more costly to rebuild in the future plus cost of funding which can be allocated to major priority government subsidy
more homeowner financial responsibilities (maintenance of lateral, repairs, etc.)
1. The original ordinance to underground power was created in 1984 before global warming effects were part of the equation. We live on an island that experiences flooding from heavy rains due to our storm drains inability to operate effectively during high tides. And Alameda is predicted to be at risk of future flooding during high tides due to the expected sea level rise of 2 feet in the next 60 years (underground power and water do not mix). 2. The property owner is responsible for the cost involved in all repairs to the abandoned overhead power conduit on their property and/or any damage to their landscape/hardscape from the groundwork to install the underground power and telecommunications. 3. Single-family owner occupied residences are the only category that the program aims to fund. Any service upgrade shifts the entire undergrounding cost to the property owner and all multi family residences and rental properties are 100% responsible for the cost. 4. The customer will own the underground service lateral from the service point to the meter and is responsible for maintenance and/or repair. Cost of insurance from AMP is to be determined but is estimated at \$0.005/month for residential customers and \$0.42/month for commercial customers.
Don't want digging in neighborhood.



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Your property/residence is within the proposed area defined as:

OTIS/BROADWAY DISTRICT - along Otis Drive from High Street to Broadway including streets south of Otis Drive (i.e. Pearl Street, Versailles Avenue, Mound Street, Waterton Street and Court Street); AND along Broadway Street from La Jolla to Encinal Avenue.

PROPOSED AREAS FOR UNDERGROUNDING DISTRICTS



Proposed Otis/Broadway Underground Utility District

Please tell us whether you support creating an underground utility district in this location.

Summary Of Responses

As of October 9, 2018, 10:12 AM, this forum had:

Attendees: 51
Responses: 41
Hours of Public Comment: 2.1

Topic Start

May 7, 2018, 4:48 PM

Topic End

October 1, 2018, 3:02 PM

QUESTION 1

Are you in favor of creating the Otis/Broadway underground utility district as described in the introduction?

		%	Count
Yes		97.6%	40
No		2.4%	1

QUESTION 2

If No, primary reason:

Answered 1
Skipped 40

QUESTION 3

Please select which describes you best:

		%	Count
Owner		100.0%	41

QUESTION 4

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Please tell us whether you support creating an underground utility district in this location.

Answered	35
Skipped	6

QUESTION 5

Do you plan on upgrading or modifying your Electric Service in the next two years?

		%	Count
Yes		4.9%	2
No		95.1%	39

QUESTION 6

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Answered	19
Skipped	22

Question 2 Comments:

We've already had EBMUD doing construction around our home for years, involving constant digging. We worry that it's affecting our home's foundation.