



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 25, 2009

Council Session

## Item G1

**Approving Minutes of August 11, 2009 City Council Regular Meeting**

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CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

August 11, 2009

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 August 11, 2009. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on August 5, 2009.

Mayor Hornady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Meyer, Niemann, Gilbert, Haase, Carney, Dugan, Ramsey, Nickerson, Zapata and Gericke. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Jeff Pederson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director Mary Lou Brown, Assistant City Attorney Wes Nespor, and Public Works Director Steve Riehle.

INVOCATION was given by Mayor Hornady followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MAYOR COMMUNICATION: Mayor Hornady introduced Community Youth Council members Austin Witmer and Caitlynn Schwehn along with board member Elizabeth Kuta.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Recognition of Life Saving Efforts. Mayor Hornady and Fire Chief Troy Hughes gave certificates of recognition to Ashley Schmitz, Adam Pfeifer, Bob Samuelson, Tim Schirmer, and the Doniphan QRT's who helped save the life of Cale Buhr, a 17 year old male student athlete on May 12, 2009 when he suddenly collapsed and went into cardiac arrest.

Also presented were certificates of recognition to Scott Kudera and Craig Tegeler for a second event which occurred on May 15, 2009 when Adam Wright, a training officer from Meadow Grove Fire Department became unresponsive. These people were thanked for their outstanding efforts that successfully changed the destiny for two individuals.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at 4811 Gold Core Drive (Joseph & Lori Brown). Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that a utility easement was needed at 4811 Gold Core Drive in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers. The easement would be used to locate underground primary cable and a pad-mounted transformer to provide electric service to a new bus storage and repair shop for Holiday Travel. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at 731 Allen Drive (Highway Motels of Nebraska, Inc.). Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that a utility easement was needed at 731 Allen Drive in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers. The easement would be used to place high voltage underground cables and a pad-mounted transformer to provide electric service to the new

Holiday Inn Express currently being constructed. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Proposed FY 2009-2010 City Single Budget. This item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the Finance Director.

Public Hearing on Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) Budget. This item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the Finance Director.

ORDINANCES:

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

#9228 – Consideration of Amendments to Chapter 5 of the Grand Island City Code  
Relative to Animals

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 Ramsey second the motion. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Assistant City Attorney Wes Nespor reported Ordinance #9228 would amend Chapter 5 of the Grand Island City Code - Animals to update rabies observation to mirror state law and incorporate changes suggested by the Animal Advisory Board.

Motion by Meyer, second by Nickerson to approve Ordinance #9228.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9228 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 #9228 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 #9228 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

CONSENT AGENDA: Consent Agenda Item G-7 was pulled for further discussion. Motion by Zapata, second by Meyer to approve the Consent Agenda excluding item G-7.. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Approving Minutes of July 28, 2009 City Council Regular Meeting.

Approving Re-Appointment of Doug Jensen to the Animal Advisory Board.

Approving Request from Kelsey Scoggins, 103 West 22<sup>nd</sup> Street for Liquor Manager Designation for the United Veterans Club, 1914 West Capital Avenue.

Approving Request of Fonner Park Exposition and Events Center, Inc. for Ratification of Election of Board of Directors.

#2009-188 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at 4811 Gold Core Drive (Joseph & Lori Brown).

#2009-189 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at 731 Allen Drive (Highway Motels of Nebraska, Inc.).

#2009-191 – Approving Bid Award for One (1) 10’ Raw Sewage Pump for the Wastewater Division of the Public Works Department with Bert Gurney & Associates of Omaha, Nebraska in an Amount of \$29,095.00.

#2009-192 – Approving Contract with IES Industrial, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska for Project WW050 Replacement SCADA System for Waste Water Treatment Plant in an Amount of \$433,769.00.

#2009-193 – Approving Renewal of Contract for Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Services with Family Resources of Greater Nebraska, Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$14,475.00 for one year.

#2009-190 – Approving Pipeline Crossing and Encroachment Agreement at Husker Highway and Union Pacific Railroad Crossing for Water Main Project 2009-W-3 – Alda Water Main Project for a One-time lease payment of \$12,406.00. Gary Mader, Utilities Director answered questions regarding construction costs, tap fees, liability insurance, future costs, and ownership of the water line.

Motion by Ramsey, second by Carney to approve Resolution #2009-190. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Dugan, second by Meyer to approve the Claims for the period of July 29, 2009 through August 11, 2009, for a total amount of \$2,524,456.65. Unanimously approved.

Motion by Dugan, second by Gericke to approve the Claims for the period of July 29, 2009 through August 11, 2009 for State Fair Recreational Building in the amount of \$13,700.00. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

RaNae Edwards  
City Clerk