



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Council Session

Item E2

**Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement - 809 Allen
Drive - Younes**

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Robert H. Smith, Asst. Utilities Director

Meeting: January 25, 2011

Subject: Acquisition of Utility Easement – 809 Allen Drive
Paul and Linda Younes

Item #'s: E-2 & G-4

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 Paul and Linda Younes, located at the northwest corner of Buffalo Wild Wings, located at 809 Allen Drive, 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

Buffalo Wild Wings is constructing a new restaurant at 809 Allen Drive. The requested easement will be used to place underground conduit, cable and a pad-mounted transformer to supply electric service to the new building. The transformer footprint will extend outside of the existing easement, therefore there is a need for the additional 10 ft. x 10 ft. 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.

