

RESOLUTION NO. R21-020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAFFORD ENCOURAGING NEW CONSTRUCTION WITHIN THE CITY, FEE WAIVER AND ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAFFORD, ARIZONA:

WHEREAS, the City of Safford is interested in the economic health of the community and its citizens, the City Council is authorized to waive new home construction building permit fees, compensate water capacity fees and water meter fees for one year beginning July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Safford wishes to support and encourage appropriate efforts within the community that promote economic development and community revitalization; and,

WHEREAS, in Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the City of Safford will waive new construction building permit fees; compensate the Utility Enterprise Fund for cost of water capacity fees and water meter fees; and,

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Fund will pay the Enterprise funds for all water capacity fees and water meter fees waived during this incentive period; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has recognized the economic value and the connection between increasing population and attracting new businesses to our community by enhancing the construction of new homes in the City; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Safford:

1. On a temporary basis, City of Safford residents who choose to abandon an existing septic tank and connect to the City's collection system are eligible for a sewer capacity fee waiver effective July 1, 2021 with a termination date of June 30, 2022.
2. The following fees charged in connection with the issuance of a single-family home building permit are eligible for waiver effective July 1, 2021 with a termination date of June 30, 2022:
 1. New Home Construction Building Permit Fees
 2. Fifty Percent (50%) of Water Capacity Fees
 3. Fifty Percent (50%) of Water Meter Fees

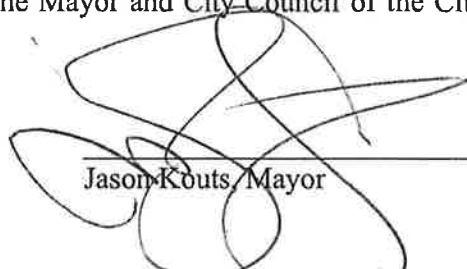
Qualifications for New Home Construction:

- Work authorized by the building permit for which fees are waived pursuant to this Resolution shall commence within ninety (90) days after permit issuance and a

certificate of occupancy shall be issued within one (1) year following of the building permit. Required inspections shall occur before the expiration of each ninety (90) day time period. If the work authorized by that building permit is not commenced or has been suspended for a period exceeding 90 days, the building permit will be revoked. If the certificate of occupancy for the dwelling that is the subjected of the building permit is not issued within one (1) year following the issuance of the building permit, the applicant for such building permit shall not be entitled to any fee waivers pursuant to this Resolution thereafter.

- Home must be completed within one year of the permit being issued.
- Home must be built within the city or newly annexed areas of the city.
- All public infrastructure to service the new home must be in place prior to the issuance of a building permit for the home.

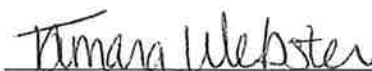
APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Safford, Arizona, this 26 day of July 2021.



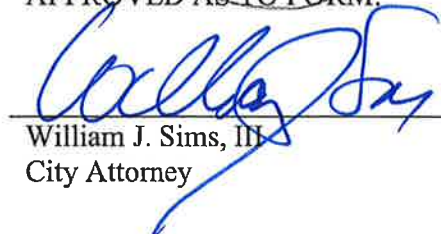
Jason Kouts, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Tamara Webster, CMC
City Clerk



William J. Sims, III
City Attorney

CERTIFICATION

State of Arizona)
) ss
County of Graham)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution Number R21-020 was duly passed and adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Safford, Graham County, Arizona, at a regular council meeting held July 26, 2021. A quorum of the Council was present at the meeting.

July 26, 2021
Date



Tamara Webster, CMC, City Clerk