



Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Fahey and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager

FROM: Neil C. Miller, Director of Public Works
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Edward Kao, Senior Civil Engineer

DATE: May 17, 2005

SUBJECT: Uphold the Parking and Public Improvements Commission Recommendation to Approve a Request to Relocate an Existing Utility Pole at 1009 Valley Drive

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council pass a motion to uphold the Parking and Public Improvement Commission recommendation to approve the request to relocate the existing utility pole at 1009 Valley Drive.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

Approval of this item will have no impact on the City's budget. The entire expense of relocating the existing utility pole will be the responsibility of the owner-builder and not the City.

DISCUSSION:

At the City Council's March 7, 2000 Council meeting, Resolution Number 5538 was approved, establishing a policy regarding utility pole relocation in connection with development of private property. This policy does not allow the relocation of utility poles for view or aesthetic reasons. If there is a sufficient engineering justification to relocate the pole, then the pole in question may be allowed to move the minimum distance to resolve the engineering issue. Any request to relocate pole(s) must be approved, after a public hearing by the Parking and Public Improvements Commission, and ratified by the City Council.

The existing utility pole is located at the northeast corner of the subject property. The power lines to the existing pole currently run across the property, restricting the proposed two-story residence. By moving the utility pole 11'-6" to the east, it provides the same service but clears the overhead electric lines away from the proposed two-story building.

All costs incurred within the public right-of-way will be the responsibility of the owner/developer (no cost to the City).

This item was reviewed by the PPIC at their April 28, 2005 meeting. Prior to that meeting, notices were sent out to residents within a five hundred foot radius of the development. No residents appeared at the PPIC meeting. The relocation was unanimously approved by the Commission on a 3-0 vote.

CONCLUSION:

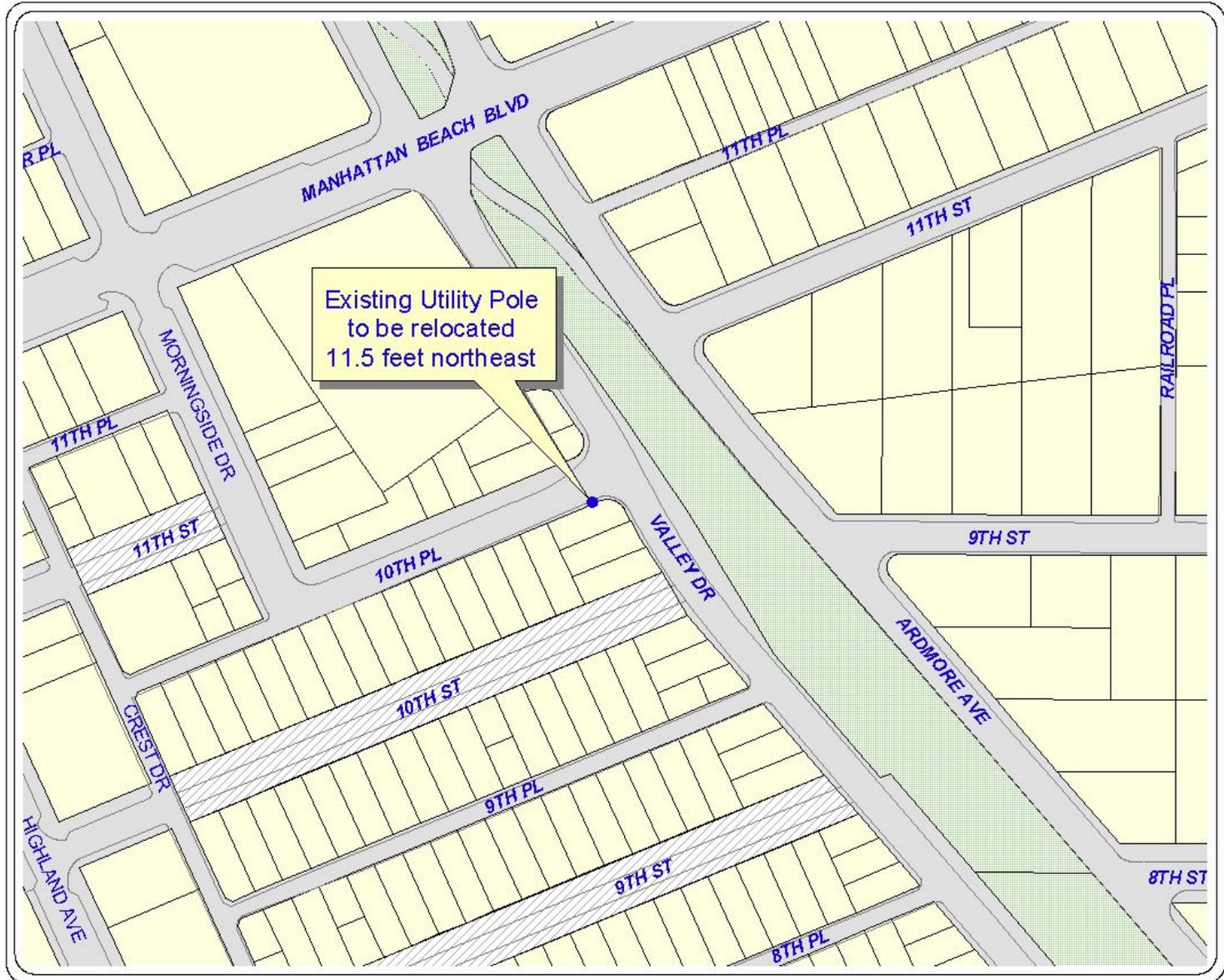
Staff is recommending that City Council uphold the Commission's decision and allow the developer to relocate the utility pole in accordance with his request.

Attachments: Aerial photo of the site

Utility Pole Relocation Request

1009 Valley Drive

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