



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

Council Session

Item E-4

**Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - South of
Schoolhouse Road at Lockwood Road - School Dist. #1 of Merrick
County**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Robert H. Smith, Asst. Utilities Director

Meeting: September 10, 2013

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement – South of Schoolhouse Road at Lockwood Road – School Dist. #1 of Merrick County (Lockwood School)

Item #'s: E-4 & G-6

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 an easement relative to the property of School District Number One (1) of Merrick County, Nebraska, aka Lockwood School, south of Schoolhouse Road at Lockwood Road – Lockwood School, in Merrick County, Nebraska, in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

Discussion

Lockwood School needs to increase the size of electrical service to the building. To do so, the new line will be placed underground and at a different location. This easement will be used to place conduit, high voltage cable and a pad-mounted transformer to provide the improved electrical service to the building.

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.

