



City Council Report

Date: February 24, 2020
To: City Council
Through: Kari Kent, Assistant City Manager
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Subject: Extinguish a portion of a Public Utility and Facilities Easement located at
1330 South Crismon Road
Council District 6

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a portion of a public utility and facilities easement (PUFE) located at 1330 South Crismon Road to allow development of a soccer field.

Background

Public Utility and Facilities Easements (PUFE) 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 Title 9, Chapter 10.

Discussion

This PUFE was dedicated in document no. 2005-686365, records of Maricopa County, Arizona, on May 24, 2005, to accommodate future plans to construct additional buildings on the property. The owner no longer plans to construct the buildings and has submitted plans for the development of a soccer field. The City's Planning and Development Department has requested that the owner extinguish a portion of the PUFE that is no longer needed. There are no existing utilities or infrastructure located in the portion of the PUFE to be extinguished. Staff has determined that this portion of the PUFE is no longer needed.

Alternatives

An alternative would be to not extinguish the requested easement. Choosing this alternative would result in the existing easement conflicting with the owner's proposed development of a soccer field.

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 Services Departments, along with outside utility companies, concur with this request.