



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 28, 2014

Council Session

Item G-1

Approving Minutes of January 14, 2014 City Council Regular Meeting

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CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
January 14, 2014

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on January 14, 2014. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on January 8, 2014.

Mayor Jay Vavricek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Bob Niemann, Linna Dee Donaldson, Chuck Haase, Julie Hehnke, Mitch Nickerson, Peg Gilbert, John Gericke, and Vaughn Minton. Councilmember Mike Paulick was absent. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Mary Lou Brown, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Treasurer and Finance Director Jaye Monter, City Attorney Robert Sivick, and Street Superintendent Shannon Callahan.

INVOCATION was given by Interim Pastor Gary Harris, Messiah Lutheran Church, 708 North Locust Street followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Vavricek introduced Community Youth Council member Regan Dimmitt.

PRESENTATION AND PROCLAMATION:

Presentation of Purple Hands Campaign by Vikki Deuel. Members of the Barr Middle School Student Council that were present include Cade McCallum, Wil Stoltenberg, Reghan Kort, Maddie Galusha, Faith Harris, Aleece Fiala and Nyamcol Koang. Vikki Deuel presented an Anti-Bullying Campaign entitled the Purple Hands project. Members of the Council, as well as members of the audience then traced their hands and took the pledge.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Request to Rezone Property Located at 815-823 Orleans Drive from RD Residential Development to RO Residential Office. Councilmember Minton recused himself due to a conflict of interest. Regional Planning Director Chad Nabity reported that this request was to rezone .43 acres along Orleans Drive north of Faidley Avenue and west of St Francis Hospital from RD Residential Development to RO Residential Office Zone. The apartments that were originally built on the site in conformance with the approved development plan have been demolished and the Hospital owns the property and would like to use the existing garages as accessory buildings to the Hospital. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Declaration of Site Known as Redevelopment Area 15 Located between Webb Road and US Hwy 281, North of Old US Hwy 30 and South of Old Potash Hwy. Regional Planning Director Chad Nabity reported that Tim Plate and Doug Luth commissioned a Blight and Substandard Study for Proposed Redevelopment Area No. 15. This area included 65 acres located between Webb Road and US Hwy 281, North of Old US Hwy 30 and South of Old Potash Hwy. Staff recommended approval. Ron Depue, 308 N. Locust and Keith Marvin, David City, spoke in support. No further testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Request from G.E. Enterprises Trust, Gerald Sweley, Co-Trustee on behalf of Viaero Wireless for a Conditional Use Permit for a Wireless Communication Tower Located ½ Mile East of Gunbarrel Road and North of A Road (Merrick County). Building Department Director Craig Lewis reported that an application for a Conditional Use Permit was received from G.E. Enterprises Trust, Gerald Sweley, Co-Trustee on behalf of Viaero Wireless for property located ½ Mile East of Gunbarrel Road and North of A Road (Merrick County). The request was for allowing the construction of a 110 foot lattice telecommunication tower at 149 A Rd. Merrick County to facilitate their cellular service area. Staff recommended approval. Chris Riha, 1512 S Locust spoke in support. Mike Olson, 3741 Sky Park Road, representing the Central Nebraska Regional Airport requested that the tower be lit at the top. Ron Twehous, 138 A Road, spoke in opposition. No further public testimony was heard.

ORDINANCE:

Councilmember Minton recused himself due to conflict of interest.

#9468 – Consideration of Request to Rezone Property Located at 815-823 Orleans Drive from RD Residential Development to RO Residential Office

This item related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Motion by Gilbert, second by Gericke to approve Ordinance #9468 on first reading. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Donaldson, second by Niemann to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Approving Minutes of December 30, 2013 City Council Special Meeting.

Approving Appointment of Vikki Deuel to the Community Development Advisory Board.

#2014-1 – Approving State Bid Awards to Purchase Police Fleet Vehicles with Anderson Ford of Lincoln, NE in an amount of \$258,260.00.

#2014-2 - Approving 2013 State Bid Award for (1) 2013 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD 4x4 Extended Cab Pickup for the Wastewater Division of the Public Works Department with Husker Auto Group of Lincoln, NE in an amount of \$30,384.00.

#2014-3 - Approving Bid Award for One (1) 2014 Model 90,000 GVW Conventional Truck-Tractor for the Solid Waste Division with Nebraska Truck Center of Grand Island, NE in an amount of \$71,500.00.

#2014-4 - Approving Bid Award for One (1) 2014 Solid Waste Transfer Trailer (Solid Waste Division) with Wilkens Industries of Morris, MN in an amount of \$53,690.00.

#2014-5 - Approving Purchase of Cooling Tower Chemicals for Platte Generating Station with Veolia Water Solutions and Technologies of Vandalia, OH in an amount of \$.93 per pound of solution.

#2014-6 - Approving License Agreement between the City of Grand Island and Hamilton Long Distance dba Hamilton Telecommunications in an amount of \$4.00 per pole annual fee.

#2014-7 - Approving Request that Hall County Review the County Industrial Tracts within the City Limits.

#2014-8 – Approving Purchase of Braun Type III Ambulance with Braun Manufacturing of Mt. Prospect, IL in an amount of \$199,922.00.

#2014-9 – Approving Agreement for Advanced EMS Training Field Experience with Iowa Western Community College.

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS:

Consideration of Request from G.E. Enterprises Trust, Gerald Sweley, Co-Trustee on behalf of Viaero Wireless for a Conditional Use Permit for a Wireless Communication Tower located ½ Mile East of Gunbarrel Road and North of A Road (Merrick County). This item related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

City Attorney Bob Sivick recommended the Council do not include the light on the tower and remain consistent with the FAA rules which does not require towers of this height be lit. Mike Olson, representing the Central Nebraska Regional Airport, commented on the safety issues of having the tower lighted along with helicopter base nearby. Building Department Director Craig Lewis spoke of concerns of other towers that were not lighted along with transmission lines. He recommended that a set of standards for the flight zone around the airport be set by Ordinance. Chris Riha, representing Viaero stated they follow FAA rules as well as local ordinances. Regional Planning Director Chad Nabity answered questions regarding the two mile zoning jurisdiction.

Motion by Gilbert, second by Gericke to approve the request with addition of the tower being lit. Councilmembers Gericke, Gilbert, Nickerson, Hehnke, Haase, Donaldson and Niemann voted aye. Councilmember Minton voted no. Motion adopted.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2014-10 - Consideration of Approving Declaration of a Site Known as Redevelopment Area 15 Located between Webb Road and US Hwy 281, North of Old US Hwy 30 and South of Old Potash Hwy. This item related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Discussion was held regarding future development and property values.

Motion by Haase, second by Niemann to approve Resolution #2014-10. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Gilbert, second by Donaldson to approve the Claims for the period of December 31, 2013 through January 14, 2014, for a total amount of \$5,542,093.59. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Nicki Stoltenberg
Assistant to the City Administrator