



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

Council Session

Item E-3

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - 163 "A" Road - 1/2 Mile East of Gunbarrel Road - Gerdes

Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-3.

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Council Agenda Memo

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

Meeting: December 13, 2016

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement – 163 “A” Road –
approximately ½ mile east of Gunbarrel Road - Gerdes

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 Galen E. and Tamera M. Gerdes, located through a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW ¼, SE ¼) Section Seven (7), Township Eleven (11) North, Range Eight (8) West of the 6th P.M., Merrick County, Nebraska (163 “A” Road), in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

Discussion

Galen and Tamera Gerdes are in the process of building a new home in rural Merrick County. The proposed easement will permit the Utilities Department to install, operate, and maintain the high voltage power lines and transformer necessary to serve the property.

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.

