



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Council Session

Item E-1

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - Southeast Corner of Highways 34 & 281 - Museum Board of Hall County, NE

Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-5.

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director
Stacy Nonhof, Assistant City Attorney

Meeting: October 25, 2016

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement – Southeast corner of
Highways 34 & 281 – Museum Board of Hall County,
NE

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 Museum Board of Hall County, Nebraska, located through a part of Lot One (1), Stuhr Museum Subdivision in the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska (the southeast corner of Highways 34 & 281), in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

Discussion

The Stuhr Museum is in the process of preparing an area for outdoor entertainment and a future restroom. In order to provide the electrical service for the new facilities, a transformer and high voltage power line need to be placed on the Grantor's property. The easement will allow the Utilities Department to install, access, operate and maintain the electric infrastructure. The centerline of the new easement will be extended southerly from the existing underground power line.

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.

