

Service Line Undergrounding Grant Information

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The Service Line Undergrounding Grant program for newly designated individual historic properties on the Winter Park Register of Historic Places waives the cost of undergrounding the service line between the historic property to the primary and secondary lines on the street poles. The Winter Park Electric Utility Department (WPEUD) currently charges customers up to \$3,000.00 to place a standard 200 amp service line underground. While all street poles will come down as the WPEUD undergrounds primary and secondary lines city-wide, the cost of undergrounding the service line to the building is ordinarily the property owners' responsibility.

- Only properties eligible for historic designation as described in Chapter 58, Article VIII may apply. The historic designation must be finalized by resolution of the City Commission before the grant project may be initiated.
- ❖ The grant program offers this opportunity to cover up to the \$3,000.00 maximum to underground the service line as an incentive to designate historic properties.
- ❖ In most cases an electrician will be needed to complete the undergrounding process final connection. The city will provide owners with references to city-approved electricians. Owners may want to investigate upgrading their service entrance to bring it up to current codes.
- Overhead telephone and cable lines will also be moved underground at the same time as the electric service line.
- The neighborhood primary and secondary lines will remain on poles until such time as the WPEUD places them underground according to the posted city-wide schedule.
- ❖ Yards and landscaping will be in temporary disarray until the service line undergrounding is completed. The WPEUD will leave the yard as good as when they started.
- ❖ Photographs of the historic property, once a Service Line Undergrounding Grant is implemented, may be used in presentations and publications in conjunction with the City's historic preservation program and Service Line Undergrounding Grant program.