



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 23, 2006

Council Session

## Item G3

**Approving Appointments to the Interjurisdictional Planning  
Commission**

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# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Chad Nabity, AICP

**Meeting:** May 2, 2006

**Subject:** Approving Appointments to the Interjurisdictional Planning Commission

**Item #'s:** G-3

**Presenter(s):** Chad Nabity, AICP Regional Planning Director

## Background

At the March 28, 2006 meeting of the Grand Island City Council, Chapter 37 of the Grand Island City Code was approved. A portion of this chapter included the formation of an Interjurisdictional Planning Commission as requested by the Merrick County Board per state statutes. The Mayor has the responsibility to appoint 3 members of the Regional Planning Commission that represent the City of Grand Island to this Interjurisdictional Planning Commission to be confirmed by the approval of the Grand Island City Council.

## Discussion

The purpose of and terms of membership for the Interjurisdictional Planning Commission as laid out by statute and city code is as follows:

### §37-11. Interjurisdictional Planning Commission; Created; Duties

An Interjurisdictional Planning Commission is hereby created with Merrick County, Nebraska, pursuant to the requirement of Neb. R.R.S. §19-930, et seq. Said Interjurisdictional Planning Commission shall have the powers, duties, responsibilities and functions of the regional planning commission for the City of Grand Island in the unincorporated area of Merrick County that is within two miles of the corporate boundaries of the City of Grand Island.

### §37-12. Composition; Appointment of Members

The Interjurisdictional Planning Commission shall consist of six members. Three members shall be chosen by the Mayor with the approval of the council from the City's members on the Hall County Regional Planning Commission which acts as the City's planning commission. The remaining three members shall be chosen by the Merrick

County Board from members currently serving on the Merrick County Planning Commission.

§37-13. Term of Members

The term of each appointed member shall be for one year and until their successors are appointed and qualified. The City of Grand Island members of the Interjurisdictional Planning Commission may be reappointed to successive one-year terms during their tenure on the Hall County Regional Planning Commission.

At the May 10 meeting of the Regional Planning Commission three members of the Regional Planning Commission representing the City of Grand Island (Dianne Miller, Tom Brown and Robert Niemann) volunteered to serve on the Interjurisdictional Planning Commission. The Mayor is forwarding these people for approval as members of the Interjurisdictional Planning Commission representing the City of Grand Island.

### **Alternatives**

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

1. Move to approve
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 appointments of Dianne Miller, Tom Brown and Robert Niemann to the the Interjurisdictional Planning Commission.

### **Sample Motion**

Motion to approve the appointments as presented.