

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 23, 2003 Council Session

Item G13

#2003-276 - Approving Interlocal Agreements for Riverway Hike/Bike Trail

The Parks and Recreation Department is in the process of seeking grant funds for the construction of a hike/bike trail that will extend from the end of the St. Joe Line Trail that currently terminates on Central Community College (CCC) property to the Wood River diversion Canal and eventually east along the canal to the Platte River southeast of Grand Island. The trail will cross a portion of CCC property and Stuhr Museum (Museum Board of Hall County, MBHC) property and will then run along the Central Platte Natural Resources District property (CPNRD) until it reaches the Platte River. It is anticipated that a link will be made from the trail to Hall County Park as part of this project; however, the current plans do not anticipate any of the trail to be located on Hall County property. The proposed resolution will authorize the Mayor to sign the interlocal agreements with CCC, MBHC and CPNRD so that this information can be provided as part of the grant application process. If funding is obtained for the trail, a survey will be done and easements will be obtained from each of the three entities prior to construction of the trail. The grant application is due prior to October 1, 2003; therefore, Council approval is being sought so that the application for these grant funds can proceed. Approval is recommended.

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RESOLUTION 2003-276

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island provides and develops parks and recreation areas including hike/bike trails for public use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island is proposing the development of Riverway Hike/Bike Trail which will connect the trail currently at Central Community College property to pass through Stuhr Museum property and onto the Wood River diversion canal and continue along the canal until it eventually reaches the Platte River; and

WHEREAS, such hike/bike trail will encroach on property owned by Central Community College, Central Platte Natural Resources District, and Stuhr Museum; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that Interlocal Agreements be entered into with each of these property owners to facilitate the development of such hike/bike trails; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's office has prepared Interlocal Agreements with each entity for the development of hike/bike trails across their respective properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Interlocal Agreements by and between the City and the Central Platte Natural Resource District, a Nebraska political subdivision; the Museum Board of the Hall County Nebraska Museum, a Nebraska political subdivision; and Central Community College, a Nebraska political subdivision, for the development of a hike/bike trail across their properties are hereby approved.

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

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, September 23, 2003.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk