

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**Project Title:** Utility Undergrounding

**Project Location:** Lakewood Blvd. between North City Limits to Del Amo Boulevard (see attached map).

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries:** See attached project description \_\_\_\_\_

**Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Lakewood Public Works Department \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Agency Carrying Out Project:** City of Lakewood \_\_\_\_\_

This is to advise that the City of Lakewood Public Works Department has approved the above- described project on October 17, 2022 and has made the determination that the project is exempt due to the following:

**Exempt Status (check one):**

- Ministerial (§ 21080 (b) (1); § 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 21080 (b) (3); § 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 21080 (B) (4); § 15269(b) (c))
- Categorical Exemption: Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction/Conversion of overhead electric utility distribution system facilities to underground including connection to existing overhead electric utility distribution lines where the surface is restored to the condition existing prior to the undergrounding ( § 15302(d)**
- Statutory Exemption ( § \_\_\_\_\_ )

**Reason(s) why project is exempt:** The project is limited to converting the existing overhead electric lines along Lakewood Blvd. to underground lines. No capacity expansion is proposed. All surfaces will be restored at approximately the existing grade.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Kelli Pickler, Director, Department of Public Works \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: 

Date: 10/19/2022

## **Project Description:**

The project includes converting the existing overhead utility lines to an underground system, including removal of utility poles. Limited trenching will be required, and all surfaces will be restored at approximately the same grade as exists now.

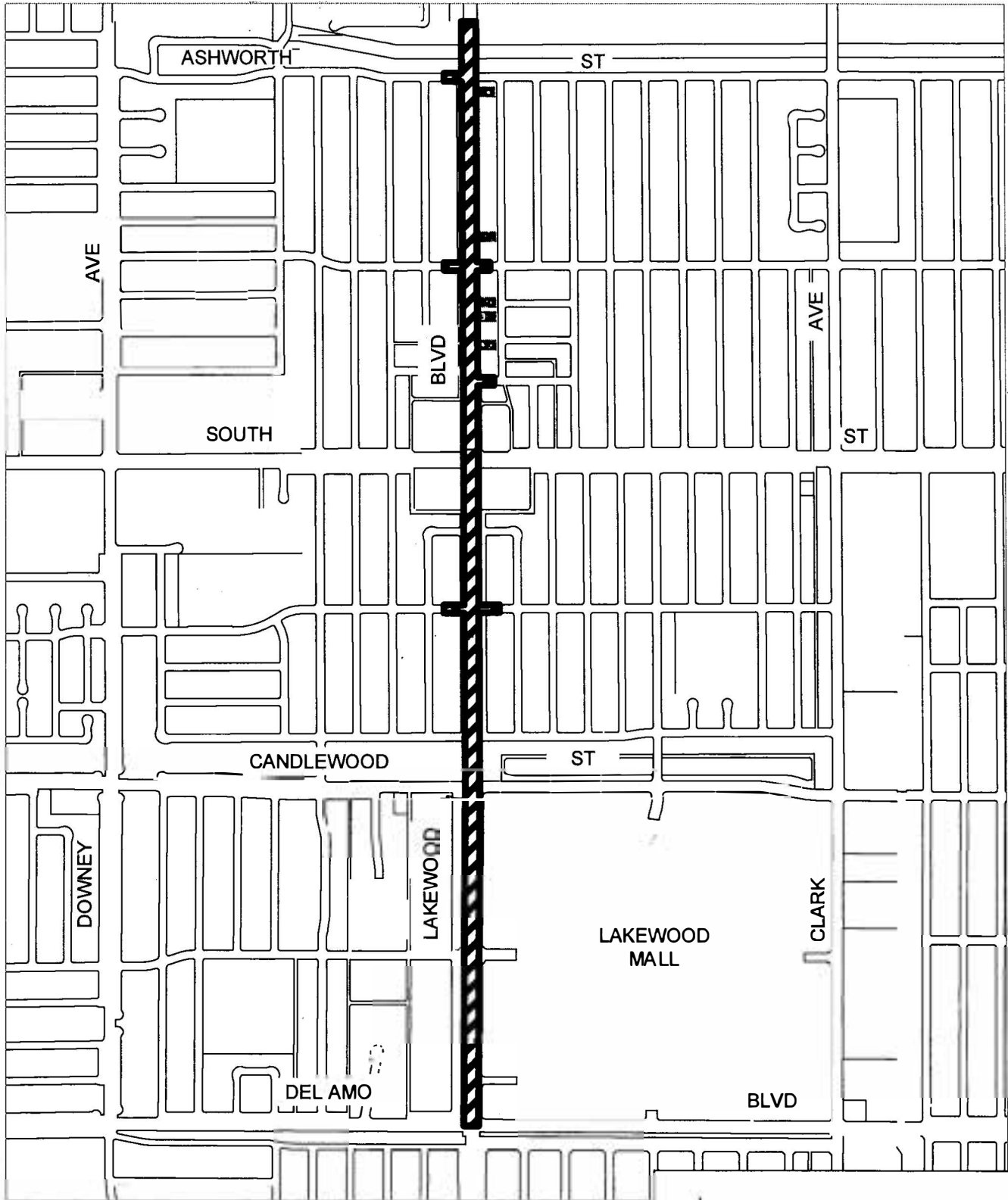
The project has independent utility and will not require future construction to function; it does not require new right-of-way and does not involve landscaping activities that use known invasive plant species. All work is within City right-of-way.

**Setting:** The project corridor is within a highly-developed urban setting. There is no natural habitat within or immediately adjacent to the project boundaries.

### **Beneficiaries:**

Lakewood residents and businesses will benefit from improved utility line safety as well as from reduced visual clutter in overhead views.

EXHIBIT A  
DISTRIBUTION UNDERGROUND



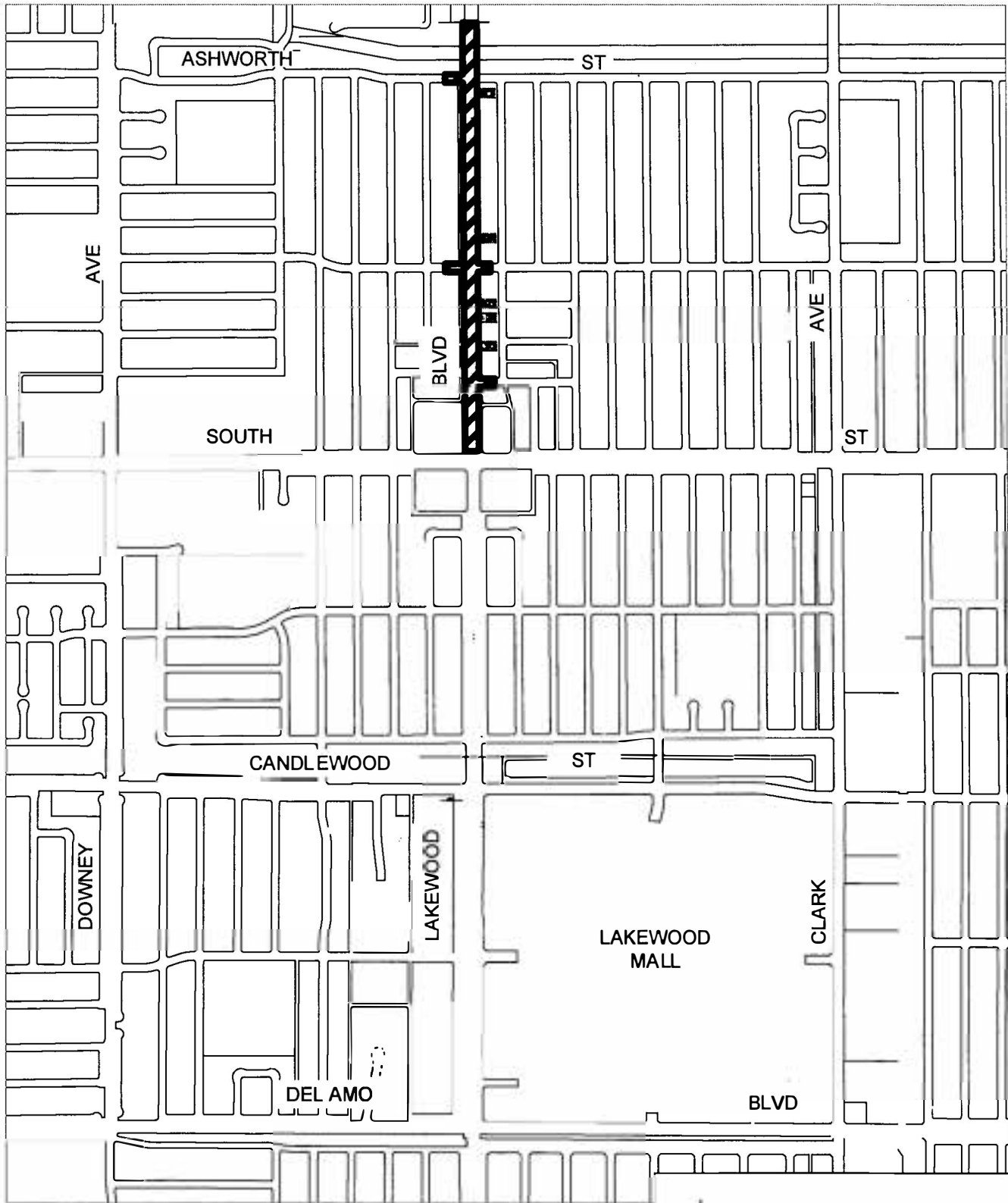
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 LIMITS OF TRANSMISSION UNDERGROUND

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