



# City Council Report

**Date:** July 8, 2020  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** Kari Kent, Assistant City Manager  
**From:** Beth Huning, City Engineer  
Rob Kidder, Assistant City Engineer  
**Subject:** Extinguish a portion of a Public Utility Easement  
Lot 27, Kingsgate Subdivision, located at 2619 East Jerome  
Avenue Council District No. 3

## Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish the north 4-feet of an 8-foot public utility easement located on the south side of Lot 27, Kingsgate Subdivision, located at 2619 East Jerome Avenue.

## 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 27, Kingsgate Subdivision, on August 21, 1979, in Book 215 of Maps, Page 1, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The property owner is requesting that the north 4-feet of the 8-foot PUE located on the south side of Lot 27, reserving the east 3-feet of the PUE, be extinguished to allow for the construction of a backyard swimming pool. All utilities were contacted and there are no existing utilities located in the portion of the easement requested to be extinguished.

**Alternatives**

An alternative is to not extinguish the requested easement. Choosing this alternative will result in the PUE conflicting with the proposed swimming pool 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.