



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 23, 2004

Council Session

Item G18

#2004-307 - Approving Pedestrian Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company

Staff Contact: Steve Paustian

Council Agenda Memo

From: Steve Paustian, Parks and Recreation Director
Meeting: November 23, 2004
Subject: Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad
Item #'s: G-18
Presenter(s): Steve Paustian, Parks and Recreation Director

Background

The Park and Recreation Department is continuing with trail development per the Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion

In order to continue trail development along the Wood River Flood Control Levy it is necessary to cross the Union Pacific tracks near Hall County Park. The agreement before you allows for this crossing. The U.P. will build the crossing over its rails and ties. The City will then make the connection to the trail segments and continue east. A grant has been applied for to pay 80% of the estimated \$20,000.00 this crossing will cost.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve the agreement
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

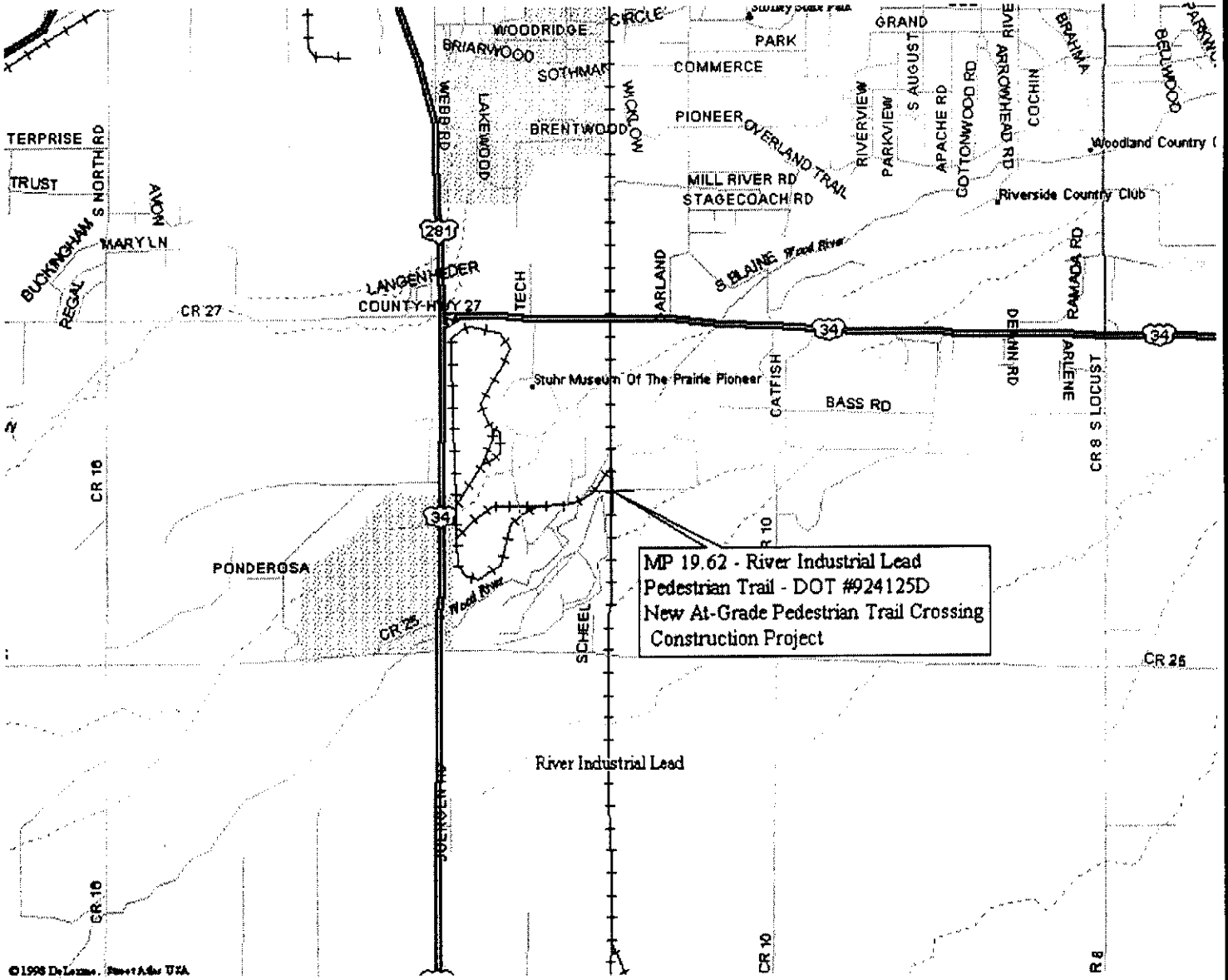
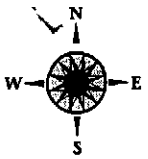
Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the contract agreement with the U.P. Railroad.

Sample Motion

Motion to approve agreement with Union Pacific Railroad.

LOCATION PRINT ACCOMPANYING A CONTRACTOR'S RIGHT OF ENTRY AGREEMENT



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RAILROAD WORK TO BE PERFORMED:

1. Flagging.
2. Install 8-feet of concrete crossing surface; 1 car load of ballast; 15 cross ties; and other track materials.

EXHIBIT "A"

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY

RIVER INDUSTRIAL LEAD
MILE POST 19.62

GPS: N 40°, 52.830'; W 98°, 22.109'
GRAND ISLAND, HALL CO., NE.

To accompany Contractor's Right of Entry Agreement with
CITY OF GRAND ISLAND
for the construction of a new at-grade pedestrian trail crossing.

Folder No. 2278-69

Date: October 20, 2004

WARNING

IN ALL OCCASIONS, U.P. COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT MUST BE CONTACTED IN ADVANCE OF ANY WORK TO DETERMINE EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF FIBER OPTIC CABLE. PHONE: 1-(800) 336-9193

RESOLUTION 2004-307

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department continues to expand its trail development in accordance with the Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, trail development along the Wood River Flood Control Levy will require approval from the Union Pacific Railroad Company to construct an at-grade pedestrian trail across the railroad right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Union Pacific Railroad Company requires a \$2,500 license fee to allow such at-grade pedestrian crossing; and

WHEREAS, the Union Pacific Railroad Company will build the crossing over its rails and ties, and the City will make the connection to the trail segments and continue east; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that grant funding will be available to pay 80% of the estimated \$20,000 in construction costs for this crossing; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has reviewed and approved the proposed agreement setting out the terms and conditions for such pedestrian crossing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the New Pedestrian Crossing Agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad Company is hereby approved to allow at-grade pedestrian trail crossing near Hall County Park; and 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, November 23, 2004.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
November 18, 2004	☐ City Attorney