

**AGENDA FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2005
CONFERENCE ROOM 113**

I. MINUTES

- *1. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of November 14, 2005.
- *2. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of November 14, 2005.
- *3. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - Executive Session - RE: Personnel - November 7, 2005.
- *4. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - RE: Urban Drainage Preliminary Engineering Study - September 12, 2005.
- **5. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of November 7, 2005.
 - 6. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - Executive Session - RE: Sale of K Street Complex - November 28, 2005.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

- *1. Community Development Task Force Meeting (Marvin)
- *2. Special Public Building Commission Meeting (Camp/Cook)
- 3. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Cook)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

1. Holiday Ball at the Auld Recreation Center, 1650 Memorial Drive (in Antelope Park) from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - (We would be honored if you could attend at least one of the Balls: Monday, Dec. 5th; Wed., Dec. 7th or Thurs., Dec. 8th - RSVP to 441-7877 - (See Invitation)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

***HELD OVER FROM NOVEMBER 21, 2005.**
****HELD OVER FROM NOVEMBER 28, 2005.**

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Council Members Present: Ken Svoboda, Chair; Patte Newman, Vice-Chair; Jonathan Cook, Dan Marvin; Annette McRoy, Robin Eschliman

Council Member Absent: Jon Camp

Others Present: Mark Bowen, Rick Hoppe, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff and Deena Winter, Lincoln Journal Star Representative.

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Chair Ken Svoboda, by acclamation of the Chair, approved the minutes. No objections were offered, the minutes were approved as presented.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

- *1. **Community Development Task Force Meeting** (Marvin) — Mr. Marvin reported they have coming forward a comprehensive federally required presentation. He thinks they are going to put it on channel 5 which should be in December or January. They approved the budget. Wynn Hjermstad (Urban Development Department) seems to think that the Federal Governments likely to cut Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money by about \$200,000 to the City of Lincoln which would be a hard cut. The CDBG money is distributed between housing. It will be a hit to the broad number and then how that gets allocated is a budget discussion. Mr. Marvin stated they usually get \$2 million, so they would get \$1.8 million which is a 10% cut and that's a sizable amount of money.

- *2. **Special Public Building Commission Meeting (Camp/Cook)** — Mr. Cook reported this special meeting was held primarily to deal with the Courthouse Plaza because the Building Commission had to wait for the County Board and the City Council to approve the purchase of the building and the bonds. Noting, the Public Building Commission does not have the ability to do that stuff without Council and County Board approval. So, once that was given they thought they should act quickly to carry out the purchase.

The only other thing acted on at this meeting was requesting a letter be sent to the Mayor regarding “K” Street which is on the Directors’ Addendum. The letter was requesting that the City of Lincoln provide a written verification that the City of Lincoln will reimburse the Public Building Commission and/or it’s tenants or vendors in the “K” Street Records Facility” for any costs incurred for studies or other expenses related to the proposed sale of the facility.

3. **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Cook)** — Mr. Cook stated he did report back on their action on the Herbert property and an interesting thing related to this is that they approved as a Board a revised Endowment Policy. They have been requiring that contributions to the City such as sculptures or whatever have an endowment along with them for maintenance during the life of that piece of art and they now are requiring an endowment for land donations as well. Since there is always a maintenance cost and so that will be added. Mr. Cook commented that could have effected the Herbert contribution, but they were not asking for any additional money to go along with it.

Regarding the Golf Committee, at the Boosalis Park they are going to put in an Archery Range Facility. They had a meeting with the neighbors out in that area of town at Northstar High School on November 21st. No opposition, it seemed very positive and so they are going to move ahead with it.

They elected a new Chair and Vice Chair. They carried over their Chair Sue Quambusch, so she will be Chair again and Susan Rodenburg is now Vice Chair.

They discussed possible financing issues related to the Infrastructure Finance Committee. Possibility of a bond and what kind of timing. But, they did not come to any conclusions they just talked about some of the things the Finance Committee was talking about.

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS: -

Ms. Newman stated she attended the Turner Ditch Meeting which is in her district. They kind of struggled with this a couple years ago, so if they have questions ask her.

Mr. Svoboda stated he attended the Haymarket Development Corporation Meeting last week as the Council representative on that board. They approved the budget and received numerous reports from various committees including the Events Committee. They had a short presentation on the “K” Street property.

Mr. Svoboda reported they had an Internal Liquor Committee Meeting last week. It was a short meeting because they toured the Detox Center at Cornhusker Place and it was good tour.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS -

Rick Hoppe stated the Mayor has decided to Reappoint Ron Melbye, Patty McManus, and Tom Schleich to the LES Board which should be on Council Agenda next week.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR -

MARK BOWEN -

Mark Bowen stated next week looks like a busy Pre-Council week for Council. Following discussion, Right now it looks like the Pre-Council schedule for next week would be the following with starting time at 8:30 a.m.: (subject to change)

- 1.) Executive Session - RE: “K” Street Power Plant - 1 hour
- 2.) RE: Assessed value vs Appraised - 45 minutes
- 3.) RE: Salt Creek Floodplain mapping - 45 minutes

Mr. Bowen handed out to Council the draft Agenda for their Budget Forecast Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 14th at The Cornhusker Hotel. Mr. Bowen commented one of the things that he noticed is that they probably need to start earlier. Following discussion, Council agreed they would start at 1:00 p.m. instead of 2:00 p.m. Mr. Bowen stated to Council that he will have a revised Agenda for them on Monday.

ANN HARRELL - ABSENT

RICK HOPPE - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

DANA ROPER, City Attorney - NO COMMENTS

V. MISCELLANEOUS - None

Mr. Svoboda commented he'll just bring out that in discussions with Tammy (Grammer) not only through her evaluations but conversations that we've had during our monthly staff meetings. That Patte (Newman) and I have noticed that minutes take a tremendous amount of time for staff to do and one of the things that we have been looking for the last year is some type of seminar to help Tammy (Grammer) understand how best to take minutes, but we have not been able to find one and there's not really a whole lot of information out there that can be self taught. So with his discussion with Tammy (Grammer) last week that he had her distribute everybody three sets of minutes that she transcribed which are ones that they approved this morning. If people could go through and red-line what they feel is unnecessary for her to take notes on to give her a better feel for what it is that Council wants included in our minute taking, so that hopefully she can get them done in a required amount of time.

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

ANNETTE McROY - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

DAN MARVIN - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

PATTE NEWMAN - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

JON CAMP - ABSENT

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

JONATHAN COOK - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

KEN SVOBODA - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Listed on the Attend Sheet for December 5th.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 11:42 a.m.

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