



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 23, 2007

Council Session

Item G1

Approving Minutes of October 9, 2007 City Council Meeting

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

October 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 October 9, 2007. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on October 3, 2007.

Mayor Margaret Hornady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Councilmember's Haase, Zapata, Nickerson, Gericke, Carney, Gilbert, Niemann, and Meyer. Councilmember's Brown and Whitesides were absent. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Jeff Pederson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director David Springer, City Attorney Dale Shotkoski, and Public Works Director Steve Riehle.

INVOCATION was given by Paastor Aaron Utecht, Evangelical Free Church, 2609 South Blaine Street followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MAYOR COMMUNICATION: Mayor Hornady acknowledged Community Youth Council members Sam Bolton and Dustin Supencheck.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Central District Health Department Update on County Wide Public Health Exercise. Mike Darbrow with the Central District Health Department presented a PowerPoint concerning the County wide public health emergency exercise to be held October 27, 2007.

Proclamation "National Arts and Humanities Month" October 2007. Mayor Hornady proclaimed the month of October 2007 as "National Arts and Humanities Month". Livey Henry representing the Prairie Winds Art Center was present to receive the proclamation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Request from Hall County Livestock Improvement Association dba Fonner Park, 700 East Stolley Park Road for a Class "CK" Liquor License. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk reported that an application had been received from the Hall County Livestock Improvement Association dba Fonner Park, 700 East Stolley Park Road for a Class "CK" Liquor License. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the Liquor Control Commission and received by the City on September 17, 2007; notice to the general public of date, time, and place of hearing published on September 29, 2007; notice to the applicant of date, time, and place of hearing mailed on September 17, 2007; along with Chapter 4 of the City Code. Staff recommended approval No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Request from Fonner Park Exposition and Events Center dba Heartland Events Center, 690 East Stolley Park Road for a Class "CK" Liquor License. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk reported that an application had been received from the Fonner Park Exposition and Events Center dba Heartland Events Center, 6900 East Stolley Park Road for a Class "CK" Liquor License. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the

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Public Hearing on Declaration of Site Known as Redevelopment Area #6, Five Points Area as Blighted and Substandard. Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director reported that the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) commissioned a Blighted/Substandard study for Redevelopment Area No. 6 which was described as Five Points, Eddy Street, Broadwell Avenue and Second Street West in central and north central Grand Island. The study was prepared by RDG Planning & Design and determined this area should be declared as substandard/blighted. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Nebraska Department of Economic Development Planning Grant. Joni Kuzma, Community Development Administrator reported that the Nebraska Department of Economic Development was offering a second cycle of funding for CDBG Planning Grant applications. The city would apply and administer a \$25,000 Planning Grant for a Housing Market Study with 25% City matching funds to be paid by the Community Redevelopment Authority and the Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation. The project total would not exceed \$45,000. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Drainage Easements Located at 3817, 3823, 3829, 3835, 3841, 3844 Meadowlark Circle and 3819, 3824, 3818 Sparrow Circle (Lots 6 thru 11 & 21 thru 23 all in Block 1, Summerfield Estates 7th Subdivision) – Little B's Corp. Steve Riehle, Public Works Director reported that acquisition of drainage easements located in the back yards of the lots in Summerfield Estates Seventh Subdivision were needed in order to have access to construct, operate, maintain, extend, repair, replace, and remove storm sewers, manholes, pipelines, surface markers, and other appurtenances for draining purposes. No public testimony was heard.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Gilbert, second by Haase to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Approving Minutes of September 25, 2007 City Council Regular Meeting.

#2007-239 – Approving City Council Meeting Schedule for 2008.

#2007-240 – Approving Agreement for Funding with the Clean Community System in an Amount of \$20,000.00.

#2007-241 – Approving Agreement for Funding with Hope Harbor in an Amount of \$4,500.00.

#2007-242 – Approving Agreement for Funding with the Grand Island Hall County Convention & Visitors Bureau in an Amount of \$10,000.00.

#2007-243 – Approving Agreement for Funding with the Crisis Center, Inc. in an Amount of \$12,000.00.

#2007-244 – Approving Agreement for Funding with the Grand Island Area Council for International Visitors in an Amount of \$1,000.00.

#2007-245 – Approving Agreement for Funding with the Grand Island Multicultural Coalition in an Amount of \$10,000.00.

#2007-246 – Approving Agreement for Funding with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in an Amount of \$10,000.00.

#2007-247 – Approving Agreement for Funding with Senior Citizens Industries, Inc. in an Amount of \$15,000.00.

#2007-248 – Approving Agreement for Funding with the Central Nebraska Ethnic Festival in an Amount of Approximately \$900.00.

#2007-249 – Approving Nebraska Department of Economic Development Planning Grant.

#2007-250 – Approving Extension of Contract End Date for CDBG Grant 05-CR-015 to December 1, 2007.

#2007-251 – Approving Acquisition of Drainage Easements Located at 3817, 3823, 3829, 3835, 3841, 3844 Meadowlark Circle and 3819, 3824, 3818 Sparrow Circle (Lots 6 thru 11 & 21 thru 23 all in Block 1, Summerfield Estates 7th Sub.) – Little B's Corp.

#2007-252 – Approving Designating Both Sides of State Street between Lafayette Avenue and Grand Island Avenue as No Parking.

#2007-253 – Approving Payment of \$167,015.00 to County Court for Just Compensation from Appraiser's Report for Tracts 5, 16, 17 & 19 on the Capital Avenue Widening Project.

#2007-254 – Approving Bid Award for Water Main District 453T, Sanitary Sewer District 522T, and Sanitary Lift Station #22 to serve the National Guard Helicopter Facility to The Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$613,371.10.

#2007-255 – Approving 2007 Victim's Of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant Award in an Amount of \$33,684.00.

#2007-256 – Approving Agreement for Funding with Izakk Walton Kids Fishing Derby in an Amount of \$2,000.00.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2007-257 – Consideration of Approving Request of Hall County Livestock Improvement Association dba Fonner Park, 700 East Stolley Park Road for a Class "CK" Liquor License and Request from Todd Otto, 1304 Phillips Spur, Phillips, Nebraska for a Liquor Manager Designation. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk reported that this item related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Motion by Gilbert, second by Haase to approve Resolution 2007-257 and the request from Todd Otto for Liquor Manager Designation contingent upon Mr. Otto completing a state approved alcohol server/seller training program. Upon roll call vote, Councilmember's Haase, Zapata, Nickerson, Gericke, Carney, Gilbert, and Niemann voted aye. Councilmember Meyer voted no. Motion adopted.

#2007-258 – Consideration of Approving Request of Fonner Park Exposition and Events Center dba Heartland Events Center, 690 East Stolley Park Road for a Class “CK” Liquor License and Request from Bruce Swihart, 339 Ponderosa Drive for a Liquor Manager Designation. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk reported that this item related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Motion by Gilbert, second by Haase to approve Resolution 2007-258 and the request from Bruce Swihart for Liquor Manager Designation contingent upon Mr. Swihart completing a state approved alcohol server/seller training program. Upon roll call vote, Councilmember's Haase, Zapata, Nickerson, Gericke, Carney, Gilbert, and Niemann voted aye. Councilmember Meyer voted no. Motion adopted.

#2007-259 – Consideration of Approving Declaration of Site Known as Redevelopment Area #6, Five Points Area as Blighted and Substandard. Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director reported that this item related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Motion by Gilbert, second by Haase to approve Resolution #2007-259 with the Findings of Fact that declaration of Area #6 meets all the definitions as outlined in State Statutes; street layout is such that the blighted and substandard factors are distributed throughout the redevelopment area; and, public intervention is appropriate and/or necessary for the redevelopment of the area. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Niemann, second by Haase to approve the Claims for the period of September 26, 2007 through October 9, 2007, for a total amount of \$2,882,901.01. Motion adopted unanimously.

Motion by Niemann, second by Haase to approve the following Claims for the Library Expansion for the Period of September 12, 2007 through October 9, 2007:

#84	\$1954.40
#85	2,700.00
#86	2,330.00
#87	17,456.11
#88	1,360.00
#89	<u>37,180.53</u>

Total \$62,981.04

Motion adopted unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Meyer, second by Haase to go into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. for the purpose of discussing FOP and IAFF Union Negotiations. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion by Meyer, second by Haase to return to regular session at 9:50 p.m. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk