



City Council Report

Date: June 1, 2009

To: City Council

Through: Jack Friedline, Deputy City Manager
Beth Huning, City Engineer

From: Craig Crocker, Property Acquisition Supervisor
Engineering – Real Estate Services

Subject: Authorize granting an Irrigation Easement to Salt River Project across City-owned property located at the intersection of Dobson Road and Main Street.
Council District #3.

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to consider staff's recommendation to grant an irrigation easement to Salt River Project (SRP) across City-owned right-of-way at the intersection of Dobson Road and Main Street.

Background

Specific to the Dobson Road and Main Street intersection, the City recently acquired right-of-way as part of Valley Metro Light Rail Transit Project. SRP is requesting an Irrigation Easement along the west side of Dobson Road, across Main Street including both the northwest corner and the southwest corner.

Discussion

SRP has completed relocating their irrigation facilities and structures on both sides of Main Street at Dobson Road in accordance with the project plans of the Valley Metro Light Rail Transit Project. They have prior rights in this area as the Light Rail Project required the relocation of the irrigation facilities.

The City of Mesa acquired irrigation easements rights from the Maricopa County Superior Court through the power of eminent domain across the commercial properties located at the northwest and southwest corners of Dobson Road and Main Street.

Pursuant to an agreement with SRP in relocating their facilities, Valley Metro, Inc. (acting on behalf of the Cities of Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa), has approved the easement document and legal description. The City of Mesa is now ready to proceed with the conveyance of this new irrigation easement.

Alternatives

The alternative is to not authorize the granting of the irrigation easement to Salt River Project. If the easement is not authorized, SRP's irrigation facilities will be in the public right-of-way without the benefit of an appropriate easement.

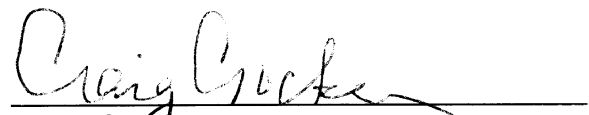
Fiscal Impact


There is no fiscal impact, as the City does not charge Salt River Project for easements on City-owned property where they have prior rights in that location.

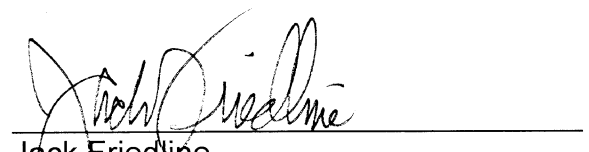
Concurrence

The City of Mesa Engineering Department concurs with this request. Valley Metro Light Rail Transit System also concurs with this request.


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Deputy City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESA, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, GRANTING AN IRRIGATION EASEMENT TO SALT RIVER PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SAID EASEMENT DOCUMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESA, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA AS FOLLOWS:

Whereas the City Council has determined it is appropriate to grant an irrigation easement to Salt River Project at the intersection of Dobson Road and Main Street.

Section 1: That the City Manager, Christopher J. Brady, or his designated representative, is hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the City of Mesa, to execute the necessary documents to grant an irrigation easement to Salt River Project and that the City Clerk is authorized and directed to attest to the signature of the City Manager or his designated representative thereon.

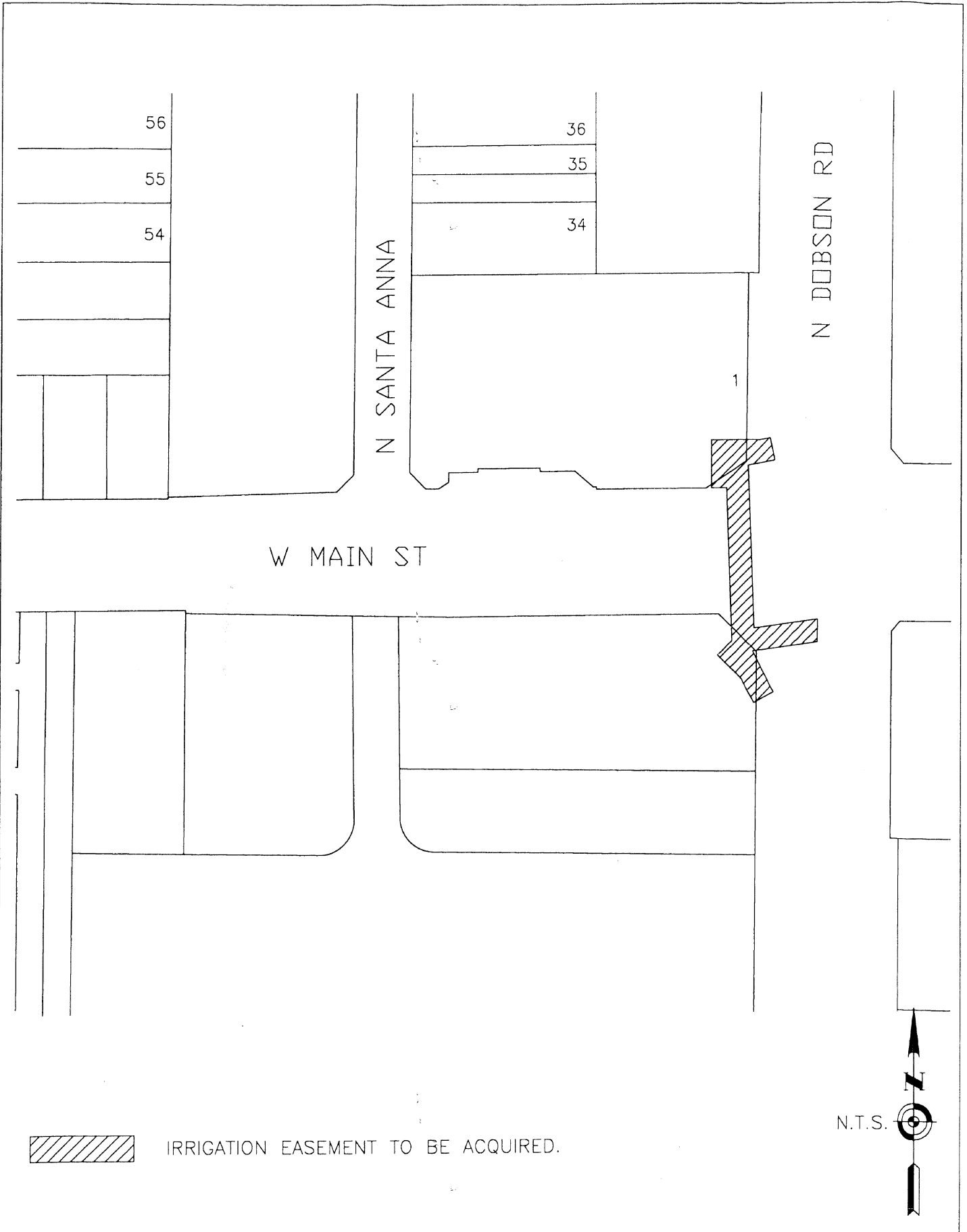
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona, this _____ day of _____ 2009.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk



IRRIGATION EASEMENT TO BE ACQUIRED.

N.T.S.



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COUNCIL ILLUSTRATION FOR CONVEYANCE OF AN
 IRRIGATION EASEMENT TO SALT RIVER PROJECT

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