



City Council Report

Date: October 16, 2017
To: City Council
Through: Kari Kent, Assistant City Manager
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Subject: Extinguish a 20-foot Easement for Public Utilities
at 2345 South Alma School Road, and on Tract "E" and Lots 9 through 14
of the Final Plat of Medina Court
Council District 3

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a 20-foot easement for public utilities located at 2345 South Alma School Road, and on Tract "E" and Lots 9 through 14 of the Final Plat of Medina Court, Book 1296, Page 31 of the records of Maricopa County, Arizona.

Background

Easements for public utilities (PUE) are granted 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

The 20-foot PUE requested for extinguishment was recorded July 12, 1985 in Document Number 1985-323789 and shown on the Final Plat of Medina Court, Book 1296, Page 31, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The 20-foot PUE was granted for a water line. The developer of the Final Plat of Medina Court subdivision, subdivided this land prior to requesting the extinguishment of the PUE. The waterline has been relocated and a new easement has been granted on the subdivision plat. Therefore, this easement is no longer needed and is an encumbrance on the parcels in the subdivision.

Alternatives

An alternative is to not extinguish the requested easement. Choosing this alternative will result in the existing 20-foot PUE conflicting with the development.

Fiscal Impact

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

Coordinated With

The Engineering, Water Resources, Energy Resources, Planning and Development Services, and Transportation Department, along with outside utility companies, concur with this request.