



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Council Session

Item E-1

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement at the Intersection of 18th Street & Illinois Avenue (Abandoned Blain Well Site) - Luevano & Medrano

Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-7.

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Council Agenda Memo

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

Meeting: July 27, 2021

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement – 18th Street & Illinois Avenue – Luevano and Medrano

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 utility easement relative to the property of Alfredo Luevano, Jr. and Tina Marie Medrano, located through the entire boundary of Lot Seven (7), Block Two (2), Blain Addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska (Intersection of 18th Street & Illinois Avenue), in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including power lines, and water lines and transformers.

Discussion

The City of Grand Island Utilities Department has sold the abandoned Blain Well Site located on Lot Seven (7), Block Two (2) (intersection of 18th Street and Illinois Avenue) to Alfredo Luevano, Jr. and Tina Marie Medrano. Because of the number of utilities remaining on the lot, the City has requested the entire lot area be dedicated as utility easement. This easement will allow the Utilities Department to access, operate, and maintain the existing utility infrastructure previously installed at this location.

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.

