



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 10, 2010

Council Session

Item C1

Recognition of Pat Larson, GIS Specialist for Special Achievement Award at the Annual Esri International User Conference

The Mayor and City Council would like to recognize Pat Larson, GIS Specialist for the Special Achievement in GIS (SAG) Award he received at the 30th annual Esri International User Conference. Grand Island was one of only 87 recipients from within the United States and 57 winners from outside the United States selected to receive the award from more than 300,000 eligible organizations worldwide.

Mr. Larson has served the city for seven years as GIS Specialist. GIS combines computer hardware, software data and people to collect, manage and analyze geographic information. Mr. Larson met the goal of bringing GIS into the mainstream of decision making for the entire city making GIS more accessible to all users, by first implementing an ArcIMS website that gave all citizens access to data. The website was designed in a way that allowed non-technical users the ability to navigate around data with ease. Then, to go further, an enterprise license agreement was made with Esri, which resulted in desktop access to all users.

We congratulate Mr. Larson for his outstanding work in the area of GIS.

Staff Contact: Mayor Hornady

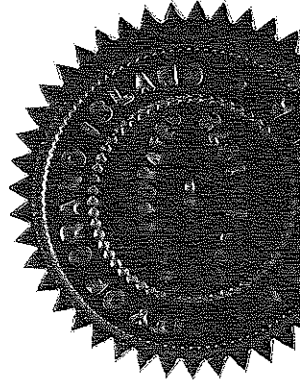


Certificate of Recognition

Awarded to

“Pat Larson”

GIS Specialist for Special Achievement Award received at the
Annual Esri International User Conference



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