



# **City of Grand Island**

**Tuesday, September 11, 2007**

**Council Session**

## **Item G9**

**#2007-218 - Approving Application for 2007 Transportation  
Enhancement Program Grant**

**Staff Contact: Steve Paustian; Joni Kuzma**

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Steve Paustian, Park and Recreation Director

**Meeting:** September 11, 2007

**Subject:** Resolution Authorizing Staff to Apply for Trail Grant

**Item #'s:** G-9

**Presenter(s):** Steve Paustian, Park and Recreation Director

## **Background**

One of the requirements for applying for grant funding for trail construction is to receive authorization to apply from the City Council.

## **Discussion**

It is the intention of the Park and Recreation Department to construct a trail addition connecting the State Street Trail to the new trail addition associated with the Capital Avenue widening project (see map). Total construction and engineering costs are estimated to be \$229,044.50. The Federal match (80%) will be \$183,235.60 and the City share (20%) will be \$45,808.90.

## **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 resolution authorizing staff to apply for the grant.

## **Sample Motion**

Motion to approve the resolution authorizing Park and Recreation Department staff to apply for the trail grant.





Trail Constructed  
By City Completion  
Date December 2008

Trail to be  
Constructed with  
this Grant Funding

Existing  
State Street Trail



RESOLUTION 2007-218

WHEREAS, on June 10, 1996, by Resolution 96-188, the City of Grand Island approved and adopted the Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Development Plan, which included the development of a hike/bike trail system for the community; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Parks and Recreation Department to construct a trail addition connecting the State Street Trail to the new trail addition associated with the Capital Avenue widening project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island is requesting grant funding for such project; and

WHEREAS, if granted, assistance would be provided for 80% of the project costs, for a total of \$183,235.60; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, has available a minimum of 20%, for a total of \$45,808.90 of the project cost and has the financial ability to operate and maintain the completed facility in a safe and attractive manner for public use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the City of Grand Island supports the construction of the hike/bike trail, and further approves and authorizes an application for assistance from the Transportation Enhancement Program for the purpose of constructing such trail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such application and other documentation on behalf of the City of Grand Island for such grant process.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska on September 11, 2007.

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Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ? _____ September 6, 2007 ? City Attorney
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