

# **City of Grand Island**

### Tuesday, January 25, 2011 Council Session

### Item I3

**#2011-27 - Consideration of Amending the Lease Agreement for the One Stop Building** 

**Staff Contact: Craig Lewis** 

City of Grand Island City Council

# **Council Agenda Memo**

From: Craig Lewis, Building Department Director

Meeting: January 25, 2011

**Subject**: Request of Becky Niewohner-Dailey, Property Program

Manager, State Building Division, Administrative Services, State of Nebraska to Amend the Lease

Agreement for the City Owned Building at 1306 West 3<sup>rd</sup>

Street

**Item #'s:** I-3

**Presenter(s):** Craig Lewis, Building Department Director

#### **Background**

This is a request to modify a lease agreement entered into in February of 2001 with the Department of Administrative Services, State Building Division and Agency of the State of Nebraska for the City owned property at 1306 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. The lease agreement set terms and cost for the State to lease a part of the 18,773 square foot building through June of 2006. The lease included a rate of \$8.00 per square foot for 2,500 usable square feet with a yearly rental cost of \$20,000 in monthly installment of \$1,666.67.

In July of 2001 the lease agreement was amended to include 7,072 additional square footage of office space at the \$8.00 rate for a total of 9,572 square feet with a total annual rental rate of \$76,576.00 to be paid monthly at \$6,381.33.

At the expiration of the original lease in June of 2006 a second lease addendum was approved by the City Council in May of 2006 for 9,572 square feet at a rate of \$8.71 per square foot for a total of \$83,372.12 to be paid in monthly installments of \$6,947.68 for 5 years and to expire on June 30, 2011.

On December 30, 2010 the State Building Division sent the City of Grand Island a letter requesting a reduction of the leased space from 9,572 square feet to 7,590 square feet reducing the monthly installment from \$6,947.68 to \$5,509.08 for the remaining term of the lease or for the last four months, reducing the income to the City by \$5,754.40.

#### **Discussion**

Within the terms of the original lease section #4 TERMINATION, identifies provisions for the reduction in the rental if the Governor's budget message is such that it does not include funds to pay the rental and any such reduction shall be agreed upon by both parties.

The City currently has utilized storage in the northern section of this building and allowed the State to lease the office space in the central and southern part of this building. The lease does allow for the state to sublease and they have exercised this provision throughout the term of this lease.

As the lease will expire in June of this year, the City may choose to either approve the reduction and renegotiate the lease in June or begin negotiations now on a new or renewal of the existing lease or seek to terminate the lease and seek proposals for an alternative lease of the facility or explore alternative uses for the building and or seek to sell the building finding the City no longer has a need for this facility.

#### **Alternatives**

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

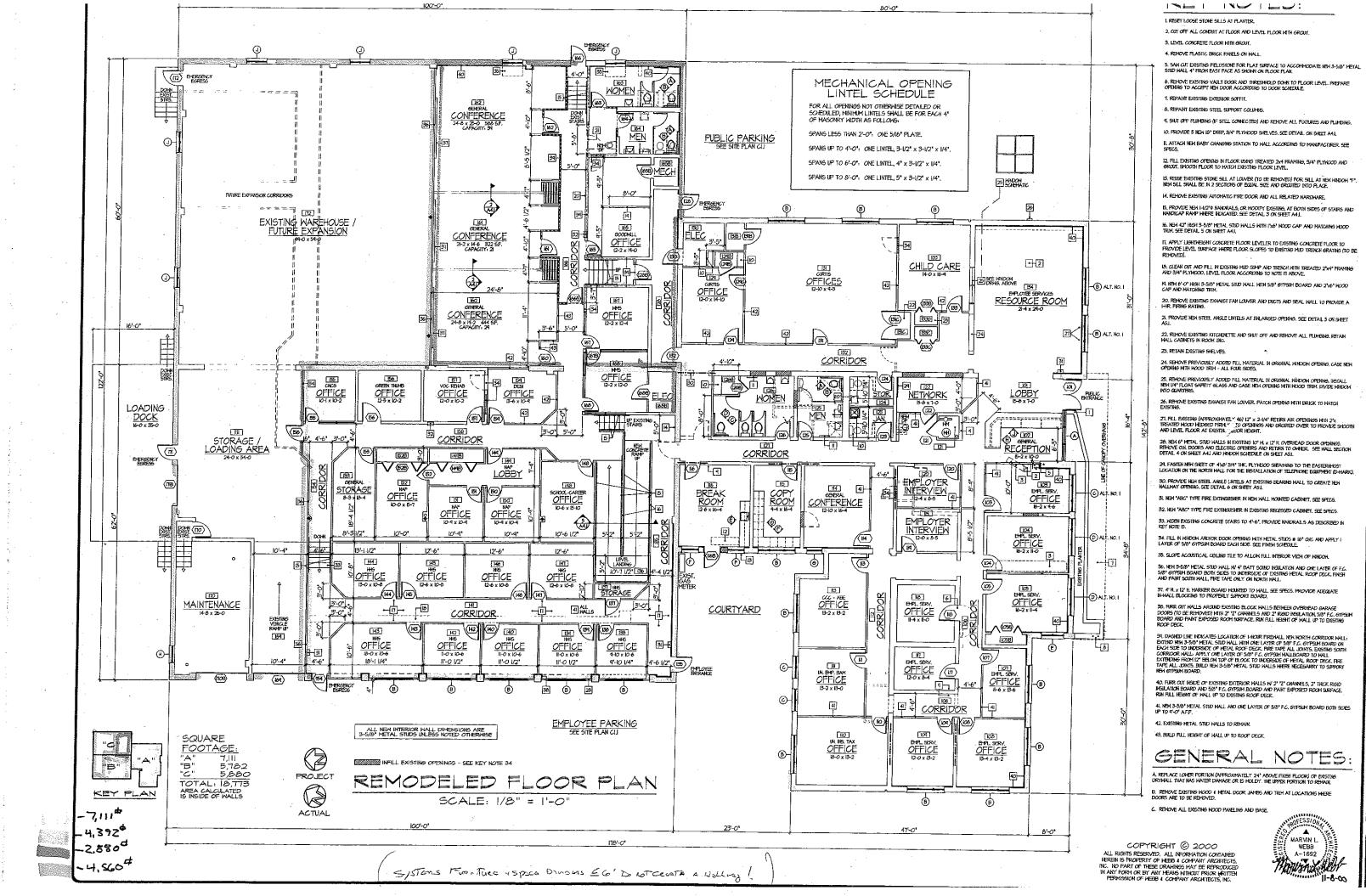
- 1. Approve the request for a reduction in the remaining months of the lease.
- 2. Disapprove or /Deny the Request.
- 3. Modify the terms of the lease to meet the wishes of the Council.
- 4. Table the issue.

### Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council either deny the request and begin negotiations for a renewal of the existing base to expire on June 30, 2011, appreciating that the current sublease has not been able to maintain funding and that in the past any dollars realized by subleasing the property was a benefit to the current principal lessee, or approve the request for a reduced lease fee and negotiate a new lease written by the city attorney.

#### **Sample Motion**

Move to deny the request to reduce the square footage in the lease agreement and recommend that negotiations begin to develop a new lease for the property with the State Building Division.





Dave Heineman, Governor

44-04230-7 44-04240-6 44-04260-4

December 30, 2010

City of Grand Island P O Box 1968 Grand Island, NE 68802-1968 **CERTIFIED MAIL** 

RE:

Lease Agreement:

Contract No. 65010223

Tenant Agency:

Department of Labor

Demised Premises:

1306 West 3rd Street

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is to advise you that the Department of Administrative Services, State Building Division, as directed by the Department of Labor, is hereby exercising its rights as outlined in section **4. TERMINATION** of the Lease Agreement for the office space occupied by Department of Labor at the 1306 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Said paragraph states "If any Governor's budget message is such that it does not include funds to pay rentals hereunder, or if any Sub-Lessee funding source is such that it does not include funds to pay rentals hereunder, notice of such fact shall be given promptly to Lessor. If only a portion of the funds necessary to pay the rentals hereunder are appropriated or provided for, the lease may be kept in force with a prorate share of the space and corresponding rental decreased. Any such reduction shall be agreed upon by both parties."

Due to non-appropriation funds of the Sub-Lessee, the Department of Health and Human Services were forced to terminate the Sub-Lease Agreement and vacate the demised premises. As per the terms and conditions of this Lease Agreement, Lessee may decrease the prorata share of the space and corresponding rent by providing Lessor with written notice. We request on behalf of the Department of Labor a reduction of the leased space from 9,572 sf to 7,590 sf no later than 5:00 P.M. on February 28, 2011.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this situation, please feel free to contact this office at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Becky Niewohner-Dailey

Property Program Manager

AS – State Building Division

CC: Denise Schroeder, Department of Labor

### GRAND ISLAND LEASE INFO 1-18-11

### 7/1/2006-6/30/2011 Grand Total lease payments - \$416,860.80

### 5/2001 - 6/30/2006 Grand Total investment - - - - \$709,277.00

At the end of the current lease in 2006, the City will have received a total of \$382,880 in rental fees and the lessee will have paid an additional \$143,580 in facility services. In addition the Lessee has made the following contributions to the property over the course of the original lease:

a. Original Remodeling	\$160,000	
b. Window Blinds	\$	870
c. Window Tinting	\$	395
d. Parking Lot Fence	\$	6,485
e. Tile Flooring	\$	7,567
f. Addtl Tile Flooring (2006)	\$	7,500
Total	\$1	82,817

## GI Lease Info – Jan 2011

<u>Sq Ft</u>	
2,500	May 2001 original lease
9,572	Jan 1, 2001 amendment when we increased for partners moving in
7,590	Jan 2011 to June 30, 2011– we are requesting a reduction to 7,590 since HHS moved out in October.
7,259	July 2011 Requesting another reduction to cover DOL space needs plus the current partners we have.
	<u>Labor</u> 2,500 sf
	Common Space (conf rooms, etc.) 2,929 sf
	Current Partners thru 6-30-11 1,830 sf
	Multicultural Coalition 600 sf Odle 156 NAF 590 UNL Ctr for Children 120 Safety (LL & Elevat) 220 UI Tax 144 1,830



#### MEMORANDUM

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October 14, 2010

TO:

Denise Schroder

Department of Labor

FROM:

Vicky DeWald

AS - State Building Division

RE:

LEASE RENEWAL REQUEST

Please review the following information regarding Lease Agreement CA-65010223 located at 1306 West 3rd Street in Grand Island, Nebraska and complete the form.

**Current Lease Information:** 

7,259

Office Square Feet

9,572,00 @ \$8.71

Current Term Expiration

6/30/2011

**Annual Cost** 

\$ 83,372.12

Lessor

City of Grand Island

Please complete the form below and return it to me as soon as possible. According to your Lease Agreement, we are expected to give 180 days written notice. Please act accordingly in getting this document returned in an appropriate time frame.

Indicate if you would like to extend or terminate your current lease:

$\mathbb{X}$	Yes, this lease is to be extended 2 year(s).
	No, this lease should not be extended.
	If no, please indicate your future plans. If no plans are included, DAS will prepare to a termination letter at the earliest possible date, in accordance with the Lease Agreement, ne date you indicate here as your termination date.

The following services are provided by the Tenant Agency: Maintenance, Janitorial, Electrical, Lawn Care, Snow/Trash Removal, Sewer/Water.

If you would like to negotiate any of the above listed services into the base rental rate, please indicate so here. You may also specify any additional changes or tenant improvements (Utilities, carpet cleaning, painting, etc.) you would like to see made to your lease:

We are requesting to reduce sg ft to 7,259 and add a Ce month cancel clause for any reason.

New Hore 1/18/11

Authorized Agency Representative

Department of Labor

DS 118-11

#### RESOLUTION 2011-27

WHEREAS, The State of Nebraska, State Building Division has submitted a request to reduce the amount of the lease payment for the City owned building at 1306 West  $3^{rd}$  Street, in conformance with section 4 of the lease agreement, and

WHEREAS, such lease identifies the terms of the agreement between the City of Grand Island and the State of Nebraska for such lease; and

WHEREAS, the terms of lease agreement states that any such reduction shall be agreed upon by both parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the lease agreement is amended to reduce the amount of the rental fee to \$5,509.08 per month for the remaining term of the lease which will expire on June 30, 2011

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	Jay Vavricek, Mayor	
Attest:		
RaNae Edwards, City Clerk		