



# City Council Report

**Date:** September 21, 2020  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** Kari Kent, Assistant City Manager  
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**Subject:** Extinguish a Drainage Easement, two Public Utilities Easements, and two Gas Line Easements located at 6060 East Baseline Road  
Council District 2

## Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a Drainage Easement, two Public Utilities Easements, and two Gas Line Easements located at 6060 East Baseline Road.

## Background

Public utilities easements (PUE) are dedicated to the City of Mesa to allow for the installation and maintenance of public utilities on private property. Drainage easements are dedicated to the City of Mesa for the conveyance or retention of storm water from public streets on private property. Gas line easements are dedicated to the City of Mesa to allow for the installation and maintenance of gas 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 drainage easement requested for extinguishment was recorded in document number 2009-0728361, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The PUE's requested for extinguishment were recorded in document numbers 1992-213026 and 1984-0378576, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The gas line easements requested for extinguishment were recorded in document numbers 1993-0804888 and 1993-0804889, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The owner is requesting that these easements be extinguished to accommodate the development of a 90-unit townhome project. No utilities are located within the easements. New easements will be dedicated with the development of the property. Staff has determined that the easements are no longer needed.

**Alternatives**

An alternative is to not extinguish the requested easements. Choosing this alternative would result in the existing easements conflicting with the proposed 90-unit townhome project.

**Fiscal Impact**

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

**Coordinated With**

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