City of Grand Island

Item G15

#2001-332 Approving Modification to Community Development Block Grant Project Area

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Department of Economic Development, Community Development Block Grant Program, funds housing activities and infrastructure improvements in areas that have been designated by the individual community as the Community Development Project Area. The Project Area is determined based on criteria defined by the DED, which must include at least 100 household with 51% or more low to moderate income families. Currently, the City of Grand Island's Community Development Project Area is bound on the northeast by 15th Street, Willow on the east, Fourth Street from Willow Street to the railroad and then south to Division Street and Walnut Street on the west.

Over the course of the past year, the City staff, in conjunction with the Community Redevelopment Authority, has identified the area north of the existing 15th Street boundary as a potential area for a housing development project. Because the vacant property is located outside of the Project Area, it is proposed that the project area be amended to include the vacant, undeveloped property north of the existing boundaries. Because the property is raw land, it is not required for a survey to be conducted to qualify it as a low-income area.

Additionally, as a housekeeping matter, the Warren Lane area, from 12th Street north two blocks and bound by the railroad tracks on the west and St. Paul Road on the east, should be formally included in the Project Area map. This area was surveyed for eligibility in 2000 and



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RESOLUTION 2001-332

WHEREAS, the Department of Economic Development, Community Development Block Grant Program, funds housing activities and infrastructure improvements in areas that have been designated by the individual community as the Community Development Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Project Area is determined based on criteria defined by the Department of Economic Development, which must include at least 100 households with 51% or more low to moderate income families; and

WHEREAS, the existing Community Development Project Area is bound on the northeast by 15th Street, Willow Street on the east, Fourth Street from Willow Street to the railroad tracks and then south to Division Street and Walnut Street on the west; and

WHEREAS, City staff, in conjunction with the Community Redevelopment Authority, has identified the area north of the existing 15th Street boundary as a potential area for a housing development project, and proposes its inclusion in the Project Area; and

WHEREAS, it is also recommended that the Warren Lane area, from 12th Street north two blocks and bound by the railroad tracts on the west and St. Paul Road on the east be included in the Project Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the boundaries of the Community Development Project Area be extended as shown on the attached map.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska on December 4, 2001.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ? _____ November 30, 2001 ? City Attorney

