

# UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM

## LINCOLN PARK – PROJECT BLOCK 4G

August 2011



### WELCOME TO THE UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM E-NEWS #23

This is the twenty-third e-news update to inform you of the progress of the Utilities Undergrounding Program in the Lincoln Park/4G Project Block area. Approximately once a month during construction, or when significant events occur, you will receive an e-mail update.

### UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The City of San Diego has been undergrounding utility lines since 1970. Approximately 1,200 miles of overhead utility lines remain to be undergrounded. The City, in cooperation with SDG&E, Cox Communications, Time Warner and AT&T, is currently undergrounding the utility lines in your community.

### PROJECT BLOCK 4G HIGHLIGHTS

- 3.5 miles of utilities will be undergrounded
- 399 private residences will have their utilities undergrounded
- 48 street lights will be installed
- 63 shade trees will be planted
- 34 curb ramps will be installed
- Streets will be resurfaced or slurry sealed curb-to-curb

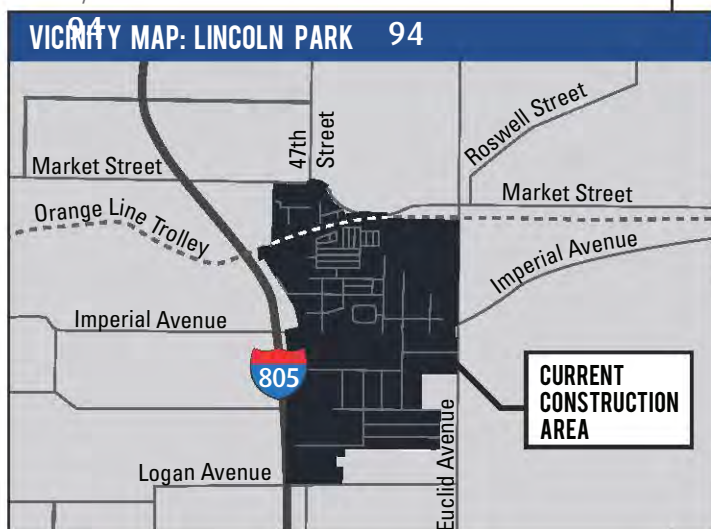
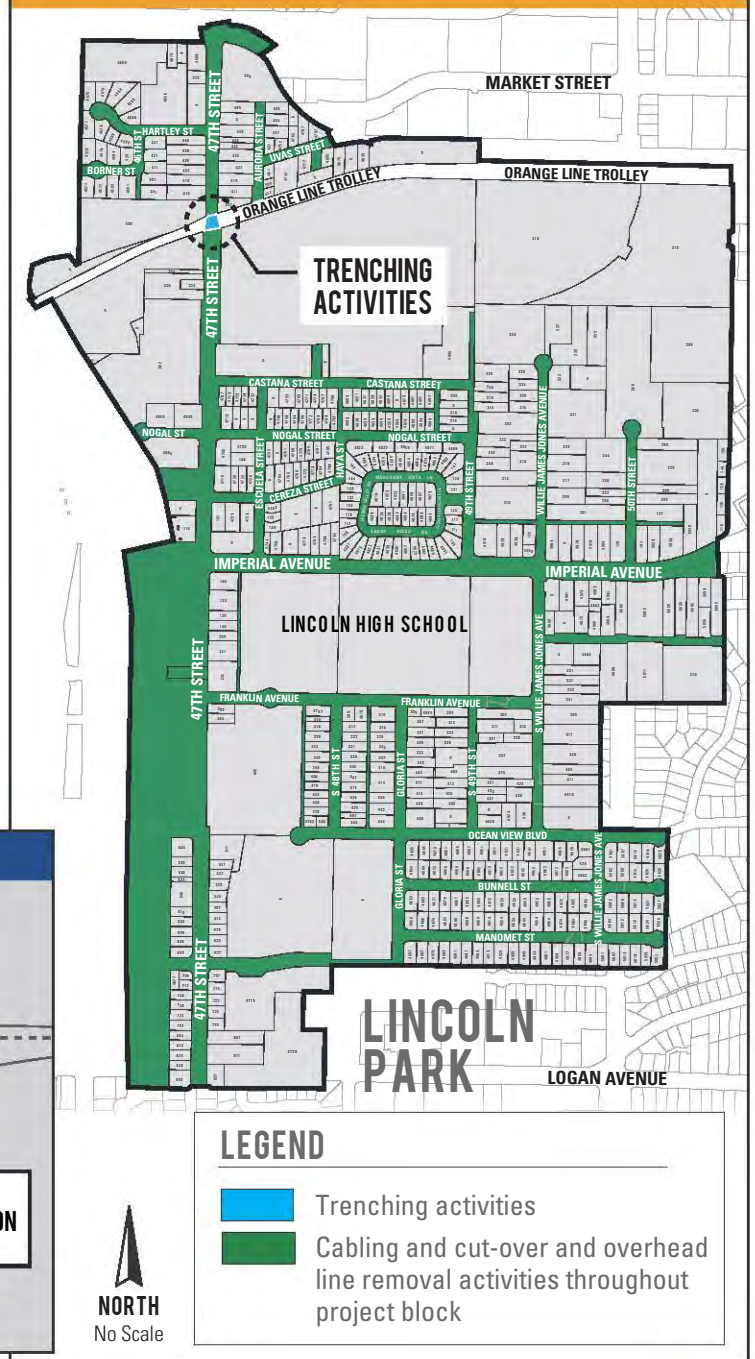
### PROJECT BLOCK 4G CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY PHASES

- Construction start: October 2008
- Panel and trench work: Oct. 2008 - January 2012
- Cabling, cut-overs and streetlights: May 2010 - February 2012
- Overhead line removal: Winter 2012
- AT&T services: Complete by Spring 2012
- Street resurfacing: 2012

### PROJECT BLOCK 4G CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- Trenching activities - Continuing trenching 47th Street.
- Cabling work is ongoing and is estimated to be complete by February 2012.

### CURRENT CONSTRUCTION AREA MAP: LINCOLN PARK



#### LEGEND

- Trenching activities
- Cabling and cut-over and overhead line removal activities throughout project block



## PANEL AND TRENCHING ACTIVITIES

**All panel work by Southern Electric has been completed.** Panel work is when electricians prepare the electrical panel at the homes to receive underground service.

**Additionally, trenching crews are approximately 99% complete with all trenching activities.** Currently, we are waiting for a Metropolitan Transit System permit in order to fully complete the trenching on 47th Street.

## CABLING, CUT-OVER AND OVERHEAD LINE REMOVAL

After a majority of the trenching operations were completed by the trenching contractor, the cabling portion of the project began. Another contractor will perform the cabling work. Cabling involves technicians placing new utility lines in the new conduits, so that the new lines can be "energized" and brought into service. Once the new system has been energized, the process to "cut-over" customers from overhead to underground services will begin. Once customers have been cut-over, the overhead lines will be removed. We anticipate this process will move very swiftly and it's not nearly as disruptive or distracting as the trenching work, which is why you may not even see us working.

**SDG&E is 80% complete with cabling activities.**

**Cox Communications is 100% complete with their cabling, cut-over and overhead line removal activities.**

**AT&T is 75% complete with cabling, 30% complete with customer cut-overs and 30% complete with overhead line removal activities.**



*City inspector evaluates a customer's newly installed meter adaptor that connects the meter with the underground utilities.*

## CORRECTION NOTICES

**There are 6 residences in the 4G Project Block that need to make corrections to their services or properties.** Most of these corrections are minor and are the responsibility of the property owner. Corrections need to be completed before we can cut customers over to the new underground system. **Customers who are not cut-over to the new underground system risk loss of service when the overhead system is removed.**

If you need to make a correction to your property in order to pass final inspection, you will receive a door hanger or letter from a City of San Diego inspector. The door hanger and letter have a description of the correction needed. Most of these corrections are minor. Please do not delay in contacting the inspector whose name and phone number appear on these notices, so that the problem can be resolved.

## SAFETY

If you see anyone on your property that is not visibly wearing an identification badge, or if they are in a vehicle that is not marked with a contractor or utility company name, please call the Information Line at (619) 533-3841 or the San Diego Police Department. The construction crew must travel in marked vehicles and have proper identification at all times on the job site.

## CONTACT US

In the event that you are not satisfied or pleased with the work that was done on your property or your street, please let us know. **Please do not attempt to make corrections, adjustments or improvements yourself.** We promise to work with you on reaching a solution or creating an outcome that both meet your needs and ours in this process. We will not be able to switch your services to the new underground system if any modifications were done to our work. If you are unsure about the status of the work that has taken place on your property or your street, contact us at:

- Information Line (619) 533-3841
- Email [undergrounding@sandiego.gov](mailto:undergrounding@sandiego.gov)

## UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM VIDEO

A video about the Utilities Undergrounding Program can be seen by visiting our web site at [www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding](http://www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding) and clicking on video. By watching it, you can see all the processes associated with our work and gain a better understanding of what is involved in completing those processes.

We thank you in advance for your patience and support while we complete the Utilities Undergrounding Program project in the Lincoln Park community.