

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

March 24, 2003

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Quitclaim of Drainage Easement
Rubio Wash – Storm Drain No. 2

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution and authorize the City Manager to execute, on behalf of the City, a Quitclaim Deed releasing all of the City's right, title, and interest in a drainage easement for the Rubio Wash – Storm Drain No. 2.

BACKGROUND:

The Rubio Wash - Storm Drain No. 2, was constructed by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District in the 1920's to convey storm water runoff from the San Gabriel Valley to the Pacific Ocean. Within the City limits, the Rubio Wash joins the City-owned and maintained Eastside Storm Drain, near the intersection of Sierra Bonita Avenue and Colorado Boulevard. The Rubio Wash then continues in a southeasterly direction, and leaves the City near the intersection of San Pasqual Street and Greenwood Avenue.

In June 1946, the Board of Directors of the City of Pasadena did annex from the County of Los Angeles, the property in which the subject portion of the Rubio Wash - Storm Drain No. 2 is located. This property, located at the southeast corner of the intersection of San Pasqual Street and Greenwood Avenue, is described as Portions of Lots 3, 4, and 5 of Tract 8975 filed in Book 121, pages 3 and 4, of Maps in the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office (see attached location map provided by the County).


In December 2002, the City of Pasadena was notified by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works that as successor in interest to the County by reason of annexation, the City has an easement interest in the Rubio Wash - Storm Drain No. 2. However, since the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works on behalf of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District operates and maintains the flood control system, it was requested that the City quitclaim its rights, title, and interest to the County.

In recognition of the above, a Quitclaim Deed was prepared by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works to eliminate any potential future conflicts regarding the operation and maintenance of the Rubio Wash - Storm Drain No. 2, and/or the status of the easement across the aforementioned properties. The Quitclaim deed has been reviewed by the Public Works Department and the City Attorney, and is ready for approval and acceptance by the City Council.


FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact from the proposed easement quitclaim.

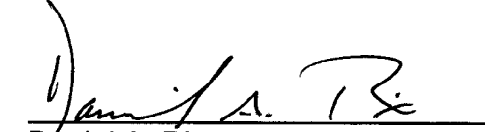
Respectfully submitted,


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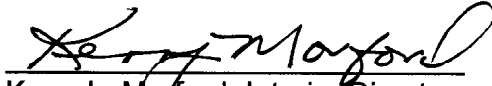
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