

# **City Council Report**

Date: September 28, 2015

**To**: City Council

Through: Kari Kent, Assistant City Manager

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**Subject**: Extinguish a portion of a Public Utility Easement

Lot 2 of the Final Plat of Red Mountain Promenade

Council District #5

Strategic Initiatives





## **Purpose and Recommendation**

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a portion of a Public Utility Easement on Lot 2 of the Final Plat of Red Mountain Promenade, located south of McDowell Road and west of Power Road.

# Background

Public Utility Easements (PUE) are dedicated to the City of Mesa to allow for the installation and maintenance of public utilities on private property. When an easement is no longer needed, or conflicts with new development, the City Council may extinguish easements to provide owners with 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 in accordance with provisions in the Mesa City Code.

#### **Discussion**

This Public Utility Easement was dedicated on Lot 2 of the Final Plat of Red Mountain Promenade, recorded March 3, 2006 in Book 819 of Maps, Page 46, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. A portion of the existing Public Utility Easement will conflict with the proposed development of a Kneaders restaurant on the commercial property. The developer is requesting the conflicting portion of the easement be extinguished to accommodate the proposed improvements. A new utility easement is being dedicated by the property owner.

#### **Alternatives**

The alternative is to not extinguish the requested portion of the easement. Choosing this alternative will result in the existing Public Utility Easement conflicting with the proposed improvements to the property.

## **Fiscal Impact**

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

## **Coordinated With**

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