



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 26, 2016

Council Session

## Item G-9

**#2016-21 - Approving Request from the YMCA of Grand Island for Permission to Use City Streets and State Highway for the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon**

Staff Contact: John Collins, P.E. - Public Works Director

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** John Collins PE, Public Works Director

**Meeting:** January 26, 2016

**Subject:** Consideration of Approving Request from the YMCA of Grand Island for Permission to Use City Streets and State Highway for the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon

**Presenter(s):** John Collins PE, Public Works Director

## Background

The City received a request dated December 27, 2015, from the Grand Island YMCA Special Events Coordinator requesting to use City streets and a State highway for the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon.

## Discussion

The Grand Island YMCA is seeking Council approval and notice to the Nebraska Department of Roads for the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon to be held on Saturday, April 9, 2016.

The race route will require the use of both City and County roadways, as well as US Highway 281. Please see the attached maps.

State Statute 39-1359 requires the City Council to approve the route and for the City to then inform the Nebraska Department of Roads that the route has approval if it closes or blocks any part of a State highway. This is a requirement for any race, parade or march that would create some closure of the highway. This action then makes the City responsible for the liability of using a State highway for the event.

In planning for the event and to achieve the best identified route the request has been reviewed by public safety and public works.

## Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

### **Recommendation**

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon and direct that the Nebraska Department of Roads be notified of this action.

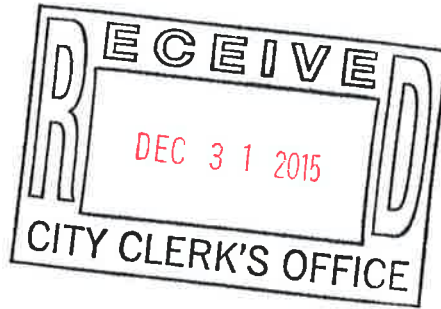
### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the resolution.



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

December 27, 2015



ReNae Edwards  
City Clerk ~ City of Grand Island  
City Hall  
100 East First Street  
Box 1968  
Grand Island, NE 68802

Dear City Council:

The Grand Island YMCA is scheduling the 1st annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon. The race is scheduled for Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 2016.

I am writing to request permission for the race participants to run on the hike and bike path in Eagle Scout Lake and bike on Broadwell Street north on Hwy 281 to Chapman Rd, east to Sky Park Rd, south to Airport Rd, west to Broadwell and back into the park. The race is scheduled to start at 8:00 a.m. and completed by 10:00 a.m. We would like to be able to stop traffic at the park entrance and Broadwell to allow the bikes out of the park and also control traffic on the east side of Broadwell at the stop light at Broadwell and Airport Rd. We would be working in conjunction with the Police Department to have an officer at the light and the park entrance if one is necessary at that location. Enclosed is a map with the race route.

If there are any further questions, please feel free to contact me at the YMCA, 395-9622.

*In Spirit, Mind and Body,*

*Jeffrey Doose*

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The mission of the YMCA is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.



START & FINISH

CITY OF  
**GRAND ISLAND**  
 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SCALE: 1" = 2500'  
 DATE: JANUARY 2016  
 DRAWN BY: M. SOTO  
 APPVD. BY: PUBLIC WORKS

2016 YMCA EAGLE SPIRIT DUATHLON

RESOLUTION 2016-21

WHEREAS, the YMCA of Grand Island is seeking Council approval and notice to the Nebraska Department of Roads for the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon in Grand Island on April 9, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the YMCA of Grand Island has worked with the City in planning & developing an acceptable race route; and

WHEREAS, specific wording is required by the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat §39-1359, and

WHEREAS, the City accepts the duties set out in neb. Rev. Stat. §39-1359, and that if a claim is made against the State, the City shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State from all claims, demands, actions, damages, and liability, including reasonable attorney's fees, that may arise as a result of the special event, more specifically defined as the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon to be held on April 9, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the route for the special event necessitates the usage of US Highway 281 from Airport Road north to Chapman Road; and

WHEREAS, the special event will be held on April 9, 2016, with the control of the sections of US Highway 281 and Airport Road which are inside City limits being assumed by the City at 7:00 am on April 9, 2016 and ending at 11:00 am on April 9, 2016, at which time control of the sections of US Highway 281 and Airport Road which are inside City limits, shall revert to the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the use of City streets and State highway to accommodate the First Annual Eagle Spirit Duathlon on April 9, 2016 is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Nebraska Department of Roads shall be notified of the approved route.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, January 26, 2016.

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Jeremy L. Jensen, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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| Approved as to Form | ☐ _____         |
| January 22, 2016    | ☐ City Attorney |