



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

Council Session

## Item E3

**Public Hearing Concerning Acquisition of Utility Easement - West Side of 3515 Old Potash Hwy. (KIA Dealership) - Anderson**

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# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Robert H. Smith, Asst. Utilities Director  
**Meeting:** October 13, 2009  
**Subject:** Acquisition of Utility Easement – West side of 3515 Old Potash Highway – KIA Dealership - Anderson  
**Item #'s:** E-3 & G-15  
**Presenter(s):** Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director

## **Background**

Nebraska State Law requires that acquisition of property must be approved by City Council. The Utilities Department needs to acquire an easement relative to the property of Melodee A. Anderson located on the west side of 3515 Old Potash Highway – KIA Dealership, in the City of Grand Island, Hall County, in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

## **Discussion**

A new cellular phone tower is under construction at the southeast corner of the property that is under lease from Hall County to Hornady Manufacturing. New underground high voltage cable needs to be placed along the property line between the east building of the Hornady property, and the west storage building of the KIA dealership. The distance between the two buildings will only allow a 16' easement, eight (8) feet from each side, instead of the standard 20' wide easement.

At the south end of the KIA property, the easement widens to 20', and is entirely on Hornady property. The transformer to serve the tower will be located within this easement.

## **Alternatives**

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Make a motion 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 for the acquisition of the easement for one dollar (\$1.00).

## **Sample Motion**

Move to approve acquisition of the Utility Easement.

