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MEMORANDUM

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT MEMO NO. CA10-040

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TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: MCQUEEN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – PUBLIC MEETING

On August 11, 2009, City staff held the second public information meeting for the McQueen Road (Queen Creek to Riggs) Improvement Project. The meeting occurred at the Tumbleweed Recreation Center Cotton Room North at 6:30 pm. Approximately 38 residents were in attendance. Councilmember Rick Heumann and City Manager Mark Pentz were also in attendance.

City staff presented an overview of the final design stage of planned improvements to McQueen Road and explained the projected timelines, duration, budget process and costs for construction. City staff also presented timelines for the construction of Phase 1 on McQueen Road (Queen Creek Road to Ocotillo Road) that is anticipated to start in late September or early October 2009.

Attendees inquired about traffic impacts during the construction of the project, especially in the first mile of McQueen from Queen Creek Road to Ocotillo Road. Staff explained that there would be a five-week road closure on McQueen Road from Queen Creek Road to Appleby Road for SRP Consolidated Canal Bridge reconstruction. Staff further explained that this closure would start one week prior to the SRP Consolidated Canal scheduled dry up starting November 20, 2009 and continue through December 20, 2009. Staff also commented that the Consolidated Canal Bridge



on Queen Creek would also be widened; however the City will maintain one lane access in both east and west directions during construction.

Of primary concern to the citizens in attendance was the left and right access in and out of their perspective neighborhoods due to the addition of raised medians on McQueen Road. Staff explained that their access would still be maintained.

Residents showed overall support for the road improvements

Residents were invited to fill out comment forms and to sign up as stakeholders for additional information and working meetings between the scheduled public meetings.

Phase 1 construction is anticipated to begin fall 2009 with construction duration of approximately 8 months.