



Top 3 Reasons to Abandon an Alley

Protect the access to your property

Eliminate illegal dumping

Increase Security



The residential alley abandonment program is coordinated in partnership between the City of Mesa Real Estate Services Office and the Neighborhood Outreach Office.

Who To Contact

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Understanding Residential Alley Abandonment



The Answers To Your Questions

How much does it cost to abandon our neighborhood alley?

There is no fee to file the petition with the City Of Mesa for a residential alley. All additional costs such as gates, signs, locks, upkeep, etc. will be the responsibility of the residents.

My next door neighbor and I would like to gate our alley. Do we need to get input from any other neighbors to install gates?

The alley must be abandoned before gates can be installed. This requires 100% approval from all homeowners.

Can we move our fences once the alley is abandoned?

If overhead utilities are located in the alley, a public utilities easement will be reserved to allow access by utility companies for maintenance. In this circumstance, fences will not be allowed to be moved into the abandoned alley area.

What if I choose to sign the petition? Will Police respond to calls of inappropriate activity once the alley is abandoned?

Once the alley is abandoned, it becomes private property and trespassers can be cited.

What if I do not choose to sign the petition?

The alley can only be abandoned with 100% approval of all affected homeowners.

If we gate and lock the abandoned alley, how will utility companies gain access to their facilities?

It is the responsibility of the affected homeowners to contact and coordinate access with the utility companies.



Will the City clean our alley?

Residents are responsible for the maintenance of their alley |regardless of whether or not it is abandoned.

Visit:

www.cityofmesa.org/codecomp for more information.

One homeowner lives out of the country and cannot be located

Every effort must be made to acquire approval of all affected homeowners.

Will I still have access to my property once the alley is gated?

Yes. Installation and maintenance of gates and locks are the responsibility of the abutting homeowners. Fences and walls cannot be relocated in the public utilities easement.

Where can I find more information on the petition process?

www.cityofmesa.org/realestate/Abandonment or call Real Estate Services at (480) 644-2577.