



REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE:

August 4, 2021

DEPARTMENT:

Planning and
Neighborhood Services

DIVISION

Community Planning

STRATEGIC OUTCOMES

- ☐ Safe & Prosperous
- ☒ Active & Appealing
- ☒ Respected & Responsible
- ☐ Connected & Engaged
- ☐ Unique & Creative

ACTION

- ☐ Motion
- ☒ Resolution
- ☐ Ordinance - Introduction
- ☐ Ordinance - Adoption
- ☐ Public Hearing

TITLE:

Municipal Improvement District No. 117: Desert Sands Subdivision Unit 2 - Order Improvements

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

Order Improvements for Municipal Improvement District (MID) No. 117 to serve Desert Sands Subdivision Unit 2, to operate, maintain and repair landscaping improvements within, near and adjacent to the retention and detention basins and parkings and parkways and related facilities together with appurtenant structures (Landscape Improvements); declaring the Landscape Improvements to be of more than local or ordinary benefit, and that the costs of the Landscape Improvements for MID No. 117 shall be assessed upon the properties in MID No. 117; providing that the proposed Landscape Improvements shall be performed under Arizona Revised Statutes Title 48, Chapter 4, Article 2. (Community Development/Community Planning) (Randall Crist)

STRATEGIC OUTCOME:

This MID assists in furthering the City Council's strategic outcomes as it relates to Respected and Responsible and Active and Appealing, as the establishment of a MID is a fiscally responsible measure intended to provide long-term maintenance for subdivision landscaping resulting in an appealing environment for neighborhood residents.

REPORT:

Arizona Revised Statute (A.R.S.) § 48-501 *et seq.* authorizes the formation of a MID for the following purposes: operations, maintenance, repair and improvements of pedestrian malls, off-street parking facilities, retention basins, and parkings and parkways. A MID provides a dedicated funding stream for MID Improvements, like landscaping improvements serving the neighborhood, and provides neighborhood input for the implementation and privatization of those Landscape Improvements.

The formation of a MID is a two-step process, both accomplished via resolution from the legislative body. First, the legislative body adopts a resolution creating the MID. By statute, the legislative body can initiate the formation or, alternatively, property owners are empowered to petition to form a MID for their neighborhood. Then, no sooner than 15 days after the creation (it can be longer, depending on the developers' schedule), the legislative body orders improvements for the MID by a second resolution.

In this case, the developer and City agreed to the formation of a MID for the statutory purposes through a development condition. The developer submitted the petition to create MID No. 117 and represented all of the

real property owners within the MID. On October 21, 2020, City Council adopted Resolution No. R2020-048 creating MID No. 117 for Landscape Improvements serving Desert Sands Subdivision Unit 2.

Following the adoption of R2020-048, property owners within the designated MID, in accordance with A.R.S. § 48-579, were given 15 days to express written protest against the proposed MID. No protests were submitted, and as such, the Mayor and City Council are authorized to adopt this second resolution, the Resolution Ordering the Improvements, which finalizes the formation of the MID process. Because the developer's petition represented all of the real property owners within the proposed MID, A.R.S. § 48-574(C) authorizes the City to adopt the resolution ordering the improvements without the necessity of publication and posting as required in other statutes.

Upon adoption of Resolution R2020-048, by City Council, City staff submitted the creation of MID No. 117 to the County Assessor. The County Assessor filed the documents with the state and the MID was created. The next step is this resolution Ordering Improvements, which will again be sent to the County Assessor to file with the state and the MID will be finalized.

Once the developer installs the landscaping in accordance with the approved landscaping plans and those landscaping improvements are accepted, the costs to maintain those Landscape Improvements will be assessed on the respective owner's property tax bill within the Boundary Map and the Legal Description. In accordance with the provisions of A.R.S. § 48-574, City Council will hold public hearings on MID No. 117's Landscape Improvements on or before the third Monday in August of each year, and shall fix, levy and assess the costs of MID No. 117's Landscape Improvements on all of the property in the MID.

It is anticipated that the developer may be ready to install the landscaping for this MID in the next calendar year. Adopting the Resolution Ordering Improvements ensures that there are no delays with finalizing the MID when the developer is ready.

Adopting this resolution finalizes the formation of MID No. 117 and orders improvements for MID No. 117's Landscape Improvements serving Desert Sands Subdivision Unit 2.

FISCAL REQUIREMENTS	CITY FUNDS:	\$0.00	BUDGETED:	\$0.00
	STATE FUNDS:	\$0.00	AVAILABLE TO TRANSFER:	\$0.00
	FEDERAL FUNDS:	\$0.00	IN CONTINGENCY:	\$0.00
	OTHER SOURCES:	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	FUNDING FOR THIS ITEM IS FOUND IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT/FUND/CIP:	
	TOTAL:	\$0.00		
	FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:			
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	SUPPORTING INFORMATION NOT ATTACHED TO THE CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM THAT IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:			
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	IF CITY COUNCIL ACTION INCLUDES A CONTRACT, LEASE OR AGREEMENT, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ROUTING THE DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE AFTER CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL?			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Department <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk's Office <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Document to be recorded <input type="checkbox"/> Document to be codified			
SIGNATURES	CITY ADMINISTRATOR:		DATE:	
	Philip A. Rodriguez		07/28/2021	
	REVIEWED BY CITY ATTORNEY:		DATE:	
	Richard W. Files		07/27/2021	
	RECOMMENDED BY (DEPT/DIV HEAD):		DATE:	
	Alyssa Linville		07/13/2021	
SIGNATURES	WRITTEN/SUBMITTED BY:		DATE:	
	Richard Munguia		07/13/2021	