

Sahuarita's Incorporation

When the Town of Sahuarita became incorporated in 1994, we had 1,800 residents – anticipated town boundaries in Vail could be upwards of 14,000. If we can do it, certainly you can.

The process of incorporating can feel daunting, I know. The truth is, once you incorporate, the real work begins. That said, as an incorporated municipality you would be in control of your own destiny. You'll choose your representatives, have a seat at the table for conversations on planning, zoning, and economic development in your area, and have input on tax decisions now and in the future.

A primary reason that Sahuarita pursued incorporation over two decades ago was the substantial state revenues that began to flow into our community. With these funds, we have been able to create community, build recreational parks and programs, maintain streets, and take advantage of retail and employment opportunities.

Sahuarita is also able to determine and provide services to our town that we deem essential.

We operate our own Police Department, invest in planning and building services, manage streets, and engage in smart land planning and development. We continue to exercise self-determination about the level of continued and future services. We run our town to meet the needs of our population in the most efficient, cost-effective, and safety-minded ways we can.

Another significant advantage of

incorporation is increased economic growth and development opportunities. Incorporation can attract new businesses and industries, leading to job creation and increased revenue.

Once incorporated, your town will have the opportunity to elect officials to advocate for your town on the regional, state, and national levels. Alongside your officials are job opportunities and professional staff to help translate residents' vision into action. Make no mistake, the work we do in local municipal government absolutely impacts the lives of your family, friends, and neighbors.

Lastly, incorporation can help you preserve your town's character and ensure that your community's interests are represented. As an incorporated town, Sahuarita has a greater say in decisions that affect us, and we can work together to protect our town's identity and heritage. I want the same for the citizens of Vail.

I urge you to consider this important next step in the legacy of your hometown.

Tom Murphy Mayor, Town of Sahuarita

