



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 28, 2021

Council Session

## Item G-18

**#2021-368 - Approving Self Checkout System for the Library**

Staff Contact: Celine Swan

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Celine Swan, Library Director  
**Meeting:** December 28, 2021  
**Subject:** Approving Purchase of Self Checkout System  
**Presenter(s):** Celine Swan, Library Director

## Background

The Grand Island Public Library's current Self Checkout System with Bibliotheca has reached end of life December 2021. We have had this system for over 10 years. We have seen issues lately with the gates not working correctly, excessive beeping, and Bibliotheca can no longer do any upgrades.

## Discussion

Specifications for replacement were not advertised for bid due to Bibliotheca providing a sole source letter. We already have RFID-tags on all of our materials. Bibliotheca's tags are designed with the latest chip technology. Bibliotheca has provided excellent service, and maintenance for our library. After meeting with Bibliotheca and also looking at many other companies we feel that Bibliotheca is the company of our choice. They also work well with our new ILS-Integrated Library Software System, TLC. We would love to continue to provide technology that helps our patrons and staff to have success.

Item	Quantity	Net Price	Net Extended
<b>Freight White Glove Service</b> SHP000002-000	1	3,500.00	3,500.00
<b>selfCheck 500 full height kiosk</b> SCK500000-000	4	7,689.00	30,756.00
<b>RFID workstation shielded NA</b> STF000017-001	6	1,119.00	6,714.00
<b>RFID gate premium Direct mount, 1 aisle</b> GAT000810-001	1	12,149.00	12,149.00
<b>libraryConnect devices, 1 year subscription, 1-5 devices</b> SWR000040-000	1	969.00	969.00
<b>Introduction to libraryConnect Devices</b> EDU040011-000	1	1,799.00	1,799.00
<b>staffConnect™ gate Individual License (Year 1)</b> SWR000005-000	1	578.00	578.00
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>56,465.00</b>
	<b>Currency:</b>		<b>US Dollar</b>

## **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 has recommended approval of Resolution 2021-368.

## **Sample Motion**

Move to approve Resolution 2021-368.

R E S O L U T I O N 2021-368

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island Public Library's Self Checkout Systems have reached end of life; and

WHEREAS, the Library recommends replacing their current system with Bibliotheca to an updated system with Bibliotheca; and

WHEREAS, the current system has reached end of life as of December 2021; and

WHEREAS, the library currently has all of their RFID tags with this system in every library material item; and

WHEREAS, this RFID tag is designed with the latest chip technology and is exclusively designed for libraries; and

WHEREAS, Bibliotheca has provided is the sole source for the RFID tags currently in use at the Library; and

WHEREAS, the Library received a bid of \$56,465.00 for the updated Bibliotheca system; and

WHEREAS, the library wrote and received a 2022 ARPA Library Improvement grant for \$28,232.00 from the Nebraska Library Commission to pay for half of this bid; and

WHEREAS, the Library will use Grand Island Public Library Foundation Grant money of \$17,267.58; and

WHEREAS, the amount of \$10,965.42 left over will be paid from the Library's regular operating budget; and

WHEREAS, the cost for this unforeseen project was not originally budgeted but grants will pay for most of the replacement of this Self Checkout Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Bibliotheca Self Checkout Replacement Project in the amount of \$56,465.00 is hereby approved.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, December 28, 2021.

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Roger G. Steele, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
December 23, 2021	☐ City Attorney