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# **City of Grand Island**

## **City Council Information Packet**



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**

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**Call to Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance /Invocation - Father Tim Anderson, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church**

**Roll Call**

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## **A - SUBMITTAL OF REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS**

Individuals who have appropriate items for City Council consideration should complete the Request for Future Agenda Items form located at the Information Booth. If the issue can be handled administratively without Council action, notification will be provided. If the item is scheduled for a meeting or study session, notification of the date will be given.

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## **B - RESERVE TIME TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS**

This is an opportunity for individuals wishing to provide input on any of tonight's agenda items to reserve time to speak. Please come forward, state your name and address, and the Agenda topic on which you will be speaking.



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# City of Grand Island

## Item -1

### Election of City Council President

*The City Council is required to elect one Councilmember to the office of Council President. The term is for a one-year period. The Council President automatically assumes the duties of the Mayor in the event that the Mayor is absent or otherwise unable to fulfill his duties. Nebraska law allows the election of the Council President to be by secret ballot. The total number of votes for each candidate; however, must be stated and recorded in the Minutes. Past practice has included a run-off election between the top two nominees, if necessary. The City Clerk will prepare, distribute, and count ballots. Nominations to fill the vacancy are in order. A second to the motion is not required on nominations.*



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## Item F1

### **#8704 Consideration of Proposed Modifications to City Council Ward Boundaries Resulting From Redistricting (Final Reading)**

*This ordinance relates to Council action taken on November 6, 2001 and November 20, 2001, whereby Council approved Ordinance #8704 on first and second reading. It has been recommended that this item be brought before the Council on three different readings.*

*Every 10 years, in conjunction with the release of Census data, governing bodies are required to review the boundaries of their existing wards to address any population shifts that might result in a need to equalize population. In July, the City Council formed a Redistricting Committee to review the boundaries of the City Council wards, make recommendations relative to proposed ward boundary modifications and explore the idea of amending the make-up of the elected municipal body to allow for at-large representatives.*

*Census data provided to the Committee indicated that redrawing or balancing of the wards is required to more equitably equalize population and representation. According to the 2000 Census figures for overall city population, the approximate number of residents per ward should be 8,588. Current population figures are:*

*Ward 1 9,307  
Ward 2 9,164  
Ward 3 8,980  
Ward 4 7,683  
Ward 5 7,807*



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ORDINANCE NO. 8704

An ordinance to amend Chapter 14 of the Grand Island City Code pertaining to Elections; to amend Section 14-3 pertaining to wards and boundaries; to define the boundaries of the Wards in the City of Grand Island; to adopt a revised map of such wards; to repeal Section 14-3 as currently existing; and to provide for publication and the effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. Section 14-3 of the Grand Island City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**§14-3. Wards; Boundaries**

The City of Grand Island, Nebraska, is hereby divided into five wards, numbered 1 through 5, the boundaries of such wards defined as shown on the drawing entitled, "*Election Ward Map of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska*," dated November 1, 2001, which drawing is attached hereto and is hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance by reference, to have the same force and effect as if such drawing and all notations, references, and other information shown thereon were fully set forth and described herein. The drawing and ordinance shall remain on file in the office of the city clerk.

SECTION 2. Section 14-3 of the Grand Island City Code as currently existing is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and publication, within fifteen days in one issue of the Grand Island Independent as provided by law.

Enacted: December 4, 2001.

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Ken Gnadt, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ? _____ November 30, 2001 ? City Attorney
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# City of Grand Island

## Item F2

### **#8705 Consideration of Creating Sanitary Sewer District # 503, Edna Drive in Gosda Subdivision**

*This Ordinance provides for the establishment of a Sanitary Sewer District located in Gosda Subdivision. The District would provide for the construction of a sanitary sewer line and related appurtenances to Edna Drive. The area is not currently served by the City sanitary sewer system. The costs would be primarily funded through assessments. The formation of the District is in accordance with State law. A 30 day protest period follows the publication of creation of the District. See ORDINANCE.*



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ORDINANCE NO. 8705

An ordinance creating Sanitary Sewer District No. 503 of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for the laying of sanitary sewer mains in said district; providing for plans and specifications and securing bids; providing for the assessment of special taxes for constructing such sewer and collection thereof; and providing for publication and the effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. Sanitary Sewer District No. 503 is hereby created for the construction of eight (8.0) inch sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances thereto in a part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty Three (23), Township Eleven (11) North, Range Ten (10) West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. and a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty Four (24), Township Eleven (11) North, Range Ten (10) West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. all in the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska.

SECTION 2. The boundaries of such sanitary sewer district shall be as follows:

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ORDINANCE NO. 8705 (Cont.)

Beginning at the northwest corner of Gosda Subdivision; thence east along the north line of Gosda Subdivision and the extension thereof to a point Thirty Three (33.0) feet east of the northeast corner of Gosda Subdivision; thence south on a line Thirty Three (33.0) feet east of and parallel to the east line of Gosda Subdivision to a point Sixty Six (66.0) feet east of the southeast corner of Lot One (1), Block One (1), Gosda Subdivision and the extension of the south line of said Lot One (1); thence west on the extension of the south line of Lot One (1), Block One (1), Gosda Subdivision and the south line of Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), Six (6), Seven (7), and Eight (8) and the extension of the south line of Lot Eight (8), Block One (1) to the west line of Gosda Subdivision; thence north on the west line of Gosda Subdivision to the point of beginning, all as shown on the plat dated October 2, 2000, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 3. Said improvement shall be made in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Engineer for the City who shall estimate the cost thereof, and submit the same to the City Council, and thereafter, bids for the construction of such sanitary sewer shall be taken and contracts entered into in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 4. The cost of construction of such sanitary sewer district shall be assessed against the property within the district abutting upon the easement or other right-of-way within which such sanitary sewer main has been constructed, to the extent of benefits to such property by reason of such improvement, and a special tax shall be levied at one time to pay for such cost of construction as soon as can be ascertained as provided by law; and such special tax and assessments shall constitute a sinking fund for the payment of any warrants or bonds with interest, issued for the purpose of paying the cost of such sewer in such district; and such special assessments shall be paid and collected in a fund to be designated and known as the Sewer and Water Extension Fund and out of which all warrants issued for the purpose of paying the cost of sanitary sewer shall be paid.



ORDINANCE NO. 8705 (Cont.)

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage, approval and publication, without the plat, as provided by law.

SECTION 6. This ordinance, with the plat, is hereby directed to be filed in the office of the Register of Deeds of Hall County, Nebraska.

SECTION 7. After passage, approval and publication of this ordinance, notice of the creation of said district shall be published in the Grand Island Independent, a legal newspaper published and of general circulation in said City, as provided by law.

Enacted: November 4, 2001.

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Ken Gnadt, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G1

### **Receipt of Official Document - Civil Service Minutes of November 13, 2001**

*The Minutes of the November 13, 2001 Civil Service Meeting are submitted. See attached MINUTES.*



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**Council Session**

**MINUTES**  
**CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**November 13, 2001**

Roll Call:           Members Present:       Leeper, Hilligas, Burns  
                  Members Absent:       None

Leeper called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Notice of meeting was published in the November 9, 2001 edition of the Grand Island Independent.

Burns moved to approve the Minutes of the October 18, 2001, meeting. Hilligas seconded the motion, which carried unanimously upon roll call vote.

The Commission amended the agenda to make a correction to the September 18, 2001, minutes. At that meeting, Waters was certified by the Commission for eligibility to fill a Police Officer vacancy. However, Waters had previously called to remove his name from the eligibility list due to employment elsewhere, and Bentley should have been the individual certified. Burns moved to remove Waters from the eligibility list and certify Bentley. Hilligas seconded the motion, which carried unanimously upon roll call vote.

The Commission reviewed the results of the Police exam administered on October 24, 2001. Hilligas moved that all applicants who scored 70% or higher, namely, Luft, Penner, Anderson, Erickson, Brown, Watson, Denny, Mireau, Castleberry, Hough, Bennett, Bentley, Falmlen, Kusek, Ganow, and Manivong be placed on the Police eligibility list through May 9, 2001. Leeper seconded the motion, which passed unanimously upon roll call vote.

Hilligas moved to remove Bentley from the eligibility list due to employment with the Grand Island Police department. Burns seconded the motion, which carried unanimously upon roll call vote.

The Commission reviewed the results of the Firefighter/Paramedic exams administered on October 26, 2001. Hilligas moved that all applicants who scored 70% or higher, namely, Kieckhafer, Ashburn and McDowell be placed on the Firefighter/Paramedic eligibility list. Burns seconded the motion, which passed unanimously upon roll call vote.

The Commission reviewed the results of the Firefighter/EMT exam administered on October 26, 2001. Burns moved that all applicants who scored a 70% or higher, namely, Lilienthal, Backer, Goldfeder, Brown, Thiele, Calleroz, Craig, Mann, Michel, Thomsen, Pittman, Binder, Rish, Hintzman, Stinemetz, Studnicka, Wilson, Buck, Kulhanek and Pfeiffer be placed on the Firefighter/EMT eligibility list. Hilligas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously upon roll call vote.

There being no further business, Burns moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 a.m. Hilligas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously upon roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Sutherland, Secretary  
Civil Service Commission  
by Al Satterly, Secretary Designee

Approved by Civil Service Commission – 11/30/01  
Copies of approved minutes to: City Clerk

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G2

### **Approving Minutes of November 20, 2001 City Council Regular Meeting**

*The Minutes of the November 20, 2001 City Council Regular Meeting are submitted for approval. See attached MINUTES.*



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## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

### CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

#### MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

November 20, 2001

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on November 20, 2001. Notice of the meeting was given in the Grand Island Independent on November 14, 2001.

Mayor Ken Gnadt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Councilmembers Pielstick, Ward, Seifert, Larson, Hornady, Whitesides, Haase, Murray, Walker and Sorensen. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Marlan Ferguson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director David Springer, Public Works Director Steve Riehle and City Attorney Charlie Cuypers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was said followed by INVOCATION given by Lee Casey, Director of Pastorial Services at St. Francis Medical Center.

#### PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Recognition of Andrea Dunagan, Class "A" State Girls Golf Individual Championship Title. The Mayor and City Council recognized Andrea Dunagan, Senior High School student, for receiving the Individual Championship Title in the Class "A" State Girls Golf Meet held here in Grand Island. Andrea is the daughter of Dr. Tim and Cheryl Dunagan. Senior High Girls Golf coach is Kevin Bartlett.

Recognition of Crystal Grantham for National and State Awards Received for 2001 Volunteer of the Year. The Mayor and City Council recognized Crystal Grantham for receiving both National and State Awards for the 2001 Volunteer of the Year Program. Crystal had volunteered over 1,280 hours at the Grand Island Veterans Home, starting when she was 12 years old.

Recognition of the Son's of the American Legion Squadron 53 for Receiving the State Group Award for 2001 Volunteer of the Year. The Mayor and City Council recognized the Son's of the American Legion Squadron 53 for receiving the State Group Award for 2001 Volunteers of the Year. Fifteen active volunteers enjoy assisting at the Grand Island Veterans Home during the year to help with activities and events.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Request of Nathan Detroit's, Inc. dba Nathan Detroit's, 316 North Pine Street, for Addition to Premise to Liquor License "C-31274". RaNae Edwards, City Clerk, reported that Nathan Detroit's, Inc. dba Nathan Detroit's, 316 North Pine Street, had submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for addition to premise to their Class "C-31274" Liquor License. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the Liquor

Control Commission and received by the City on November 5, 2001; notice to applicant of date, time and place of hearing mailed on November 6, 2001; notice to the general public of date, time and place of hearing published on November 10, 2001; Chapter 4 of City Code and departmental reports as required by City Code. Stan Bilka, 418 West Division, representing Nathan Detroit's was present to answer questions. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Request of El Palenque, Inc. dba El Marinero, 102 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, for Class "C" Liquor License. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk, reported that El Palenque, Inc. dba El Marinero, 102 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, had submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for a Class "C" Liquor License. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the Liquor Control Commission and received by the City on November 9, 2001; notice to applicant of date, time and place of hearing mailed on November 9, 2001; notice to the general public of date, time and place of hearing published on November 10, 2001; Chapter 4 of City Code and departmental reports as required by City Code. Tom Wagoner, attorney for El Marinero, was present to answer questions. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement Located on the South Side of "C" Road, 1/2 Mile East of Gunbarrel Road (Harold B. Stoppkotte Family Trust) Gary Mader, Utilities Director, reported that acquisition of a utility easement relative to property of the Harold B. Stoppkotte Family Trust, located on the south side of "C" Road, 1/2 mile east of Gunbarrel Road, in Merrick County, was required in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances. The easement would be for the reconstruction three phase overhead line that feeds the old Stoppkotte homestead and an irrigation well. There was no easement for the original line constructed over 50 years ago. This easement would clear up and update any old records. One dollar (\$1.00) for the easement would be paid to the grantor. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Permanent Utility Easement for Sanitary Sewer District #493 Located on the East Side of North Road From Faidley Avenue South 825' (T & E Cattle Company). Steve Riehle, Public Works Director, reported that acquisition of a right of way located on the east side of North Road from Faidley Avenue south for approximately 825 feet was required in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair utilities. The utilities may include power appurtenances, including lines and transformers, sanitary and storm sewers, water mains, etc. This easement was needed for the construction of Sanitary Sewer District #493. No public testimony was heard.

#### ORDINANCES:

Councilmember Sorensen moved that the statutory rules requiring ordinances to be read by title on three different days be suspended and that ordinances numbered:

#8704 – Consideration of Proposed Modifications to City Council Ward Boundaries Resulting from Redistricting (Second Reading)

Councilmember Murray made a motion to approve Ordinance #8704, second by Larson. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye.

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilmember Pielstick requested that items G-3b and G-3c be removed from the Consent Agenda. Motion by Pielstick, second by Walker, carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda minus items G-3b and G-3c.

Receipt of Official Document Including Amended Civil Service Minutes of September 18, 2001 and Civil Service Minutes of October 18, 2001.

Approving Minutes of November 6, 2001 City Council Regular Meeting.

Approving Minutes of November 13, 2001 City Council Study Session.

Approving Request of Nathan Detroit's, Inc. dba Nathan Detroit's, 316 North Pine Street, for Addition to Premise to Liquor License "C-31274".

Approving Request of Cindy Albers, 111 West 13<sup>th</sup> Street, for Liquor Manager Designation for Grand Island Pizza Hut, Inc. dba Pizza Hut, 1816 North Webb Road.

#2001-315 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located on the South Side of "C" Road, ½ Mile East of Gunbarrel Road. (Harold B. Stoppkotte Family Trust)

#2001-316 – Approving Acquisition of Permanent Utility Easement for Sanitary Sewer District #493 Located on the East Side of North Road From Faidley Avenue South 825'. (T & E Cattle Company)

#2001-317 – Awarding Contract to ABB, Inc., Littleton, Colorado, for Distributed Control System in the Amount of \$232,685.00.

#2001-318 – Approving Agreement with Sargent & Lundy, Chicago, Illinois, for Precipitator Inlet/Outlet Duct Engineering Services, Not to Exceed \$67,500.00.

#2001-319 – Approving Final Plat and Subdivision Agreement for Cooper Subdivision. It was noted that Jeanie Cooper, owner, had submitted a final plat for Cooper Subdivision, located South of 1st Street and East of Kimball for the purpose to re-subdivide all of Lot 4, Block 93, Original Town of Grand Island into 2 lots.

#2001-320 – Approving Amendment to the Speed Limit on South Locust Between US Highway 34 and the Wood River Bridge.

#2001-321 – Approving Stop Sign at Platte Valley Boulevard and Juergen Road.

Approving Request of El Palenque, Inc. dba El Marinero, 102 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, for Class "C" Liquor License. Motion by Ward, second by Larson to forward to the Liquor Control Commission with no recommendation. Carried unanimously.

Approving Request of Javier de la Torre, 610 North Walnut Street, for Liquor Manager Designation for El Palenque, Inc. dba El Marinero, 102 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion by Ward, second by Larson to forward to the Liquor Control Commission with no recommendation. Carried unanimously.

REQUEST AND REFERRALS:

Request of Super Bowl Enterprises, Inc. dba Super Bowl, 1010 Bismark Road, for Class "C" Liquor License. It was noted that a hearing was held on November 6, 2001 before the City Council and that this item was tabled at that time because the applicant had not requested inspections as required by the City Code. It was also noted that a letter from the City Clerk, setting out the liquor license procedures was mailed on November 7, 2001.

Motion by Whitesides, second by Pielstick to forward to the Liquor Control Commission with no recommendation.

Councilmember Whitesides stated that George Overfield has not been a good neighbor and that there had been several problems with Super Bowl. Councilmember Pielstick stated that she had received several phone calls of people complaining about the weeds around Super Bowl. Charlie Cuypers, City Attorney, stated that this business is policed more than any other in the city and that his office is contacted regularly concerning complaint from neighbors. George Overfield, owner of Super Bowl spoke in support. Ann Miller and Ron Miller, 704 South Cherry Street, spoke in opposition. Councilmember Murray stated that the neighbors may have valid concerns but that the issue before Council was concerning the liquor license and that all requirements had been met and felt that this should be approved.

Councilmember Whitesides changed his motion to deny the request of the Class "C" Liquor License. Councilmember Pielstick seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote. Councilmembers Whitesides and Pielstick voted aye. Councilmembers Ward, Larson, Seifert, Hornady, Haase, Murray, Walker and Sorensen voted nay. Motion failed.

Motion was made by Larson, second by Ward to approve the request. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Ward, Larson, Seifert, Hornady, Haase, Murray, Walker and Sorensen voted aye. Councilmembers Pielstick and Whitesides voted nay. Motion was adopted.

Request of George Overfield, 2023 Lamar Avenue, for Liquor Manager Designation for Super Bowl Enterprises, Inc. dba Super Bowl, 1010 Bismark Road. It was noted that George Overfield, 2023 Lamar Avenue, representing Super Bowl, 1010 Bismark Road, had submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for a Liquor Manager Designation in conjunction with the Class "C-53722" Liquor License and that this application had been reviewed by the Police Department and City Clerk's Office

Motion by Ward, second by Seifert to approve the request of George Overfield for a Liquor Manager Designation for Super Bowl. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Ward, Larson, Seifert, Hornady, Haase, Murray, Walker and Sorensen vote aye. Councilmembers Whitesides and Pielstick vote nay. Motion adopted.



Request of Council President Jackie Pielstick to Discuss Non-Emergency Long Distance Transfers by the Grand Island Fire Department. Mayor Gnadt reviewed the process that had taken place with regards to the Fire Services committee and their recommendations. Mayor Gnadt stated that providing efficient fire and medical services was very important along with all services provided by the city. He also stated that the largest increases to the budget were for public safety. Mayor Gnadt mentioned the analysis study that was conducted by Shonssey CPA and the committee that was formed. It was mentioned that the committee felt that we should not be competing with private enterprise. The Mayor also apologized to the Council for the way this situation was handled, by not informing the Council on his decision before it was published in the paper.

Jim Rowell, Fire Chief, spoke about the efficiencies of the department. Mr. Rowell stated that private ambulance companies are required to have the same educational qualifications as the Grand Island Fire Department/Paramedics (GIFD). He also stated that the working relationship between the GIFD and the private ambulance companies had been very good.

Councilmember Pielstick mentioned that in February the Council had stated that they did not want to see changes in the Fire Department. She also stated that the City has the best department and that this should not be an enterprise fund.

Kim Wolfe, 2650 North Diers Avenue, representing Midwest Medical, commented on the excellent service of the Fire Department and felt this issue was between the City Council and the Fire Department. Mr. Wolfe stated that his business was strictly non-emergency transfers and that they depend on the GIFD and vice versa. He also mentioned the good working relationship with the GIFD and would like to see that continue.

Councilmember Walker stated that the biggest problem was not knowing about this until it came out in the paper. Mr. Walker asked what the current policy was for long distance transfers. Larry Nelson, EMS Division Chief, state that as of today he was unclear as to who gets called first on non-emergency transfers, but that emergency transfers were going to the GIFD first.

Marlan Ferguson, City Administrator, stated that the changes for non-emergency transfers would take place beginning January 1, 2002.

Councilmember Haase stated she felt it was important for the private companies to feel welcome here in Grand Island and that they provide a good service and we were fortunate to have Midwest Medical here in the city.

Councilmember Sorensen stated that his constituents were upset and feels the people should have the choice of which ambulance service they want. He felt competition was good.

Councilmember Whitesides commented on the lack of communication on this issue and feels everyone should have the freedom of choice, which is not allowed under the new policy.

Councilmember Ward stated that if the GIFD was making money on the transfers, then he felt we should continue them, but if we were losing money we should discontinue them. Mr. Ward asked what constitutes a non-emergency transfer. It was mentioned that all transfers could possibly become an emergency.

Councilmember Hornady stated that the issue was non-emergency transfers only and felt the these should be done by private enterprise.

Councilmember Pielstick requested that the Mayor rescind his decision to stop non-emergency transfer and appoint two representatives from the Council, Fire Department, Private Ambulance Service and Hospital to look into this. The Mayor stated that he was willing to appoint a committee.

The following people spoke regarding this issue:

Lyna Abshier, 4035 Driftwood Drive  
Cale Neal, 2516 Sothman Drive  
Maynard Lif, 1214 North Howard Avenue  
Tom O'Neill, 804 West Stolley Park Road  
Karen Reese, representing St. Francis Medical Center, 2123 West Koenig Street  
Allen Doudua, 524 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lewis Kent, 624 East Meves Aveneue  
Ann Miller, 704 South Cherry Street  
Glendale Reiss, 910 North Boggs #104  
Robert Meyer, 648 East Memorial Drive  
Tim O'Neill, 1203 South Sylvan Street  
Betty Curtis, 2616 Chanticleer Street  
Sharon Manning, 3999 West Capital Avenue

Councilmember Larson mentioned his personal experience with a private ambulance service and was very satisfied with the job they did. He also stated that in all areas of city government we have outside services helping us out. Mr. Larson stated that outside sources and private enterprises have their place in government and feels that forming a committee to study these areas was a good idea.

Motion was made by Seifert to leave the long distance transfers as they currently are. Second by Ward. Carried unanimously to approve. It was the consensus of the Council that a committee would be formed to look at this issue.

Scott Kuehl, president of the Grand Island firefighter's union spoke on behalf of the GIFD. He felt private companies were important, but if it isn't broke, don't fix it. John Meyer 4059 Horseshoe Place, wondered why Larry Nelson was not included in the decision making process.

Councilmember Pielstick congratulated Larry Nelson for his accomplishment of graduating from the US National Fire Academy.

It was agreed by Council that the committee must meet immediately and be brought back before Council with recommendations before January 1, 2002.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Whitesides, second by Ward, carried unanimously to approve the Claims for the period of November 7, 2001 through November 20, 2001, claims #113393 through #113844 for a total amount of \$1,461,978.52.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

RaNae Edwards  
City Clerk

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G3

### **Approving Minutes of November 27, 2001 City Council Special Study Session**

*The Minutes of the November 27, 2001 City Council Special Study Session are submitted for approval. See attached MINUTES.*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

### CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

#### MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL SPEICAL STUDY SESSION

November 27, 2001

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Study Session of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted at the Edith Abbott Memorial Library, 211 North Washington Street, on November 27, 2001. Notice of the meeting was given in the Grand Island Independent on November 21, 2001.

Mayor Ken Gnadt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Councilmembers Pielstick, Ward, Seifert, Larson, Hornady, Whitesides, Haase, Murray, Walker and Sorensen. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Marlan Ferguson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, City Attorney Charlie Cuypers, Public Works Director Steve Riehle and Finance Director David Springer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was said.

Presentation of Short Term Renovation Plans for the Library. Steve Fosselman, Library Director, reported that Clark Enersen Partners architectural firm had been hired to conduct a feasibility study of short-term improvements at the library. Jerry Bryant, Library Board President, was introduced. A tour of the library was given by Steve Fosselman, Library Director and Jerry Bryant.

Greg Newport, representative from Clark Enersen Partners, presented the short-term needs of the library. The following suggestions were recommended:

- Remodeling the current conference room into a combination of office space for the assistant director and workroom space to alleviate current staff workspace congestion
- Creation of an enclosed computer lab (with space for six students and one instructor) in the reference section to maintain the library's computer class services that have been conducted in the conference room using a make-shift mobile lab
- Creation of an enclosed small study room in the reference section with space for six to eight people
- Division of the current meeting room into two spaces with the addition of a modular partition, in order to make the room usable as one or two rooms as needed
- Various other minor improvements to make the best use of current library facilities

Total cost would be approximately \$100,000. Much of the construction work would be done after hours and on weekends, with a construction time of approximately three months. The Library Foundation fund was discussed. Councilmember Pielstick suggested that the Library Foundation help financially with this project.

The consensus of the council was to proceed with the project.

Discussion Relative to Employee Handbook. Brenda Sutherland, Personnel Director, reported that the Council had been in the process of reviewing the proposed Personnel Rules for the employees of the City of Grand Island.

Councilmember Pielstick stated the only area of concern she had was the residency requirement. Discussion was had on the reasons why the residency requirement was different for Directors and employees. The main reason was to have a greater area to draw from for the Police Department and Fire Department applicants. Current residency requirement is two miles, with the change to be ten miles.

Ms. Sutherland reviewed the bilingual pay and employee grievance changes. It was suggested that the residency requirement be voted on at the December 4, 2001 council meeting and the complete Employee Handbook be voted on at the December 18, 2001 council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

RaNae Edwards  
City Clerk

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G4

### **Approving Requests of Jess D. Vetrovsky, 200 South LaSalle, Beatrice, Nebraska for Liquor Manager Designations for Gas 'N Shop**

*Jess D. Vetrovsky, 200 South LaSalle, Beatrice, Nebraska, representing Gas 'N Shop, Inc., has submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for Liquor Manager Designations for the following locations:*

*Gas 'N Shop, 4150 West Highway 30, Class "B-34189" and "K-64191"*

*Gas 'N Shop, 1814 North Eddy Street, Class "D-43512"*

*Gas 'N Shop, 806 North Eddy Street, Class "D-13611"*

*Gas 'N Shop, 1219 West 2nd Street, Class "B-25279"*

*These applications have been reviewed by the Police Department and City Clerk's Office. Approval is recommended.*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G5

### **#2001-322 Approving City Council Meeting Schedule for 2002**

*It is customary each December for the City Council to formally establish its regular meeting schedule for the following calendar year. The City Clerk has prepared the proposed 2002 meeting schedule. This provides for the first regular City Council meeting on January 8, 2002. Approval is recommended. See attached RESOLUTION.*



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## **2002 CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

### **2002 City Council Meetings**

January 8, 2002  
January 22, 2002  
February 12, 2002  
February 26, 2002  
March 12, 2002  
March 26, 2002  
April 9, 2002  
April 23, 2002  
May 7, 2002  
May 21, 2002  
June 11, 2002  
June 25, 2002  
July 9, 2002  
July 23, 2002  
August 13, 2002  
August 27, 2002  
September 10, 2002  
September 24, 2002  
October 8, 2002  
October 22, 2002  
November 5, 2002  
November 19, 2002  
December 3, 2002  
December 17, 2002

### **2002 City Council Study Sessions**

January 15, 2002  
February 5, 2002  
February 19, 2002  
March 5, 2002  
March 19, 2002  
April 2, 2002  
April 16, 2002  
May 14, 2002  
June 4, 2002  
June 18, 2002  
July 2, 2002  
July 16, 2002  
August 6, 2002  
August 20, 2002  
September 17, 2002  
October 1, 2002  
October 15, 2002  
November 12, 2002  
November 26, 2002  
December 10, 2002

R E S O L U T I O N   2001-322

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska will meet in the Council Chambers, 100 East First Street at 7:00 p.m. on the below-mentioned dates, and that the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska will meet in Study Session in the Community Meeting Room of City Hall, 100 East First Street at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

**2002 City Council Meetings:**

January 8, 2002  
January 22, 2002  
February 12, 2002  
February 26, 2002  
March 12, 2002  
March 26, 2002  
April 9, 2002  
April 23, 2002  
May 7, 2002  
May 21, 2002  
June 11, 2002  
June 25, 2002  
July 9, 2002  
July 23, 2002  
August 13, 2002  
August 27, 2002  
September 10, 2002  
September 24, 2002  
October 8, 2002  
October 22, 2002  
November 5, 2002  
November 19, 2002  
December 3, 2002  
December 17, 2002

**2002 City Council Study Sessions:**

January 15, 2002  
February 5, 2002  
February 19, 2002  
March 5, 2002  
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April 16, 2002  
May 14, 2002  
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July 16, 2002  
August 6, 2002  
August 20, 2002  
September 17, 2002  
October 1, 2002  
October 15, 2002  
November 12, 2002  
November 26, 2002  
December 10, 2002

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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November 30, 2001 ? City Attorney

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G6

### #2001-323 Awarding Bid for Two Cardiac Monitors

*The Fire Department, has submitted a request for awarding a bid for two cardiac monitors. Two bids were received ranging from \$20,700 to \$40,844. The low bid was submitted by Medtronic Physio-Control Corporation of Redmond, WA in the amount of \$20,700. There are sufficient funds for this purchase in account number 100.20.12130.05615. The budgeted estimate was \$46,000. It is recommended that the bid be awarded to Medtronic Physio-Control Corporation in the amount of \$20,700. See attached staff report and RESOLUTION.*



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R E S O L U T I O N   2001-323

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Two Cardiac Monitors for the Fire Department, according to plans and specifications on file with the Purchasing Division of the Legal Department; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2001, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Medtronic Physio-Control Corp. of Redmond, West Virginia, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$20,700; and

WHEREAS, Medtronic Physio-Control Corp.'s bid is less than the engineer's estimate for such item.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Medtronic Physio-Control Corp. of Redmond, West Virginia, in the amount of \$20,700 for two cardiac monitors is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid.

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G7

### **#2001-324 Awarding Bid For for Purchase and Installation of Ball Field Lights at George Park**

*The Park and Recreation Department has submitted a request for awarding a bid for ball field lighting of four fields at George Park. Four bids were received ranging from \$134,000.00 to \$76,470. The low bid was submitted by Ensley Electrical Services of Grand Island in the amount of \$76,470.00. There are sufficient funds for this purchase in account number 400.03.40019.05608. The engineers estimate was \$125,000.00. It is recommended that the bid be awarded to Ensley Eleectrical Services in the amount of \$76,470.00. See RESOLUTION.*



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**Council Session**

R E S O L U T I O N   2001-324

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Furnishing and Installation of Ball Field Lighting at George Park, according to plans and specifications on file at the Parks and Recreation Department office; and

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2001, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Ensley Electrical Services, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$76,470; and

WHEREAS, Ensley Electrical Services, Inc.'s bid is less than the engineer's estimate for such project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Ensley Electrical Services, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$76,470 for furnishing and installation of ball field lighting at George Park is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a contract for such project between the City and such contractor be entered into, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G8

### **#2001-325 Awarding Bid for Purchase of Dump Truck for Cemetery**

*The Park and Recreation Department, Cemetery Division, has submitted a request for awarding a bid for one dump truck. Bids were received ranging from \$27,073.00 after trade and with options to \$30,107.00 after trade with options. The low bid was submitted by Nebraska Truck Center of Grand Island in the amount of \$27,073.00. There are sufficient funds for this purchase in account number 100.40.14430.05625. The engineers estimate was \$30,000.00. It is recommended that the bid be awarded to Nebraska Truck Center in the amount of \$27,073.00. See attached staff report and RESOLUTION.*



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**Council Session**



R E S O L U T I O N   2001-325

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for one new 2002 11,000-15,000 GVW Dump Truck for the Cemetery Division, according to plans and specifications on file with the Cemetery Division office; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2001, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska Truck Center Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$27,073 after trade-in; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska Truck Center's bid is less than the engineer's estimate for such vehicle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Nebraska Truck Center Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$27,073 after trade in for one new 2002 11,000-15,000 GVW dump truck is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid.

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G9

### #2001-326 Awarding Bid for Tree Trimming Project 2002-TT-1

*In order to provide for public safety and electric reliability, the Utilities Department developed specifications for trimming of trees around overhead power lines. A map of the areas to be trimmed is attached.*

*The provisions of the contract consist of furnishing labor, tools, and equipment to trim trees from around the City's overhead electric lines. In order to achieve the best and lowest cost, and expedite completion, the work was bid in eight (8) sections:*

*Section 02-1 South of Second Street, east of Pine Street, north of Ashton Street, and west of Cherry Street.*

*Section 02-2 South of Groff Street and its extension, east of Locust Street, north of Bismark Road, and west of Stuhr Road.*

*Section 02-3 South of Bismark Road, east of Locust Street, north of Nebraska Avenue, and west of Vine Street.*

*Section 02-4 South of Bismark Road, east of Sycamore Street, north of Fonner Park Road, and west of Stuhr Road.*

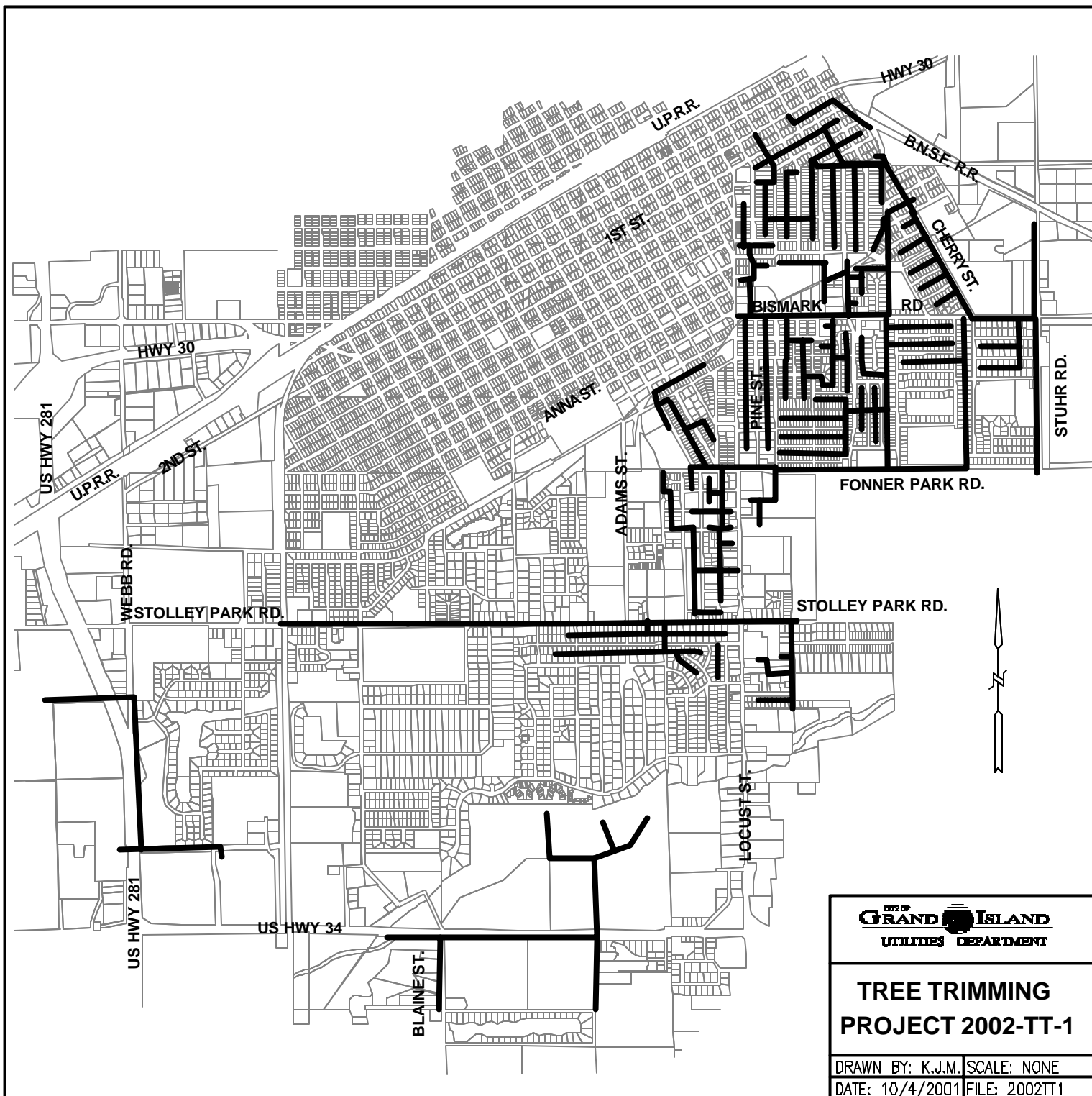
*Section 02-5 South of Oklahoma Avenue, east of Lincoln Street, north of Fonner Park Road,*



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R E S O L U T I O N    2001-326

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited bids for Tree Trimming Project 2002-TT-1 for the Utilities Department, according to the plans and specifications on file with the City Engineer and with the Utility Engineering Office; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2001, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, the requested work has been divided into eight sections in order to achieve the best and lowest cost, and expedite the completion of the work; and

WHEREAS, Sheffield Tree Service of Grand Island, Nebraska, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and the plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$44,600 for Sections 02-1, 02-2, 02-3, 02-5, 02-6, 02-7, and 02-8 of the contract; and

WHEREAS, Wright Tree Service, Inc. of West Des Moines, Iowa, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and the plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$19,855 for Section 02-4 of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the total of the bids for the above-listed eight sections is less than the engineer's estimate for said project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that:

1.     The bid of Sheffield Tree Service of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$44,600 for Sections 02-1, 02-2, 02-3, 02-5, 02-6, 02-7, and 02-8 of Tree Trimming Project 2002-TT-1 is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid submitted for those sections.
2.     The bid of Wright Tree Service, Inc. of West Des Moines, Iowa, in the amount of \$19,855 for Section 02-4 of Tree Trimming Project 2002-TT-1 is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid submitted for that section.
3.     A contract for such project be entered into between the City and such contractors; and that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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

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November 30, 2001     ?    City Attorney

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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November 30, 2001 ? City Attorney

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G10

### #2001-327 Awarding Bid for Distribution Feeder Protection Relays

*The Grand Island Electric System contains approximately 45 distribution feeders. Roughly 75% of these feeders are protected by older electro-mechanical relays, which date back to as early as the 1950's. The design and degree of protection is well below currently accepted utility practice. The purchase of thirty-eight digital relays would allow upgrade of the protective relays on all feeder circuits from the older substations, Substation A, Cherry Street, and Groff Street. There would also be enough to provide protection on future feeders at the two newest Substations, E and F. The new relays are multi-function, electronic relays providing overcurrent protection, reclosing function and underfrequency tripping.*

*The project was publicly advertised in accordance with City procurement requirements. Specifications were sent to three regional distributors and four local distributors. Bids were publicly opened at 11:00 a.m. on November 15, 2001. Listed below is a tabulation of the bids received:*

<i>Bidder/Manufacturer and Product</i>	<i>Exceptions</i>	<i>Bid Price</i>
<i>Wesco Distribution, Inc.</i>		
<i>ABB DPU2000R</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>\$84,789.40</i>
<i>Kriz-Davis</i>		
<i>Cooper Edison Idea</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>\$92,092.80</i>
<i>APT Power Technologies</i>		
<i>APT E DDO</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>\$110,000.00</i>



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R E S O L U T I O N   2001-327

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Thirty Eight (38) Feeder Protection Relays for the Utilities Department, according to plans and specifications on file with the Purchasing Division of the Legal Department; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2001, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Wesco Distribution, Inc. of Sioux City, Iowa, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$84,789.40; and

WHEREAS, Wesco Distribution, Inc.'s bid is less than the engineer's estimate for such item.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Wesco Distribution, Inc. of Sioux City, Iowa, in the amount of \$84,789.40 for thirty eight (38) feeder protection relays is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid.

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

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G11

### #2001-328 Awarding Contract for General Work Contract - New Combustion Turbines at Burdick Station

*As part of the Combustion Turbine addition at Burdick Station, a contractor specializing in the installation of utility combustion turbine generators will be required for construction of the project. This contractor will be responsible for constructing foundations and installing the turbine generators and their associated auxiliary equipment, including start-up assistance. Also included in this work will be erection of buildings, installation of piping and electrical systems, and site work. The peak labor work force for this work, including subcontractors, is projected to be over 70 personnel. Our engineering consultant for the project, Sargent & Lundy, prepared specifications for bidding. Request for bids were advertised and sent out in accordance with City purchasing procedures.*

*Specifications for the General Work Contract were sent to five prospective, qualified bidders. The engineers estimate for this project was \$16,300,000. Responses were received from the following companies.*

*Bi Bid Price*

*The Industrial Company (T        \$10,997,615*

*Gilbert Industrial Corporat \$11,632,000*

*Fagen, I \$13,530,000*

*All exceptions and clarifications in TIC's bid were resolved by Sargent & Lundy and City Staff with no change in the bid price. Based on their evaluation, Sargent & Lundy*

*recommended that The Industrial Company be awarded this project in the amount of*



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R E S O L U T I O N   2001-328

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for General Contract Work for the Installation of the Utility Combustion Turbine Generators at Burdick Station, according to plans and specifications on file at the Platte Generating Station; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2001, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, The Industrial Company of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$10,997,615; and

WHEREAS, The Industrial Company's bid is less than the engineer's estimate for such project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of The Industrial Company of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, in the amount of \$10,997,615 for general contract work in the installation of the utility combustion turbine generators at Burdick Station is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a contract for such project between the City and such contractor be entered into, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G12

### #2001-329 Awarding Freight Contract with Union Pacific

*The City currently has a contract with the Union Pacific Railroad to move coal from the Wyoming coal fields to the Platte Generating Station. That contract expires December 31, 2001. Utilities Department staff and the consulting firm of Slover and Loftus have met several times with railroad representatives over the last few months to discuss continuing freight service. Union Pacific has offered a contract to continue service for a three year term, 2002 through 2004. The details of the contract offer and price information are confidential. A report to council members with details of the offer is provided under separate cover with the weekly council packet.*



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R E S O L U T I O N   2001-329

WHEREAS, on December 7, 1998, by Resolution 98-318, the City of Grand Island approved a Coal Transportation Contract with Union Pacific Railroad for the transportation of coal from the Southern Power River Basin in Wyoming to the City of Grand Island's Platte Generating Station; and

WHEREAS, such contract will expire on December 31, 2001; and

WHEREAS, a new three-year contract has been negotiated with Union Pacific Railroad;  
and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's office has reviewed and approved the proposed contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that a three-year Coal Transportation Contract with Union Pacific Railroad Company for the transportation of coal from the Southern Power River Basin of Wyoming to the City of Grand Island's Platte Generating Station is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G13

### **#2001-330 Approving Agreement with CH2M HILL for Engineering Consulting Services for Review of Sewage Sludge Handling and Disposal Methods**

*The Public Works Department, Wastewater Division issued a Request for Proposals for Engineering Consulting Services to review sewage sludge handling and disposal methods. A proposal was submitted by CH2M HILL, Englewood, Colorado in the amount of \$73,800.00. There are sufficient funds for this purchase in account number 530.00.53005.05207. See RESOLUTION.*



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R E S O L U T I O N   2001-330

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island requested proposals for Furnishing Engineering Consulting Services for Review of Sewage Sludge Handling and Disposal Methods, according to the Request for Proposals on file at the Wastewater Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2001, proposals were received and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, CH2M HILL of Englewood, Colorado, submitted a proposal in accordance with the terms of the advertisement for proposals for professional services and all other statutory requirements contained therein; such proposal being in the amount of \$73,800; and

WHEREAS, an agreement for the scope of services was negotiated between the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the proposal of CH2M HILL of Englewood, Colorado in the amount of \$73,800 to furnish engineering consulting services for review of sewage sludge handling and disposal methods, is hereby approved as the best proposal submitted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an agreement by and between the City and CH2M HILL for such work is hereby approved, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such agreement on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G14

### **#2001-331 Approving Amendment to Community Development Voluntary Acquisition Program Guidelines**

#### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

*As part of its efforts to conserve and improve the housing stock in Grand Island, the City of Grand Island, through the Community Projects Department, acquires properties within its redevelopment area under the Voluntary Acquisition Program. The property must be vacant or owner occupied and located within the Community Development Block Grant area, which is generally described as Northeast Grand Island. If the structure is occupied, the owner/occupants are required to waive relocation assistance. Tenant occupied housing will not be acquired. If a mutually satisfactory agreement can not be reached, the Department will not acquire the property.*

*Since the onset of the program in 1987, the maximum acquisition amount for properties acquired under the Voluntary Acquisition Program has been set at \$20,000. Properties that are offered for sale under the voluntary acquisition program must appraise at or above the offered price to be considered for purchase. Because of the current housing costs, there are very few structures available for purchase at that amount. It is proposed that the guidelines be changed to increase the maximum acquisition amount from \$20,000 to \$50,000. This amendment would position the Community Projects Department to acquire additional properties if they were to become available. The Department has been working closely with the Community Redevelopment Authority in identifying properties that might be acquired under the Voluntary Acquisition Program and partnering on associated acquisition,*



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R E S O L U T I O N 2001-331

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island, through the Community Projects Department, acquires properties within its redevelopment area under the Voluntary Acquisition Program; and

WHEREAS, the City works with the Community Redevelopment Authority to identify property that is substandard or unsafe, to demolish the existing structure and to rebuild an affordable home on the lot; and

WHEREAS, the property to be acquired must be vacant or owner occupied and located within the Community Development Block Grant area; and

WHEREAS, the current guidelines for the Voluntary Acquisition Program outlines that no more than \$20,000 can be used to acquire substandard property; and

WHEREAS, based on the current housing costs, few structures can be purchased for that amount; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the guidelines be changed to increase the maximum acquisition amount from \$20,000 to \$50,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the guidelines for the Voluntary Acquisition Program be amended to allow for a maximum acquisition amount of \$50,000.

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# 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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R E S O L U T I O N   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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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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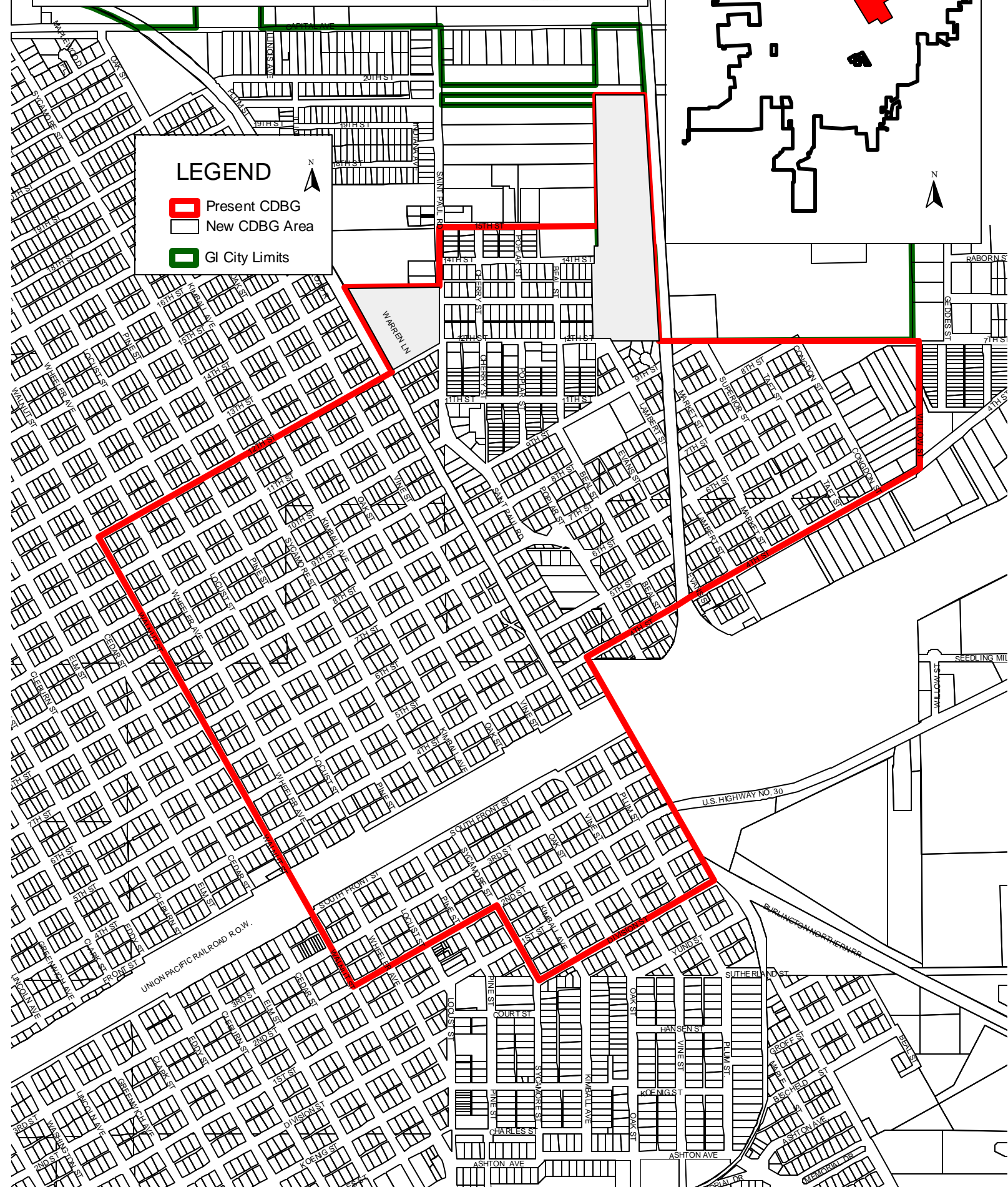
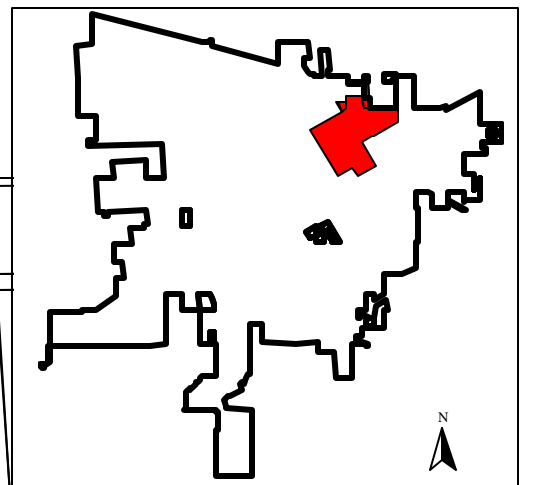
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# Revised Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project Area-11-27-01



## LEGEND

-  Present CDBG
-  New CDBG Area
-  GI City Limits



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# City of Grand Island

## Item G16

### **#2001-333 Approving Change Order #1 to the Contract with Diamond Engineering for Street Improvement District 1238, Tech Drive**

*The Public Works Department has developed Change Order #1 to the contract for Street Improvement District 1238, Tech Drive. The contract was awarded to The Diamond Engineering Company, Grand Island, Nebraska, on June 12, 2001. The following changes were made:*

*Original Contract \$ 296,090.67*

*A junction box was added for a power line/storm sewer conflict \$ 1,750.00*

*An existing sanitary sewer service was lowered to cross new drainage ditch \$ 6,000.00*

*A concrete mow strip was added around the edge of medians for easier mowing \$ 5,542.00*

*Two 15" flared end sections were added to a culvert under the north drive to College Park \$ 840.00*

*Revised Contract \$ 310,222.67*

*Sufficient funds are available in account 400.01.40046.05630. See RESOLUTION.*



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R E S O L U T I O N   2001-333

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2001, by Resolution 2001-146, the City Council for the City of Grand Island awarded the bid for the construction of Street Improvement District No. 1238 to The Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that modifications to the work to be performed by The Diamond Engineering Company are necessary; and

WHEREAS, such modifications have been incorporated into Change Order No. 1; and

WHEREAS, the result of such modifications for this project will increase the contract amount by \$14,132, for a revised contract amount of \$310,222.67.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to execute Change Order No. 1, between the City of Grand Island and The Diamond Engineering Company to provide the following modifications:

	<u>Amount</u>
Add junction box for a power line/storm sewer conflict.....	\$ 1,750.00
Lower existing 6' sanitary sewer service to cross new drainage ditch.....	6,000.00
Add concrete median surface.....	5,542.00
Add 15' R.C. flared end section to culvert under the north drive to College Park .....	840.00

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

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G17

### **#2001-334 Approving Certificate of Final Completion for the 2001-AC-1 Asphalt Maintenance Project**

*The contract was awarded to J.I.L. Asphalt Paving Company on April 10, 2001. The work commenced in May 2001 and was completed in October 2001. The performance of the contract was supervised by the Public Works Department and a Certificate of Final Completion has been issued by the Steven P. Riehle, City Engineer, subject to City Council approval. See RESOLUTION.*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**

R E S O L U T I O N   2001-334

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director of the City of Grand Island has issued his Certificate of Final Completion for Asphalt Maintenance Project 2001-AC-1, certifying that J.I.L. Asphalt Paving Company of Grand Island, Nebraska, under contract dated April 10, 2001, has completed such project according to the terms, conditions, and stipulations for such improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director recommends the acceptance of the final completion; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor concurs with the Public Works Director's recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that:

1.     The Public Works Director's Certificate of Final Completion for Asphalt Maintenance Project 2001-AC-1, is hereby confirmed.
2.     That a warrant be issued from Account No. 400.01.40031.05630 in the amount of \$23,642.17; from Account No. 400.01.40089.05630 in the amount of \$2,739.13; from Account No. 400.03.40016.05630 in the amount of \$1,497.73; and from Account No. 400.03.40097.05608 in the amount of \$1,435.33, all payable to the J.I.L. Asphalt Paving Company for the total amount due the contractor of \$29,314.36.

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

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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November 30, 2001	? City Attorney

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# City of Grand Island

## Item G18

### **#2001-302 Approving Continuation of Sanitary Sewer District 502, Livengood Sub, Rapien Sub, Sharon Rose Sub, and part of Section 10-11-9**

#### *Background*

*The Council considered continuation of the District at the October 23, 2001 meeting. Randy Rapien expressed concerns about the estimated assessments and feels the increased value to the property of having sanitary sewer available is not enough to cover the assessments. We feel that having sanitary sewer available is valuable considering the new rules regarding septic tank and leach field systems.*

*The item was tabled so Public Works staff could review costs and look for grant funds.*

#### *Discussion*

##### *Total Costs*

*Public Works staff reviewed the total estimate for the project. The total estimate for the project may even be up to 12 ½ % higher because of the Nebraska Department of Roads' US Highway 30 East project. We reviewed our estimates and do not see any areas where we were high so the total project cost estimate is the estimate we should use.*

##### *Grant Funding*

*Public Works Director Steve Riehle, Community Projects Director Cindy Johnson and Monty Montgomery of the Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation met to explore funding options. The area is not eligible for Community Development Block Grant funds and would probably be a low priority for funding by the Community Redevelopment*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**



R E S O L U T I O N   2001-302

WHEREAS, Sanitary Sewer District No. 502 was created by Ordinance No. 8689 on August 28, 2001; and

WHEREAS, notice of the creation of such sewer district was published in the Grand Island Independent, on September 4, 2001, in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-667.01, R.R.S. 1943; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-667.01, R.R.S. 1943, provides that if the owners of record title representing more than 50% of the front footage of the property abutting upon the streets, avenues, or alleys, or parts thereof which are within such proposed district shall file with the City Clerk within thirty days from the first publication of said notice written objections to such district, said work shall not be done and the ordinance shall be repealed; and

WHEREAS, the protest period ended on October 4, 2001, and protests have been filed against the creation of such district which represents 24.27% of the total district frontage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that insufficient protests have been filed with the City Clerk against the creation of Sanitary Sewer District No. 502, therefore such district shall be continued and constructed according to law.

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

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk



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# City of Grand Island

## Item G19

### **#2001-335 Approving Discontinuation of Street Improvement District 1241, Jay Street**

*On October 27, 2001 the City Council adopted Ordinance #8700 establishing Street Improvement District 1241, Jay Street from Capital Avenue to Dack Avenue. This District would provide for the paving of Jay Street. The laws governing the establishment of a street improvement district provide for a 20-day notice during which affected property owners may file objections to the creation of said district. If property owners representing more than 50% of the front footage of the property abutting or adjoining the area to be improved in any district file an objection, the district is discontinued. As of 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 19, 2001, the deadline for objections, property owners representing 62.55% or 580.5 front feet of the district frontage filed objections. Therefore, dissolution of Street Improvement District 1241, Jay Street is in order and Ordinance #8700 should be repealed. See RESOLUTION.*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**

R E S O L U T I O N   2001-335

WHEREAS, Street Improvement District No. 1241 was created by Ordinance No. 8700 on October 23, 2001; and

WHEREAS, notice of the creation of such Street Improvement District No. 1241 was published in the *Grand Island Independent* on October 30, November 6, and November 13, 2001, in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-619 et seq., Neb. Rev. Stat. 1943; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-620, Neb. R.R.S. 1943, provides that if owners of record title representing more than 50% of the front footage of the property abutting or adjoining the streets, avenues or alleys, or parts thereof to be improved in any district shall file with the City Clerk within twenty days from the first publication of said notice written objections to such street improvement district, said work shall not be done and the ordinance shall be repealed; and

WHEREAS, protests were filed with the City Clerk against the creation of Street Improvement District No. 1241 by abutting property owners representing 62.55% of the total district frontage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that sufficient protests having been filed with the City Clerk against the creation of Street Improvement District No. 1241, such district should not be continued and the ordinance which created said district shall be repealed.

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

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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

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# City of Grand Island

## Item H1

### **Consideration of Residency Requirements for Department Directors Relative to Employee Handbook**

*The Council has spent time in recent weeks reviewing the proposed Personnel Rules for City employees. One area that has been somewhat controversial is the Residency Policy for Department Directors. The Council expressed a desire to address this separately from the rest of the Personnel Rules. A motion is in order and the decision rendered by the Council will determine the policy for residency requirements for the Department Directors in the proposed Personnel Rules.*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**

## **RESIDENCY**

All Emergency Management employees are required to reside within the two mile zoning jurisdiction of the City of Grand Island. All Department Directors are required to reside within ten miles of the zoning jurisdiction and all Utilities Department employees are required to reside within the residency boundaries of the department.

Employees that drive City vehicles home and senior management personnel need to check their department's S.O.P.'s in reference to residency requirements.

Employees will establish residency within six months after the calendar day of the start of employment and will maintain residency during the term of employment. For purposes of these Personnel Rules, residency will mean the employee's domicile.

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# City of Grand Island

## Item I1

### **#2001-336 Approving Grand Island Public Library Expansion Project, Phase II-Agreement for Cost Share Between City and Foundation**

*During the study session of the Mayor and City Council on Tuesday, November 27, 2001, council members indicated that a financial contribution toward the Grand Island Public Library Expansion Project Phase II from the Grand Island Public Library Foundation, Inc., would be appropriate. Library Board President Jerry Bryant indicated that this was likely to be acceptable to the Foundation. The project cost including professional fees was preliminarily estimated to cost approximately \$100,000.00.*

*The City Attorney's Office drafted an agreement between the City and the Foundation providing that the Foundation would pay 25% of the costs of the project, up to but not exceeding \$25,000.00. The funds of the Foundation are to be allocated to the project costs including professional fees and services and equipment in consideration of a policy of the Foundation to not pay for "bricks and mortar". The Foundation's contribution would be paid to the City in three equal installments with one-third paid following approval and authorization to proceed with the project, the second installment at the mid-point of the project and the balance following the issuance of the Certificate of Substantial Completion by the project architect. It is our recommendation to approve the agreement between the City of Grand Island and the Grand Island Public Library Foundation, Inc., as drafted.*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**

## RESOLUTION 2001-336

WHEREAS, The Edith Abbott Memorial Library has begun to finalize plans for funding the Grand Island Public Library Expansion Project, Phase II; and

WHEREAS, due to limited funding, it has been recommended that the Phase II expansion work be restricted to short-term improvements as outlined below, with an estimated total project cost of approximately \$100,000:

- Remodel the current conference room into a combination of office space for the assistant director and workroom space to alleviate current staff workspace congestion.
- Create an enclosed computer lab (with space for six students and one instructor) in the reference section to maintain the library's computer class services that have been conducted in the conference room.
- Create an enclosed small study room in the reference section with space for six to eight people.
- Divide the current meeting room into two spaces with the addition of a modular partition.
- Other minor improvements to fully utilize the current library facility,

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Public Library Foundation, Inc., a non-profit corporation, will contribute 25% of the project costs, not to exceed \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, an agreement setting out the terms and conditions under which the library foundation will participate financially in such expansion project has been prepared; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's office has reviewed and approved the proposed agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the agreement by and between the City of Grand Island, a municipal corporation, and The Grand Island Public Library Foundation, Inc., a non-profit corporation, setting out terms for financial participation in the Grand Island Public Library Expansion Project, Phase II by the Library Foundation is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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

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

Approved as to Form ? \_\_\_\_\_  
November 30, 2001 ? City Attorney

## **AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_ day of December, 2001, by and between the **CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA**, A Municipal Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "City", and **THE GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION, INC.**, A Non-Profit Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Foundation".

1.     **Statement of Purpose.** The purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the terms and conditions under which the Foundation will participate financially in the Grand Island Public Library Expansion Project, Phase II, by reimbursing the City in the amount of 25% of the project costs, not to exceed \$25,000.00.

2.     **Project Cost Estimates and Parties' Shares.** The parties acknowledge that the preliminary cost estimates for the Grand Island Public Library Expansion Project, Phase II, is approximately \$100,000.00. The Foundation hereby agrees to pay 25% of the costs of the project up to but not exceeding \$25,000.00. The share of the Foundation shall be paid to the City in three equal payments, 33 1/3% following approval and authorization of the Mayor and City Council to proceed with Phase II of the project, 33 1/3% at the mid point of the project, and the balance following issuance of the Certificate of Substantial Completion by the project architect. The funds of the foundation shall be allocated for that portion of the project cost which are professional fees and services and equipment.

3.     **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the City and Foundation, notwithstanding any other oral agreements or understandings to the contrary and may be amended only in writing, approved and executed as required by law.



Attest:

**CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA,**  
A Municipal Corporation,

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

By:\_\_\_\_\_  
Ken Gnadt, Mayor

**THE GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY  
FOUNDATION, INC.,**  
A Nebraska Non-Profit Corporation,

By:\_\_\_\_\_  
Duane A. Burns, President

STATE OF NEBRASKA )  
                                  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF HALL     )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001, by KEN GNADT, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, A Municipal Corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

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Notary Public

STATE OF NEBRASKA )  
                                  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF HALL     )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001, by DUANE A. BURNS, President of The Grand Island Public Library Foundation, Inc., a Non-Profit Corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

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Notary Public

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# City of Grand Island

## Item J1

### **Payment of Claims for the Period of November 21, 2001 through December 4, 2001**

*The Claims for the period of November 21, 2001 through December 4, 2001, claims #113845 through #114307 for a total amount of \$6,221,949.40. A MOTION is in order.*



**Tuesday, December 04, 2001**

**Council Session**