



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 26, 2003

Council Session

Item G14

#2003-242 - Approving Changes to the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program Guidelines.

The City of Grand Island was recently awarded a \$270,400 grant from the Department of Economic Development (DED) for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation. In past programs/guidelines, there was no demand for repayment of the funds by the homeowners until the property changed hands. As funding is not as plentiful as it once was, we were advised by our Program Representative of the DED to have a repayment schedule in place and establish guidelines for matching funds, lead based paint and asbestos removal. Rehabilitation projects now require a 10% match from the homeowner and the issues of lead based paint and asbestos removal need to be addressed for homeowners to qualify for the funding. Repayment of the funds will be based on homeowner income. The changes to the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Guidelines reflect the application that was submitted to the DED for approval of the funding. It is recommended that Council approve the changes in order to comply with grant requirements.

Staff Contact: Jean Goss, Executive Assistant

RESOLUTION 2003-242

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island was recently awarded a \$270,400 grant from the Department of Economic Development for owner-occupied rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, repayment of funds by the homeowner was not required in the past until the property was conveyed; and

WHEREAS, due to a limitation of available funds for future projects, the Department of Economic Development has implemented additional requirements which address lead based paint, asbestos removal, require a 10% match from the homeowner on rehabilitation projects, and require repayment of a portion of the funds by the homeowner; and

WHEREAS, due to the federal funding received by the City for its housing program, these issues must be incorporated into the guidelines established by the City's Community Development Division

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 are hereby amended to address lead based paint, asbestos removal, require a 10% match from the homeowner on rehabilitation projects, and require repayment of a portion of the funds by the homeowner in conformance with guidelines implemented by the Department of Economic Development.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, August 26, 2003.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
August 22, 2003	☐ City Attorney