City of Seattle



Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Seattle City Light Jorge Carrasco, General Manager and CEO

May 16, 2014

Dear Seattle City Light Customer,

Seattle City Light will be replacing aging utility poles in your neighborhood to help improve and upgrade the electrical reliability in your area beginning in <u>(early/mid/late month)</u>. The neighborhood project will take approximately six weeks and the individual pole work will be a week or less. Daily work hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

City Light's contractor, Potelco, will be replacing poles within the grids shown on the map (final page). In addition to installing the new poles, crews will relocate the old pole's electrical wires to the new poles and replace some of the aging equipment. The transition to the new equipment may result in as many as <u>two power outages for up to five hours long</u>. *If an outage is planned, a door hanger will be left a minimum of 48 hours in advance – specifying the date and duration of the outage. Poles scheduled to be replaced are marked with a white stripe approximately five feet above the ground. If the pole is located in your backyard, crews will bring a replacement pole through/around your property. City Light has an easement to replace these poles.

The new poles will meet standard heights required for overhead power line construction. This may mean that poles in your area will be taller than existing poles.

Why new taller poles?

- Taller poles are needed to meet safety requirements for higher voltage electricity.
- Proper clearances between power lines are required so that crews can work safely and efficiently when performing repairs.
- Minimum clearances from the communication lines of other utilities are required.
- Taller poles provide minimum height clearances for service lines to individual homes.

Once the electrical equipment is relocated to the new poles, it will be a few weeks before the other utility companies make the transfer. City Light will monitor the situation to ensure the old poles are removed in a timely manner.

If you have any questions or concerns, contact our electrical service representative, Patty Breidenbach, at 206-684-4795 or <u>patty.breidenbach@seattle.gov</u>. We will be posting updated information on our website at: <u>http://seattle.gov/light/aboutus/construction/</u>.

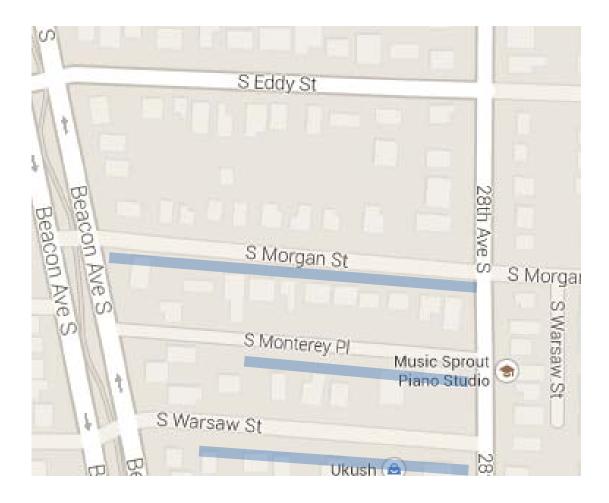
Thank you for your patience during this important project.

Sincerely,

Kelly Enright, Director, Customer Care

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