

City Council Report

Date:August 19, 2019To:City CouncilThrough:Kari Kent, Assistant City ManagerFrom:Beth Huning, City Engineer
Rob Kidder, Assistant City EngineerSubject:Extinguish a Public Utility Easement on Lot 13, Mesa Desert Heights II,
located at 2958 North Kashmir Circle (District 5)

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a public utility easement on the north side of Lot 13, Mesa Desert Heights II, located at 2958 North Kashmir Circle.

Background

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

Discussion

The PUE was dedicated on Lot 13, Mesa Desert Heights II, on February 27, 1986, in Book 295 of Maps, Page 14, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The property owner is requesting that the easement be extinguished to allow the construction of a room addition across the property line from Lot 13 onto the adjacent Tract C which they also own. All utilities were contacted and there are no existing utilities in the easement.

Alternatives

An alternative is to not extinguish the requested easement. Choosing this alternative will result in the PUE conflicting with the proposed room addition planned by the homeowner.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of this request is the \$500.00 processing fee collected from the applicant.

Coordinated With

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