



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, March 19, 2002

## Study Session

### Item -4

#### Discussion Regarding Central District Health Department Building

*The health department has been actively seeking improved space for at least the past five years.*

*After a number of meetings with various people offering space for rent, the health department accepted the offer from Hall County to eventually move into the Hall County Office Building. This building currently houses county attorney staff as well as probation and other legal staff. It is anticipated that the building will become available on November 1, 2002.*

*In January of 2002, the Board of Health authorized that staff of the Health Department to meet with an architectural firm to develop plans for renovation of the HCOB to become a health department and develop a cost estimate of the project.*

*Cal Hinz architectural firm met with staff on three occasions and developed the drawings as well as a cost estimate.*

*The anticipated cost of the renovation is \$415,516.35. A cost estimate of the internal furnishings is being done.*

*The health department cannot proceed with the project until funding is established.*

*The Health Department has \$250,000 and Hall County is willing to put \$50,000 to the project.*

*Correspondence related to the building project have been ongoing since June of 2001 when the health department had their budget hearing. The request then was made to have the county and the city assist the health department in funding of the project.*

*The amount of money that the county and city contributes to the health department is \$124,400 each which represents 7.6% of the budget. This amount has not increased in the last 5 years despite increase in volume of services.*

*The health department seeks funding from the city for the project.*

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