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MEMORANDUM

Public Works Department - Memo No. TR09-005

DATE: August 28, 2008

TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

THRU: MARK PENTZ, CITY MANAGER
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SUBJECT: ROADWAY ALIGNMENT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO OCOTILLO ROAD
FROM ARIZONA AVENUE TO MCQUEEN ROAD

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that Council approve the roadway alignment for improvements to Ocotillo Road from Arizona Avenue to McQueen Road.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION: The Ocotillo Road Improvements from Arizona Avenue to McQueen Road consists of widening the roadway to include two thru lanes in each direction, turn lanes, bike lanes, and a raised landscape median. Widening of the Union Pacific Railroad and Consolidated Canal bridge crossings are included in these improvements. The improvements meet the requirements of the 2001 Chandler Transportation Plan as a phased major arterial roadway. The improvements require the purchase of additional right-of-way, drainage easements, utility easements, and temporary construction easements.

The attached exhibit shows the recommended alignment and needed right-of-way for the improvements. At the McQueen Road intersection, the roadway centerline is shifted approximately 17 feet south of the monument line to avoid impacting the City's landfill facilities. This roadway centerline alignment transitions back to the monument line west of the Consolidated Canal. Alignment approval is requested to establish the right-of-way and easement needs for an estimated 16 parcels.

A public meeting was held on Wednesday, July 16, 2008 by City staff to present the proposed project and solicit public input for the project. Staff presented project information, responded to questions and comments, and received additional input from business owners and residents. Residents showed overall support for the project. Attendees were invited to attend future stakeholder meetings for additional project information and input.

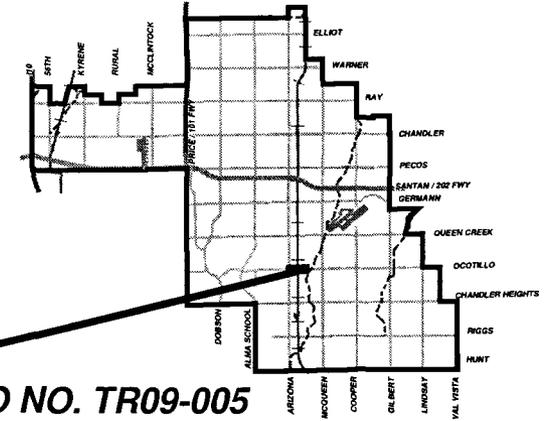
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: The Transportation Commission reviewed the proposed alignment on August 21, 2008 and recommended approval by a vote of 5 to 0.

PROPOSED MOTION: Move that the City Council approve the roadway alignment for improvements to Ocotillo Road from Arizona Avenue to McQueen Road.

Attachment: Location Map, Ocotillo Road Improvements, Arizona Avenue to McQueen Road



OCOTILLO ROAD IMPROVEMENTS ARIZONA AVE TO MCQUEEN RD



--- PROPOSED CENTERLINE

PROPOSED R/W

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