

Property Owner Rights

Each property owner and tenant has the right to:

- Negotiate and accept or reject the compensation offered for the property and for damages.
- Require that compensation for the property and damages be determined by appraisers according to Nebraska law.
- Be represented by legal counsel of their choice, at their cost, and at any time during the land acquisition process.

Acquisition Process To Date

As of this hearing, Central:

- Reviewed the county records to identify the owners, tenants, and other interested parties for each parcel.
- Established the amount of compensation through an appraisal process for each parcel. An appraisal was developed by a licensed Nebraska appraiser and reviewed by a different licensed Nebraska appraiser to evaluate accuracy and compliance with appraisal standards.
- On October 17, 2014, mailed to each landowner and known tenants notice of the dates and locations of the public hearings. The notices included a statement of property owner's rights.
- Hosted this public hearing to provide information and opportunity for the public to state objections and comments.

Acquisition Process Moving Forward

- Central's acquisition agent will contact landowners and tenants beginning on December 8, 2014. Nebraska law requires that Central's land acquisition agent wait 45 days after the notification to landowners was mailed and 30 days after the public hearings before contacting landowners and tenants.
- A landowner or tenant may contact Central's acquisition agent before December 8, 2014. The name, address, and telephone number of Central's acquisition agent are below.
- Landowners and tenants may accept Central's offer or provide a counteroffer. Landowners and tenants may submit written documentation in support of their counteroffer to Central's land acquisition agent.

Acquisition Process Completion

- If the parties agree on compensation, a written purchase offer will be prepared by Central's acquisition agent and a date will be set to complete the sale and acquisition.
- If an agreement cannot be reached, Central may choose to file an eminent domain petition with the local court. Nebraska law sets forth the requirements to be followed for an eminent domain acquisition. As part of an eminent domain acquisition, the local court will appoint three appraisers to determine the compensation for the property, damages, and/or possession.

Central's Land Acquisition Agent

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