

Interlocal Agreement
Joint Budget Committee

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "City," and the County of Lancaster, a governmental subdivision of the State of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as "County."

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 23-2201 to 23-2207) provides that two or more public agencies may enter into agreement for the joint and cooperative exercise of powers, privileges, or authority capable of being exercised by either agency; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County receive requests for funds from various agencies which operate within the jurisdictions of both the City and the County jointly; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County desire to create a mechanism to make recommendations concerning the funding of such agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual covenants herein contained, it is agreed by and between the parties, as follows:

1. Joint budget committee established; purpose. There is hereby established an advisory committee to be known as the Joint Budget Committee. Said Committee is established for the purpose of reviewing and making recommendations, upon request, concerning the proposed budgets of those public or private agencies which are requesting funds from the City and the County, and which have not been assigned for administrative purposes to a specific City or County department, division or office, and for reviewing joint federal grant requests and the joint funding of social and human service programs. The committee may also consider any other funding or budgetary matter which may from time to time be referred to it by the Mayor, the City Council, or the County Board.

2. Members; appointments; term; chairman. There shall be six members of the Joint Budget Committee, consisting of one representative of the Mayor's office, appointed by the Mayor; two members of the City Council, appointed by the City Council for two-year terms on a staggered basis; two members of the County Board to be appointed for two-year terms on a staggered basis, and one member of the County Administrative staff, all of whom shall be appointed by the County Board. Members so appointed shall serve until replaced by the appointing authority. The Joint Budget Committee shall annually elect one of its members to serve as chairman.

3. Powers and duties. The Joint Budget Committee shall act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, the City Council, and the County Board in matters concerning the funding of public or private agencies which are requesting funds from the City and the County, and which agencies have not been previously assigned for administrative purposes to any other City or County department, division, or office.

The Joint Budget Committee may review the proposed budgets of such agencies before the end of the fiscal year of the City and County and shall make recommendations to the Mayor, City Council, and County Board as to the amount to be budgeted and the proportions in which such funding should be allocated between the City and the County; provided, however, that in the event that a previously existing interlocal agreement designates either amounts or proportions of funding to be assumed by the City and the County for any particular agency, then the Joint Budget Committee shall follow existing agreement in making its recommendation.

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Decisions concerning recommendations shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present and voting; provided, however, that the affirmative vote of at least four members shall be required for a decision to pass.

The Joint Budget Committee shall meet only when a particular matter has been referred to it. It shall be the duty of the chairman to determine a convenient time and location to consider such matters as may be referred to it, and to advise the members of such referral and time and location of the meeting. All such meetings shall be held in a public building and in accordance with the open meetings law, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1408, et seq.

4. Staff. An individual to be assigned by the City Council and the County Board shall serve as secretary to the committee. The Committee may request from the Mayor, the City Council, or the County Board such additional staff assistance as it may from time to time require in order to fulfill its duties. Any funding of this Committee shall be divided 50% City, 50% County.

5. Term. This agreement shall remain in full force and effect for an indefinite period and maybe terminated by either party giving to the other party no less than thirty days advance written notice of termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties hereto have caused this Amended Agreement to be executed as of the dates indicated below. Executed by City on February 22, 1983; Executed by County on March 1, 1983. (City resolution A-68623; February 22, 1983; County Board adoption March 1, 1983).