



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Council Session

Item G1

Approving Minutes of October 23, 2007 City Council Meeting

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CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

October 23, 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 23, 2007. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on October 17, 2007.

Mayor Margaret Hornady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Councilmember's Brown, Haase, Zapata, Nickerson, Gericke, Carney, Gilbert, Niemann, and Meyer. 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 Pastor Jim Hofmann, First Church of the Nazarene, 1022 West 6th Street followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MAYOR COMMUNICATION: Mayor Hornady acknowledged the donation to the library from Myrtle Grimminger in and amount of \$888,250.00 and apologized for not mentioning it the Library Grand Opening ceremonies. Mayor Hornady acknowledged Community Youth Council members Ashley Cahlua and Laura Wirth and Board Member Darren Sanchez. Also mentioned was the Nebraska Veteran's Home 120th Year Celebration this last weekend.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation "National Adoption Month" November 2007. Mayor Hornady proclaimed the month of November 2007 as "National Adoption Month". Yolanda Nuncio was present to receive the proclamation.

Proclamation "Community Planning Month" October 2007. Mayor Hornady proclaimed the month of October as "Community Planning Month". Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director was present to receive the proclamation.

Presentation by Marlan Ferguson, Economic Development President Relative to the Economic Development Program Plan. Marlan Ferguson, President of the Economic Development Corporation gave the Semi-Annual Report of the Economic Development Corporation and a PowerPoint presentation of work being done by the Economic Development Corporation in Grand Island. A total of 4,346 jobs had been created with \$1,416,000 allocated to date and a current balance of \$147,137.53 to be used for incentives.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing Concerning the Semi-Annual Report by the Citizens' Review Committee on the Economic Development Program Plan. Dehn Renter, Chairman of the Citizens' Review Committee reported that the Citizens' Review Committee was required by State Statute and the Grand Island City Code to make a semi-annual report to the City Council. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing Concerning Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at 3003 Frontage Road – Northeast of Orscheln’s Farm & Home Store (L & P Investments). Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that acquisition of a utility easement located as 3003 Frontage Road 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 place a three phase pad-mounted transformer to provide electrical service to a new building under construction. No public testimony was heard.

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

Approving Minutes of October 9, 2007 City Council Regular Meeting.

#2007-260 – Approving Semi-Annual Report by the Citizens’ Review Committee on the Economic Development Program Plan.

#2007-261 – Approving Final Plat and Subdivision Agreement for Livermore Subdivision. It was noted that James and Marlys Livermore, owners, had submitted the Final Plat for Livermore Subdivision located on a tract of land comprising a part of the E1/2 NW1/4 of Section 28-11-9 consisting of approximately 1.052 acres for the purpose of creating 2 lots.

#2007-262 – Approving Final Plat and Subdivision Agreement for Westwood Park Eleventh Subdivision. It was noted that Rudolf and Jeannice Plate and Tim Plate, owners, had submitted the Final Plat for Westwood Park Eleventh Subdivision located on a tract of land comprising a part of the NW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 14-11-10 consisting of approximately 10.620 acres for the purpose of creating 21 lots.

#2007-263 – Approving Bid Award for Snow Removal Services for the 2007/2008 Winter Season with The Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$125.00 per hour for Front End Loaders, \$145.00 per hour for Motor Graders and \$100.00 per hour for Hauling Snow.

#2007-264 – Approving Designation of a Handicapped Parking Stall on Boggs Avenue North of 7th Street.

#2006-265 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at 3003 Frontage Road – Northwest of Orscheln’s Farm & Home Store (L & P Investments).

#2007-266 – Approving Bid Award for Platte River Well Field Wells #1, #4, and #8 Earthwork with Hooker Brothers Construction of Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$30,499.00.

#2007-267 – Approving Bid Award for Emergency Generator Repair at Platte Generating Station with Great Plains Technical Services of Mandan, North Dakota in an Amount of \$78,830.00.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2007-268 – Approving Funding of Economic Development Request. David Springer, Finance Director reported this was the annual funding request from the Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$750,000.00 which was budgeted. Councilmember Nickerson commended the EDC on job creation and the investment to the community.

Motion by Nickerson, second by Meyer to approve Resolution #2007-268. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Brown, second by Zapata to approve the Claims for the period of October 10, 2007 through October 23, 2007, for a total amount of \$3,328,165.39. Motion adopted unanimously.

Motion by Brown, second by Zapata to approve the following Claims for the Library Expansion for the Period of October 10, 2007 through October 23, 2007:

#90	\$4,334.60
#91	\$5,942.00
#92	<u>\$3,324.50</u>

Total \$13,601.10

Motion adopted unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk