



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 14, 2015

Council Session

Item E-7

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - 4160 Old Potash Highway - Hall County School District #2

Council action will take place under Consent Agenda item G-5.

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Meeting: July 14, 2015

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement – 4160 Old Potash Hwy.
– Hall County School District

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 Hall County School District 002 (Grand Island Public Schools), located through a part of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter (S ½, SE ¼), Section Fourteen (14), Township Eleven (11) North, Range Ten (10) West of the 6th PM, in the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska (4160 Old Potash Highway – Shoemaker Elementary School), in order to have access to install, upgrade, maintain, and repair power appurtenances, including lines and transformers.

Discussion

The Grand Island Public School System is remodeling and expanding the Shoemaker Elementary School. As part of this project, new electrical gear is being installed. In order to serve this project, new high voltage power lines must be installed. The proposed easement will provide the Utilities Department with rights for operation, maintenance, and access for primary underground power lines, a pad-mount transformer, and related appurtenances.

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.

