



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

Council Session

Item C-2

Presentation by Central Community College for Infrastructure Funding

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Laura D. McAloon, Interim City Administrator/City Attorney

Meeting: February 28, 2023

Subject: Presentation by Central Community College

Presenter(s): Dr. Matt Gotschall, College President

Background

On September 20, 2022, Central Community College (CCC) presented its preliminary plan for improvements at the Grand Island campus and indicated interest in partnering with the City on the cost to install certain infrastructure improvements.

Discussion

The Administration has asked Dr. Gotschall to present a more detailed cost estimate and request for infrastructure funding. Tonight's presentation will provide that detailed information and a letter from Dr. Gotschall is included in your agenda packet. The requested amount is \$500,000 plus a potential for an additional \$50,000 contribution to the Grand Island campus.

Alternatives

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

1. Provide direction to staff on the preparation of a future action item regarding the request.
2. Take no action.



Central Community College maximizes student and community success

February 20, 2023

Dear Grand Island City Council,

Central Community College values the longstanding support and synergy created between the private and public entities in Grand Island and throughout central Nebraska. Throughout 50 years of growth, including a comprehensive campus and college administrative offices in Grand Island, we continue to plan for the future growth of the CCC-Grand Island campus to meet workforce needs and quality of life opportunities of our community residents. To that end, in March 2022, our 11-member elected Board of Governors approved a five-year comprehensive facilities plan with the goal of investing over \$17,000,000 into programming, facilities and infrastructure in Grand Island.

Specific needs in Grand Island included updating instructional facilities for expanding instruction in information technology and cybersecurity, business, accounting, criminal justice, and welding. Additionally, the need for on-campus student housing is being explored for 50-100 residents. The draft plan was shared with the Grand Island City Council on September 20, 2022, with the desire to partner with the city on necessary infrastructure improvements (roads, water, sewer, etc.) to expand the facilities and future growth to the north side of the existing campus.

CCC worked closely with city representatives and Olsson on infrastructure specifications, bid sheets, plotting maps and last week our Board approved a \$808,396.07 best and lowest bid from Elsbury Construction LLC, Grand Island for substantial completion by August 1, 2023. Specifics of the bid sheets are available to the city. Per Olsson, Team Leader/Civil Engineer Matt Rief, the public improvements that can qualify for the City's ARPA federal funds would include paving, water main, sanitary sewer, and the possibility of additional earthwork, seeding and erosion control. The amount that could be covered totals over \$650,000 of the accepted bid.

Specifically, public improvements covered by the City could be the following sections from the Elsbury bid:

A - Paving	\$282,992.73
B - Water Main	\$206,710.24
C - Sanitary Sewer	\$115,171.33
Total	\$604,874.30

Portion of Earthwork, Seeding and Erosion Control items for site improvement: \$50,000

Realizing that any College funds not needed for the above infrastructure would be applied toward the remaining \$17 million in planned improvements in Grand Island, we request the City approve **\$500,000** of your federal ARPA allocation toward this investment in necessary infrastructure to assist in the future expansion of the CCC-Grand Island programs and facilities. Timelines of payments are negotiable but are expected prior to final construction payment in November 2023.

Sincerely,

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