

PRE-COUNCIL MINUTES
LEADERSHIP LINCOLN COMMUNITY FORUM UPDATE
April 11, 2005
9:45 a.m.

Present: Terry Werner, Ken Svoboda, Patte Newman, Jonathan Cook, Glenn Friendt, Jon Camp, Annette McRoy, Deane Finnegan, Mark Bowen, Kathleen Rutledge, Alan Tomkins, John Fulwider, Randy Cantrell

On February 24, 2005, 62 randomly selected residents of Lincoln/Lancaster County participated in a discussion about economic growth and quality of life in the City of Lincoln. This event was called "A Community Conversation: Future of Lincoln." This event was co-sponsored by Leadership Lincoln, the Journal Star and the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center. Funding for the forum was provided by both the Cooper Foundation and Woods Charitable Foundation.

Residents were surveyed both before and after the forum to measure their understanding of various issues in Lincoln including economic growth, impact fees, Downtown, the Antelope Valley Projects, and the Downtown Master Plan.

Representatives from the UNL Public Policy Center reviewed what was discussed at the forum and how residents viewed particular issues facing Lincoln's future. A short clip of highlights from the forum was viewed and council members presented questions to the organizers.

Anyone interested in more information about the forum can find it at the Journal Star (www.journalstar.com) or Public Policy Center (www.ppc.nebraska.edu) Web sites.