

# **City of Grand Island**

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 Council Session

### Item E-2

### Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - 3112 W. Old Potash Hwy. - Walker

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director

## **Council Agenda Memo**

From:	Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director
Meeting:	April 8, 2014
Subject:	Acquisition of Utility Easement – 3112 W. Old Potash Highway – Robert H. Walker and Lois E. Walker, Trustees
Item #'s:	E-2 & G-4
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 Robert H. Walker, Trustee of the Robert H. Walker Revocable Living Trust, and Lois E. Walker, Trustee of the Lois E. Walker Revocable Living Trust, located at 3112 W. Old Potash Highway, in the City of Grand Island, Hall County, in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

#### **Discussion**

Culligan is increasing their electrical needs and will need a larger service from the City Utilities Department. To fulfill that need, a three-phase pad-mounted transformer will be located on the property line between Culligan at 3112 Old Potash Highway and Brands at 3120 Old Potash Highway. An easement is needed on both properties to place the transformer. The transformer can serve both businesses.

#### **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.

