



# **City of Grand Island**

**Tuesday, January 10, 2017**

**Council Session**

## **Item G-1**

### **Approving Minutes of December 27, 2016 City Council Regular Meeting**

**Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards**

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

December 27, 2016

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on December 27, 2016. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on December 21, 2016.

Mayor Jeremy L. Jensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Mitch Nickerson, Mark Stelk, Chuck Haase, Julie Hehnke, Linna Dee Donaldson, Michelle Fitzke, Vaughn Minton, Roger Steele, and Mike Paulick. Councilmember Jeremy Jones was absent. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Marlan Ferguson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director Renae Griffiths, City Attorney Jerry Janulewicz, and Public Works Director John Collins.

Mayor Jensen introduced Community Youth Council member Christopher Rosenlund.

INVOCATION was given by Pastor Dan Bremer, Grace Lutheran Church, 545 East Memorial Drive followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: Motion by Minton, second by Fitzke to adjourn to the Board of Equalization. Motion adopted.

#2016-BE-7 - Consideration of Determining Benefits for Sanitary Sewer District No. 528. This item was pulled at the request of the Public Works Department.

#2016-BE-8 - Consideration of Determining Benefits for Sanitary Sewer District No. 530T. Public Works Director John Collins reported that Sanitary Sewer District No. 530T was created to support the extension of sanitary sewer south along Highway 281 past Interstate 80. The construction had been completed and was done as a tap district. Staff recommended approval from Council to establish the tap connection fees for Sanitary Sewer District 530T.

Motion by Donaldson, second by Paulick to approve Resolution #2016-BE-8. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion by Minton, second by Nickerson to return to Regular Session. Motion adopted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Request from Viaero Wireless for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a 55' Telecommunication Tower located at 2485 N. Diers Avenue. Reginal Planning Director Chad Nabity reported that a request had been received from Viaero Wireless for a conditional use permit to allow for a 55' telecommunications tower located at 2485 N. Diers Avenue. Staff

recommended approval. Chris Riha representing Viaero Wireless spoke in support. No further public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - 588 S. Stuhr Road - Hoppe Inc. Utilities Director Tim Luchsinger reported that acquisition of a utility easement located at 588 S. Stuhr Road was needed in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers. This easement would allow the Utilities Department to install, operate, and maintain the high voltage power lines and transformer necessary to serve the area. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on One & Six Year Street Improvement Plan. Public Works Director John Collins reported that the One & Six Year Street Improvement Plan consisted of the transportation projects in the Capital Improvement Program and was mandatory by State Law as part of the requirements to receive approximately three million dollars of state gas tax funds each year. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

#### ORDINANCES:

#9617 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for Sanitary Sewer District No. 528  
(This item was pulled at the request of the Public Works Department.)

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Paulick, second by Steele to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Approving Minutes of December 13, 2016 City Council Regular Meeting.

Approving Councilmember Appointments to Boards and Commissions.

Approving Re-Appointments of Denise Kozel, Kent Sundberg, Brady Blauhorn, Terry Klanecky, Kurt Griess, and Craig Lewis to the Electrical Board.

Approving Re-Appointments of Loran Peterson, Greg Geis, Mike McElroy, Mike Myers, Todd Bredthauer, Tom O'Neill, Russ Shaw, and Craig Lewis to the Mechanical Examining Board.

Approving Re-Appointments of Rick Eberl, Ryan Logue, Jeremy Collinson, David Scoggins, and Craig Lewis to the Plumbers Examining Board.

Approving Re-Appointments of Eric Olson, Todd Dvorak, Michael Nelson, Jimmy Olson, and William Clingman to the Police Pension Committee.

Approving Appointments of Brad Laub and Tanner Greenough and the Re-Appointments of Scott Kuehl, Phil Thomas, and William Clingman to the Firefighters Pension Committee.

Approving Appointment of James Pirnie to the Downtown Business Improvement District 2013 Board.

Approving Appointment of Hector Rubio to the Regional Planning Commission Board.

#2016-308 - Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement - 588 S. Stuhr Road - Hoppe Inc.

#2016-309 - Approving Purchase Agreement with Guarantee Group, LLC for Property for the Elevated Water Storage Tank in an Amount of \$110,000.00.

#2016-310 - Approving Addendum to SCALES Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Law Enforcement Services.

#2016-311 - Approving the Certificate of Compliance with the Nebraska Department of Roads for Maintenance Agreement No. 12; Calendar Year 2016.

#2016-312 - Approving Maintenance Agreement No. 12 Renewal with the Nebraska Department of Roads for Calendar Year 2017.

#2016-313 - Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Drywall Installation for the Fleet Services Division with Indoor Air Technologies, Inc. of Victor, New York.

#2016-314 - Approving Renewal of Service Agreement with Granicus, Inc. for Live Streaming/Video Archive for a monthly Amount of \$285.31.

#2016-315 - Approving Change Order No. 1 for the Veteran's Athletic Soccer Field Bathroom/Concession Building with Mid Plains Construction Co. of Grand Island, Nebraska for an Increase of \$4,363.00 and a Revised Contract Amount of \$244,113.00.

#### REQUESTS AND REFERRALS:

Consideration of Approving a Request from Viaero Wireless for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a 55' Telecommunication Tower located at 2485 N. Diers Avenue. This item was related to the aforementioned Public Hearing. Discussion was held regarding the location and type of tower.

Motion by Stelk, second by Fitzke to approve the request from Viaero Wireless for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a 55' Telecommunication Tower located at 2485 N. Diers Avenue. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Consideration of Forwarding Blighted and Substandard Area #21 (Craig and Lesa Dixon) to the Hall County Regional Planning Commission. Regional Planning Director Chad Nabity reported that Craig and Lesa Dixon had submitted a Blighted and Substandard Study for an area in central Grand Island along U.S. Highway 30, east of Stuhr Road. Ron Depue, attorney for Craig and Lesa Dixon spoke in support.

Motion by Haase, second by Paulick to approve the request from Craig and Lesa Dixon to forward Blighted and Substandard Area #21 to the Hall County Regional Planning Commission. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Consideration of Forwarding Blighted and Substandard Area #22 (Platte River Industrial Park, LLC) to the Hall County Regional Planning Commission. Regional Planning Director Chad Nabity reported that Platte River Industrial Park, LLC had submitted a Blighted and Substandard Study for an area located at the Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant north of Old Potash Highway and west of 80<sup>th</sup> Road. Keith Marvin, consultant spoke in support. Discussion was held regarding the annexation requirement which would happen during the Redevelopment Plan. Mr. Nabity stated the other taxing entities would be notified.

Motion by Haase, second by Nickerson to approve the request from Platte River Industrial Park, LLOC to forward Blighted and Substandard Area #22 to the Hall County Regional Planning Commission. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Paulick, Steele, Minton, Donaldson, Hehnke, Haase, Stelk, and Nickerson voted aye. Councilmember Fitzke abstained. Motion adopted.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

#2016-316 - Consideration of Approving the One & Six Year Street Improvement Plan. This item was related to the aforementioned Public Hearing. Mr. Collins answered questions concerning the Sycamore Street underpass.

Motion by Paulick, second by Donaldson to approve Resolution #2016-316. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2016-317 - Consideration of Approving Tap Fees for Sanitary Sewer District No. 530T. This item was related to the aforementioned Board of Equalization.

Motion by Donaldson, second by Minton to approve Resolution #2016-317. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2016-318 – Consideration of Approving the Purchase of 40 Tasers from TASER International, Inc. as Sole Source Provider. Police Chief Robert Falldorf reported that the Police Department was currently using the X26 model Taser. Beginning January 1, 2017 TASER International would no longer sell, service or warranty the X26 Tasers. It was recommended that the Police Department replace their current Tasers with 40 X26P over five years interest free for a total amount of \$49,588 with a trade-in of \$3,800. Also designating TASER International as the Sole Source Provider.

Motion by Nickerson, second by Pualick to approve Resolution #2016-318. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#### PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Minton, second by Stelk to approve the Claims for the period of December 14, 2016 through December 27, 2016 for a total amount of \$4,994,397.41. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Steele, Minton, Fitzke, Donaldson, Hehnke, Haase, Stelk, and Nickerson voted aye. Councilmember Paulick abstained. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen introduced Austin Koeller with the Grand Island Independent.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

RaNae Edwards  
City Clerk