



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 11, 2005

Council Session

Item E1

**Public Hearing on Acquisition of Property Located at 1613 West
Division Street (Old Wasmer School Property)**

Staff Contact: Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Steven P. Riehle, P.E., Director of Public Works
Doug Walker, City Attorney

Meeting: January 11, 2005

Subject: Public Hearing on the Purchase of the Old Wasmer School Property; Located at 1613 W Division Street

Item #'s: E-1 & G-7

Presenter(s): Steven P. Riehle, P.E., Director of Public Works

Background

A public hearing must be held and Council action must be taken by resolution for the City of Grand Island to acquire property. Grand Island Public Schools own the property at 1613 W Division Street and have agreed to sell this property.

Discussion

The city has been working with the Nebraska Department of Roads on a project to widen Second Street (US highway 30) between Grant Street and Greenwich Street. The area experiences significant ponding of storm water runoff. The City of Grand Island is interested in the old Wasmer Elementary School Site for use as a detention cell. The Grand Island Public Schools advertised for bids on November 12, 2004. The City of Grand Island submitted a bid for \$180,100.00 on December 1, 2004. At the December 9, 2004 school board meeting, the school board members voted to accept the City of Grand Island's bid to purchase the property. The bid must be approved by the Mayor and the City Council. There are sufficient funds in account 40015025-90005 to purchase the property.

Alternatives

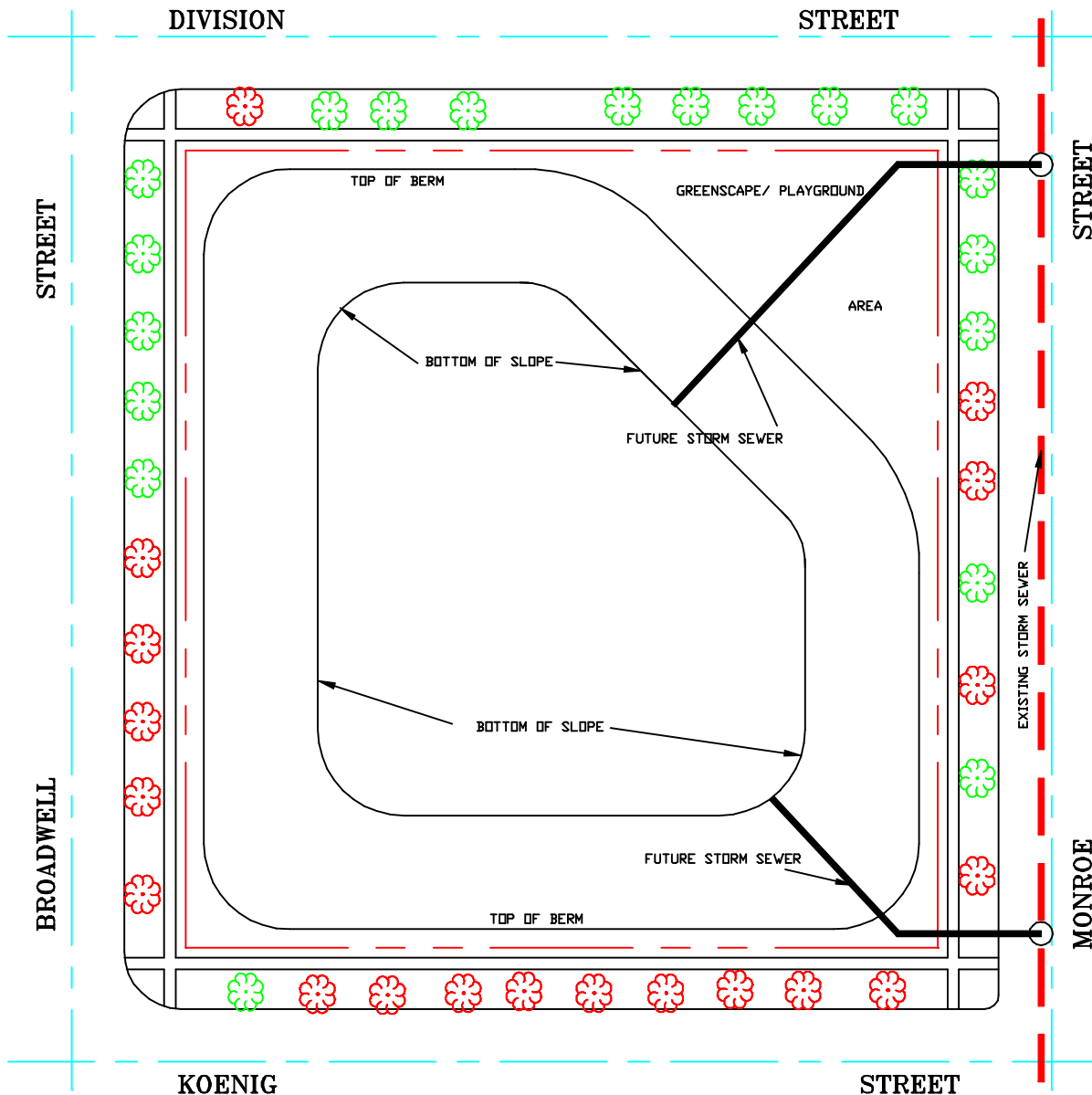
1. Move to approve the purchase of the property.
2. Refer the issue to a Committee.
3. Postpone the issue to future date.
4. Take no action on the issue.

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the purchase of the Old Wasmer School Property for \$180,100.00 and pass a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Grand Island Public Schools for the purchase.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the acquisition of the Old Wasmer School Property.



LEGEND

- EXISTING TREES
- PROPOSED TREES

