

**RESOLUTION R03-01
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES
ADOPTING A REVISED POLICY FOR THE CREATION OF
UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICTS**

WHEREAS, Rule 20 was enacted in 1968 by the California Public Utilities Commission to develop a system for the undergrounding of existing overhead utilities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates wishes to aid those residents who wish to pursue the undergrounding of utilities in their neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the California Public Utilities Commission has recently enacted changes to Rule 20 allowing Edison to undertake the design of an underground utility district and obtain reimbursement either with the assessment levied for the construction costs or through the City's Rule 20A funds if the project is not built; and

WHEREAS, the City does not have any proposed projects for the use of its Rule 20A funds at this time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates adopts a policy that authorizes staff to approve underground utility districts to proceed with design in accordance with the following restrictions:

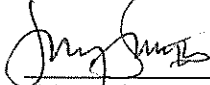
1. Resident groups must show written support on City provided forms of 60% of those property owners within the project area. This is intended to ensure that groups are serious about proceeding with the construction of a project and it is not the whim of just a few property owners.
2. Petitions will be reviewed in the order in which they are received.
3. The order of priority would be on a "first come, first served" basis while there are sufficient funds available to the City. When new funds are allocated to the City, or when previously identified projects go forward with construction, additional projects would be considered.

For projects that are approved under these conditions, the City's Rule 20A funds will be used to reimburse Edison if the project is not built.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of January, 2003.


ROSEMARY HUMPHREY, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JUDY SMITH, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Stephanie R. Scher, CITY ATTORNEY

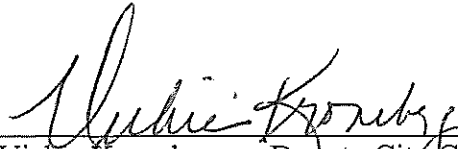
STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES)

I, Vickie Kroneberger, Deputy City Clerk for the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution **R03-01** was duly and regularly approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates at its regular meeting of the City Council on the 15th day of January, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Humphrey, Mackenbach, Flood
Sherwood, and Turner

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None


Vickie Kroneberger, Deputy City Clerk