



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Council Session

Item E-4

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

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

Council Agenda Memo

From: Terry Brown PE, Assistant Public Works Director

Meeting: October 28, 2014

Subject: Public Hearing on Acquisition of Public Utility Easement for the North Interceptor Phase II; Sanitary Sewer Project No. 2013-S-4 (Menard)

Item #'s: E-4 & G-12

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 a 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) - 7th 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. A public utility easement is needed in the North Interceptor Phase II, Part C project to accommodate public utilities. The easement will allow for construction, operation, maintenance, extension, repair, replacement and removal of public utilities within the easement.

This project is funded by the State Revolving Funds (SRF) Project #C317981-01.

Discussion

A permanent easement is needed from one (1) property owner in this project area. All documents have been signed and returned by the property owner. Authorization of the document is contingent upon City Council approval. Following is a summary of the payments, totaling \$17,600.00, for the property.

Tract No	Owner	Legal	Total
16	John R. Menard	THE NORTH 30.00 FEET OF LOT SIX (6), MENARD SECOND SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, HALL COUNTY, NEBASKA. SAID TRACT CONTAINS A CALCULATED AREA OF 7,039 SQUARE FEET OR 0.162 ACRES MORE OR LESS.	\$17,600.00
TOTAL			\$17,600.00

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 in the amount of \$17,600.00.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the acquisition of the easement.

