

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, February 18, 2003 Council Session

Item G18

#2003-51 - Approving Authorization of R.J. Thomazin, dba Thomazin Company for U.S. Department of Agriculture Power of Attorney for the City of Grand Island

Each year the City of Grand Island Utilities Department has agricultural lands that need to be leased and the City retains the services of Robert J. Thomazin to handle the leasing of the City's agricultural properties. Part of Mr. Thomazin's duties as Grand Island's representative are to be aware of the governmental agricultural programs through the Farm Services Agency and to sign necessary documents on behalf of the City of Grand Island as its agent for the purposes of leasing the agricultural lands which are part of the properties owned by Grand Island Utilities. For Mr. Thomazin to represent the City of Grand Island it is necessary that he be authorized to be Grand Island's attorney in fact through a power of attorney form to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the City of Grand Island so that the City is eligible for government program payments on any agricultural lands for which it is eligible to receive such payments from the Farm Services Agency. It is therefore the recommendation of the City Utilities Department that the resolution be approved to make Robert J. Thomazin, individually and doing business as Thomazin Company to be attorney in fact for the City of Grand Island for the sole purpose of executing documents with the Farm Services Agency to enable Grand Island and its tenants to receive government program payments on its agricultural lands.

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RESOLUTION 2003-51

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island owns undeveloped property in various areas of the city which they lease to area farmers for crop and hayland purposes; and

WHEREAS, R. J. Thomazin, doing business as Thomazin Co., has historically assisted the City in locating farmers interested in leasing such land on an annual basis, preparing such lease agreements, and managing the lease agreements; and

WHEREAS, in order for the farmers to enroll such property in Farm Service Agency and/or Commodity Credit Corporation programs, R. J. Thomazin must be designated as the U.S. Department of Agriculture Power of Attorney for the City of Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, R. J. Thomazin's Power of Attorney rights pertain only to the crop and hayland leases entered into with the City of Grand Island.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that R. J. Thomazin, doing business as Thomazin Co., is hereby designated as the U.S. Department of Agriculture Power of Attorney for the City of Grand Island for the purpose of entering into and managing crop and hayland leases on property owned by the City of Grand Island which may be enrolled in Farm Service Agency and/or Commodity Credit Corporation programs.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, February 18, 2003.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ¤ _____ February 14, 2003 ¤ City Attorney