Enhanced Regulatory Outreach Program

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED FEES

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Auditorium, 205 W. Jefferson St., Phoenix

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors has scheduled a public hearing on April 9, 2014 to discuss/adopt the following ordinance and associated fees:

Case #/Title: DOT-02-2013 – Patent Easement Abandonment Ordinance

Discussion: The federal Small Tract Act of 1938 created easements for roadway and utility purposes on parcels conveyed under the Act, generally referred to as "Patent Easements." States have the authority to abandon these Patent Easements and this authority was granted to Arizona cities and towns in A.R.S. §9-500.24. A.R.S. §11-251.16, effective September 13, 2013, giving Arizona counties authority to abandon these Patent Easements.

The proposed ordinance establishes an application, review, and approval process for property owners to obtain abandonment of a patent easement. The fees associated with this voluntary process are as follows:

a. The fee for an Initial Review shall be $250.00.
b. The fee for an Application for Patent Easement Abandonment shall be $1,600.00. If an Application for Patent Easement Abandonment is filed within six (6) months of the date upon which an Initial Review has been completed for the same patent easement, the applicant shall receive a credit against the fee for the Application for Patent Easement Abandonment in the amount of $250.00.

For information and to follow Maricopa County's regulatory adoption process step by step, please visit: http://www.maricopa.gov/regulations/. Also, you may submit comments at: http://www.maricopa.gov/regulations/comments.aspx.

Thank you for your participation.