

# **City Council Report**

**Date**: January 24, 2022

**To**: City Council

**Through**: Natalie Lewis, Assistant City Manager

From: Nana Appiah, Development Services Director

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**Subject**: Public Hearing prior to the release of the petition for signatures for

annexation case ANX21-00802, located south of Thomas Road on the

east side of Val Vista Drive (2.76± acres). Council District 1

# **Purpose and Recommendation**

The purpose of this agenda item is for the City Council to conduct a public hearing on the proposed annexation of 2.76± acres (see Exhibit "A"). State Statute requires the blank annexation petition to be recorded prior to the public hearing (A.R.S. §9-471-A). The blank petition was recorded on January 3, 2022.

The subject annexation request was initiated by the applicant, Sean Lake, Pew and Lake, P.L.C. for the owners, Burden East LP, Raymond T and Deniece Burden Trust, and Burden Family Trust. Following the public hearing, the annexation petition will be released for property owner signatures. Once the signatures have been received, the annexation ordinance will be scheduled for the City Council's consideration and adoption. Staff anticipates making a recommendation of approval for the annexation.

### **Background**

The annexation area consists of four parcels generally located south of Thomas Road and east of Val Vista Drive (see Exhibit 'A"). The applicant is requesting annexation to develop the parcel within the corporate limits of the City of Mesa. Currently, the site is zoned Single Residence 43 (RU-43) in Maricopa County. The annexation ordinance will establish City of Mesa zoning designation of Single Residence 43 (RS-43) on the property.

#### **Discussion**

The proposed annexation area is completely surrounding by, and contiguous to, the existing City of Mesa corporate boundaries and is within the City of Mesa Planning Area. The subject property has a General Plan character area designation of "Neighborhood Village Center". Upon annexation, any development of the subject property will be required to comply with City of Mesa development standards,

including storm water retention, street improvements, landscaping, screening, and signage. The City will also collect the development fees as well as supply water and gas utilities. Utilities and City services are already provided in the area and extension of these services will have minimal impact on the City.

The City of Mesa Departments/Divisions of Transportation, Fire, Solid Waste, and Water Resources have provided comments related to the future development of the property; however, none of the comments pertain to the annexation of the current vacant land.

## **Planning**

State Statute requires the City to adopt a zoning classification that permits densities and uses no greater than those permitted by the County on newly annexed land (A.R.S. §9-471-L). The property is currently zoned RU-43 in Maricopa County. City of Mesa zoning designation of RS-43 will be established through the annexation ordinance.

# **Fiscal Impact**

Annexation of this land will result in the collection of any future secondary property tax, construction tax, and development fees generated from the land.

#### **Notification**

The annexation site has been posted and notifications have been sent to all property owners and county agencies as required by state statute (A.R.S. §9-471).

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Area	2.76± Acre
Population	0 People
Dwelling Units	0 Homes
Existing Businesses	
Arterial Streets	0 miles
Total Owners	3 Owners
Total Assessed Valuation of private land	\$5,789