

# **City of Grand Island**

Tuesday, April 20, 2010 Special Meeting

## Item I2

#2010-113 - Consideration of Request from Grand Island Public School to Temporarily Close College Street between Custer Avenue and Lafayette Avenue for Traffic Diversion Study

Staff Contact: Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

City of Grand Island City Council

# **Council Agenda Memo**

From: Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

Meeting: April 20, 2010

**Subject:** Approving Resolution to Allow Temporary Closure of

College Street From Custer Avenue to Lafayette Avenue

**Item #'s:** I-2

**Presente** r(s): Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

#### **Background**

At the February 2, 2010 Study Session the City Council discussed the closure of College Street through the Grand Island Senior High campus. In order to complete a traffic impact study the school administration requested a temporary closure of College Street from Custer Avenue to Lafayette Avenue. Olsson Associates has been hired by the school system to perform the study.

#### **Discussion**

On April 6, 2010 the first phase of the traffic study was completed with traffic & intersection counts being taken for the morning & afternoon/evening peak times. During this time traffic flow observations were also made.

The proposed temporary closure would begin on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 and could extend to May 28, 2010, depending on scenarios that have to be evaluated. During this timeframe the next traffic & intersection counts with traffic observations would be made. Impact to traffic and public safety response will be monitored during the temporary closure with mitigation measures implemented as needed. Representatives from the school system and Olsson Associates will present details of the traffic study to the Council.

The information gathered while College Street was opened on April 6, 2010 and during the time it will be temporarily closed will be summarized into a report and be presented to Council this summer.

#### **Alternatives**

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

- 1. Move to approve
- 2. Refer the issue to a Committee
- 3. Postpone the issue to future date
- 4. Take no action on the issue

### Recommendation

Public Works Administration recommends that the Council approve the temporary closure of College Street from Custer Avenue to Lafayette Avenue for traffic study.

#### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the temporary closure of College Street from Custer Avenue to Lafayette Avenue for traffic study.

#### RESOLUTION 2010-113

College Street and	•	Study Session City Council discussed the closure of ue, through the Grand Island Senior High campus;
from Custer A	WHEREAS, school administration has requested a temporary closure of College Street venue to Lafayette Avenue to complete a traffic study; and	
WHEREAS, Olsson Associates has been hired by the school system to complete such traffic study; and		
28, 2010; and	WHEREAS, the temporary closure will begin on April 21, 2010 and could extend to May	
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the temporary closure of College Street from Custer Avenue to Lafayette Avenue for traffic study, from April 21, 2010 to May 28, 2010 is hereby approved.		
Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, April 20, 2010.		
		Margaret Hornady, Mayor
Attest:		
RaNae Edward	ds, City Clerk	