



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, June 14, 2005

Council Session

Item E4

**Public Hearing on Acquisition of Property Located at 244 and 304
Stuhr Road (Melvin W. & Jo Ann Meyer and M. J. Lake, LLC)**

Staff Contact: Doug Walker

Council Agenda Memo

From: Douglas R. Walker, City Attorney
Jim Rowell, Fire Chief

Meeting: June 14, 2005

Subject: Public Hearing on Acquisition of Property at 244 and 304 Stuhr Road from Melvin W. and JoAnn Meyer and from MJ Lake, LLC

Item #'s: E-4 & G-12

Presenter(s): Douglas R. Walker, City Attorney
Jim Rowell, Fire Chief

Background

The City Council has indicated that it is seeking to acquire property for the development of a fire training facility in the Grand Island area. A study was commissioned to recommend a site and the real estate located at 244 and 304 Stuhr Road, which is owned by Melvin W. and JoAnn Meyer and a limited liability company established by them, which is MJ Lake, LLC, was identified by that study as a highly desirable location for the fire training facility.

Discussion

City officials have entered into negotiations with Melvin W. and JoAnn Meyer for the acquisition of these adjacent properties and have reached an agreement subject to City Council approval. The purchase of the real estate located at 244 and 304 Stuhr Road has been negotiated for the appraised price of \$583,900.00. The negotiations are subject to City Council approval, which must hold a public hearing prior to acquiring real estate. Subsequent to the public hearing, item G-12 on the City Council Agenda contains a resolution authorizing the city to proceed with the purchase of this property for the use of a fire training facility.

Alternatives

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

1. Move to approve the resolution authorizing the city to purchase the property located at 244 and 304 Stuhr Road, which contains a meets and bounds legal description as set forth in the resolution.
2. Do not approve the purchase.
3. Postpone the issue to future date.
4. Take no action on the issue.

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the resolution authorizing the acquisition of the real estate at 244 and 304 Stuhr Road.

Sample Motion

Motion to approve the acquisition of this real estate.

SEEDLING MILE RD.

WILLOW ST.

Fire Training Facility Site

STUHR RD.

R.

