



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 18, 2003

Council Session

Item E5

Public Hearing on Purchase of Yeager Property at 3000 East Bismark Road Adjoining the South Side of the Waste Water Treatment Plant

Background

A public hearing must be held and Council action by resolution for the City of Grand Island to vacate and acquire property. Carole Yeager owns the property south of the Grand Island Wastewater Treatment Plant and has offered to sell this property to the City for the assessed value.

Discussion

The City's consultant for the wastewater treatment plant has recommended that the city purchase properties that adjoin the wastewater treatment plant as they become available to help create a buffer zone around the facility. The proposed property includes a gravel pit and a dwelling house. The property is also adjacent to the east side of the Kennel Club property. The Kennel Club Property was referred to the planning commission at the last City Council meeting for a recommendation on annexation.

Recommendation

Conduct a public hearing as required by law and approve a resolution to acquire the property.

Financial Implications

Sufficient funds are available in the wastewater treatment plant budget for this purchase.

Alternatives

None: The property should be acquired to obtain a buffer around the plant.

It is appropriate to solicit public comment. The action item is contained under the Consent Agenda.

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