



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 06, 2003

Council Session

Item G5

#2003-128 - Approving Annual Renewal of Farm Leases

Background:

The Utilities, Public Works and Parks Departments lease lands owned, but not required for actual equipment installations or current operations, for agricultural use. This process reduces department maintenance expense and provides revenue from the farming operations. The leases are for one-year terms with access for City purposes guaranteed at any time. Areas included are; unsold property at Platte Valley Industrial Park, land near Platte Generating Station, Burdick Station, the Well Field, and north of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Lease Summaries:

Property:

Farm #6 (Platte Valley Industrial Park)-Tenant: Larry Knuth - Acres Rented: 7.5+/-, Rent Share: 40% of Alfalfa.

Farm #8 (City Well Field)-Tenant: Kenneth Clausen - Acres Rented: 115+/-, Rent Share: 50% Prairie Hay.

Farm #9 (City Well Field)-Tenant: Larry Knuth - Acres Rented: 520+/-, Rent Share: 50% Prairie Hay.

Farm #10 (City Well Field)-Tenant: Jack Webb - Acres Rented: 650+/-, Rent Share: \$500.00 Cash Rent and 50% Prairie Hay.

Farm #11 (GI Industrial Subdivision)-Tenant: Mike Peters - Acres Rented: 116.4+/-, Rent Share: \$9,500.00 Cash Rent.

Farm #11 (Burdick, Rough Hay Meadow)-Tenant: Gerald Bremer - Acres Rented: 16.5+/-, Rent Share: \$50.00 Cash Rent.

Farm #12 (Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant) -Tenant: Robert Nunnenkamp - Acres Rented: 250+/-, Rent Share: \$20,000.00

Farm #12 (Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant) - Tenant: Matt Turek - Acres Rented: 50+/-, Rent Share: 40% Hay Crop

Farm #13 (City Landfill Site) - Tenant: Bill Cure - Acres Rented: 40+/-, Rent Share: \$2,500.00

Recommendation:

Approval of these leases is recommended by the Utilities, Public Works, Parks and Legal Departments.

Fiscal Effects:

Receipt of revenue by each department depends on success of the farming year. Lease revenue historically runs \$30,000 per year for the Utilities Department, approximately

\$20,000 for the Parks Department and \$2,500 for the Public Works Department.

Alternatives:

As directed by Council. See attached RESOLUTION.

Staff Contact: Gary Mader

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WHEREAS, the Utilities, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Departments have negotiated and submitted proposed leases for the 2003 crop year for its crop and hayland; and

WHEREAS, approval of these leases is recommended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the following leases be, and hereby are, approved and the Mayor is authorized and directed to sign the leases on behalf of the City of Grand Island:

Property	Tenant	Acres Rented	Rent Share
Platte Valley Industrial Park	Larry Knuth	7.5 +/-	40% of Alfalfa
Northwest Portion City Well Field	Kenneth Clausen	115 +/-	50% Prairie Hay
Southwest and Central Portion City Well Field	Larry Knuth	520 +/-	50% Prairie Hay
East Portion City Well Field	Jack Webb	650 +/-	\$500.00 Cash Rent 50% Prairie Hay
Wastewater Treatment Plant	Mike Peters	116.4 +/-	\$9,500 Cash Rent
Southeast of Burdick Station	Gerald Bremer	16.5 +/-	\$50.00 Cash Rent
Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant	Robert Nunnenkamp	250 +/-	\$20,000 Cash Rent
Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant	Matt Turek	51 +/-	40% Prairie Hay
City Landfill	Bill Cure	170 +/-	\$2,500 Cash Rent

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, May 6, 2003.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
May 1, 2003	☐ City Attorney