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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
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SUBJECT: Easement to be Granted to Southern California Edison for Placing Electrical Facilities Underground on City Property (District 3)

DISCUSSION

Southern California Edison ("Edison") is in the process of undergrounding public utility facilities along Seventh Street, pursuant to our Underground Utility District No. 39. In order for Edison to connect the new underground system to their regular distribution system, two new underground lines and a new utility pole must be installed within the old Pacific Electric right-of-way, in the vicinity of Roswell and Ximeno Avenues, which is city property. Edison currently has an easement for standard overhead facilities in this location. However, Edison has asked the City to extend their easement rights to underground facilities as well. The attached Exhibit A shows the locations of the underground facilities to be installed.

The subject grant of easement was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Lisa Peskay Malmsten on September 1, 2004. In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act, Categorical Exemption No. CEP 466-04 was issued for this project.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action for this matter is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

Because this work is being done pursuant to a Public Utilities Commission Rule 20A project, the City may not demand a fee for the grant of easement.

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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

Authorize the City Manager to execute an easement deed to Southern California Edison for the areas shown on the attached Exhibit A.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment

APPROVED:



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CITY MANAGER