



City Council Report

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To: City Council

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Subject: Extinguish a portion of an Easement for Public Utilities on Parcel II, "Mesa Commons"
Council District 3

Strategic Initiatives



Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a portion of an Easement for Public Utilities on Parcel II as shown on the final plat of "Mesa Commons" located at 1910 South Gilbert Road (refer to Exhibit "A" for location).

Background

Public utility easements (PUE) are dedicated to the City of Mesa to allow public uses on private property. When a public easement is no longer needed, or conflicts with new development, the City Council may extinguish the easement to allow owners the ability to maximize the use of their property. To remove an easement from a property's title, City Council may approve a Resolution to extinguish the easements.

Discussion

The Easement for Public Utilities was granted on August 16, 1989 by document 1989-380698. The easement was dedicated for the purpose of providing water, sewer and

public utility service to the development. However, the only utility currently installed within the portion of the easement to be extinguished is an existing 8" water line.

The developer proposes to demolish the existing building and construct a new building for an urgent care clinic. The new building will be larger than the old resulting in a conflict with the easement and water line. Therefore, the developer has requested that a portion of the easement be extinguished to accommodate the new construction. The property owner has already dedicated a new water line easement that will allow the existing water line to be relocated for this development.

Staff has notified the Engineering, Development Services, Water Resources and Energy Resources Departments, as well as Century Link, Cox Communications, SRP and AT&T of this extinguishment request. All parties have voiced no objection to this request.

Alternatives

The alternative is to not extinguish the easement. Choosing this alternative will result in a portion of the existing easement conflicting with the proposed development.

Fiscal Impact

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

Coordinated With

The Engineering, Development Services, Water Resources and Energy Resources Departments, along with the respective private utility companies, concur with this request.