

SUBMITTED BY: Karl Rockwell, Public Works Director/ City Engineer

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: Ana Urquijo, City Manager

FOCUS AREA: Other / NA

**ORGANIZATIONAL
IMPROVEMENTS:**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 26-1718**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **RATIFYING** and **GRANTING** a **UTILITY EASEMENT** to **ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE** company for installation and maintenance of electric lines, together with appurtenant facilities and fixtures over part of city owned parcel number 408-34-008B, to service the new commercial port of entry and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As part of the city's obligation to deliver temporary and permanent power to the parcel for the construction of the new commercial port of entry, APS will be extending service lines and poles. This project requires a utility easement on the City of Douglas 5-acre parcel (APN 408-34-008B), which lies adjacent to the dedicated 80-acre parcel for the Port. The easement area is approximately 1,622 square feet.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Douglas is assisting with the extension of power to the new Commercial Port of Entry. APS will be extending service lines and poles along this corridor at their cost.

The easement grants APS the right to construct, reconstruct, replace, repair, operate, and maintain electrical lines and telecommunication wires incidental to supplying electricity. It includes specific clear area requirements for switching cabinet pads and transformers. The easement runs through the south part of the city's 5 acre parcel, across James Ranch Road to the adjacent BLM parcel where electrical facilities will be installed for the new commercial POE.

The attached easement document (Job # WA930390) provides the legal description and exhibits necessary for APS to proceed. The easement includes provisions ensuring that if the city requires relocation of the facilities in the future, the city will bear the cost of redesign and relocation, provided a new easement is granted.

DISCUSSION:

Staff recommends the authorization for the City Manager to review, sign, process, and record this utility easement to APS for the extension of electrical lines to the new Commercial POE. The survey for this easement was completed on December 31, 2025, ensuring the alignment meets current requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The dedication of the easement will not have a financial impact, except to the property values of the parcel. The overall project for the extension infrastructure is budgeted.

Fiscal Year: 2025/2026

Amount Requested:

Budgeted: Y / N

Account (s):

“...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 26-1718.”