



STAFF REPORT

TO: Mayor Stanton and Town Council Members

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AGENDA TITLE: SRP Underground Conversion, Rose Lane – Project Update

PURPOSE:

Project Update

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Town Staff is updating the Council on the Rose Lane underground conversion project. The proposed utility underground conversion work is located at the Southwest corner of Rose Lane and Palo Cristi Road. This project will include:

- Removal of three utility poles, overhead electric wires, and transformers.
- Installation of new underground electric wires and conduits.

BACKGROUND:

Implemented in 1989, the SRP Municipal Aesthetics Program was designed to encourage effective partnerships with local Municipalities by offering them the opportunity to have aesthetic improvements made to existing and new SRP water and power distribution, transmission, and substation facilities.

Since the program's inception, SRP has provided funds to the municipalities to assist with the costs associated with the aesthetic improvements. The "Municipal Aesthetics Program Policies" provide for use of these funds within the framework of the Municipal Aesthetics Program as approved by SRP. The Town of Paradise Valley receives \$200,000 annually from SRP to assist with conversion projects.

As the program progressed, numerous conversion districts have been successfully completed. As of today, only four remain in the Town of Paradise Valley: Rose Lane, 40th Street, 38th Street, and Denton Lane districts.

The SRP Aesthetics funding request for this project was submitted in June 2023, initiating a process that has now reached the construction-ready phase. Below is a summary of the project timeline:

- Town/SRP design contract agreement: May 2024
- Design start: August 2024
- SRP construction contract to Town: June 2025
- Resident outreach & cost share discussions: June 2025
- Town Council contract approval: September 2025
- Expected construction start: October 2025
- Estimated construction duration: 4 to 8 weeks.

General Plan:

This project seeks to support the Town's General Plan Scenic Environmental Design Policy CC&H 3.6 - The Town will continue to promote the undergrounding of all existing and new overhead utility lines through the combined efforts of the Town, the utility companies, Special Use Permit properties, and residents.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The Town's FY26 CIP budget includes \$320,000 to complete the construction of this project.

Project Financials:

The total construction cost of this project is \$257,500. SRP aesthetic funds will cover \$128,750 and the remaining \$128,750 will be split in accordance with Town resolutions 813 and 577. This split is 66.7% Town/33.3% residents. Below is a detail of the cost share:

Project cost estimate	\$ 257,500
SRP aesthetic funds used	\$ 128,750
Remaining balance to be split	\$ 128,750
Town's share (66.7%)	\$ 85,876
Residents' contribution (33.3%)	\$ 42,874



ATTACHMENT(S): A. Staff Report. B. Presentation.