

**DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2008
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
11:00 A.M., ROOM 113**

I. MAYOR

- **1. NEWS ADVISORY. Public Works and Utilities Department Applying New Anti-Icing Mixture to City Streets.
- **2. NEWS RELEASE. 21 Educational Access to Air London Parade Featuring Lincoln High Band.
- **3. City Council Members to Ring Bells for the Salvation Army, December 21, 2007
- **4. Washington Report, December 14, 2007.
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Week of 12/31/07

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Week of 01/07/08

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II. DIRECTORS

FINANCE/TREASURER

- *1. Monthly City Cash Report.

PLANNING

- 1. Comprehensive Plan Annual Review Scheduled for Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 14, 2008.
- 2. Notice of Public Information Meeting Regarding Grading Plan for Alvo Road from No. 1st Street to No. 14th Street on January 23, 2008, 6:00 pm at the Community Room at Loren Corey Eiseley Library, 1530 Superior Street

PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION

- *1. Special Permit No. 07052. Second Dwelling Unit for Domestic Employee. Resolution No. PC-01089.
- *2. Special Permit No. 07053. Garden Center, South 110th Street and Saltillo Road. Resolution No. PC-01090.

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING

- *1. Letter from Randy Hoskins, Assistant City Engineer, with Diagnostic Review of Railroad Crossing Closures from the Nebraska Department of Roads Rail and Public Transportation Division.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- **1. Memo from Clint Thomas Regarding Street and Alley Vacation No. 07008, South 46th Street, South of "O" Street.

III. CITY CLERK

- *1. Omaha City Council Acknowledges Lincoln City Council Resolution.

IV. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Jon Camp

- ** Correspondence from Mike Cline Regarding Early Retirement Incentives to City Employees.

Dan Marvin

Correspondence from Shanna Neylon Regarding October 3, 2007 Accident.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

**** Held Over from 12/24/07**

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Council Members Present: Dan Marvin, Chair; Robin Eschliman, Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Ken Svoboda, Doug Emery

Council Members Absent: Jonathan Cook, John Spatz

Others Present: Mayor Chris Beutler, Rick Hoppe, Trish Owen, Denise Pearce, Lin Quenzer, Mayor's Office; City Clerk Joan Ross; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff; Deena Winter, Lincoln Journal Star Representative; Coby Mach, LIBA; and Kyle Fischer, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce.

Meeting convened at 11:05 a.m.

Location Announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act: A Copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is Located on the Wall at the Rear of this Room.

I. MAYOR -

Mayor Beutler and Directors had nothing to report. Mr. Camp commented he has a question on our snow removal policy especially if a lot our citizens are concerned about it and there was an article in the newspaper. He had other people comment about the four inch rule and someone said it was legislated, and asked Greg MacLean if he could perhaps recite for us what's our snow policy. Mayor Beutler commented he doesn't know who's best at that level of detail, Greg is brand new. Greg MacLean (Public Works & Utilities Director) stated Wayne Teten is our snow removal liaison, but basically when they have the weather coming they do have a protocol that they follow to clear the roads in certain order arterials and emergency routes, etc. The four inches is for residential streets and there's a lot different conditions that may or may not apply, they might have four inches of snow but they still have the obligation to clear the other roads in order of priority first. By the time they get to the residential streets many times they are already packed down and hard to get much more off of the streets. They have to use a certain amount of judgement but the plows do stay out until the streets are or has much as they can get cleared once they've got an official four inches of snow which doesn't always look that way but it's partly due to people driving on them. Mr. Camp commented he noticed they gravel a lot more residential streets because of the ice that's on there. Mr. MacLean responded correct and they're still doing it, they still get requests for problem areas, resident would call and say they've got a real ice problem with this intersection. They are throwing out sand on the

ice where they see it but there is a lot of streets they don't see and so if they get a request they do make the effort and go out and cover those areas. Mayor Beutler commented they've changed no policies so the procedures are the same as existed before, he will have Wayne (Teten) call him in case he has other questions related to the detail. Noting, if Council wants to change something let's talk about it. Mr. Camp commented he doesn't think that he has ever heard the four inches before. Mr. MacLean commented he had not heard it before either until he took this job.

Mr. Marvin asked the Mayor for an update on the EEO officer? How your letter of October 18th addressed concerns about loss of funding for StarTran and efforts you've made to keep them in compliance with the Federal Government. Mayor Beutler stated they are moving Affirmative Action over to Human Rights and he will have Denise (Pearce) give them the details on it since she has been working on it primarily. Denise Pearce stated they are working to transition the Affirmative functions over to Larry Williams in the Human Rights Department. They are also pursuing right now possibly advertising the position as a part-time position not much money in the budget for a full-time position. Currently on resolving the deficiency they will be sending a letter out this week to the FTA including that Mr. Williams will be taking the Affirmative Action functions over for the time being until they resolve whether it's a part-time position. Mr. Marvin commented so you're operating under the assumption that Larry (Williams) will wind up meeting the standards of the Federal rules and things. Ms. Pearce stated that Brian in StarTran made an inquiry of the Feds as to whether Larry would satisfy the two issues that were raised. The Director report to the Mayor and the conflict of interest and we received a positive answer back that Larry (Williams) would satisfy those requirements.

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JON CAMP - NO COMMENTS

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JONATHAN COOK - ABSENT

DOUG EMERY - NO COMMENTS

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN - NO COMMENTS

JOHN SPATZ - ABSENT

KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

DAN MARVIN - NO COMMENTS

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AD D E N D U M - (JANUARY 7th)

I. MAYOR -

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule Week of January 5 through January 11, 2008 - Schedule subject to change. — NO COMMENTS
2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: All Lanes Of Pioneers Boulevard To Reopen Tuesday If Weather Permits. — NO COMMENTS

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE -

- A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE - NONE
- B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS - NONE
- C. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

[Addendum]

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 11:12 a.m.

****HELD OVER FROM DECEMBER 24, 2007.**

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