



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 26, 2014

Council Session - Updated

Item E-3

**Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - Next to S.
Hwy. 281 by Case New Holland**

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Meeting: August 26, 2014

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement – along the west side of S. Highway 281 to the south of 3445 West Stolley Park Road – CNH Industrial America LLC

Item #'s: E-3 & G-8

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 CNH Industrial America LLC, located along the west side of South U.S. Highway 281 to the south of 3445 West Stolley Park Road, 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

This easement will be used to construct a new three phase overhead power line. The line will provide CNH with a direct feed from the new Substation “J” being constructed on South Blaine Street. The new line should improve reliability of electric service to CNH by isolating it from large feeder circuits serving residential areas.

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.

Sample Motion

Move to approve acquisition of the Utility Easement.

