



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 12, 2005

Council Session

## Item G16

**#2005-203 - Approving Authorized Representative for  
Federal/State Financial Assistance under the President's Disaster  
Relief Fund**

Staff Contact: Paul Bresino

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Paul M. Briseno, Assistant to the City Administrator

**Meeting:** July 12, 2005

**Subject:** Approving Authorized Representative for Federal/State Public Financial Assistance

**Item #'s:** G-16

**Presenter(s):** Paul M. Briseno, Assistant to the City Administrator

## **Background**

In May 2005, severe flooding caused the City of Grand Island to accrued costs from damage to infrastructure. June 23, 2005 the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) declared south-central Nebraska a Federal Disaster. This declaration allows the City of Grand Island to apply for Public disaster assistance.

## **Discussion**

To apply for disaster relief aid the City of Grand Island must submit Federal Emergency Management Agency/Nebraska Emergency Management Agency claims for reimbursable cost accrued by the May 2005 flood. The process of applying for Federal Public Disaster funds requires an Authorized Representative be assigned for the City of Grand Island. It is the intent of this resolution to assign Paul M. Briseno, the Assistant to the City Administrator as the Applicant Authorized Representative. As the authorized representative of the City of Grand Island, Paul will work with FEMA and NEMA officials to request funding through available Public Disaster Relief Aid.

## **Alternatives**

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

1. Move to approve Paul M. Briseno as an authorized representative for the City of Grand Island
2. Postpone the issue to future date
3. Take no action on the issue

## **Recommendation**

City Administration recommends that the Council approve Paul M. Briseno as an authorized representative applicant of the City of Grand Island for FEMA/NEMA Public Disaster Relief Aid claims.

## **Sample Motion**

Approve the appointment of Paul M. Briseno as an authorized representative for the City of Grand Island to apply for public disaster relief aid.

**STATE OF NEBRASKA**  
**DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE**  
**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY Grand Island City Council OF Grand Island, Nebraska  
(Governing Body) (Public Entity)

THAT Paul M. Briseno, Assistant to the City Adminis hereby authorized  
(Name of Incumbent) (Official Title)

to execute for and in behalf of the above public entity established under the laws of the State of Nebraska, this application and to file it in the appropriate State office for the purpose of obtaining certain Federal/State financial assistance under the President's Disaster Relief Fund (PL 93-288) as amended, and the Governor's Emergency Fund (R.R.S. 81-829.42).

THAT The City of Grand Island, a public entity established under the laws of Nebraska, hereby authorizes its agent to provide to the State, all documents on matters pertaining to such a Disaster assistance as may be required.

Passed and approved this 12 day of July 19 2005

Jay Vavricek/Mayor  
(Name and Title)

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(Signature)  
Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Jay Vavricek, duly appointed and the Mayor  
(Name) (Title)  
of Grand Island, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the  
(Public Entity)  
resolution passed and approved by the City Council of Grand Island  
(Governing Body) (Public Entity)  
on the 12 of July 19 2005

Mayor of Grand Island  
(Official Position)

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(Signature)

RESOLUTION 2005-203

WHEREAS, on May 11 and 12, 2005, the City of Grand Island sustained damage to public facilities and infrastructure as a result of heavy rain and flooding in the area; and

WHEREAS, certain Federal/State financial assistance under the President's Disaster Relief Fund (PL93-288) as amended, and the Governor's Emergency Fund (R.R.S. 81-829.42) is available to the city for reimbursement of costs expended as a result of such heavy rain and flooding; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that Paul Briseno, Assistant to the City Administrator, be designated to prepare and submit all documentation necessary to obtain reimbursement for the City's costs expended as a result of the heavy rain and flooding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that Paul Briseno, Assistant to the City Administrator is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Grand Island, any and all documentation to obtain disaster relief funds as a result of the May 11 and 12, 2005 heavy rain and flooding to the Grand Island area.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, July 12, 2005.

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk