



City of Ketchum

Application for City Funding for Electric Facility Undergrounding Projects Information Sheet

Idaho Power Franchise Fee

In November 2003 Ketchum residents approved an Idaho Power franchise fee increase from one percent to three percent for the purpose of undergrounding overhead electric facilities. This application is for city funding of undergrounding projects initiated by the public.

Funding Available From the City

Annual funding from the city will be capped at a maximum of 25% of the annual franchise fee revenues, however city council will have the ability to increase the funding by allocating unused funds rolled over from a previous year.

The maximum amount of city funding that can be allocated to projects depends on the zone in which the project is located. Since undergrounding electric facilities primarily benefits private property owners the maximum amount of city funding for a project is 25%. The remaining amount of funding for the project must come from other sources, such as private funding or through a Local Improvement District (LID) or Business Improvement District (BID) initiated by petition. Table 1 shows the maximum city funding for an electric facility undergrounding project by zone.

Table 1 –Maximum City Undergrounding Funding

Zone	Idaho Power Study/Design		Construction	
	Max City Funding*	Other Funding	Max City Funding*	Other Funding
Community Core & Tourist	25%	75%	25%	75%
Residential	25%	75%	10%	90%

*City contribution would be limited to the percentage listed of the actual costs, or the percentage listed of the estimated cost at the time of annual budgeting, whichever is less. If actual construction costs exceed the estimated construction cost at the time of city budgeting the applicant would be required to cover cost increases through other funding.

Selection Criteria

In order to focus city funding in areas with the most visibility and impact to the public the city will prioritize undergrounding funding as follows:

1. Community Core
2. Tourist
3. All Residential Zones

Projects within each zone would be further prioritized based on the following criteria:

- Beneficial to multiple properties
- Improving view corridor for visitor & resident experience
- City infrastructure needs

Funding Process and Timeline

Applicants complete the attached application and submit the application to the City. The following graphic shows the process by which applications will follow. Funding for the project(s) would not be issued until the applicant has secured other funding for the projects.



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SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS (provide additional sheet if more space is needed)

Is the project beneficial to multiple properties? If so, please explain in detail.

Will the project improve view corridor for visitor & resident experience? If so, please explain.

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Applicant certifies that he/she has read and examined this application and that all information contained therein is true and correct.

Applicant Signature

Date

Phone

Email

Requests will be brought to Ketchum City Council for consideration.