



# **City of Grand Island**

**Tuesday, August 22, 2017**

**Council Session**

## **Item G-1**

### **Approving Minutes of August 8, 2107 City Council Regular Meeting**

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CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

August 8, 2017

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 August 8, 2017. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on August 2, 2017.

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, Jeremy Jones, Chuck Haase, Julie Hehnke, Linna Dee Donaldson, Michelle Fitzke, Vaughn Minton, Roger Steele, and Mike Paulick. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Marlan Ferguson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director Renae Jimenez, City Attorney Jerry Janulewicz, and Public Works Director John Collins.

Mayor Jensen introduced Community Youth Council member Maddie Galusha.

INVOCATION was given by Pastor Paul Canady, True North Church, 1804 West State Street followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

ORDINANCES:

Councilmember Minton moved “that the statutory rules requiring ordinances to be read by title on three different days are suspended and that ordinances numbered:

#9638 - Consideration of Correction to Ordinance No. 9631 Relative to Vacation of the North End of Voss Road; North of Seedling Mile Road

#9639 - Consideration of Vacation of Utility Easement - 2220 N. Webb Road - Part of Lot Six (6) Grand Island Mall Eighteenth Subdivision

#9640 - Consideration of Creation of Water Main District 470T - Highway 2 from North Road, east approximately 1/2 mile

#9641 - Consideration of Amendments to Chapter 30 of the Grand Island City Code Relative to Sewers and Sewage Disposal

be considered for passage on the same day upon reading by number only and that the City Clerk be permitted to call out the number of these ordinances on second reading and then upon final passage and call for a roll call vote on each reading and then upon final passage.” Councilmember Nickerson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#9638 - Consideration of Correction to Ordinance No. 9631 Relative to Vacation of the North End of Voss Road; North of Seedling Mile Road

Public Works Director John Collins reported that an error was discovered upon filing of Ordinance No. 9631 with Hall County Register of Deeds. Rather than the ordinance stating the vacated street would revert to the abutting properties south of such, it stated that the vacated street would revert half to the property to the north and half to the property to the south. As the vacated right-of-way was only the south half of the typical 60' right-of-way, the vacated right-of-way should all revert to the south properties. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Jones, second by Donaldson to approve Ordinance #9638.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9638 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9638 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9638 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9639 - Consideration of Vacation of Utility Easement - 2220 N. Webb Road - Part of Lot Six (6) Grand Island Mall Eighteenth Subdivision

Utilities Director Tim Luchsinger reported that the utility easement located at 2220 N. Webb Road needed to be vacated for the construction of a new building at this location. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Hehnke, second by Paulick to approve Ordinance #9639.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9639 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9639 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9639 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9640 - Consideration of Creation of Water Main District 470T - Highway 2 from North Road, east approximately 1/2 mile

Utilities Director Tim Luchsinger reported that the proposed Water Main District 470T was an integral part of the Utilities Department's Master Plan. The project would extend a new City water main along the southerly side of Nebraska Highway 2 from the existing water line in North

Road, easterly approximately ½ mile. It would provide redundancy and increased pressures and flow for the area and allows for future developments. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Paulick, second by Minton to approve Ordinance #9640.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9640 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9640 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9640 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9641 - Consideration of Amendments to Chapter 30 of the Grand Island City Code  
Relative to Sewers and Sewage Disposal

Public Works Director John Collins reported that since the last revision of Chapter 30 dated February 24, 2015, several changes had taken place to necessitate further updates. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Stelk, second by Fitzke to approve Ordinance #9641.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9641 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9641 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9641 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

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

Approving Minutes of July 25, 2107 City Council Regular Meeting.

Approving Request of Fonner Park Exposition and Events Center, Inc. (Heartland Events Center) for Ratification of Nomination and Election of Board of Directors.

#2017-210 - Approving Amendment No. 1 for Engineering Consulting Services Related to Sycamore Street Underpass Rehabilitation with Alfred Benesch & Company of Lincoln,

Nebraska for an Amount not-to-exceed \$214,210.00 and a Revised Contract Amount of \$285,122.00.

#2017-211 - Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Community Development Block Grant Handicap Ramps 4th to 5th Streets; Sycamore Street to Eddy Street; Project No. 2014-2G (Saul Ramos Construction, Inc.) with Saul Ramos Construction, Inc. of Shelton, Nebraska.

#2017-212 - Approving Authorization for Emergency Sanitary Sewer Repair between 9th Street and 10th Street; Locust Street to Pine Street with The Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$27,000.00.

#2017-213 - Approving Authorization for Emergency Sanitary Sewer Repair Adjacent to 2509 Apache Road with Starostka Group Unlimited, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$55,970.85.

#2017-214 - Approving Amendment No. 2 to Engineering Consulting Agreement for Sanitary Sewer Collection System Rehabilitation – Various Locations with Alfred Benesch & Company of Lincoln, Nebraska for an Increase not-to-exceed \$59,000.00 and a Revised Agreement of \$131,081.81.

#2017-215 - Approving Purchase of One (1) new 2017 72" Cut Mower with Additional Broom Attachment for the Heartland Public Shooting Park of the Parks & Recreation Department with Turfwerks of Omaha, Nebraska in an Amount of \$31,514.01.

#2017-216 - Approving Change Order No. 4 for the Veteran's Athletic Soccer Field Restroom Concession Stand Building with Mid Plains Construction Co. of Grand Island, Nebraska for an Increase of \$1,965.00 and a Revised Contract Amount of \$265,609.00.

#2017-217 - Approving Annual Agreement for Financial Software Licensing and Support with Tyler Technologies, Inc. dba Munis in an Amount of \$175,713.98.

#### PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Minton, second by Jones to approve the payment of claims for the period of July 26, 2017 through August 8, 2017 for a total amount of \$4,367,232.64. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Steele, Minton, Fitzke, Donaldson, Haase, Jones, Stelk, and Nickerson voted aye. Councilmember Paulick abstained. Motion adopted.

Discussion Concerning the Proposed Fiscal Year 2017-2018 City of Grand Island and Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) Budgets. City Administrator Marlan Ferguson introduced Regional Planning Director Chad Nabity to present the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) 2017-2018 Annual Budget.

The CRA was requesting property tax revenues of \$757,664 including \$198,050 for Lincoln Pool Construction and Bonds and \$559,614 for all other CRA programs. The CRA was requesting the same levy that was approved last year. This would allow the CRA to meet obligations, continue

with their successful programs. The CRA budget included: \$350,000 for façade improvement; \$200,000 for property purchase; \$198,050 for Lincoln Pool bond payment; \$200,000 for life safety and infrastructure grants; and \$150,000 for other projects.

The following carry over projects were presented:

- Williamson Façade (\$167k)
- Bosselman Office Façade (\$300k)
- Othy's Place Façade (\$27k)
- Hedde Building Life Safety Grant (\$240k)
- Auto American Façade (\$80k)
- Brown Hotel Life Safety (50k)

Discussion was held regarding the tax levy and cash on hand.

Paul Wicht, 1708 Jerry Drive commented on the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) as it related to the FY 2017/18 budget.

Utilities Director Tim Luchsinger presented the Electric and Water Department's 2017-18 Budgets. The Electric Fund was budgeted at \$31,670,000 and the Water Fund at \$4,123,000.

The Electric Capital Improvements budget was \$9,990,000 for the following:

- Substation Upgrades - \$500,000
- Bond payments - \$3,035,000
- Distribution improvements - \$2,500,000
- Power plant maintenance/improvements - \$3,105,000

Mr. Luchsinger answered questions regarding an electric cost of service study and explained the Burdick Steam Unit retirement and staff reorganization.

The Water Capital Improvements budget was \$6,055,000 for the following:

- Bond payments - \$295,000
- Elevated Water Storage Reservoir - \$3,610,000
- Distribution improvements - \$1,350,000
- Production improvements - \$200,000

Finance Director Renae Jiminez presented the Jackrabbit Run Golf Course Budget for 2017-18. Number of rounds, golf course financial history, and fees were reviewed. Don Kruse answered questions regarding the proposed fee increase for FY2017-18 budget which was approximately a 4% increase for golf rounds. He stated the weather was a factor in the number of golf rounds. Mentioned was the possibility of not having the golf course as an Enterprise fund. Footgolf and disc golf were discussed as possible other revenue sources. Golf Superintendent Doug Sweeney commented on the use of the golf course for soccer.

Public Works Director John Collins reviewed the Capital projects for 2017/2018. The following projects were proposed for 2017/2018:

- Capital Avenue; Webb Road to Broadwell Avenue - \$184,000

- Stolley Park Road Restriping/Rehabilitation – 285,400
- Annual Curb Ramp Installation - \$104,800
- Sycamore Street Underpass Rehab - \$1,200,000
- Old Potash; North Road to east of Webb Road Master Plan - \$150,000
- North Road & 13<sup>th</sup> Street - \$1,945,775
- Webb Road Paving Assessment (City share) - \$130,000
- Northwest Drainage Project (NRD partner) - \$1,009,813
- Moores Creek Drain Extension - \$1,041,200

The following 2018 Capital Improvement Projects would be funded with Gas Tax Money:

• Capital Avenue; Webb Road to Broadwell Avenue	\$ 184,000
• Stolley Park Road Restriping/Rehabilitation	\$ 285,400
• Annual Curb Ramp Installation	\$ 104,800
• Sycamore Street Underpass Rehabilitation	\$1,200,000
• Old Potash; North Road to East of Webb Road Master Plan	\$ 150,000
• North Road & 13 <sup>th</sup> Street	\$1,945,775
• Webb Road Paving Assessments (City share)	<u>\$ 130,000</u>
	\$3,999,975

The following 2018 Capital Improvement Projects would be funded by other revenue:

• Northwest Flood Control Project	\$1,009,813
• Moores Creek Drain Extension	<u>\$1,041,200</u>
	\$2,051,013

Total Capital requests for 2018: \$6,050,988

Mr. Collins stated \$104,800 of the capital dollars was mandated and \$469,400 of the capital dollars was funding Federal Aid projects.

Mr. Collins reviewed the Solid Waste Division FY 2018 budget. There were no FTE changes and a 4% rate increase proposed for FY 2018. There was 4-5 years life left in the current cells 1 & 2 and approximately 30 years of life left in the landfill. Solid Waste Superintendent Jeff Wattier commented on the funds set aside for closure.

Mr. Collins presented the 2018 Wastewater budget. He mentioned accounting changes and reviewed capital projects.

The following Capital Improvement Projects were presented:

- North interceptor Phase II (Completed) - \$22,472,063
- Lift Station 14 Abandonment (In progress) - \$106,767
- Lift Station 20 Upgrade (In progress) - \$2,769,003
- Point Repairs/Manhole Replacements (In progress) - \$304,380
- Cured in Place Pipe (In progress) - \$700,000

The following were proposed projects for 2018:

- Airport Collection System Rehabilitation - \$3,157,898
- Highway 30 Expansion - \$1,378,589
- Biological Nutrient Removal (BNR) Analysis - \$100,000
- Online Monitoring - \$200,000

Mr. Ferguson complimented Wastewater Superintendent Marvin Strong and his staff for the work they had done. Mr. Strong stated the WWTP was in great shape.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

RaNae Edwards  
City Clerk