



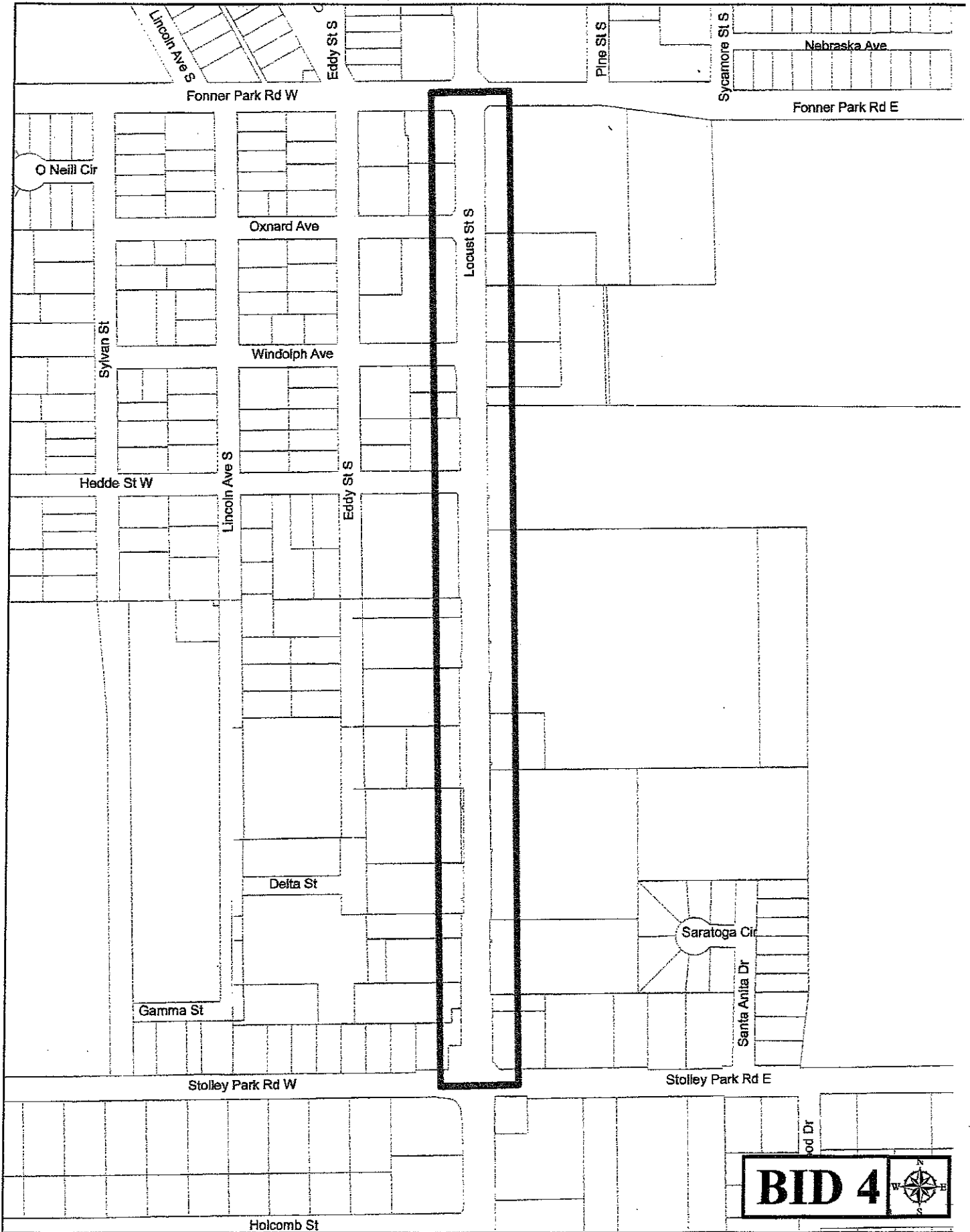
# Hall County Regional Planning Commission

Wednesday, July 10, 2013  
Regular Meeting

## Item Q3

**Council Referral Fonner Park BID 2013**

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**Proposal of Boundaries for  
Fonner Park Business Improvement District 2013  
Grand Island, Nebraska**

Submitted to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Grand Island

June 11, 2013

By

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The South Locust Business Improvement District 2012 is set to expire on September 30, 2013. The Business Improvement District intends to reform as the Fonner Park Business Improvement District. In a letter to the Mayor and City Council dated May 22, 2013, Fonner Park Business Improvement District expressed an interest to form a new Business Improvement District from Fonner Park Road to Stolley Park Road for a three year period. The initial board members and boundaries were approved during the June 11, 2013 Council meeting.

Property owners are organizing their efforts to continue street improvements that are now evident along the southernmost portions of South Locust Street, including pedestrian lighting, landscaping and sidewalks. There are no changes to the Fonner Park BID boundaries. The goals include the redevelopment of South Locust and the Fonner Park area into an appealing corridor and entrance into Grand Island.

State statute 19-4021, R.R.S. 1943, allows for the creation and implementation of a plan for improving the general architectural design of the public areas within the districts, the development of any public activities and promotion of public events, including the management and promotion and advocacy of retail trade activities or other promotional activities, and employing or contracting for personnel for any improvement program under the act.

The establishment of the boundaries for Fonner Park Street Business Improvement District 2013 and the appointment of the aforementioned individuals as board members is the first step toward the creation of the district. Approval is recommended.

If approved, City Council may adopt a resolution to establish the business improvement district. There will then be a period for the property owners in the district to protest the formation of the BID. City Council will then hold a public hearing to create the district. After the hearing Council may pass an ordinance to establish the district.