



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

Council Session

Item E-4

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - (#1) - Capital & Broadwell Avenues (U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs)

Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-10.

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Meeting: May 10, 2016

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement #1 – Victory Village at Capital & Broadwell – U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs

Presenter(s): Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Background

Nebraska State Law requires that acquisition of property must be approved by City Council. The Utilities Department needs to acquire an easement relative to the property of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, located through a part Lots One (1), Two (2), and Three (3), Victory Village Subdivision in the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska. The development is located north of the VA Hospital at the NW corner of Broadwell and Capital Avenue.

Discussion

Construction of the first of three apartment buildings, provide housing for veterans, is currently underway by the Pioneer Group, Inc., of Topeka, Kansas. This electric easement allows the Utilities Department to have access to install, maintain, and repair the high voltage underground power lines and pad-mount transformers that will serve the facility. Refer to Exhibit “A” sheet 2 of 2.

Alternatives

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

1. Make a motion 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 resolution for the acquisition of the easement for one dollar (\$1.00).

Sample Motion

Move to approve acquisition of the Utility Easement.

