

# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 14, 2015 Council Session

### Item E-6

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - South of Capital Avenue, West of Hwy. 281, North of Sterling Estates 3rd Subdivision - Niedfelt Property Management

Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-4.

**Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director** 

# Council Agenda Memo

From: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director

**Meeting:** July 14, 2015

**Subject:** Acquisition of Utility Easement – South of Capital

Avenue, West of Highway 281, North of Sterling Estates

3<sup>rd</sup> Subdivision – Niedfelt Property Management

Preferred LLC

**Presenter(s):** Timothy Luchsinger, 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 Niedfelt Property Management Preferred LLC, located through a part of in the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska (south of Capital Avenue, west of Highway 281, north of Sterling Estates 3<sup>rd</sup> Subdivision), in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

#### **Discussion**

Construction is currently underway on the residential development of Sterling Estates 4<sup>th</sup> Subdivision, located east of Ebony Lane at the east end of Norseman Avenue. Additionally, the second phase of the apartment complex on the south side of Capital Avenue, being done on Sterling Estates 6<sup>th</sup> Subdivision, is about to commence.

An easement is required for extension of utility lines between the two developments. The area will allow for installation of water mains, sanitary sewer lines, and drainage infrastructure. As the area continues to be developed, the easement will be encompassed by the future Monarch Avenue roadway.

#### **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.



