



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 17, 2002

## Council Session

### Item I2

#### **#2002-395 - Approving Additional Funding for the Central District Health Department**

*The City and County have participated in numerous discussions over the last few years concerning the Grand Island – Hall County Health Department’s need for additional and different office space. Since those discussions have begun, the Department has become a three county Central District Health Department which increases the need for additional space.*

*The County had initially recommended and offered the use of the current County Attorney’s building for the Health Department. As time went on and the County’s facilities plan developed, they offered the Health Department \$250,000 to go toward the purchase of their own building. Members of the County Board and the Health Department have met with City Staff and Council members to discuss the possibility of matching the County’s contribution.*

*The City Council had already exceeded the County’s \$50,000 remodel fund by budgeting \$75,000. The Health Department is looking at various options for locating the Department. The Central District Health Department Board has passed a resolution requesting the City to provide funds to match or exceed the \$250,000 offered by the Hall County Board.*

*Staff recommends approving the resolution to increase the City’s funding from \$75,000 to \$250,000 to be taken out of the City’s Fund 150 of the General Fund.*

Staff Contact: Marlan Ferguson

MEMORANDUM

TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRAND ISLAND, FROM THE CENTRAL DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH  
REGARDING FINANCING OF FACILITY FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Central District Health Department provides public health services for the approximately 53,000 citizens of Hall County and also those of Hamilton and Merrick Counties;

Whereas, the Central District Health Department currently resides at 105 East First Street, Grand Island, NE, in a Hall County owned building, and houses up to 25 or more full and part time staff members, the facility has become too small and too inadequate to provide for this growing mission;

Whereas, the Central District Health Department is consequently seeking a new premises for its operations;

Whereas, the Hall County Board of Supervisors has offered the Hall County Office Building at 117 East First Street, Grand Island, NE, for the new location of the Central District Health Department;

Whereas, the Hall County Board of Supervisors wishes to amend above offer to include a proffer of \$250,000 to seek an alternate location for operations other than the Hall County Office Building at 117 East First;

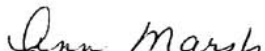
Whereas, after much research by the Board of Health, it has been found that the cost of alternate building space for the Central District Health Department will exceed the above \$250,000 by an additional \$250,000;

Be it resolved that we the Board of Health for the Central District Health Department, request the City of Grand Island to provide funds to match or exceed the \$250,000 proffered by the Hall County Board of Supervisors.

The said funds will be allocated entirely for the lease or purchase of building space for the Central District Health Department.

Central District Health Department  
Board of Health

  
Mark W. Jorgensen, President

  
Ann Marsh, Vice President

December 9, 2002

RESOLUTION 2002-395

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island and the County of Hall have had numerous discussions in the past few years pertaining to office space limitations in the building utilized by the Grand Island-Hall County Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the health department recently reorganized, as is now known as the Central District Health Department which provides services to a three-county area; and

WHEREAS, the space constraints remain a problem for the health department, and options have been discussed for relocating the department to another building; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2002, the City of Grand Island approved funding in the amount of \$75,000 for renovation costs to the Hall County Office Building to locate the Central District Health Department in that building; and

WHEREAS, the health department is currently seeking other options for locating the department; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City's best interests to financially assist the health department in their goals of relocating the department; and

WHEREAS, it has been suggested to increase the City's financial contribution from \$75,000 to \$250,000 to be used for the Central District Health Department's relocation and/or building renovation expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that funding by the City of Grand Island to the Central District Health Department be increased from \$75,000 to \$250,000 to assist in the costs associated with relocating and/or renovating an existing building for their use.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska on December 17, 2002.

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ? _____ December 12, 2002 ? City Attorney
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