

**CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
MARCH 10, 2014  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIRECTORS' MEETING  
555 S. 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET, ROOM 113**

**I. MINUTES**

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3. Executive Session Minutes - Labor Negotiations, March 3, 2014.

**II. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONFERENCE REPORTS**

1. Council Appointment to the Audit Advisory Board - Steve Hubka

**III. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR**

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**Present:** Carl Eskridge, Chair; Doug Emery, Vice Chair; Jon Camp; Roy Christensen; Jonathan Cook; and Trent Fellers

**Absent:** Leirion Gaylor Baird

**Others:** Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff, Steve Hubka, Finance Director; Denise Pearce, Senior Policy Counsel

Chair Eskridge opened the meeting at 2:17 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

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With no additions or corrections the above minutes placed on file in the City Council office.

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**1. Council Appointment to the Audit Advisory Board - Steve Hubka**

Hubka stated the attachment being distributed lists the applicants for the Audit Advisory Board and all current Board Members. There are five applicants and the City Council has the responsibility of selecting three members. We have one member who chose not to serve again, Jim Mastera, a City Council choice. His term expired on March 2. This is a three year term with a key component being one member the City Council chooses is a certified public accountant, a certified auditor, had experience or specialized knowledge in the area of performance audits. Currently, a Council choice has experience and is still on the Board for another year, making this requirement not necessary at this time. Cook asked if this applies to three members? Hubka replied just one.

Hubka continued, these are people who submitted applications to serve. One possible twist, there is only one spot available Cook reiterated, one spot, Mastera's. Hubka stated none of the applicants have been contacted to make sure they're still willing to serve. Cook asked if there's no particular requirement? Hubka agreed. Cook added, just need someone to replace Mr. Mastera. Hubka commented it would be great if we would contact the applicants and see if they're willing to serve.

Pearce asked if Council would want to review over the next week? Emery thought a good idea. Camp added to look at the level of work experience credentials as well. Cook asked Pearce to email a pdf of all candidates to Council.

Christensen asked for the timeline. Hubka replied he would like completed next week as the term has expired.

**III. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR**

Hoppe stated as everyone knows we're trying to coordinate a meeting date for a Joint Lincoln-Omaha Council Meeting. See the dates which have been proposed to the Omaha City Council (list

distributed). If Council could block out these dates on your calendars from approximately noon until 5:00 p.m. just until I hear from the Omaha City Council, with a reply expected this week. We would then release the other dates. Tentatively would meet at the Pinnacle Bank Arena, perhaps give them a tour, have lunch, and then a joint meeting for approximately two hours. Do encourage everyone with topics you would like to have addressed at this meeting to email to me. Now compiling a list to present and when we have the date will determine which topics you want to forward to the agenda.

Camp thought the Councils hadn't met for a while. Would like to see more participation by the Mayor. Emery added the last couple of times Omaha Council didn't all attend and Lincoln had as many attendees as Omaha.

Hoppe stated his hope is to set a date and then would speak to the Omaha Mayor's office, and Mayor Beutler, and get them on the agenda. Request everyone to put on their calendar.

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Chair Eskridge adjourned the meeting at 2:29 p.m.