

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, March 18, 2003 Council Session

Item G26

#2003-85 - Approving Community Development Guidelines Relative to Lead Based Paint Remediation and Reduction

Many houses and apartments built before 1978 have paint that contains lead. Lead from paint, paint or wood chips and dust can pose serious health hazards if not properly addressed. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) implemented guidelines for the reduction, remediation and removal of lead-based paint.

In 1992, HUD redefined Lead-based Paint guidelines for homes built prior to 1978. Regulation Title 24 CFR Part 35 established procedures for evaluating whether a hazard may be present in federally owned residential property and housing receiving federal assistance, remediating or reducing the hazard, and notifying occupants of findings and action taken to comply with the regulations. Federal law requires that individuals must be provided certain lead hazard information before renting, buying or renovating pre-1978 housing.

In accordance with this regulation, the City Of Grand Island is required to implement Lead-based Paint guidelines in conjunction with any housing program which utilizes federal dollars. The original guidelines were approved by Council on March 12, 2002 and identified housing to which Lead-based Paint guidelines apply and which housing is exempt from the guidelines.

However, based on input from Nebraska Department of Economic Development staff, the City of Grand Island guidelines have been strengthened to include contractor requirements, State standards, worker protection standards, property inspection and risk assessment guidelines, control methods, client notification processes, control maintenance and reporting requirements.

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RESOLUTION 2003-85

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) implemented guidelines for the reduction, remediation and removal of lead-based paint, which is present in many homes and apartments built before 1978; and

WHEREAS, federal law requires that individuals must be provided certain lead hazard information before renting, buying or renovating pre-1978 housing; and

WHEREAS, due to the federal funding received by the City for its housing program, lead-based paint information must be incorporated into the guidelines established by the City's Community Development Division; and

WHEREAS, based on input from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development staff, the City of Grand Island guidelines have been strengthened to include contractor requirements, State standards, worker protection standards, property inspection and risk assessment guidelines, control methods, client notification processes, control maintenance, and reporting requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the guidelines established by the City's Community Development Division under the housing program is hereby amended to add information outlined above pertaining to lead-based paint.

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

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk