



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Council Session

## Item E-9

**Public Hearing on Acquisition of Detention Cell Land in Outlot A,  
Kurz Subdivision at 815 Superior Street (Grand Island Area  
Habitat for Humanity, Inc.)**

*Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-19.*

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# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** John Collins, Public Works Director

**Meeting:** November 14, 2017

**Subject:** Public Hearing on Acquisition of Detention Cell Land in Outlot A, Kurz Subdivision at 815 Superior Street (Grand Island Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc.)

**Presenter(s):** John Collins PE, Public Works Director

## **Background**

In 2013 Grand Island Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. worked with Community Development to develop property along 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Superior Street. To support the development, a detention cell was created, with the dirt used to elevate the ground and extend the sanitary sewer line to accommodate six new homes. It just so happens that this new cell is adjacent to an existing City of Grand Island detention cell.

Grand Island Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. approached the City about potentially acquiring the detention cell that is part of Kurz Subdivision and adding to the public storm water drainage system. This added capacity to an existing cell is beneficial in a city with little topographic relief; maintenance of the added property will be minimal as the City has the existing cell on a regular maintenance schedule. Nebraska State Statutes stipulate that the acquisition of property requires a public hearing be conducted with the acquisition approved by the City Council.

## **Discussion**

Grand Island Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. is the developer of Kurz Subdivision and is willing to donate the detention cell land to the City of Grand Island.

All documents have been signed by Grand Island Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. to transfer the deed of such property.

## **Alternatives**

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

1. Move 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 conduct a Public Hearing and approve the acceptance of the detention cell land by donation from the landowner.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the acceptance of the detention cell land.

