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MEMO**Case # ABDN24-001**

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council
From: Alexander Bosworth, Planner
Through: Rodolfo Lopez, Development Services Director
Meeting Date: April 16, 2024

REQUEST

A request by the City of Maricopa to abandon a portion of right-of-way on West Honeycutt Avenue, which will subsequently be acquired by the City of Maricopa without compensation.

APPLICANT/ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER

Applicant: City of Maricopa
Case Planner: Alexander Bosworth
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Adjacent Property Owner:
City of Maricopa
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FINDINGS

This roadway, known as W. Honeycutt Ave., was originally anticipated to run eastward from N. John Wayne Pkwy., and then turn northeast. However, due to the nature of surrounding commercial development for Southbridge Marketplace, plans for a W. Honeycutt Ave. extension depict the roadway turning southeast toward future multi-family residential developments. As a result of these surrounding developments, it was determined that the portions of W. Honeycutt Ave. subject to this abandonment request are no longer needed as public right-of-way.

Staff supports the abandonment request as it satisfies the following findings:

- The portions of right-of-way that are a part of this request are not identified for any improved planned transportation facility, or any adopted plan, study, or capital improvement plan.
- The City does not have plans to improve or use the right-of-way in question in the future.
- The existing conditions are not serving any transportation purpose.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

Prior to recommending approval of the abandonment request, the adjacent property owner conducted notification to utilities and the public as required per the city's Zoning Code. A copy of the Notification Report is available to be reviewed upon request.

- Notices to Utilities mailed out on 04/01/2024
- Sign Posting on 04/01/2024
- Public Hearing scheduled for 04/16/2024

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends **approval** of **case ABDN24-001**, subject to the conditions of approval stated in this memo, and as amended by the Mayor and City Council.

1. The City and adjacent property owner shall ensure that all utilities located in the subject site have obtained their respective easements with Pinal County prior to final recordation of the right-of-way abandonment.

ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit A: Legal Description

Exhibit B: Notification Report

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