

# City of Grand Island

### Tuesday, September 9, 2014 Council Session

### Item E-7

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Public Utility Easement for the North Interceptor Phase II; Sanitary Sewer Project No. 2013-S-4 (U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs)

Staff Contact: John Collins, P.E. - Public Works Director

### **Council Agenda Memo**

From: Terry Brown PE, Assistant Public Works Director

Meeting: September 9, 2014

**Subject:** Public Hearing on Acquisition of Public Utility Easement

for the North Interceptor Phase II; Sanitary Sewer Project

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**Item #'s:** E-7 & G-14

**Presenter(s):** John Collins PE, Public Works Director

#### **Background**

Public Works Staff in conjunction with the design engineer, Black & Veatch of Kansas City, Missouri have developed multi-year replacement plan for the City of Grand Island's large diameter gravity sanitary sewer interceptor network. The current planned interceptor, entitled the "North Interceptor" will replace aged force main sanitary sewer, reduce or eliminate current sewer pumping station(s), and provide additional capacity for existing and new growth areas of Grand Island.

The new North Interceptor route was developed to incorporate, and partner with other utilities for the Capital Avenue Widening Project, and the new Headworks Pumping Station Project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This project is funded by SRF Project No. C317867-01, however easements, legal fees & administrative costs are not reimbursable by these funds.

A phased approach of constructing the North Interceptor is as follows:

- Phase I Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) to 7th Street / Skypark Road
- Phase II (Part A) 7<sup>th</sup> Street / Skypark Road to Broadwell Avenue
- Phase II (Part B) Broadwell Avenue to Webb Road
- Phase II (Part C) Webb Road to Diers Avenue (Lift Station No. 19)

Nebraska State Statutes stipulate that the acquisition of property requires a public hearing and approval by the City Council. Public utility easements are needed in the North Interceptor Phase II, Part A & B projects to accommodate public utilities. The easement will allow for the construction, operation, maintenance, extension, repair, replacement, and removal of public utilities within the easement.

#### **Discussion**

A permanent easement is needed from one (1) property owner in these project areas. All documents have been signed and returned by the property owner. Authorization of the document is contingent upon City Council approval.

Owner	Legal	Total
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	THE NORTH 40.00 FEET OF LOT ONE (1), HOME SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, HALL COUNTY, NEBRASKA.  SAID TRACT CONTAINS A CALCULATED AREA OF 17,105 SQUARE FEET OR 0.393 ACRES MORE OR LESS.	\$0.00
		\$0.00

#### **Alternatives**

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

- 1. Move to approve
- 2. Refer the issue to a Committee
- 3. Postpone the issue to future date
- 4. Take no action on the issue

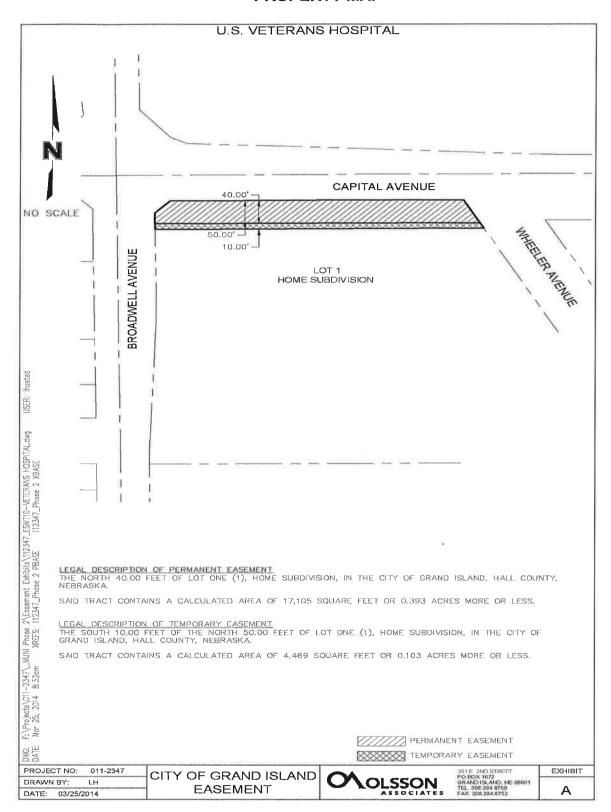
#### Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council conduct a Public Hearing and approve acquisition of the Permanent Easement from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the acquisition of the Easement.

## EXHIBIT B PROPERTY MAP



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