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Project Fact Sheet

Assessment District 124 – Central Balboa Island

ABOUT THIS PROJECT

The property owners within a roughly 50-block area of Central Balboa Island submitted a petition requesting formation of an underground utility assessment district, known as Assessment District No. 124 (AD 124). The City Council certified the petition for AD 124 on February 23, 2021. On June 8, 2021, the City Council declared its intention to levy assessments and issue bonds to finance the undergrounding, preliminarily approved the Assessment Engineer’s Report and set July 27, 2021, as the time and place for a Public Hearing for AD 124. On July 27, 2021, ballots were counted and the majority voted “yes” and AD 124 was formed. Yes vote percentage of 65% was one of the highest on record. The estimated total cost of AD 124 is almost \$33 million.

BENEFITS

Undergrounding overhead utilities will improve aesthetics, safety and reliability of power and communication lines.

CURRENT STATUS

Utility companies are currently performing design for the entire project. The project will be broken into phases as indicated on the back of this fact sheet. Construction within Phase 1 along N Bay Front is planned to occur sooner, in conjunction with AD 120-2 (Santa Ana Ave/Cliff Drive Area).

When the power poles are removed, there will no longer be street lights in the alleys, which are currently armed off the poles. If street lights in the alleys are desired, easements must be granted as replacement street lights can’t be placed in the public right-of-way without blocking access. **THE CITY IS NOT RECOMMENDING REPLACEMENT OF ALL STREET LIGHTS.** You may receive separate documentation regarding this issue and can also view street light information on our Assessment District web page below.

The 2nd/Final Notice of Assessment and bond sale period is still tentatively scheduled for Spring of 2023. Whatever assessments are not paid will show up as a bond assessment on the owner’s property tax bill.

STAY INFORMED

Get more information from the City of Newport Beach at: www.newportbeachca.gov/ADstatus, including information on street light replacement . **If you would like E-mail updates on this please send that request to PWinfo@Newportbeachca.gov to get on the list.**



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

- **Design & Construction:**
 - Utilities Design – Ongoing thru Fall 2024
 - Construction in Phases, Starting in Spring 2023 thru Fall 2025
 - Residential Conversions & Cabling- Fall 2024 though 2026
 - Pole Removal – 2027

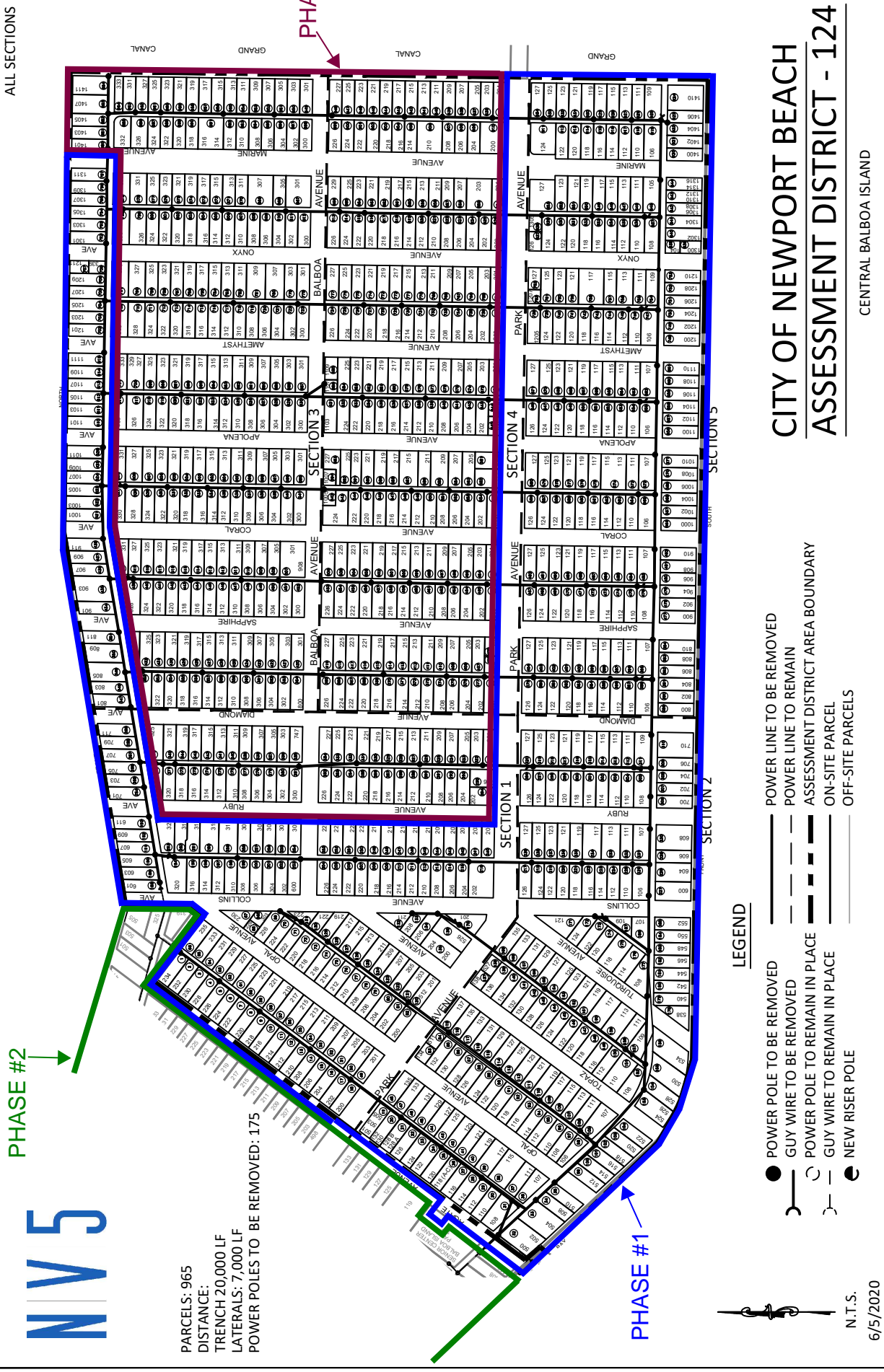
FUNDING SOURCE:

- Assessment District Funds

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PHASE EXHIBIT OPTION 1 (REVISED)



ALL SECTIONS

PHASE #2

PHASE #3

PHASE #1

NV5

PARCELS: 965
 DISTANCE: 20,000 LF
 TRENCH: 7,000 LF
 LATERALS: 7,000 LF
 POWER POLES TO BE REMOVED: 175

LEGEND

- POWER POLE TO BE REMOVED
- GUY WIRE TO BE REMOVED
- POWER POLE TO REMAIN IN PLACE
- GUY WIRE TO REMAIN IN PLACE
- NEW RISER POLE
- POWER LINE TO BE REMOVED
- POWER LINE TO REMAIN
- - - ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AREA BOUNDARY
- ON-SITE PARCEL
- OFF-SITE PARCELS

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