

# **City Council Report**

Date:	April 5, 2021
To:	City Council
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### **Purpose and Recommendation**

The purpose of this agenda item for the introduction an ordinance for a proposed annexation of  $2.5\pm$  acres of Maricopa County right-of-way located within the 6000 to 6400 blocks of South Meridian Road (See Exhibit A).

City Staff is recommending approval of the annexation of this portion of Meridian Road.

### Background

On June 18, 2018, the City Council approved a zoning request for the "Destination at Gateway" Planned Area Development (Destination at Gateway PAD-Case # ZON17-00247), which is a 243± acre mixed-use development located on the south side of Williams Field Road, specifically between 222<sup>nd</sup> Street and Meridian Road. The proposed annexation is for a portion of Meridian Road right-of-way that is required to be constructed as part of the infrastructure improvements for the development.

# Discussion

The proposed annexation area consists entirely of public right-of-way within Maricopa County. Per Section 9-471(N) of the Arizona Revised Statutes, a county right-of-way or roadway may be transferred to an adjacent city or town by mutual consent of the governing bodies of the county and city or town if the property transferred is adjacent to the receiving city or town and if the city or town and county each approve the proposed transfer as a published agenda item at a regular public meeting of their governing bodies.

After review and approval of the annexation ordinance by the Mesa City Council, the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors will also be required to review and approve the annexation for it to become effective. The City of Mesa will be responsible for the maintenance of the roadway after the approved annexation.

#### Planning

Annexation of this portion of Meridian Road will facilitate the required infrastructure

improvements of the Destination at Gateway mixed-use development. The annexation is only for right-of-way dedication and does not include any zoning designation.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Area	2.5± Acres
Population	0 People
Dwelling Units	0 Homes
Existing Businesses	0 Businesses
Arterial Streets	.4 miles
Total Owners	0 Owners
Total Assessed Valuation of private land	\$0