



To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Mark C. Meyers, Town Manager
Date: February 12, 2026
Subject: Rio de Sion Gate Agreement

Background

In 2023 the Rio de Sion Homeowners Association (HOA) requested that the Town allow the construction of an entrance gate to the neighborhood. The purpose of the gate is to enhance security and provide traffic calming.

Following discussion on the request, the Town Council passed a motion “To move forward with the concept of a gate and with approval of design and ownership of the gate finalized in an agreement with the Town.” Attached is the agreement with visions discussed at February 11, 2026, Town Council work meeting.

The gate must freely open when a vehicle drives over a pressure pad to allow access to the general public. Also, a turnaround prior to the gate must be constructed allowing drivers who believe the gate blocks access to conveniently change course. Other significant terms of the agreement require the HOA to construct and maintain the gate at its own expense and indemnify the Town from liability. Lastly, note that the gate has been redesigned to provide easier pedestrian access around each end. This has been done in response to concern expressed by council members.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Town Council approve the agreement at their regular council meeting on February 17, 2026.