A CLEAR VIEW OF SAN DIEGO
Utilities Undergrounding Program

UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM

SHERMAN HEIGHTS – PROJECT BLOCK 8F

July/August 2012

WELCOME TO THE UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM E-NEWS #26

This is the twenty-sixth e-news update to inform you of the progress of the Utilities Undergrounding Program in the Sherman Heights/8F 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 8F HIGHLIGHTS

- 2.4 miles of utilities will be undergrounded
- 489 private residences will have their utilities undergrounded
- 40 street lights will be installed
- 62 shade trees will be installed
- 139 curb ramps will be installed
- Streets will be resurfaced or slurry sealed curb-to-curb

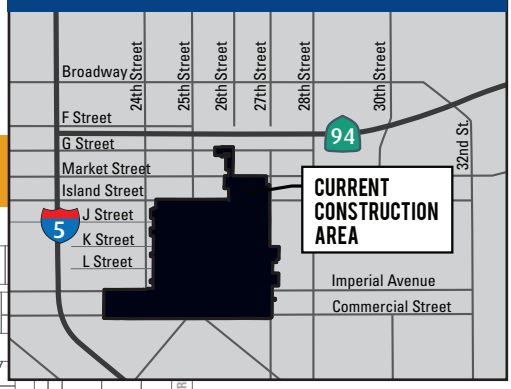
PROJECT BLOCK 8F CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY PHASES

- Construction start: October 2009
- Panel and trench work: Oct. 2009 - May 2012
- Cabling, cut-overs and streetlights: March 2012 - October 2012
- Overhead line removal: Summer - Fall 2012
- Street resurfacing: 2013

PROJECT BLOCK 8F CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- Cabling work is taking place throughout the project block.

VICINITY MAP: SHERMAN HEIGHTS



CURRENT CONSTRUCTION AREA MAP: SHERMAN HEIGHTS

LEGEND

Sidewalk repairs, cabling, cut-over and overhead line removal activities throughout project block

TRANSPORTATION & STORM WATER

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PANEL AND TRENCHING ACTIVITIES

Panel work by Southern Contracting is 99% complete. Panel work is when electricians prepare the electrical panel at your home to receive underground service. If you have any questions or concerns about the work, please do not hesitate to contact the electrical contractor.

The trench work 100% complete.

AT&T crew members switch a customer's service from the overhead lines to the new underground cables. Overhead lines, in picture, will be removed once this process is complete.

CABLING, CUT-OVER AND OVERHEAD LINE REMOVAL

After all trenching operations have been completed by our contractor, the cabling portion of the work will begin. 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 100% complete with cabling and 58% complete with cut-over activities in Job 1, 67% complete with cut-over activities in Job 2 and 15% complete with cut-over activities in Job 3.

AT&T is 20% complete with their cabling activities.

CORRECTION NOTICES

Currently, there are 39 residences in Job 1, 47 residences in Job 2 and 20 residences in Job 3 that need to make corrections to their services or properties in the 8F Project Block. 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 jobsite.

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 meets 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

UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM VIDEO

A video about the Utilities Undergrounding Program can be seen by visiting our web site at 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 Sherman Heights community.