Beach Safari seeks estimates to extend PA system

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CAPE MAY — The city's Beach Safari Committee is seeking estimates to extend the Beach Safari system east to 18th Avenue.

After 30 years of service, the Beach Safari system is nearing the end of its lifespan. Many of the utility poles and wiring for electrical and water services are due for replacement. If the city is able to extend the system, it will have to find funding sources to cover the cost of the project.

A public hearing is set for Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. at the Cape May Public Library. The hearing will allow the public to provide input on the proposed extension.

The Beach Safari system was designed to provide water and electricity to beach concessioners. It runs along the shoreline from 18th Avenue to 46th Avenue.

The proposed extension would run from 46th Avenue to 18th Avenue. It would include new utility poles, wiring, and other improvements to the existing system.

The cost of the project has not been determined yet, but it is expected to be several million dollars. The city is currently in the process of seeking estimates from companies that specialize in electrical and water services.

The city is hoping to secure funding for the project through state and federal grants. It is also considering the possibility of private funding from concessioners who would be affected by the extension.

The public hearing is an opportunity for residents and businesses to voice their support or concerns about the proposed extension. The hearing will be held at the Cape May Public Library, 100 W. Jackson St., Cape May, NJ 08204. The hearing will be followed by a meeting of the Beach Safari Committee.