



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 25, 2006

Council Session

## Item E2

**Public Hearing Concerning Acquisition of Utility Easement -  
Along the South Right-of-Way Line of Lillie Drive, West of North  
Road - Bredthauer**

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# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Robert H. Smith, Asst. Utilities Director  
**Meeting:** July 25, 2006  
**Subject:** Acquisition of Utility Easement – Along the South Right-of-Way line of Lillie Drive, West of North Road - Bredthauer  
**Item #'s:** E-2 & G-15  
**Presenter(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 Karen J. Bredthauer, located along the south right-of-way line of Lillie Drive, west of North Road, 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 place underground cables and pad-mounted transformers to serve the new Springdale Subdivision. The current right-of-way has existing paving and a ditch for drainage. Placing electric utility lines in the right-of-way would result in blocking the drainage. The cables may be placed in the new easement without adversely affecting the new homes.

## **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.

