



City Council Report

Date: March 23, 2015
To: City Council
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Subject: Extinguish portions of Temporary Drainage Easements, a 20-foot Public Utility Easement, a Temporary Easement for Drainage, and an Easement for Sidewalk on the property located at 2318 South Country Club Drive Council District 3

Strategic Initiatives



Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish those portions of Temporary Drainage Easements, a 20-foot Public Utility Easement, a Temporary Easement for Drainage, and an Easement for Sidewalk located on 2318 South Country Club Drive at the southwest corner of South Country Club Drive and West Kiowa Avenue.

Background

Public easements are dedicated to the City of Mesa to allow for the installation and maintenance of public utilities and other purposes on private property. When a public easement is no longer needed, or conflicts with new development, the City Council may extinguish the 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 easements.

Temporary Drainage Easements and a 20-foot Public Utility Easement were dedicated on May 15, 1985 in the Fiesta Tech Business Centre Utility and Drainage Easements Map of Dedication recorded in Book 282 of Maps, Page 28, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. Additionally, a Temporary Easement for Drainage was dedicated on April 1, 1986 and included areas described as Parcels A and B in document 1986-155652, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The Easement for Sidewalk, dedicated on April 1, 1986, included areas identified as Parcels A and B in document 1986-155653, records of Maricopa County, Arizona.

Discussion

The property is located on the southwest corner of South Country Club Drive and West Kiowa Avenue. The owner has submitted their proposed plans for a multi-family residential development on the property to the Development and Sustainability Department. The owner is requesting that the City extinguish multiple easements that will conflict with the new development of their property. These portions of easements were dedicated in the mid 1980's for the development of Lot 1 of the Fiesta Tech Business Centre.

Those utilities currently existing within the portions of easements requested to be extinguished are being removed and relocated by the developer into newly dedicated easements.

Alternatives

The alternative is to not extinguish the easements. Choosing this alternative will result in the existing easements conflicting with the development of the property.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of this request is the \$750.00 processing fee paid by the applicant.

Coordinated With

The Engineering, Development and Sustainability, Energy Resources and Water Resources Departments, along with outside utility companies, concur with this request.