

Downtown Community Council

RESOLUTION

Regarding 2019 3rd Avenue Undergrounding

Whereas, Municipal Light and Power is planning on undergrounding the overhead lines that it owns on 3rd Avenue between LaTouche St. and Barrow Street, and

Whereas, the lines to be undergrounded, lies adjacent to the Downtown Community Council Area, and

Whereas, undergrounding utility lines increases the attractiveness and livability of neighborhoods, and

Whereas, Title 21.07.060 Section G states that “Any other utility that attaches to such poles shall place its lines underground at the same time that the pole owner places its lines underground”, and

Whereas, it is our understanding that in some neighborhoods, other utility lines attached to the ML&P poles are not undergrounded at the same time ML&P lines are undergrounded. Those utilities’ lines remain attached to said poles above ground and the only visual effect of the undergrounding is the very top of the poles are cut off, and

Whereas, this is neither the intent nor purpose of the undergrounding code.

Now Therefore be it resolved that the Downtown Community Council strongly supports enforcement of the requirement that when ML&P undergrounds its lines that all utility lines attached to the ML&P poles be undergrounded at the same time.

Passed by the Downtown Community Council on _____

Attested By _____

Printed Name _____

Title _____

Date _____