
MEMORANDUM

TO: Randy Hill, Public Works Director

FROM: Jon Lutz, City Engineer

SUBJECT: Security Fence Agreement with GPC

DATE: January 31, 2012

INTRODUCTION:

The City of Muscatine has been requested to approve a Security Fence Agreement on the Muscatine Island Levee with Grain Processing Corporation.

BACKGROUND:

An agreement between GPC and the City was approved in 2006 allowing the construction of a chain link fence for security on the riverside crown along the entire length of GPC's industrial area. GPC now plans to extend the levee fence in the upstream direction approximately 400'. Sarah Jones, Rock Island Corps of Engineers, requires an agreement be established between the City and GPC because the proposed fence is considered to be a levee encroachment. The 2006 agreement was used as a template with additional items added regarding ease of City access, fence openings, and GPC use of the levee. The agreement was reviewed and approved by the City Attorney.

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:

I recommend the city enter into this agreement with GPC.

BACKUP INFORMATION:

1. The 2006 Agreement
2. The Proposed Agreement
3. Site Plan

AMENDED AND RESTATED
SECURITY FENCE AGREEMENT – MUSCATINE LEVEE

This Amended and Restated Security Fence Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into effective the _____ day of _____, 2012, by and between GRAIN PROCESSING CORPORATION, 1600 Oregon Street, Muscatine, Iowa (hereinafter “GPC”), and THE CITY OF MUSCATINE, IOWA (hereinafter “City”).

Whereas, GPC and the City have entered into a Security Fence Agreement dated December 7, 2006 (“2006 Agreement”) concerning placement and maintenance of a security fence (“Current Fence”) in relation to the Mississippi River levee within the right-of-way (or easement) of the Muscatine Local Flood Protection Project (“levee”); and

Whereas, GPC requests and the City agrees that GPC shall extend the Current Fence north along the levee in accordance with this Agreement; and

Whereas, this request has been reviewed and approved by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District (hereinafter “Corps”), and the specific conditions requested by the Corps have been incorporated herein; and

Whereas, the City is responsible (subject to Corps approval and subject to the further terms of this Agreement) for the operation and maintenance of the levee within the Muscatine City Limits, but shall not be responsible for GPC infrastructure or equipment run on the levee or any damages associated with the installation, use or maintenance of such infrastructure or equipment;

Now therefore, in consideration of the mutual promises hereinafter set forth, GPC and the City mutually agree as follows:

1. GPC may construct an extension of the Current Fence within the right of way of the levee at GPC’s cost on the riverside crown of the levee from the Current Fence north 410 feet and then down the crown westward along GPC’s property toward the south end of Illinois Street (“Extension Fence”). Together, the Current Fence and Extension Fence are referred to herein as the “Security Fence”.

2. GPC shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of the Security Fence at GPC’s cost.

3. GPC shall be responsible for, at GPC’s cost, controlling brush and tree growth along the levee by cutting or chemical spraying. Such control shall be done to the satisfaction of the Muscatine City Engineer and the Corps.

4. GPC shall remove and replace the Security Fence, at GPC's cost, if it interferes with needed levee maintenance or improvement.

5. Installation of the Extension Fence shall meet the standard FE #6 fencing specifications as required by the Corps.

6. Fencing within the right-of-way of the levee shall be gated at both the north and south ends of the Security Fence to allow access for regular inspection, maintenance and emergency response. Gates shall also be installed at 200' intervals along the Extension Fence to provide access for regular inspection, maintenance and for emergency response.

7. If any disruption of the levee is caused due to the removal and installation of the Security Fence, GPC shall restore the levee to its original condition at GPC's cost.

8. As-built drawings of the completed Extension Fence work shall be submitted to Ms. Sarah Jones of the Corps, and to the Muscatine City Engineer within 90 days of work completion.

9. Failure on the part of GPC to meet any portion of this Agreement will render the Agreement null and void and the fence shall be relocated to the Current Fence location at GPC's cost.

10. Notices required to be sent to either party shall be sent as follows:

To GPC: Grain Processing Corporation
 1600 Oregon Street
 Muscatine, IA 24761
 ATTN: LEGAL DEPARTMENT
 With a copy to GPC Engineering Department

To City: City Engineer
 Public Works Department
 1459 Washington Street
 Muscatine, IA 52761
 With a copy to:
 City Attorney
 City Hall
 215 Sycamore Street
 Muscatine, IA 52761

11. The City shall be granted vehicle and foot access on the levee right of way for regular inspection, maintenance and emergency response. Access shall be through the

north or south guard gate or through a levee gate opened by GPC personnel. Such access shall be as unfettered as reasonably possible under the circumstances.

12. This Agreement shall amend and replace the 2006 Agreement and shall be binding upon GPC and any successors in interest to GPC.

Approved by action of the Muscatine City Council.

DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor
City of Muscatine

Date

John C. Thorpe, President
Grain Processing Corporation

Date

Attachment: Letter from Kent Stenmark, Corps of Engineers, dated November 6, 2006

STATE OF IOWA, MUSCATINE COUNTY, SS:

This instrument was acknowledged before me on the _____ day of _____, 2012, by DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor of the City of Muscatine on behalf of whom instrument was executed.

Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa

STATE OF IOWA, MUSCATINE COUNTY, SS:

This instrument was acknowledged before me on the _____ day of _____, 2012, by John C. Thorpe, President of Grain Processing Corporation on behalf of whom instrument was executed.

Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
CLOCK TOWER BUILDING - P.O. BOX 2004
ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS 61204-2004

<http://www.mvr.usace.army.mil>

November 6, 2006

Emergency Management Division

Mr. Rob McDonald
City Engineer Office
1459 Washington Street
Muscatine, Iowa 52761

Dear Mr. McDonald:

We have reviewed the proposal from Grain Processing Corporation, dated November 1, 2006, regarding the removal and relocation of the landward side security fencing to the riverside crown of the levee, within the right-of-way of the Muscatine Local Flood Protection Project.

After reviewing the proposal for impacts to the flood control project, we have no objection to the relocation of the fencing and furnish the following comments:

- a. The installation of the security fencing should meet the standard FE #6 fencing specifications. (A copy of the FE #6 fencing specifications and drawing is enclosed for your review.)
- b. Any fencing deemed necessary within the right-of-way of the levee shall be gated to allow access for regular maintenance and emergency response.
- c. If any disruption to the levee is caused due to the removal and installation of the fencing the levee must be restored to its original condition.
- d. As-built drawings of the proposed work are required, please submit to the undersigned.

Questions regarding the above subject matter will be taken by Mr. Mark Clark at (309) 794-5264 or Email Mark.Clark@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Kent A. Stenmark
Chief, Emergency Management
Division

Enclosure

xc: L. Koch

xc: RLZ
D. Pinter
J. D. Sparke

SECURITY FENCE AGREEMENT – MUSCATINE LEVEE

This Agreement is made and entered into effective the 7th day of December 2006, by and between GRAIN PROCESSING CORPORATION, 1600 Oregon Street, Muscatine, Iowa (hereinafter "GPC"), and THE CITY OF MUSCATINE, IOWA (hereinafter "City").

Whereas, GPC has requested that a security fence be relocated in relation to the Mississippi River levee within the right-of-way (or easement) of the Muscatine Local Flood Protection Project ("levee"); and

Whereas, this request has been reviewed and approved by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District (hereinafter "Corps") (copy of letter attached), and the specific conditions requested by the Corps have been incorporated herein; and

Whereas, the City is responsible (subject to Corps approval) for the operation and maintenance of the levee within the Muscatine City Limits;

Now therefore, in consideration of the mutual promises hereinafter set forth, GPC and the City mutually agree as follows:

1. GPC may remove and relocate the remainder of their existing security fence from the landward side toe of the Mississippi River levee to the riverside crown of the levee, all within the right-of-way of the levee and at GPC's cost.
2. GPC shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of the fence at GPC's cost.
3. GPC shall be responsible for, at GPC's cost, controlling brush and tree growth along the levee by cutting or chemical spraying. Such control shall be done to the satisfaction of the Muscatine City Engineer and the Corps.
4. GPC shall remove and replace the fence, at GPC's cost, if it interferes with needed levee maintenance or improvement.
5. Installation of the security fencing shall meet the standard FE #6 fencing specifications as required by the Corps.
6. Fencing within the right-of-way of the levee shall be gated at the ends to allow access for regular inspection, maintenance and emergency response. In the event that both parties mutually agree to transfer brush and tree control to the City, GPC will install gates in the fence every 200 feet, that face the Mississippi River, at GPC's cost. These gates shall be acceptable to the City Engineer.
7. If any disruption of the levee is caused due to the removal and installation of the fencing, GPC shall restore the levee to its original condition at GPC's cost.
8. As-built drawings of the completed work shall be submitted to Mr. Mark Clark of the Corps, and to the Muscatine City Engineer within 90 days of work completion.
9. Failure on the part of GPC to meet any portion of this Agreement will render the Agreement null and void and the fence shall be relocated to its previous location at GPC's cost.
10. Notices required to be sent to either party shall be sent as follows:

To GPC: Grain Processing Corporation
1600 Oregon Street
Muscatine, Iowa 52761
ATTN: Legal Department
With a copy to: GPC Engineering Department

To CITY: City Engineer
Public Works Department
1459 Washington Street
Muscatine, Iowa 52761
With a copy to:
City Attorney
City Hall
215 Sycamore Street
Muscatine, Iowa 52761

11. This Agreement shall be binding upon GPC and any successors in interest to GPC.

Approved by action of the Muscatine City Council.

 12/07/2006

Richard W. O'Brien, Mayor
City of Muscatine

Date

 12-11-06

James C. Crowder, President
Grain Processing Corporation

Date

Attachment: Letter from Kent Stenmark, Corps of Engineers, dated November 6, 2006

STATE OF IOWA, MUSCATINE COUNTY, SS:

This instrument was acknowledged before me on December 8, 2006, by Richard W. O'Brien, Mayor of the City of Muscatine on behalf of whom instrument was executed.



Lorrie Fry
Notary Public

STATE OF IOWA, MUSCATINE COUNTY, SS:

This instrument was acknowledged before me on December 11th, 2006, by James C. Crowder, President of Grain Processing Corporation on behalf of whom instrument was executed.



Chris Brown
Notary Public



CITY OF MUSCATINE

(Property Information)

