



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, June 24, 2003

Council Session

## Item G9

### **#2003-154 - Approving Cooperative Service Field Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture, Wildlife Services for Wildlife Damage Control**

*As discussed at the City Council Study Session of June 17, 2003, the USDA Wildlife Service has proposed a cooperative field agreement with the City of Grand Island to help control the skunk population that has been spreading rabies. The cost of this agreement is \$2,500. The agreement is scheduled to take effect as of June 2, 2003 if approved by the City. The agreement would remain in effect until the funds are depleted by the services rendered by the Wildlife Services. The Wildlife Service estimates that the agreement should cover services for the months of June, July and August.*

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WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island has experienced a recent increase in rabid animals;  
and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has proposed a means for controlling  
skunks and any other small mammal which may include red fox, opossum, raccoon, or feral cats responsible  
for potential disease transmission within the city; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture is requesting financial assistance of \$2,500  
for reimbursement of costs associated with wildlife damage control services; and

WHEREAS, an agreement has been drafted outlining the services to be undertaken by the  
U.S. Department of Agriculture for such wildlife damage control; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Cooperative Service Field Agreement has been reviewed and  
approved by the City Attorney.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Cooperative Service Field Agreement between  
the City and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Inspection Service, Wildlife  
Services for a wildlife damage control project is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to  
execute such agreement on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, June 24, 2003.

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk