

City Council Report

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To: City Council

Through: Karolyn Kent, Deputy City Manager

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Subject: Extinguish a Temporary Easement for Drainage at 1740 South Country Club Drive Council District #3



Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a temporary easement for drainage at 1740 South Country Club Drive.

Background

Temporary easements for drainage are granted to the City of Mesa for the temporary conveyance or retention of storm water runoff from public streets on private property. When a public easement is no longer needed, or conflicts with new development, the City Council may extinguish unused easements to provide owners the ability to fully utilize their property. To remove an easement from a property's title, City Council may approve a Resolution to extinguish the easement.

Discussion

This temporary easement for drainage was granted on April 30, 1981 in Docket 15203, Page 258 to address the storm water retention needs of the area. Since that time, the City constructed drainage improvements that convey storm water to a City-owned retention basin. Since the drainage issues in the area were resolved with the completion of the drainage improvements, the easement is no longer necessary but was never extinguished and currently conflicts with proposed future development.

Alternatives

The alternative is to not extinguish the temporary easement for drainage. Choosing this alternative will result in the existing temporary easement for drainage conflicting with proposed future development.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of this request is the \$750.00 processing fee collected from the applicant.

Coordinated With

The Engineering and Development and Sustainability Departments concur with this request.