

# **City of Grand Island**

Tuesday, June 27, 2006 Council Session

### Item E6

Public Hearing Concerning Acquisition of Utility Easement - West side of Capital Trailer Court; East of Burlington Northern Railroad Tracks and North of Capital Avenue - Iglesia De Dios Eben-Ezer

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City of Grand Island City Council

## **Council Agenda Memo**

From: Robert H. Smith, Asst. Utilities Director

**Meeting:** June 27, 2006

**Subject:** Acquisition of Utility Easement – West side of Capital

Trailer Court, East of BN Railroad Tracks and North of

Capital Avenue – Iglesia De Dios Eben-Ezer

**Item #'s:** E-6 & G-8

**Presente** r(s): Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director

#### **Background**

Nebraska State Law requires that acquisition of property must be approved by City Council. The Utilities Department needs to acquire an easement relative to the property of Iglesia De Dios Eben-Ezer, along the west side of Capital Trailer Park, located east of the Burlington Northern Railroad tracks and north of Capital Avenue; in the City Of Grand Island, Hall County, in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

#### **Discussion**

This easement will be used to reconstruct a three phase overhead power line along the west side of Capital Trailer Court.

The existing line is over 50 years old, the poles are short and there is a need to add a three phase underground takeoff 1,362 feet north of Capital Avenue. By obtaining the easement, a new line can be constructed, energized, and placed into service without long outages to the Trailer Park customers. The new overhead line will serve the Trailer Park, a future Assembly Hall, soccer field lights, and a revival area for the Iglesia De Dios Eben-Ezer Church.

#### **Alternatives**

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

- 1. Make a motion 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 resolution for the acquisition of the easement for one dollar (\$1.00).

## **Sample Motion**

Motion to approve acquisition of the Utility Easement.

