

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 23, 2013 Council Session

Item E-6

Public Hearing to Approve Authorization to Apply for Contract Extension for Disaster Recovery Grant-Lift Station # 7

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Marco Floreani, Community Development

Meeting: July 23, 2013

Subject: Public Hearing to Approve Authorization to Apply for Contract

Extension for Disaster Recovery Grant-Lift Station # 7

Item #'s: E-6, G-21

Presenter(s): Marco Floreani, Community Development

Background

In September 2009, the City of Grand Island was awarded a Disaster Recovery Grant (#08-DPI-005) for \$803,500, plus \$40,175 in General Administration, for installation of a sanitary sewer interceptor and sewer main collection system upgrade to address an urgent community development need that occurred as a result of high ground water levels and flooding between May 22 and June 24, 2008. The project encompasses two southern areas of Grand Island to improve protection of homes from future sanitary sewer backups. Total project cost, including Administration, is projected at \$1,003,675.

Disaster Recovery Program funds are to be used only for activities related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, and restoration of infrastructure in areas covered by the Federal Emergency Management agency (FEMA) declaration of major disaster 1770-DR. Only damages occurring during the incident period from May 22, 2008 to June 24, 2008 are considered.

Discussion

The Nebraska Department of Economic Development awarded the City of Grand Island \$150,616.00 in additional funds for Disaster Recovery Funding.

The City of Grand Island, Nebraska, is an eligible unit of the Disaster Recovery Funding authorized to file a contract extension under the Community Development Block Grant Program. This contract extension will provide additional time to fund the necessary site improvements and complete the infrastructure in the Disaster Recovery Area. The contract extension will be until August 23, 2013. The original contract was to have ended July 28, 2013.

Alternatives

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

- 1. Move to approve a resolution granting contract extension Disaster Recovery Grant Funds (Lift Station #7).
- 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 authorization to apply for a contract extension Disaster Recovery Grant Funds (Lift Station #7).

Sample Motion

Move to approve authorization to proceed with the formulation of any and all contracts, documents or other memoranda between the City of Grand Island and the Nebraska Department of Economic Development so as to affect acceptance of the grant application #08-DPI-005, Disaster Recovery Grant.