Monday, April 18, 2022 at 08:01:08 Mountain Standard Time

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]TEP attempt to betray all or u by changing the rules to destroy scenic beauty

Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 11:55:30 PM Mountain Standard Time

From: PlanningCommission

To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning

From: BIll Cooper <cooperw1945@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, April 6, 2022 11:55:09 PM (UTC-07:00) Arizona **To:** PlanningCommission <PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov>

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Many of us moved here and specifically to the vicinity of the Tucson Mountains because the area is beautiful and rules are i place to portect thaty beauty. Please do not destroy the natural beauty for profit of those who are neither affected not cre about the lives of others or the regions as a whole..

Sinceely,

William E. Cooper, Ph. D.

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]RE: Public Hearing April 6, 2002: UDC Amendments-Underground Transmission Line

Relief C8-22-04 Special Exceptions

Date: Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 11:15:57 AM Mountain Standard Time

From: PlanningCommission

To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning

From: jerry flanary <jwflanary@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 11:16:33 AM (UTC-07:00) Arizona **To:** PlanningCommission < PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]RE: Public Hearing April 6, 2002: UDC Amendments-Underground Transmission Line Relief C8-22-04 Special

Exceptions

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I live in Jefferson Park and also support the Underground Steering Committees analysis and suggestions.

~Jerry Flanary

Line Relief Special Exception UDC Text Amendment

Date: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 6:41:08 AM Mountain Standard Time

From: PlanningCommission

To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning

From: Lillian Davenport < lalelun@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 6:40:59 AM (UTC-07:00) Arizona

To: PlanningCommission

Subject: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line

Relief Special Exception UDC Text Amendment

Lillian Davenport 3190 W Goret Road Tucson, AZ 85745

April 12, 2022

City of Tucson
Planning Commission

Emailed to: PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov

Agenda/Meeting Links: https://www.tucsonaz.gov/pdsd/planning-commission

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Lillian Davenport

Subject: Date: From: To:	FW: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC Text Amendment Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 7:15:46 AM Mountain Standard Time PlanningCommission Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning
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Sent: We	ednesday, April 13, 2022 7:15:37 AM (UTC-07:00) Arizona
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Line Relief Special Exception UDC Text Amendment

Date: Saturday, April 16, 2022 at 12:42:47 AM Mountain Standard Time

From: PlanningCommission

To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning

From: Pamela Hyde-Nakai <pamhn49@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2022 12:42:25 AM (UTC-07:00) Arizona **To:** PlanningCommission <PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC

Text Amendment

Pamela Hyde-Nakai 4949 N Camino De Oeste, Tucson, AZ 85745

April __16_, 2022

City of Tucson
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Emailed to: PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov

Agenda/Meeting Links: https://www.tucsonaz.gov/pdsd/planning-commission

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Date: Saturday, April 16, 2022 at 8:40:53 AM Mountain Standard Time

From: PlanningCommission

To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning

From: Thomas Staudt <tstaudt2@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2022 8:40:31 AM (UTC-07:00) Arizona **To:** PlanningCommission <PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC

Text Amendment

Thomas Staudt 1511 E Hampton St Tucson, AZ 85719

April 16, 2022

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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC Text Amendment Saturday, April 16, 2022 at 3:14:43 PM Mountain Standard Time Date: From: PlanningCommission To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning From: Glenn Hendricks <glennandnoel@yahoo.com> Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2022 3:14:32 PM (UTC-07:00) Arizona To: PlanningCommission Subject: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC Text Amendment (Noel) Hendricks Tucson, AZ 857 April __16_, 2022 City of Tucson **Planning Commission** Emailed to: PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov Agenda/Meeting Links: https://www.tucsonaz.gov/pdsd/planning-commission Re: Request to Not Recommend Proposed Changes C8-22-04 Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC Text Amendment Public Hearing (Citywide) April 6, 2022

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Date:	Monday, April 18, 2022 at 6:20:38 AM Mountain Standard Time
From:	PlanningCommission
To:	Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning
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TEP has opposed	e down Silverbell Road I notice that suddenly, on what was designated a Scenic Roadway for 45 years now installed huge power poles and lines. My understanding was that the city of Tucson was I to these wires above ground. Silverbell now looks like the streets of a third world country. Would his in Phoenix? I think not! STOP! TEP! Put these wires underground
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Date: Monday, April 18, 2022 at 10:31:22 AM Mountain Standard Time

From: PlanningCommission

To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning

From: Debbie Hicks <1debhicks6@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 10:31.00 AM (UTC-07:00) Arizona **To:** PlanningCommission < PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC

Text Amendment

Debbie Hicks 3797 N. Camino de Oeste Tucson, AZ 85745

April _18__, 2022

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Date: Monday, April 18, 2022 at 10:47:44 AM Mountain Standard Time

From: PlanningCommission

To: Daniel Bursuck, Koren Manning

From: June <lyonwood@cs.com>

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 10:47:35 AM (UTC-07:00) Arizona **To:** PlanningCommission <PlanningCommission@tucsonaz.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]C8-22-04 April 6, 2022 Public Hearing - Comments - Underground Transmission Line Relief Special Exception UDC

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