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Well this is the last day for comments and I have to make my opinion clear.

The 50 year (the council terms it as 25 year) lease agreement by the town council in Quartzsite is nothing more than a rapacious acquisition of the allotment by CAP. (Central Arizona Project). The town council was negligent in the extreme for allowing the resolution to convey the lease. In a 4 to 2 vote I might add.

The lease might make sense if the time period was 25 years, the "first right of refusal clause" was stricken and the provision make to make it rescindable by the town in the advent of the reliance on the aquifer now being used was negated. This would be, in my words, the implementation of a "claw back" provision. A provision to allow the town to return to CAP any of the money allocated for water that had not been obtained by CAP when the existing water supply for Quartzsite was insufficient. To make it simple suppose the lease was for 20 years and the payment to Quartzsite was 2 million. After 10 years it was found by Quartzsite that the allotment was deemed necessary for the future of the town , they (the town) would reimburse CAP for 10 years of water that they(CAP) had paid for, which is to say 1 million dollars. And the lease would be voided.

The contract must be amended so that we could regain the use of our allotment. Without water there is no future for Quartzsite.

The Town Council has shown that they are shortsighted, they have not done their duty to protect the town from a potential water shortage.

We (the town concerned citizens) are relying on you as the first step in reviewing and armed with the power to adjudicate the lease agreement to do so in a way to protect the town's water allotment and future.

Thank you for being part of the solution.
Dan Heaton