

City Council Report

Date:	October 1, 2018
To:	City Council
Through:	Kari Kent, Assistant City Manager
From:	Christine Zielonka, Development and Sustainability Director John Wesley, Planning Director
Subject:	Public Hearing prior to the release of the petition for signatures for annexation case ANX18-00471, located south of University Drive and east of Signal Butte Road ($5.91 \pm acres$) <i>Council District</i> 5

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this agenda item is for the City Council to conduct a public hearing on the proposed annexation of 5.91 acres (see Exhibit "A"). State Statute requires the blank annexation petition to be recorded prior to the public hearing (A.R.S. §9-471-A). The blank petition was recorded on September 11, 2018.

This annexation was initiated by the applicant, Darren Smith, Babbitt Nelson Engineering, for the owner, Funk Family Enterprises, LLC. Following this hearing, the annexation petition will be released for signature. Once the signatures have been received the annexation ordinance will be brought back to the City Council for consideration of adoption. Staff anticipates making a recommendation of approval for the annexation.

Background

The annexation area consists of two privately owned, undeveloped parcels with frontage on Signal Butte Road. The applicant has proposed a residential subdivision for the site.

The current Maricopa County Zoning for this land is R1-8 (Single-Family Residential). This is comparable to City of Mesa zoning district RS-9.

Discussion

This land has a General Plan character area designation of "Neighborhood: Suburban". If annexed, any development of this site will be to City of Mesa standards, including: storm water retention, street improvements, landscaping, screening, and signage. The City will also collect the development fees as well as supply water and gas utilities. The property is surrounded on three sides by existing Mesa City limits. Utilities and City services are already provided in the area and extension of these services will have minimal impact on the City.

City of Mesa departments/divisions of Engineering, Transportation, Fire, Solid Waste, and Water Resources have provided comments related to the future development of the property; however, none of the comments pertain to the annexation of the currently vacant property.

Planning

State Statute also requires Mesa to adopt a zoning classification on newly-annexed land, assigning City zoning that is comparable to County zoning (A.R.S. §9-471-L). The property is currently zoned R1-8 (Single-Family Residential) in Maricopa County, which is comparable to City of Mesa zoning district RS-9. Comparable zoning will be established through the annexation ordinance.

Fiscal Impact

Annexation of this site will result in the collection of any future secondary property tax, construction tax, and development fees generated from this site.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Area	5.91± Acres
Population	0 People
Dwelling Units	0 Homes
Existing Businesses	0 Businesses
Arterial Streets	0 feet
Total Owners	1 Owners
Total Assessed Valuation of private land	\$18,903