



City Council Report

Date: February 3, 2025
To: City Council
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Subject: Extinguish a portion of an 8-foot Public Utilities Easement located on Lot 8 of Summer Mesa, 4159 East Flower Circle
Council District 2

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to extinguish a portion of an 8-foot public utilities easement (PUE) located on Lot 8 of Summer Mesa, recorded in Book 204 of Maps, Page 7, records of Maricopa County, Arizona, 4159 East Flower Circle.

Background

Public Utility Easements are dedicated to the City of Mesa to allow for the installation of public 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, the City Council may approve a Resolution to extinguish (abandon) the easement in accordance with provisions in the Mesa City Code, Title 9, Chapter 10.

Discussion

The portion of the 8-foot PUE requested for extinguishment was dedicated on Lot 8 of Summer Mesa, recorded in Book 204 of Maps, Page 7, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. Salt River Project (SRP) is purchasing a portion of Lot 8 adjacent to their existing wellsite and has requested the City extinguish a portion of the easement that is within the area they are purchasing. A new PUE will be dedicated on the new configuration of Lot 8; therefore, staff has determined the portion of the PUE to be extinguished is no longer needed.

Alternatives

An alternative is to not extinguish the requested portion of the PUE. Choosing this alternative will result in the owner's not being able to develop the property as planned.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of this request is the \$750.00 processing fee paid by the property owner.

Coordinated With

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