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Memo

TO: Mayor Collins and Town Council Members

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AGENDA TITLE:
APS District 30 Underground Conversion District Discussion

Council Goals
(CIP) Maintain, repair, and add critical infrastructure in the Town
(CIP) Include visual improvements as components of capital projects
(Collaboration) Cultivate strong relationships with interested stakeholders

SUMMARY STATEMENT:
Since 1988 the Town of Paradise Valley and APS have cooperated on undergrounding overhead power lines throughout the town through 35 of 36 identified conversion districts. To date, over 1,958 poles and 74 miles of overhead line have been removed. Last year, the Town and APS approved an extension of the undergrounding agreement to January of 2018 to attempt the final conversion district, APS District 30.

This district, located east of Scottsdale Road and south of Jackrabbit is uniquely challenging in its border with Scottsdale on three of its four sides. As such, it has been attempted previously, in 2009, and failed to receive adequate resident participation due to overhead lines in Scottsdale remaining along the town's boundary. Town staff has worked with APS to extend our agreement to these lines, and will present several options/scenarios on how we attempt to complete this final district. Staff will be looking for direction on which approach to take moving forward.

ATTACHMENT(S):
APS District 30 PowerPoint Presentation