

SUBMITTED BY: Luis Pedroza, Deputy City Manager

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: Ana Urquijo, City Manager

FOCUS AREA: Other / NA

**ORGANIZATIONAL
IMPROVEMENTS:**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 25-1657**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the execution of an **AGREEMENT TO EXTEND UTILITIES OUTSIDE OF CITY LIMITS** allowing developers to connect to city services with an option for the city to perform the work with full cost reimbursement and connection fees to be charged with an agreement to annex into the city in the future.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The city has received requests from outside city limits developers to assist with extending water and sewer utilities. The attached agreement is for outside the city limits utility requests that would allow the extension of water and sewer utilities with the option of the city assisting with its CIP crew.

BACKGROUND:

There are various requests from developers to build homes in the Pirtleville area where city water and sewer exists and would like the city's assistance in extending utilities instead of installing septic tanks. The attached agreement is to extend water and/or sewer utilities and charging the connection fees in lieu of impact fees that we have to charge to all in city developers. The developers may choose to do the work themselves (with city inspections) or may opt to use our CIP crew which the city would obtain reimbursement of all associated costs including engineering, labor, materials, permitting costs, etc. Part of the agreement includes a section that would have the property owner agree to annex in the future. This is a pre-annexation agreement that will be recorded and will follow the property even if the property changes ownership over time.

The extension of utilities can also be made available to in city development. We will bring a policy to Mayor and Council for in city water and sewer extensions.

These agreements encourage development in the area. The developer that has approached the city is eager to sign an agreement for both in city and out of city. They have told us that it is more affordable than septic and in the long run sanitary sewer is also better for the environment.

DISCUSSION:

Staff recommends approval of this agreement. The approval of this agreement allows for the City Manager to execute agreements with future developers who wish to connect to city water and sewer infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

Fiscal Year: 2024/2025

Amount Requested:

Budgeted: Y / N

Account (s):

“...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 25-1657.”