

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Thomas G. Wendorf, P.E., Director of Public Works

**SUBJECT:** Utility Conversion of City Public Service (CPS) Energy Facilities – Reimbursement to Greater Kelly Development Authority (GKDA)

**DATE:** October 20, 2005

**SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This ordinance recommends approval to City Public Service (CPS) Energy to fund a total estimated amount of \$500,000 from the Community Infrastructure and Economic Development (CIED) fund to reimburse the Greater Kelly Development Authority (GKDA) for the installation of underground electrical supply lines in support of the new Office Flex/Warehouse complex, located at KellyUSA in Council District 4.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In 1993, the CPS Energy Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to amend the CPS Budget by establishing a permanent fund to finance the conversion of overhead utility lines to underground operation. On June 19, 1995, the CPS Energy Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to expand the definition of eligible projects financed by the utility conversion fund to include those that relocate and/or redesign existing or planned overhead transmission and/or distribution facilities for aesthetic purposes. The CPS Energy Board converted this fund to the Community Infrastructure and Economic Development (CIED) Fund on January 19<sup>th</sup> and all remaining Overhead Conversion funds were transferred into the new CIED fund on January 31, 2005.

This ordinance recommends approval to CPS Energy for the reimbursement of funds in the estimated amount of \$500,000 to GKDA from the Community Infrastructure and Economic Development (CIED) fund for the installation of underground electrical supply lines in support of the new Office Flex/Warehouse complex at KellyUSA. The Office Flex/Warehouse complex fronts Billy Mitchell Blvd., which received \$1.4M overhead conversion funding approval by City Council on February 3, 2005, through Ordinance Number 100383. GKDA and CPS Energy coordinated the scope and cost of the required work and GKDA paid CPS Energy for the installation of the underground utilities. The work was accomplished, prior to approval of the funds request in efforts to avoid time delays and associated additional construction costs.

Councilman Perez generated a Council Consideration Request for this project. This item was presented to the Governance Committee at the October 12, 2005 meeting and the committee recommended moving forward with this action.

## **POLICY ANALYSIS**

Approval of this ordinance will be a continuation of City Council policy to enhance the visual appearance and visitor appeal of the City's visitor attractions, scenic views and urban corridors, to promote economic development and revitalization, increase the value of commercial and residential properties, and to improve the quality of life of the residents of San Antonio.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

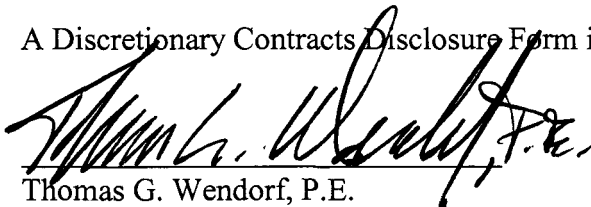
This item has no financial impact for the City of San Antonio. The current balance in the CPS-Overhead Conversion Fund as of September 30, 2005 is \$44,413,652. Funds in the estimated amount of \$500,000 are available from the Community Infrastructure and Economic Development Fund and are authorized payable for relocation of utilities to underground in connection with the Office Flex/Warehouse complex project at GKDA. The approval of this item and an additional item being presented to City Council today will reduce the fund balance to an estimated \$38,097,197. The additional item recommends City Public Service (CPS) Energy fund the installation of underground electrical supply lines at the intersection of Blanco Road and 1604 and along Blanco Road to the Camp Bullis property line, located in Council District 9.

## **COORDINATION**

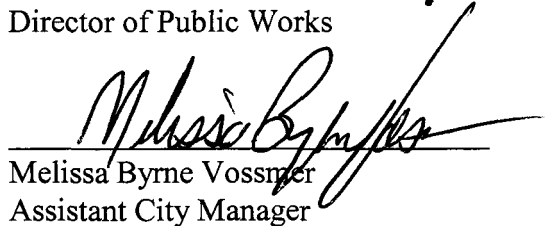
This request for ordinance has been coordinated with the Office of Management and Budget, the Public Utilities Department, the City Attorney's Office, the Finance Department and City Public Service.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS**

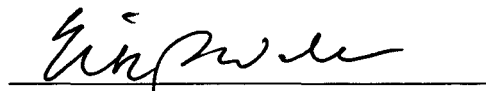
A Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.



Thomas G. Wendorf, P.E.  
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Subject: District 4 Utility Conversion Project

Date: October 5, 2005

I respectfully request your concurrence with placing an item on the October 12, 2005 Governance Committee agenda and the October 20, 2005 City Council agenda. An Underground Conversion project was completed in July 2005 by CPS Energy for the installation of underground electrical supply lines on KellyUSA in support of the new Office Flex/Warehouse complex. Greater Kelly Development Authority (GKDA) and CPS Energy coordinated the scope and the cost of the required work; GKDA paid CPS Energy for the installation of the underground utilities. I am requesting that GKDA be reimbursed in the amount of \$485,598 from the Community Infrastructure and Economic Development fund (CIED).


Your support in this matter is appreciated.

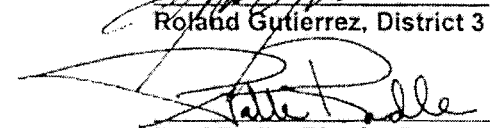
  
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