



## City Council Meeting

March 3, 2025

**To:** City Council

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**Subject:** Introduction of an Ordinance for annexation case ANX25-00089 for 3.3± acres of County right-of-way on South 222<sup>nd</sup> Street from East Pecos Road extending north approximately, which transfers this right-of-way to the City. (District 6)

### Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this agenda item for the City Council to consider an ordinance transferring 3.3± acres of Maricopa County right-of-way into the corporate limits of the City of Mesa(See Exhibit A) (the “Right-of-Way”).

Staff recommends approval of the transfer of the Right-of-Way.

### Background

A transfer, like an annexation, brings new land into the City and extends and increases the corporate limits. A transfer can only be used in limited circumstances, such as a county right-of-way or roadway that is adjacent to the City.

Unlike annexations, a transfer does not include a petition for signatures or public hearings to release a petition. The transfer is accomplished if the city and county each approve the proposed transfer as a published agenda item at a regular public meeting of their governing bodies. After both governing bodies approve the transfer, the right-of-way or roadway is treated the same as any other newly annexed land. Transfer of the Right-of-Way is allowed pursuant to A.R.S. § 9-471(O) and is subject to approval by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors.

On May 22, 2024, the Planning and Zoning Board approved a Site Plan Review request for the “PHX065” Development (PHX065 Case No. ZON24-00020), which is a 71.3± acre industrial

development located at the northwest corner of Pecos Road and 222<sup>nd</sup> Street.

The proposed transfer is for a portion of 222<sup>nd</sup> Street right-of-way that is required to be constructed as part of the infrastructure improvements for the development.

**Discussion**

Per A.R.S. § 9-471(O), a county right-of-way may be transferred to an adjacent city or town by mutual consent of the governing bodies of the county and city or town. The property transferred has to be adjacent to the receiving city or town and the city or town and county each have to approve the proposed transfer as a published agenda item at a regular public meeting of their governing bodies.

The Right-of-Way is adjacent to the City of Mesa.

Upon approval of the transfer (by both the City and the County according to the procedures in A.R.S. § 9-471(O), the City of Mesa will be responsible for the maintenance of the Right-of-Way.

**Planning**

As this transfer consists only of right-of-way, no zoning designation will be assigned.

**Fiscal Impact**

There are no fiscal impacts associated with the transfer.

**General Information**

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| Area .....                                    | 3.3± Acres   |
| Population .....                              | 0 People     |
| Dwelling Units .....                          | 0 Homes      |
| Existing Businesses.....                      | 0 Businesses |
| Arterial Streets .....                        | 0.44± miles  |
| Total Owners .....                            | 0 Owners     |
| Total Assessed Valuation of private land..... | \$0          |