



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, March 26, 2002

Council Session

Item G1

Approving Minutes of March 12, 2002 City Council Regular Meeting

The Minutes of the March 12, 2002 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

March 12, 2002

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 March 12, 2002. Notice of the meeting was given in the Grand Island Independent on March 6, 2002.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was said followed by the INVOCATION given by Pastor Julio Calero, Centro de Vida Cristiana.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Update on Community Youth Council Asset Development Program. Community Youth Council has been involved in encouraging the development of assets in youth in Grand Island and has been working with Community Plus. Judy Sandstrom representing Community Plus updated the Council on this year's activities and recognized the following individuals for their role in developing assets in our youth: Brad Wolfe, Carl Hughes, Kirk Ramsey, Dave Saschewsky, Trish Stoltenberg and Lindy Pfeifer .

It's About Kids!. Youth Leadership Tomorrow, It's About Kids! assets were presented by Maggie Jobes and Kylie Roe.

Diane Muhlbach representing the National Service Join Hands Day presented the Community Youth Council with an award and a check in the amount of \$100.00.

Proclamation "American Red Cross Month" March 2002. The month of March 2002 was proclaimed as "American Red Cross Month". Donna Titman, Executive Director, Susan Aguilar, Anita Lewandowski and Reane Foster of the Central Plains American Red Cross were present to receive the proclamation.

East Neighborhood Association Presentation to the Grand Island Fire Department. The East Neighborhood Association Officers presented a check in the amount of \$627.06 to the Grand Island Fire Department. Fire Captain Scott Kuehl – President of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local #647 was present to receive the donation.

Recognition of Life Saving Efforts by Jeff Vodehnal, Utilities Employee. The Council recognized the life saving efforts of Jeff Vodehnal a Utilities employee. On Tuesday, February 26, 2002, while eating at the Platte-Duetsche, Jeff performed the Heimlich maneuver on a man choking and who had passed out. John Houselog, whose life was saved was present for the recognition.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Request of Earl and Linda Hardy for Conditional Use Permit for Child Care Facility at 1721 South Arthur. Craig Lewis, Building Department Director, reported that Earl and Linda Hardy had submitted an application with the City Clerk's Office for a Conditional Use Permit for a child care facility located at 1721 South Arthur. This request had been reviewed by the Building, Legal, Utilities, Planning and Public Works Departments. Mike Richardson, 2421 Lamar Avenue spoke in favor. Don Brooks, 1602 Ando Avenue spoke in opposition. No further public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement Located in the Alley Behind 516 West 3^d Street. (Myrtle B. Grimminger) Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that acquisition of a utility easement relative to the property of Myrtle Grimminger located in the rear alley behind 516 West 3^d Street, was required in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances. This easement would be used to locate a pad mounted transformer to serve the entire block. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement Located in the Alley Behind the Salvation Army Building at 810 West 3^d Street. (The Salvation Army) Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that acquisition of a utility easement relative to the property of the Salvation Army located at 810 West 3^d Street, was required in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances. This easement would be used to locate a pad mounted transformer to serve the entire block. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Proposed Grant Application to the Department of Economic Development Relative to Community Development Funding for Rehabilitation Efforts. Cindy Johnson, Community Projects Director reported that the Nebraska Department of Economic Development accepts applications through the Community Development Block Grant program for grant funding for acquisition, rehabilitation, construction and production of affordable housing to increase the supply of decent, safe and sanitary housing for low-to-moderate income Nebraskans and to promote and advance the goals of the 2000-2005 Nebraska Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development. The results of the recently completed housing study indicated a significant need for rehabilitation of existing housing in the Community Development Project Area, generally described as northeast Grand Island. The Community Projects Department had prepared an application for submittal to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, seeking \$250,000 in grant funding to assist with the renovation of up to 10 homes. No community match would be required. No public testimony was heard.

ORDINANCES:

Motion by Larson, second by Hornady, carried unanimously to table Ordinance #8721 until the March 26, 2002 Council Meeting.

#8721 – Consideration of Conveyance of Real Estate in Meadowlark West Third Subdivision and Part of the SE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 13-11-10 Hall County, Nebraska to Reconfigure Detention Cell

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Pielstick, second by Hornady, carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

Receipt of Official Document – Civil Service Minutes of February 19, 2002.

Approving Minutes of February 26, 2002 City Council Regular Meeting.

Approving Minutes of March 4, 2002 City Council Retreat.

#2002-56 – Approving Reconfiguration of Detention Cell Including Acquisition of Real Estate and Approval of Exchange Agreement with the Robert M. Allen Family Limited Partnership. This item was tabled until the March 26, 2002 City Council Meeting.

#2002-62 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located in the Alley Behind 516 West 3rd Street. (Myrtle B. Grimminger) Councilmember Pielstick voted nay.

#2002-63 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located in the Alley Behind the Salvation Army Building at 810 West 3rd Street. (The Salvation Army) Councilmember Pielstick voted nay.

#2002-64 – Approving Bid Award for Engineering Services for Platte Generating Station Unit 1 Turbine/Generator to Black & Veatch, Kansas City, Missouri, in an amount not to exceed \$260,000.00.

#2002-65 – Approving Amendment to the Community Development Rehabilitation Program Guidelines Amending the Rehabilitation Deferred Loan Program.

#2002-66 – Approving Application to Department of Economic Development for Community Development Block Grant Funds for Housing Rehabilitation Efforts.

#2002-67 – Approving Lease Agreement with the State of Nebraska (Nebraska State Patrol) for Storage Space at the Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant in the Amount of \$500.00 for One Year.

#2002-68 – Approving Final Plat and Subdivision Agreement for Riverside Farm Fourth Subdivision. It was noted that Clark Gauthier, owner, had submitted the final plat for Riverside Farm 4th Subdivision, located North of Highway 34, and West of Blaine Street, in the City of Grand Island for the propose of re-platting lot 1 Riverside Farm Third Subdivision into 5 new lots.

#2002-69 – Approving Funding of Economic Development Requests (NWPS Funds) in the Amount of \$73,310.00.

Approving Request of Earl and Linda Hardy for Conditional Use Permit for Child Care Facility Located at 1721 South Arthur. Motion by Hornady, second by Ward to approve. Councilmember Hornady asked about the state license and number of children per adult supervision. Mike Richardson, 2421 Lamar Avenue whose wife would be running the day care stated that the State had approved up to 38 children for this location, but that there would not be that many. The State requires 1 adult for every 12 children.

Councilmember Ward stated that he had visited with a person who has children in this day care and were very satisfied. Councilmember Larson asked how long the conditional use permit would be for. Craig Lewis, Building Department Director stated that it would be indefinitely unless the Council put a time limit on it. Discussion was held concerning a privacy fence with several Councilmembers in favor of a privacy fence. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS:

Consideration of Request by Petition for Water Main District at Roberta Avenue Between Barbara Avenue and Del Mar Avenue and Refer to Utilities Department to Begin Design. Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that a petition had been received by the City Clerk's Office for a Water Main District in Roberta Avenue between Barbara Avenue and Del Mar Avenue in the Kay-Dee Addition to the City of Grand Island. It had been recommended that this be referred to the Utilities Department to begin design for the Water Main District. Motion by Larson, second by Ward, carried unanimously to forward to the Utilities Department.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Walker, second by Hornady, carried unanimously to approve the Claims for the period of February 27, 2002 through March 12, 2002, for a total amount of \$2,251,969.12.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk