



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 25, 2007

Council Session

Item I2

**#2007-237 - Consideration of Directing Property Owner to Repair
Sidewalk at 1504 N Broadwell Avenue**

Staff Contact: Steven P. Riehle, City Engineer/Public Works Direc

Council Agenda Memo

From: Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

Meeting: September 25, 2007

Subject: Resolution Directing Property Owner to Repair Sidewalk at 1504 N Broadwell Avenue

Item #'s: I-2

Presenter(s): Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

Background

On August 1, 2007 a letter was sent to Grim's Home Repair, Inc. concerning necessary repairs to the sidewalk at 1504 North Broadwell Avenue (Lot 186, except the Westerly Fifty (50) feet thereof, in West Lawn, an addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska). The letter stated these repairs needed to be made by August 23, 2007 to prevent accident or injury to citizens using the sidewalk. Section 32-58 and 32-59 of the City Code and Section 16-662 R.S. Nebraska Statutes, make the property owner responsible for repairing sidewalks adjacent to their property.

Discussion

The Public Works Department is requesting that a resolution be passed giving the property owner 10 days to repair the sidewalk at 1504 North Broadwell Avenue (Lot 186, except the Westerly Fifty (50) feet thereof, in West Lawn, an addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska), as this is a public safety concern.

If the property owner fails to repair the sidewalk within the time allotted the City of Grand Island will take steps to make the necessary repairs with all costs being the responsibility of Grim's Home Repair, Inc.

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 a resolution directing Grim's Home Repair, Inc. to repair the sidewalk located at 1504 North Broadwell Avenue (Lot 186, except the Westerly Fifty (50) feet thereof, in West Lawn, an addition to the City Of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska).

Sample Motion

Motion to approve a resolution directing Grim's Home Repair, Inc. to repair the sidewalk located at 1504 North Broadwell Avenue (Lot 186, except the Westerly Fifty (50) feet thereof, in West Lawn, an addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska) within 10 days and if the property owner fails to do so, the City can issue the work to be done and assess the lot.



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Better Tomorrow. Today.*

August 1, 2007

Grim's Home Repair Inc.
1724 11th Avenue
Saint Paul, NE 68873

RE: Sidewalk at 1504 N Broadwell Avenue

The sidewalk at your property (1504 N Broadwell Avenue) is in need of repair to make it safe for the public. We would appreciate your help in repair of this walk to prevent accident or injury to people using it.

Section 32-58 and 32-59 of the City Code and Section 16-662 R.S. Nebraska Statutes, make the owner of the property responsible for repairing sidewalks adjacent to their property.

You will need to obtain a sidewalk permit from our office. We ask that you have the walk repaired by August 23, 2007. If you have difficulty meeting this deadline or have other questions, please contact our office at 385-5444, ext. 260.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven P. Riehle". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "S" and a cursive "Riehle".

Steven P. Riehle
Director of Public Works

Cc: Tom Carlson

SPR:cd





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WHEREAS, the city has the authority under Neb. Rev. Stat., § 16-662, to direct the repair and replacement of sidewalks by owners of the abutting property; and

WHEREAS, the sidewalk abutting 1504 North Broadwell Avenue, legally described as the West Fifty Feet (50') of Lot One Hundred Eighty-Six (186) in West Lawn Addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska, has been determined to be in need of repair and replacement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that notice be sent to Grim's Home Repair, Inc., to replace the sidewalk abutting the property located at 1504 North Broadwell Avenue (Lot 186 in Westlawn Addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska, except the westerly 50 feet thereof.) within ten days. If the property owner shall fail to replace the sidewalk within ten days after notice is sent, the city will cause the work to be done and assess the cost against the property at a later date.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, September 25, 2007.

Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk