

SWEETWATER AUTHORITY

Engineering and Operations Committee

May 1, 2024



Request to Approve Quitclaim of Easement located at 137 F Street, Chula Vista

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve the quitclaim request for blanket easement 3-SW-0 located at 137 F Street in Chula Vista with assessor's parcel number 569-051-11-00, and authorize the General Manager to execute and record the quitclaim document.

OVERVIEW

Maria Del Rosario Contreras Ramos, the owner of 137 F Street, Chula Vista, is requesting the quitclaim of the Sweetwater Authority (Authority) Kimball Brothers Water Company blanket easement 3-SW-0, recorded in 1869, having assessor's parcel number 569-051-11-00. The owner is requesting the quitclaim of the subject blanket easement to remove the encumbrance from the land. The owner intends to convert the existing garage into an accessory dwelling unit and desires to quitclaim the underlying blanket easement prior to development.

It is the Authority's practice to quitclaim easements if it is determined that there is no potential use of the easement, there is no future extension of the system to service the parcel, and the easement has no value. In evaluating quitclaim requests, a recommendation to quitclaim will generally be made if the following criteria are met:

1. There is not a current or projected need for the easements.
2. There is no requirement to purchase an alternative easement for the retired facility or for a new facility.
3. There is no other property that is dependent on the easement proposed for quitclaim for water service now or in the future.

The blanket easement requested to be quitclaimed meets the above criteria. Therefore, staff recommends approval of the easement quitclaim request.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact is paid for by the property owner; per the Authority's Supplement to the Rates and Rules, there is a \$1,000 fee for processing the easement quitclaim request. The property owner has paid the fee.

OPTIONS

1. Approve the quitclaim request for blanket easement 3-SW-0 located at 137 F Street, Chula Vista with assessor's parcel number 569-051-11-00, authorize the General Manager to execute and record the quitclaim document.

2. Reject the quitclaim request for easement 3-SW-0.
3. Other direction as determined by the Governing Board.

Staff Contact:

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Roberto Yano, Assistant General Manager

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Easement Quitclaim
3. Easement 3-SW-0
4. Staff Presentation

Strategic Plan

Strategic Plan Goal 2: System and Water Supply Reliability (SR) – Achieve an uninterrupted, long-term water supply through investment, maintenance, innovation and developing local water resources.

- Objective SR10: Inspect and maintain the Authority’s easements throughout the service area to ensure access and minimize negative impacts to the water system.