



COUNCIL DECISION REQUEST

SUBJECT: Payson Area Habitat for Humanity Fee Waiver Request

MEETING DATE: 10-2-14

SUBMITTED BY: LaRon G. Garrett Asst. Town Mgr 

SUBMITTAL TO AGENDA
APPROVED BY TOWN MANAGER

AMOUNT BUDGETED: \$0



EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: \$0

EXHIBITS (If Applicable, To Be Attached): Letter requesting fee waiver from Payson Area Habitat for Humanity

POSSIBLE MOTION

I move to direct staff to waive the building permit fees for the Payson Area Habitat for Humanity for the tenant improvements to relocate the Payson Area Habitat for Humanity Restore to 425 N. Beeline Highway.

SUMMARY OF THE BASIS FOR POSSIBLE MOTION:

Payson Area Habitat for Humanity currently has a retail store for selling used building materials, appliances, etc. located at 103 E. Highway 260 known as the Habitat Restore. They are in the process of relocating this Restore to the old Dollar General building located at 925 N. Beeline Highway. The building requires some internal construction to accommodate this relocated business. These improvements require building permits. The building improvements have been reviewed and the building permit is ready to be issued. The plan review and building permit fee for this project is \$991.55.

Payson Area Habitat for Humanity has requested that the Town Council waive the plan review and building permit fee.

PROS:

Monies not applied toward the plan review and building permit fee could be utilized for operation of the program.

CONS:

Staff time expended on the plan review and building inspection would not be reimbursed.

FUNDING:

Acct:	Budget:	Available:	Expense:	Remaining:
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FM: _____ Date: _____



September 25, 2014

Laron Garrett
Town of Payson
303 N Beeline Hwy.
Payson, AZ 85541

Dear Laron,

Payson Area Habitat for Humanity became an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International in 1995. For the last 20 years in service, our mission has been to help low income families with housing and housing repairs in our community. We have built 27 homes in Payson and are projected to build our 28th home by June 2015.

This summer marks the first successful year for our Brush with Kindness program, where we provide home repairs for low income families. We have been able to help a dozen families with much needed home repairs since the programs inception, many of those being senior citizens on very fixed incomes.

Our main source of funds that help us to provide these services to our community, other than grants, is our ReStore Thrift Store. We are currently in the process of moving our thrift store which has presented its own substantial costs to our nonprofit.

As I have only been with Habitat for less than three years, it is my understanding that the Town of Payson has been very supportive by waiving building permit fees for Habitat in the past.

I respectfully request consideration for a waiver of building permit fees for our building improvements currently at Community Development, so that we can use this money to continue to help those in need in our community.

I appreciate your consideration in this matter.

In service to one another,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Cindy Kofile", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Cindy Kofile
Executive Director