



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 23, 2007

Council Session

Item G1

Approving Minutes of December 9, 2007 City Council Regular Meeting

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

January 9, 2007

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on January 9, 2007. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on January 3, 2007.

Mayor Margaret Hornady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Councilmember's Pielstick, Walker, Cornelius, Nickerson, Gericke, Gilbert, Whitesides, Haase, and Meyer. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Gary Greer, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director David Springer, Public Works Director Steve Riehle, and Interim City Attorney Dale Shotkoski.

INVOCATION was given by Pastor Curtis Holzworth, Evangelical Free Church, 2609 South Blaine Street followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MAYOR COMMUNICATION: Mayor Hornady acknowledged Community Youth Council members Amber Moreno and Taylor O'Boyle along with Ed Jarosik, Board Member. Mayor Hornady thanked the Utilities and Public Works Departments for the clean-up efforts due to the ice storm. Also mentioned was the foresight from previous council's in building the power plant.

SPECIAL ITEMS:

Approving Appointment of Tom Brown as City Councilmember for Ward 2. Mayor Hornady submitted the name of Tom Brown for the appointment of Councilmember to represent Ward 2 to fill the vacancy created when Councilmember Hornady was elected Mayor. The term of office would begin immediately and expire on December 2, 2008

Motion by Meyer second by to Whitesides approve the appointment of Tom Brown as Councilmember for Ward 2. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Administration of Oath to Newly Appointed Councilmember Tom Brown. City Clerk RaNae Edwards administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Councilmember Tom Brown. Mr. Brown commented that

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Change of Zoning for a Tract of Land Located East of the Platte Valley Industrial Park between West Schimmer Drive and West Wildwood Drive from TA Transitional Agriculture & AG2 Secondary Agricultural to M2 Heavy Manufacturing. Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director reported that the Grand Island Economic Development Corporation had submitted an application to rezone approximately 440 acres of land east of the Platte Valley Industrial Park between Schimmer Drive and Wildwood Drive on both sides of Blaine Street from TA Transitional Agriculture and AG2 Secondary Agricultural to M2 Heavy Manufacturing.

Marlan Ferguson representing the Economic Development Corporation spoke in support. No further public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at the Corner of Broadwell Avenue and 2nd Street (Five Points Bank) Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that acquisition of a utility easement located at the Corner of Broadwell Avenue and 2nd Street was needed in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers. This easement would be used to locate underground cable and a single phase pad-mounted transformer to provide electrical service to an ATM. No public testimony was heard.

ORDINANCES:

Councilmember Pielstick moved “that the statutory rules requiring ordinances to be read by title on three different days be suspended and that ordinance numbered:

#9100 – Consideration of Change of Zoning for a Tract of Land Located East of the Platte Valley Industrial Park between West Schimmer Drive and West Wildwood Drive from TA Transitional Agriculture & AG2 Secondary Agricultural to M2 Heavy Manufacturing

be considered for passage on the same day upon reading by number only and that the City Clerk be permitted to call out the number of this ordinance on first reading and then upon final passage and call for a roll call vote on each reading and then upon final passage.” Councilmember Nickerson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director reported this item related to the aforementioned Public Hearing. Discussion was held on why the southwestern corner of the property was not included in the rezoning. Mr. Nabity stated that the EDC did not own the property and did not have an option to buy it. Comments were made concerning citizens concerns regarding traffic, ethanol plant, trains, etc. Mr. Nabity stated this use was included in the Comprehensive Plan. Gateway corridor requirements were also discussed.

Motion by Pielstick, second by Meyer to approve Ordinance #9100.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9100 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9100 on final passage. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on final passage, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Hornady: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon final passage, Ordinance #9100 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

CONSENT AGENDA: Consent Agenda item G-8 was pulled for further discussion. Motion by Cornelius, second by Gilbert to approve the Consent Agenda excluding item G-8. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Approving Minutes of December 19, 2006 City Council Regular Meeting.

#2007-1 – Approving Change Order No. 10 with Chief Construction Company of Grand Island, Nebraska for Law Enforcement Center for an Additional Cost of \$885.23 and a Decrease in the Contingency Fund to \$139,724.11.

#2007-2 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at the Corner of Broadwell Avenue and 2nd Street (Five Points Bank).

#2007-3 – Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Water Main Project 2005-W-12 – Public Safety Center and Hall County Corrections Facility with Starostka Group Unlimited, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska.

#2007-4 – Approving Certificate of Compliance with the Nebraska Department of Roads for Maintenance Agreement No. 12; Calendar Year 2006.

#2007-5 – Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Asphalt Street Improvement District No. 1254; Dale Roush and Dale Roush 2nd Subdivision (Indian Acres) with Gary Smith Construction Company of Grand Island, Nebraska.

2007-6 – Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Asphalt Maintenance Project 2006-AC-1; Various Locations Throughout Grand Island with Gary Smith Construction Company of Grand Island, Nebraska.

#2007-8 – Approving Amendment Number 3 to the Grand Island General City Employees Pension Plan with Ameritas.

#2007-9 – Approving Final Plat and Subdivision Agreement for LaRue Third Subdivision. It was noted that Housing Plus L.L.C. owner, had submitted a Final Plat for LaRue Third Subdivision located on a tract of land comprising a part of the E1/2 NW1/4 of Section 13-11-10 consisting of approximately 20.369 acres for the purpose of creating 60 lots.

#2007-10 – Approving Annexation Plan for Property Located Between the East Side of the Platte Valley Industrial Park and South Locust Street and Between Wildwood Drive and Schimmer Drive and Scheduling a Public Hearing.

#2007-11 – Approving Supplemental Agreement #1 with the Nebraska Department of Roads for the Grand Island River Way Trail.

#2007-12 – Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with Kirkham Michael of Omaha, Nebraska for Engineering Consulting Services for Storm Sewer Design Relative to the Wasmer Detention Cell.

#2007-7 – Approving Application with the Nebraska Department of Roads for Safe Route to School Program (Safety Improvements near Walnut Middle School). Councilmember Pielstick commented on the traffic issues at Walnut Middle School and spoke of support for the Safe Route to School Program.

Motion by Pielstick, second by Walker to approve Resolution #2007-7. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2007-13 – Approving Appointment of Dale Shotkoski as City Attorney. Mayor Hornady submitted the name of Dale Shotkoski for the appointment of City Attorney. The appointment would be effective with the Mayor's term of office.

Motion by Meyer, second by Whitesides to approve Resolution #2007-13. Upon roll call vote, Councilmember's Walker, Cornelius, Nickerson, Gericke, Brown, Gilbert, Whitesides, and Meyer voted aye. Councilmember's Haase and Pielstick voted no. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Cornelius, second by Haase to approve the Claims for the period of December 20, 2006 through January 9, 2007, for a total amount of \$2,890,836.03. Motion adopted unanimously.

Motion by Cornelius, second by Haase to approve the following Claims for the Library Expansion for the period of December 6, 2006 through January 9, 2007:

#48 \$333,712.70
#49 \$ 750.00

Motion adopted unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk