



# *City of Apache Junction*

## *Development Services Department*



**Date:** June 3, 2024

**To:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

**Through:** Bryant Powell, City Manager  
Rudy Esquivias, Development Services Director

**From:** Michael Morris, Principal Engineer

**Subject:** June 3, 2024, City Council Work Session Item:  
A proposed contract agreement with Consulting Engineers Incorporated ("CEI") to perform civil engineering inspections at Superstition Vistas

### **Background**

Construction at Superstition Vistas commenced during the summer of 2022. As part of their development plan, DR Horton and Brookfield Residential ("developers") agreed to pay for outside consultants to perform civil plan review and inspections. An escrow account was created for each developer to pay for the agreed upon civil review and inspection services. As a result, Entellus, Inc. was chosen in January of 2022, to be the consultant to represent the City. As mutually agreed upon, Entellus invoices the City each month for services rendered and the invoices are paid from the respective developer funded escrow accounts.

For nearly two years, Entellus has served the City well. However, due to recent trends of a high employee turnover rate, the continuity of inspections has been interrupted. The civil plan review quality continues to be excellent, and it is Staff's recommendation that they remain involved within this scope of services. However, Staff recommends contracting with Consultant Engineering Inc. ("CEI") to perform inspection services. CEI will be paid through the already established developer funded escrow accounts. It is anticipated that each development unit will be invoiced for approximately \$30,000 per month for services rendered. The CEI contract is proposed to follow the established terms of service as noted and approved through the City of Buckeye.

### **Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommends approval of the proposed contract agreement.



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### Attachments:

- Construction Inspection Services with Consultant Engineering, Inc. for Superstition Vistas Development Unit #1 - DR Horton and Superstition Vistas Development Unit #2 - Brookfield Agreement
- On-Call Consulting Contract Between the City of Buckeye and Consultant Engineering, Inc. Contract No. 2022003.11 Change Order #2