



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 25, 2005

Council Session

Item E1

**Public Hearing Concerning the Semi-Annual Report by the
Citizens' Review Committee on the Economic Development
Program Plan**

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Douglas R. Walker, City Attorney

Meeting: October 25, 2005

Subject: Public Hearing Concerning the Semi-Annual Report by the Citizen's Review Committee on the Economic Development Program Plan.

Item #'s: E-1 & G-11

Presenter(s): Douglas R. Walker, City Attorney
Tim White, Chairman, Citizen's Advisory Review Committee

Background

The voters of the City of Grand Island approved an economic development plan at the May 6, 2003 election. Subsequent to the election, the city has adopted an ordinance that establishes the economic development plan and a Citizens Advisory Review Committee to oversee the process of approving applications for economic development incentives. The Citizens Advisory Review Committee is required by State Statute and the Grand Island City Code to make a semi-annual report to the City Council.

Discussion

The Citizens Advisory Review Committee has been conducting regular meetings during the last six months as required by the City Code and the Nebraska Statutes. The committee has been able to approve one application for funding since the last semi-annual report. The committee looks forward to receiving and reviewing meritorious applications for consideration in the future.

Alternatives

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

1. Accept the semi-annual report of the Citizens Advisory Review Committee.

2. Do not accept the semi-annual report of the Citizens Advisory Review Committee.

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council accept the semi-annual report of the Citizens Advisory Review Committee.

Sample Motion

Motion to accept the semi-annual report of the Citizens Advisory Review Committee.