

**IN LIEU OF  
DIRECTORS' MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007**

**I. MAYOR**

1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Presents August Award of Excellence to Captain Richard Klein of Lincoln Fire and Rescue.
2. NEWS RELEASE. State Historical Society Employees to Receive Awards from Lincoln Fire and Rescue.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Statement from Mayor Beutler on Lincoln Chamber of Commerce/Dr. Eric Thompson Report.
4. Washington Report. September 14, 2007.

**II. DIRECTORS**

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

1. NEWS RELEASE. Clean Up Litter from Shorelines of Local Lakes.

**LIBRARIES**

1. Information on Upcoming One Book - One Lincoln Events.
  - a. NEWS RELEASE. One Book - One Lincoln. Community Discussions; and
  - b. NEWS RELEASE. One Book - One Lincoln. Special Events and Displays.

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

1. Letter of Support for Change of Zone No. 07049 HP and Special Permit No. 07034 from Kristi Wamstad-Evans. Historic Designation of Property at 1204 Peach Street and Special Permit to Use Property as a Tea Room.
2. Response Letter with Attachments to Ms. Metcalf from Brandon M. Garrett, AICP on Cedar Cove Townhomes Preliminary Plat and Traffic Light at 84<sup>th</sup> and Leighton.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

1. Request from Nicole Tooze for Item 07R-185 Cooperative Agreement from DEQ to be Placed on Pending.
2. ADVISORY. Water Main Replacement Project #700290. 34<sup>th</sup> Street; Smith Street - Lake Street. Lake Street; 33<sup>rd</sup> Street - 35<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - a. Map of Area.
3. ADVISORY. Sidewalk Repair. Project #702361.

**III. CITY CLERK**

1. Notice from City Clerk. September 24, 2007 Agenda Request to Place #07R-185 on Pending with No Date Certain.

**IV. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

**JONATHAN COOK**

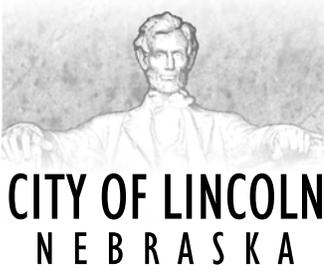
1. Request to Law Dept./Planning Dept. - RE: Change in alcohol rules, Change of Zone #7046 (Bill 07-142) (Cook RFI#132 - 09/12/07). **SEE RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM DANA ROPER, CITY ATTORNEY.**

## **V. MISCELLANEOUS**

1. Email from Shannon McGovern. Opposed to tax Dollars Being Spent for Quiet Zones.
- 2.. InterLinc Correspondence from Amanda Metcalf. Cedar Cove Townhomes Preliminary Plat and Traffic Light at 84<sup>th</sup> and Leighton. (Reply under Planning Department)
3. Email from Brett Joseph on Water Drainage Issues Along Old Cheney.
4. InterLinc Correspondence from Michael Szakto. Pave Yankee Hill One Time with Concrete, not Asphalt.
5. Letter and Signatures Opposing the Proposed Day Shuttle Service Eliminating the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and “J” Street Shuttle Stops.
6. InterLinc Correspondence from Nancy Engel. New Community Coalition Being Formed to Address the Problem of Graffiti in Lincoln. Planning Meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2007 at 1:00 pm to 2:45 pm in the Mayor’s Conference Room, Second Floor of the County-City Building, 555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street.

## **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

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# NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** September 17, 2007

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

### MAYOR PRESENTS AUGUST AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Mayor Chris Beutler today presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence for August to Captain Richard Klein of Lincoln Fire and Rescue. The monthly award recognizes City employees who consistently provide exemplary service and work that demonstrates personal commitment to the City. The award was presented at the beginning of today's City Council meeting.

Assistant Fire Chief John Huff nominated Klein in the category of productivity. Klein has served as a Firefighter, Fire Apparatus Operator and Fire Captain during his 25 years with the City. He has served as the Logistics Manager for Lincoln's FEMA Urban Search and Rescue Task Force since it was formed in 1991. The position became a full-time FEMA-funded position in 2005.

Klein is now responsible for about 80,000 pounds of equipment. His responsibilities include a fleet of ten over-the-road and support vehicles. He supervises two full-time employees, also funded by FEMA, and 12 part-time employees who do logistics for the task force.

Klein is recognized nationally for his expertise. He has assisted the USAR national program with preparation and delivery of more than \$100 million worth of equipment to the 28 task forces. Klein also has served as an instructor in logistics and equipment management for the national program.

In his nomination, Huff writes that Klein is the "ultimate self starter" and is always looking for ways to be more efficient and effective. He said Klein knows every detail of the equipment and keeps it in a constant state of readiness for immediate response to any national disaster.

During his career, Klein has responded to many local emergencies and national disasters. In 2002, he was part of the five-person Lincoln team that assisted in a tower rescue effort in Bassett. For that mission, Rick and the team received the Public Safety Officers Medal of Valor, the highest award presented by the federal government to a non-military person. The team also was honored with the Mayor's Award of Excellence.

Because of Klein's efforts, Huff said the City, State and nation can be sure that Lincoln Fire and Rescue and Nebraska Task Force One are ready to assist when disaster strikes.

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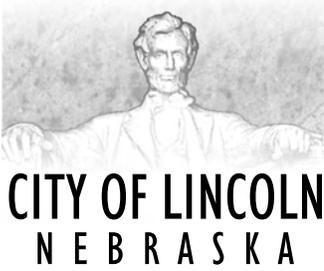
**Award of Excellence**

**September 17, 2007**

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The other categories in which employees can be nominated are customer relations, loss prevention, safety and valor. All City employees are eligible for the Mayor's Award of Excellence except for elected officials and some managers. Individuals or teams can be nominated by supervisors, peers, subordinates and the general public. Nomination forms are available from department heads, employee bulletin boards or the Personnel Department, which oversees the awards program.

All nominations are reviewed by the Mayor's Award of Excellence Committee, which includes a representative with each union and a non-union representative appointed by the Mayor. Award winners receive a \$100 U.S. savings bond, a day off with pay and a plaque. Monthly winners are eligible to receive the annual award, which comes with a \$500 U.S. savings bond, two days off with pay and a plaque.



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**LINCOLN FIRE AND RESCUE**  
1801 "Q" Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-8350, fax 441-7098

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** September 18, 2007  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Fire Chief Dan Wright, 441-8350

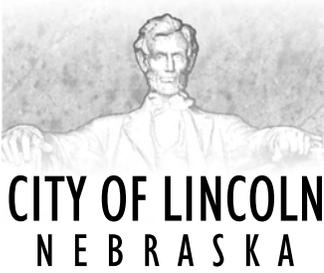
## **STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY EMPLOYEES TO RECEIVE AWARDS FROM LINCOLN FIRE AND RESCUE**

Kelsey Soukup and Don Cunningham, employees with the Nebraska State Historical Society, will be presented "Honorary Firefighter" awards by Lincoln Fire and Rescue at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 19 at the Nebraska State Historical Society, 1500 "R" St.

Soukup and Cunningham are being honored for their quick life-saving actions after one of their co-workers collapsed on August 16. Their quick response in performing CPR was vital in saving the life of their co-worker, who is now back at work.

"This is another great example of how our citizens make this community an outstanding place to live," said Lincoln Fire Chief Dan Wright. "Their life-saving actions, dialing 911, and the quality medical care in Lincoln all contributed to a wonderful outcome and positive ending."

Representing Lincoln Fire and Rescue to present the Honorary Firefighter awards will be Chief Dan Wright, Captain Leo Benes, and members of the Lincoln Fire and Rescue crews who responded to the emergency.



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## **STATEMENT FROM MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER ON LINCOLN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE/DR. ERIC THOMPSON REPORT**

**September 19, 2007**

After carefully studying Dr. Eric Thompson's report commissioned by the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce on the allocation of the growth dividend, I agree with the most important finding in the report: Lincoln is not adequately investing in its future.

The growth allocation report reminds us that finding revenue to build roads and infrastructure for future economic growth is imperative. That's why I continue to explore potential new sources of revenue and new efficiencies to make our current road dollars go further.



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**SENATE CLEARS FY08 DOT-HUD SPENDING BILL**

**CONGRESS**

Short legislative week yields some progress on FY 2008 budget. Both the House and Senate adjourned early this week in order to allow Members to observe Rosh Hashanah and attend the funeral of Rep. Paul Gillmor (R-OH), who passed away last week.

However, the Senate was able to complete floor action on the FY 2008 appropriations bill for the Departments of Transportation and Housing and Urban Development. This brings the number of spending bills approved in that chamber to four, while their House counterparts completed all 12 of their measures prior to the August recess.

Observers have been speculating for several weeks that Congress would not be able to bring any of the FY 2008 spending bills to the President prior to the start of the fiscal year on October 1, and congressional leaders for the first time this week publicly indicated that would be the case. House leaders are in the process of crafting a Continuing Resolution (CR) that would fund government operations in the absence of an approved budget that would be considered on the floor the week of September 24. The length of the CR is still being debated, with November 2 and November 9 being the most likely deadlines.

However, the Senate is reportedly talking about a November 16 deadline for the CR to end and most Members privately believe that expected Presidential vetoes and other roadblocks will stretch the FY 2008 budget debate beyond Thanksgiving.

The Senate is not expected to consider any spending bill next week, as the Defense Department authorization bill is on tap, and many Iraq-related amendments are expected. Senate leaders also hope to consider legislation that would grant the District of

Columbia full voting rights in the House while also providing an additional House seat to Utah.

In addition, there are reports that the Senate will take up the conference report to the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) during the week of September 24. The House approved the conference report prior to the August recess. While the President has threatened to veto the measure over its price tag, the measure enjoys bipartisan support and a number of Republicans have publicly indicated that they would vote to override a veto.

The House is expected to consider legislation to reform the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) next week, and that measure contains language to create a new affordable housing program that would be funded through profits gained by the FHA-issued mortgages. There is also a chance that the House will consider legislation to reauthorize Federal Aviation Administration programs.

**TRANSPORTATION**

FY 2008 DOT spending cleared Senate. This week, the Senate easily approved the FY 2008 appropriations bill for the Department of Transportation. The debate was highlighted by approval of an amendment that would provide \$1 billion for repair and replacement of structurally deficient bridges.

The bridge amendment, introduced in response to the recent collapse of an interstate highway bridge in Minneapolis, would be paid for by increasing the amount that states can obligate from the Highway Trust Fund. The House version, which was approved in July, does not contain similar language. Another amendment that was the subject of much debate would bar the use of bill funds to establish a demonstration program to allow

Mexican motor carriers to operate beyond the commercial zones along the U.S.-Mexican border. It was adopted by a margin of 75-23.

The Senate bill generally funds federal highway and transit programs as authorized and guaranteed under SAFETEA-LU, with the exception of the New Starts program at the Federal Transit Administration. The recommended Senate level of \$1.566 billion is \$134 million short of the authorized level and the House level.

Federal-aid highways programs would receive \$40.2 billion in each bill, an increase of \$1.25 billion from FY 2007, and programs at FTA would receive the following in both bills (with comparison to FY 2007 in parentheses):

- \$4.28 billion for urbanized area transit formula grants (+\$330 million)
- \$1.57 billion for Fixed Guideway Modernization (+\$120 million)
- \$928 million for Capital Bus Grants (+\$72 million)
- \$156 million for Job Access Reverse Commute grants (+\$12 million)
- \$87 million for the New Freedom Initiative (+\$6 million)

In addition, the Airport Improvement Program at the Federal Aviation Administration would receive \$3.6 billion in the House bill, while the Senate elected to fund the program at its FY 2007 level of \$3.51 billion.

The Senate proposes \$1.47 billion for Amtrak, a figure that includes \$100 million for a new program to match state contributions to intercity rail projects. The House recommends \$1.4 billion for Amtrak, including \$50 million for intercity rail. Amtrak received just under \$1.3 billion in FY 2007.

The bill, which also funds programs at HUD, currently exceeds the White House funding request by \$3.1 billion. The House and Senate measures will now be reconciled in a conference committee.

## HOUSING AND CD

Senate clears FY 2008 HUD funding. The Senate this week approved its version of the FY 2008 spending bill for the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Even with the threat of a Presidential veto, the measure was approved in solid, bipartisan fashion, 88-7. The House approved its version in July.

Like their House counterparts, the Senate in general rejected cuts to HUD programs proposed by the White House. The most significant difference between the House and Senate versions is in formula grants for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which received \$3.71 billion in FY 2007. The House proposes \$3.929 billion in FY 2008 while the Senate stays with the \$3.71 billion level.

As for the HOME Investment Partnerships Act, the House suggested \$1.76 billion, the same as FY 2007, while the Senate would provide a \$210 million increase. Homeless assistance grants would receive \$1.56 billion in FY 2008 in the House bill, an increase of \$119 million, while the Senate recommends \$1.58 billion.

There were a number of programs that received funding at or near the FY 2007 levels in both House and Senate spending bills. They include: Public Housing Capital grants (\$2.5 billion); Brownfields remediation grants (\$10 million); Assisted Housing for the Elderly (\$735 million), and Assisted Housing for the Disabled (\$237 million).

Both the House and Senate recommended identical increases for the following programs: Public Housing Operating grants (\$4.2 billion, up \$336 million); Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (\$300 million, up \$14 million). Section 8 Assisted Housing Programs, which were funded at \$21.96 billion in FY 2007, would receive \$22.8 billion in the House and \$22.4 billion in the Senate.

The bill will now be considered in a House-Senate conference committee where differences in the bills will be reconciled.

## INTERNET TAX

With expiration looming, Internet tax debate begins to heat up. Although the federal moratorium on state and local taxation of Internet access and on multiple and discriminatory taxation of the Internet expires in less than two months, neither the House nor the Senate has begun formal consideration of legislation to renew the moratorium. The debate that has occurred on the issue has largely taken place behind the scenes and has focused on how long the moratorium should be extended and whether the grandfathering of existing taxes that has accompanied previous moratoriums should be extended as well.

In addition, recent reports indicate that the current debate is being further complicated by a disagreement over whether satellite television providers should be exempt from state and local sales taxes. Until now, that debate has generally been fought in state legislatures and the courts. The satellite television industry has generally come out on the losing end of those debates and it is now looking to Congress for relief in the context of the renewal of the moratorium, much to the chagrin of the telecommunications and cable industries, who had been hoping to create momentum for a permanent extension.

In a related event, the Center for Budget and Policy Priorities (CBPP) recently released a study on the issue (<http://www.cbpp.org/9-11-07sfp.htm>) that finds that:

- lack of computer ownership and lack of knowledge about the benefits of Internet access, as opposed to the cost of Internet access, were the largest barriers to Internet access in the United States;
- every country that leads the United States in broadband deployment and in Internet speed taxes Internet access
- rates of broadband deployment and household Internet access are no lower in those states that tax Internet access courtesy of the grandfather than in other states
- the five states that lead the nation in broadband deployment and household

Internet access (Texas, New Hampshire, Ohio, Washington and Wisconsin) all tax Internet access, and

- state and local governments have played a lead role in increasing Internet access for low-income and minority households and that the federal moratorium robs them of revenue that could bolster these efforts.

The study concludes that the issue of state and local taxation of Internet access is a “red herring” in the digital divide debate that diverts attention from the real barriers to broadband deployment and Internet access.

State and local government organizations are hoping that the CBPP report will bolster their efforts on behalf of legislation (S 1453) introduced by Senators Thomas Carper (D-DE) and Lamar Alexander (R-TN) that would extend the moratorium and the related grandfathered for four years. To date, only three senators, Michael Enzi (R-WY), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) and George Voinovich (R-OH), have cosponsored that bill and there is no companion bill in the House.



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** September 19, 2007

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## **CLEAN UP LITTER FROM SHORELINES OF LOCAL LAKES** *Join volunteers worldwide as part of the International Coastal Cleanup*

Volunteers are needed to help clean up litter from shorelines of area lakes as part of the annual International Coastal Cleanup. Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful is recruiting individuals, groups, organizations, clubs and businesses to participate in this effort to help keep the lakes clean of litter, some of which has the potential to harm wildlife. Boaters, canoers, and kayakers are encouraged to register to help reach inaccessible areas of the shoreline. This year, clean up mini-grants are available while funds last.

Over 7.5 million pounds of trash was collected during last year's International Coastal Cleanup, which involved people in 100 countries and all 55 U.S. states and territories. In Lancaster County, nearly 100 volunteers cleaned the shorelines of four area lakes and collected nearly 2,000 pounds of trash.

If your group or organization is interested in conducting a clean up of an area lake, contact Harry Heafer at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, 441-8035. Clean ups must be completed by October 13.

“The shorelines and areas around four Salt Valley lakes were cleaned up last year by several volunteer groups,” said Harry Heafer, Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful Coordinator. “They did a great job cleaning up all kinds of litter including fishing line, lures, bobbers, old bait containers, small propane canisters, plastic bottles, aluminum cans and cigarette butts and packages. Not only are these items unsightly but they can be harmful to wildlife and aquatic animals.”

Volunteers are provided trash bags and are asked to complete a data card to record the types and amounts of litter collected. Final tallies are sent to The Ocean Conservancy to be included in their annual, international report.

The Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful Program is partially funded by a grant from the Litter Reduction and Recycling Fund administered by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality.



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Subject One Book - One Lincoln Community Discussion & Special Events Schedules

Attached is information about upcoming One Book - One Lincoln events. Check the library's Web site at [lincolnlibraries.org](http://lincolnlibraries.org) for more details about the program.

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## ONE BOOK - ONE LINCOLN Community Discussions

One of the main goals of **One Book - One Lincoln** is to encourage residents to read and openly discuss the same book. Talking about great literature with others often adds richness and depth to the experience of reading. We encourage you to join other members of the community in discussing *The Worst Hard Time* during September, October and November.

**Thursday, September 20, 2:00 p.m.**  
Barnes & Noble Booksellers  
5150 O Street

**Sunday, September 23, 1:00 p.m.**  
Pioneers Park (Shelter #1)  
S Coddington Avenue & West Calvert Street  
Bring a sack lunch/chair/blanket  
(Cancelled if rain)

**Tuesday, September 25, 7:00 p.m.**  
The Mill  
4736 Prescott Avenue

**Thursday, September 27, 7:00 p.m.**  
Willard Community Center  
1245 S Folsom Street

**Friday, September 28, 12:00 p.m.**  
Sunken Gardens  
27<sup>th</sup> & Capitol Parkway  
Bring sack lunch & chair  
(*Rain/Heat-- location: Auld Rec. Center,  
3140 Sumner Street*)

**Sunday, September 30, 2:00 p.m.\***  
Gere Branch Library  
2400 S 56<sup>th</sup> Street

**Monday, October 1, 7:00 p.m.**  
Crescent Moon Coffee  
816 P Street

**Thursday, October 4, 9:30 a.m.**  
Lee Booksellers Edgewood Center  
56<sup>th</sup> and Highway 2

**Friday, October 5, 10:30 a.m.**  
Bethany Branch Library  
1810 N Cotner Boulevard

**Tuesday, October 9, 6:00 p.m.**  
College Night at Sheldon 5:00- 7:00 p.m.  
Sheldon Art Gallery-UNL Campus  
12<sup>th</sup> & R Street

**Wednesday, October 10, 12:00 p.m.**  
Lincoln Journal Star  
926 P Street  
Bring a sack lunch.

**Wednesday, October 10, 5:30 p.m.**  
University Bookstore  
UNL East Campus Union

**Thursday, October 11, 6:30 p.m.**  
Madonna ProActive Health & Fitness  
56<sup>th</sup> & Pine Lake Road

**Friday, October 12, 12:00 p.m.**  
Clyde Malone Community Center  
2032 U Street  
Bring a sack lunch.

**Sunday, October 14, 2:30 p.m.\***  
Bennett Martin Public Library  
136 S 14<sup>th</sup> Street

**Monday, October 15, 12:00 p.m.**  
Lincoln Literacy Council  
745 S 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Bring a sack lunch.

**Monday, October 15, 3:00 p.m.**  
Asian Community Center  
2516 O Street

**Wednesday, October 17, 12:00 p.m.**  
County City Building, Room 113  
555 S 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Bring a sack lunch.  
(Taping for 5 City-TV)

**Thursday, October 18, 7:00 p.m.**  
Bryan/LGH Medical Center East  
Medical Plaza Classroom #3 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)  
1600 S 48<sup>th</sup> Street

**Sunday, October 21, 2:00 p.m.\***  
Walt Branch Library  
6701 S 14<sup>th</sup> Street

**Monday, October 22, 2:30 p.m.**  
The Cup  
643 S 25<sup>th</sup> Street

**Tuesday, October 23, 7:15 p.m.**  
Lincoln Racquet Club  
5300 Old Cheney Road

**Monday, October 29, 7:00 p.m.**  
Haven Manor - Hickman Reading Room  
East Hickman Road @ Larkspur Drive

**Tuesday, October 30, 7:00 p.m.**  
MoJava  
2649 N 48<sup>th</sup> Street

**Saturday, November 3, 2:00 p.m.**  
Meadowlark Coffee  
1624 South Street

**Sunday, November 4, 2:00 p.m.**  
Barnes & Noble Booksellers  
2910 Pine Lake Road

**Wednesday, November 7, 6:00 p.m.**  
College Night at Sheldon 5:00- 7:00 p.m.  
Sheldon Art Gallery-UNL Campus  
12<sup>th</sup> & R Street

**Thursday, November 14, 6:00 p.m.\***  
Eiseley Branch Library  
1530 Superior Street

**Friday, November 9, 2:00 p.m.**  
Northeast YMCA  
2601 N 70<sup>th</sup> Street

**Tuesday, November 13, 10:00 a.m.**  
The Blend  
4900 N 56<sup>th</sup> Street

**Thursday, November 29, 6:00 p.m.**  
College Night at Sheldon 5:00- 7:00 p.m.  
Sheldon Art Gallery-UNL Campus  
12<sup>th</sup> & R Street

*\*Discussion preceded by showing of the 1936 documentary film "The Plow That Broke the Plains"*

#### **ON AIR PRESENTATIONS:**

If you are unable to attend a community discussion tune in to the following on air presentations:

**NET Radio** (KUCV 91.1 FM): Live from the Mill  
with Bill Stibor  
Friday, September 28, 9:00 a.m.

**KZUM Radio** (89.3 FM):  
Wednesday, October 3, 6:00 p.m.

**5 City-TV** (Time Warner Channel 5):  
Panel and public discussion taped for broadcast.  
City County Building, 555 So. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Rm.113  
Wednesday, October 17, 12:00 p.m.

Contact Lincoln City Libraries, 402-441-8500, for additional information about the One Book - One Lincoln Community Reading Program co-sponsored by Lincoln City Libraries & Lincoln Journal Star



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## ONE BOOK - ONE LINCOLN

*Special Events & Displays*

Special programs will be held at various public libraries and other locations throughout September, October and November tied in to the themes and subjects of *The Worst Hard Time*.

### **Dust Bowl Exhibit - Traveling Display**

This exhibit consists of many of the photos that appear in Bill Ganzel's book *Dust Bowl Descent*, which he will discuss in his presentation (below) on October 7th. Regularly housed at the Boys Town Hall of History in Omaha, this exhibit is comprised of four free-standing kiosks. The exhibit will be traveling to various libraries throughout the scheduled **One Book -- One Lincoln** events. Here is the schedule of locations:

- 📖 Anderson Branch Library -- September 7 - 23
- 📖 Gere Branch Library -- September 24 - October 7
- 📖 Bennett Martin Public Library -- October 8 - 18
- 📖 Walt Branch Library -- October 19 - November 1
- 📖 Eiseley Branch Library -- November 2 - 18

### **THE PLOW THAT BROKE THE PLAINS -- Plus Book Discussions**

There will be several showings of the documentary, *The Plow That Broke the Plains*, mentioned prominently in *The Worst Hard Time*. Showings will be held at various branches throughout the library system, with each showing will be followed by a discussion of the documentary, as well as the book *The Worst Hard Time*.

- 📖 Anderson Branch Library -- September 16, 2:00 p.m.
- 📖 Gere Branch Library -- September 30, 2:00 p.m..
- 📖 Bennett Martin Public Library -- October 14, 2:00 p.m.
- 📖 Walt Branch Library -- October 21, 2:00 p.m.
- 📖 Eiseley Branch Library -- November 14, 6:00 p.m.

### **DUST BOWL DESCENT**

Sunday, October 7, 2:30 p.m.

Lincoln Community Playhouse

2500 S. 56th St. [next to Gere Branch Library]

Author and presenter Bill Ganzel located and interviewed a number of individuals who survived the Depression by using photographs taken by the Farm Service Administration. This program follows his journey in locating people, recounts their stories and juxtaposes recent photographs with the 60-year-old images to provide a compelling account of the triumph of the human spirit over hard times. Discussion of the book will follow this presentation, at the Gere Branch Library across the parking lot.

## **GREAT PLAINS WEATHER -- IT'S NOT NORMAL TO BE NORMAL!**

Sunday, October 28, 2:00 p.m.

Walt Branch Library

6701 S. 14th St.

Dr. Ken Dewey, Regional Climatologist at UNL's School of Natural Resources, provides a presentation on climate extremes in the Great Plains Region, both historically and in more contemporary times. Discussion of the book will follow this presentation.

## **WEATHERING THE DUST BOWL: HIGH PLAINS CLIMATE DURING THE 1930S**

Sunday, November 4, 2:00 p.m.

Eiseley Branch Library

1530 Superior St.

Christy Carlson, from the High Plains Regional Climate Center and the National Drought Mitigation Center, will discuss the actual weather conditions of the Dust Bowl, and what it was actually like to live through this time in history. Discussion of the book will follow this presentation.

## **LIVE TELECONFERENCE WITH TIMOTHY EGAN**

Friday, November 16, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

NETV - UNL East Campus

1800 N. 33rd St.

**One Book -- One Lincoln** participants who want to see and hear the author won't want to miss this event! Timothy Egan, author of the National Book Award-winning *The Worst Hard Times*, will appear live, from Seattle, in a teleconference that provides readers with an opportunity to ask questions and learn about his research for the book.

## **TOURS OF THE LESTER F. LARSEN TRACTOR MUSEUM**

Sunday, November 18 2007, 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

UNL Tractor Museum - East Campus

Staff at the Lester F. Larsen Tractor Test and Power Museum on UNL's East Campus will lead visitors on a guided tour of the museum, which includes photographs, machinery and farming equipment that dates back to the years spanned in *The Worst Hard Time*. Both tours will emphasize the equipment used from the era dating 1901 to 1939, and will include vocal commentary on the different types of farming equipment and techniques used during the Depression and Dust Bowl, as well as providing information on possible links between farming and the cause of the Dust Bowl during the Depression. [Note: Two identical tours will be provided, at both 1:00 and 3:00 on this date, with the Meghan Sittler presentation (below) scheduled for 2:00 between the tours.]

## **THE WORST(?) HARD TIME: PAST AND PRESENT DROUGHT IN NEBRASKA**

Sunday, November 18 2007, 2:00 p.m.

UNL East Campus

Hardin Hall -- Room 163

Meghan Sittler, from the National Drought Mitigation Center, provides a presentation that draws on the idea that past experiences of drought and possible future climate changes could rival the dust bowl. [Note: This presentation will be given between two tours of the nearby Lester F. Larsen Tractor Museum on UNL's East Campus (see above).]

In addition to the library sponsored events, the Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries is hosting a showing of **The Grapes of Wrath** on Sunday, November 11, 2:00 p.m. at the State Theater, 1415 "O" St. Event includes appetizers, soft drinks, cash bar. There is an admission fee for this event. Contact Nicole Zink at 441-064 or [www.foundationforlcl.org](http://www.foundationforlcl.org) for ticket information.

August 29, 2007

City of Lincoln Planning Commission  
Lincoln, NE

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of the petitioners for Change of Zone No. 07049 HP and Special Permit No. 07034, historic designation of property at 1204 Peach Street and special permit to use the property as a tea room.

My husband and I own a house across the street from this property. Several years ago, when I heard that Lisa and Matt planned to open a tea room, I could not have imagined the level of effort they would go to in order to make their dream a reality. They truly dedicated themselves to "bringing the past alive."

The care and attention paid to the architectural detail of restoring their turn-of-the-century home reflects the respect they pay to their customers and their neighbors. Certainly, they are operating a business, but Lisa can make it feel like you've just being invited next door for afternoon tea... even if you live across town.

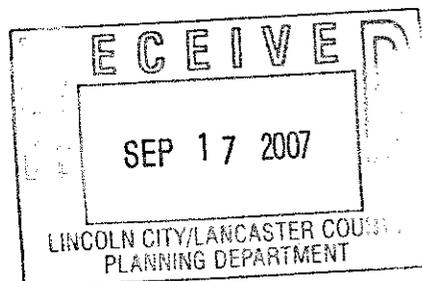
I have seen bridal groups, Red Hat society gatherings, baby showers, and little girl birthday parties come and go from the Tea Room. Honestly, it makes me feel proud to have a place that people want to come and celebrate their fond memories so close to my house.

Certainly, traffic and parking can be an issue. But the "sittings" typically take place during the late morning and/or early afternoon. On the weekdays, most neighbors are not at home anyways... and on the weekends, the inconvenience is brief, lasting only a few hours. In my opinion, the benefit of creating this neighborly sense of place outweighs the bother.

Please vote in support of both the historical designation and the permitting of continued operation of a very successful neighborhood business.

Sincerely,

Kristi Wamstad-Evans  
1209 Peach Street  
Lincoln, NE 68502





**Jean L Walker/Notes**  
09/19/2007 09:47 AM

To CouncilPacket/Notes@Notes  
cc  
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Subject BP070919: Response to Amanda Metcalf re Cedar Cove Townhomes Preliminary Plat

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**Brandon M Garrett/Notes**  
09/19/2007 09:15 AM

To Metcalf403@neb.rr.com  
cc Marvin S Krout/Notes@Notes, Jean L Walker/Notes@Notes, Dennis D Bartels/Notes@Notes  
Subject Re: Fw: Emailing: z2070918-Metcalf 

Ms. Metcalf,

You are probably referring to the 8.5x11 copy of the site plan that was included with my staff report for Cedar Cove Townhomes Preliminary Plat #07003. I agree that the scale and resolution of this copy is not easy to read. We currently do not have a better version for you to view online, but I have scanned portions of the site plan for you (see attached).

You can also come to the Planning Department where I would be happy to show you the full-sized plans that were submitted with this application and I can discuss the preliminary plat in more detail with you. The plans submitted, however, are not finalized; they were required to make some minor changes when they went through Planning Commission and they have not yet re-submitted those revised plans.

As for the timeframe for development, that is left largely to the developer. They first need to have their preliminary plat plans approved (which I have not received as of 9-19-07), then they will need to complete a final plat, which takes more than 45 days. After the final plat is approved, then they have to install the utilities, paving, etc.

Traffic light at N. 84th and Leighton: I have noticed an increase in traffic at that intersection, especially with the new KFC/LJS. I agree that the highway speed of N. 84th Street traffic and the limited sight distance make that intersection very dangerous for an urbanized area. I do know that Leighton will get a traffic light, but as for the timing, I will have to defer that question to Public Works--Dennis Bartels (441-7595).

Thank you for your inquiry. I would be happy to answer any additional questions you might have.

Brandon



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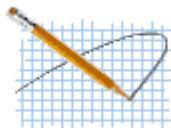
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Forwarding to Brandon as Cedar Cove was his project.

Brandon, please route a copy of your response through Marvin and me -- I will take care of sending it to Council Packets. Thanks.

--Jean Walker, Administrative Officer  
City-County Planning Department  
441-6365

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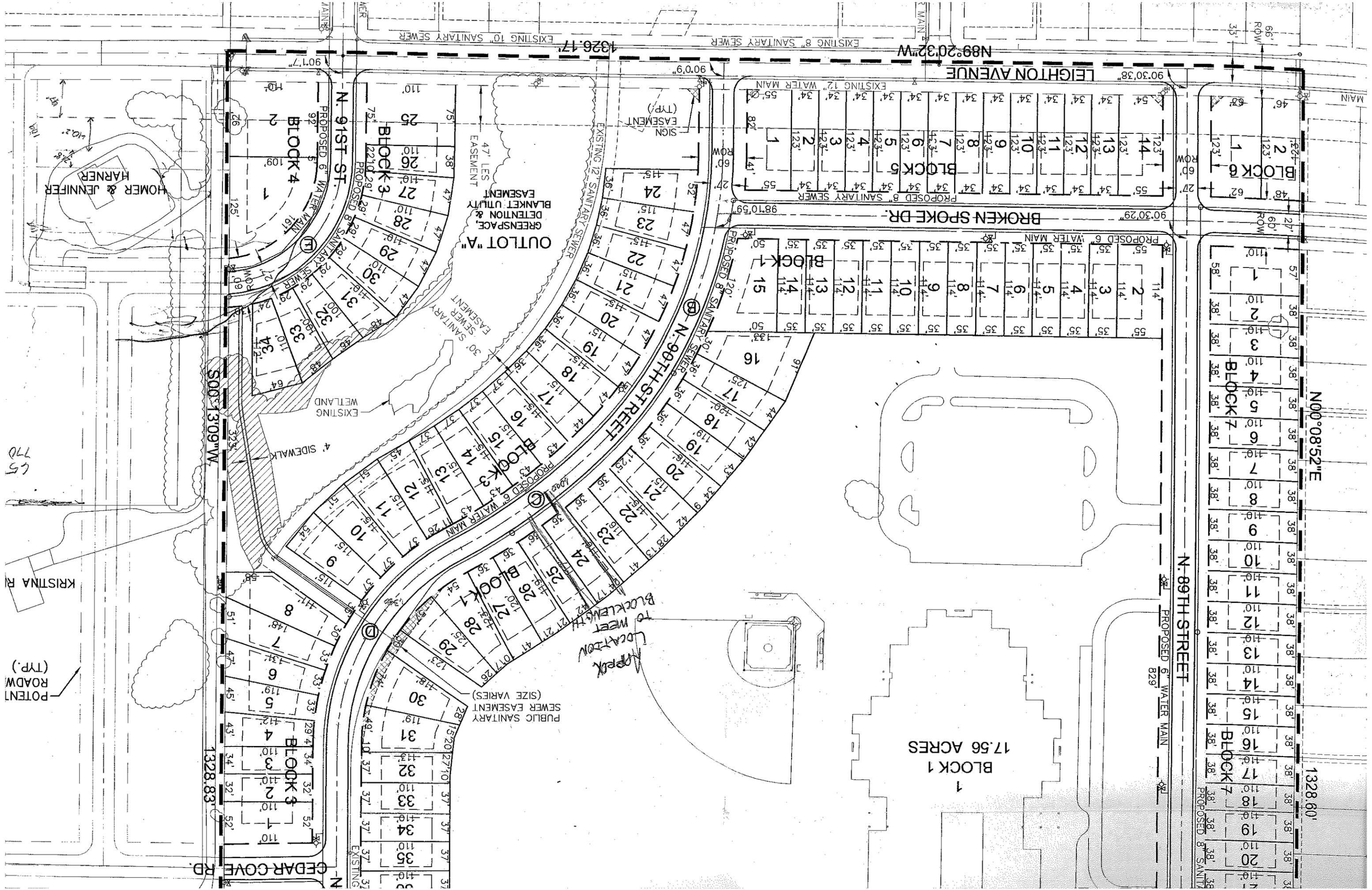


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N 89TH STREET

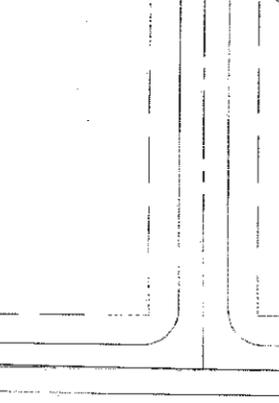
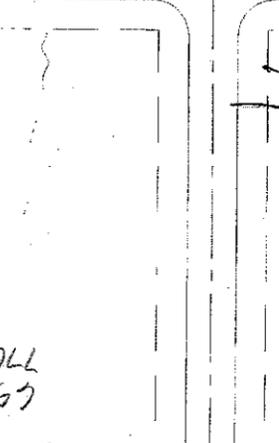
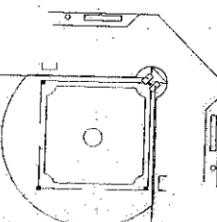
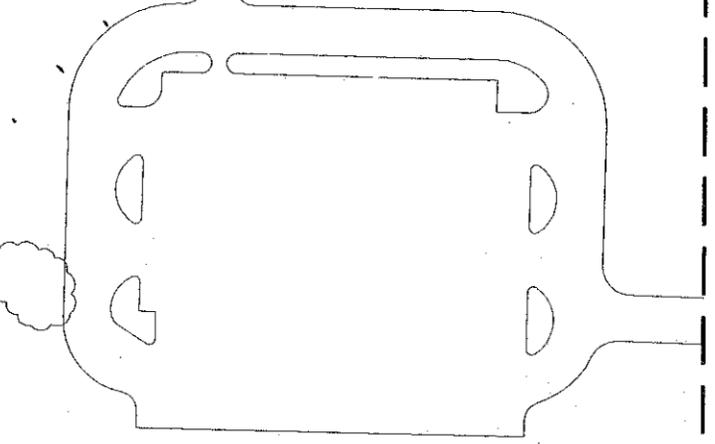
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PROPOSED 6" WATER MAIN 829

N 90TH STREET

N 91ST ST



**GENERAL NOTES**

1. SANITARY SEWER AND WATER LINES TO BE 8" PIPE AND 6" D.I. PIPE RESPECTIVELY UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN AND TO BE BUILT TO CITY OF LINCOLN SPECIFICATIONS.
2. ORNAMENTAL LIGHTING SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH L.E.S.
3. ALL PAVING RADII TO BE 20' UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
4. THE DEVELOPER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE DESIGN STANDARDS OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN FOR EROSION CONTROL AND SEDIMENTATION DURING AND AFTER LAND PREPARATION AND FURTHER TO SUBMIT A SEEDING AND MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE BEFORE SITE GRADING IS DONE.
5. PUBLIC UTILITIES ARE LOCATED IN ADJACENT PUBLIC STREETS.
6. THE PROPOSED PLAT IS CURRENTLY ZONED AG. THE PROPOSED ZONE IS R-4.
7. ALL DIMENSIONS ALONG CURVES ARE CHORD DISTANCES.
8. ALL SIDEWALK, DRIVE AND PARKING PAVEMENTS TO BE BUILT TO CITY OF LINCOLN STANDARDS.
9. ALL SIDEWALKS TO BE BUILT 4' MIN. WIDTH.
10. ALL DRIVES SHALL BE 24' WIDE TYPICAL UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
11. LOT DIMENSIONS SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE AND MAY VARY UP TO 10 FEET.
12. THE APPLICANT SHALL COMPLY WITH ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN.
13. SIGNS NEED NOT BE SHOWN ON THE SITE PLAN, & WILL BE PER ZONING ORDINANCE 27.69
14. ALL ELEVATIONS ARE TO NAVD 1998.
15. ALL STREET DIMENSIONS ARE TO BACK OF CURB.
16. AN APPROVED BARRIER ALONG BOTH SIDES OF ALL DRIVEWAYS & ALONG THE PERIMETER OF ALL PARKING AREAS WILL BE BUILT TO CITY OF LINCOLN STANDARDS.
17. ALL STREET INTERSECTIONS ARE AT 90° UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
18. ALL SETBACKS WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE R-4 ZONING STANDARDS.
19. THE YARD SETBACKS REGULATES STRUCTURAL WALLS ONLY AND DOES NOT RESTRICT OVERHANGS, PATIOS, DOOR SWINGS, WINDOW SWINGS, ETC. FROM ENCRORACHING INTO THE SETBACKS.
20. TOTAL USAGE  
 TOTAL LOTS = 132 SINGLE FAMILY LOTS  
                   1 LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS LOT  
 133 TOTAL LOTS  
 TOTAL BLOCKS = 8  
 OUTLOT "A" - GREENSPACE, DETENTION, AND BLANKET UTILITY EASEMENT

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
PRELIMINARY PLAT**

A LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR A TRACT OF LAND COMPOSED OF LOT 108 I.T., LOT 109 I.T., AND THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, ALL LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE 6TH P.M., CITY OF LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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**REVISIONS**

# CEDAR COVE TOWNHOMES PRELIMINARY PLAT

**ENGINEER & PREPARER**

OLSSON ASSOCIATES  
C/O MARK PALMER  
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LINCOLN, NE 68501  
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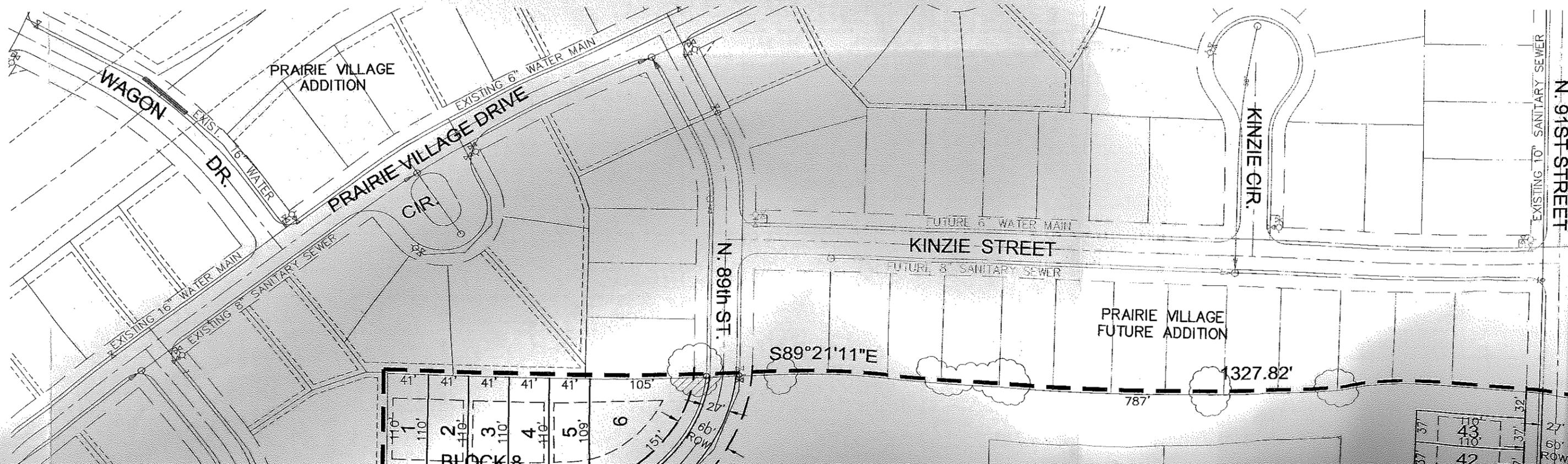
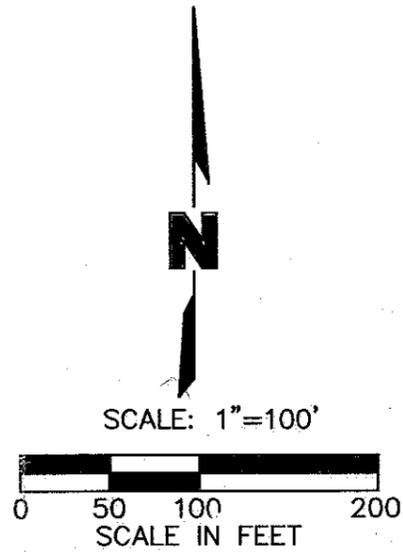
**DEVELOPER**

CAMERON HOMES  
C/O BRECK COLLINGSWORTH  
8040 EIGER DRIVE  
LINCOLN, NE 68516  
PHONE: (402)420-2311

**OWNERS**

RIDGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY  
& SOUTHWEST INC.  
C/O JOHN SCHLEICH  
8644 EXECUTIVE WOODS DRIVE  
LINCOLN, NE 68512  
PHONE: (402)436-3444

LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0001  
C/O SCOTT WIESKAMP  
5901 'O' STREET  
LINCOLN, NE 68510  
PHONE: (402)436-1072





**Nicole Tooze/Notes**

09/18/2007 02:09 PM

To Joan E Ross/Notes@Notes

cc Karl A Fredrickson/Notes@Notes, Benjamin J  
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Subject 07R-185 Cooperative Agreement from DEQ

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# PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

[lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov)

September 18, 2007

## **WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT #700290** **34th Street; Smith Street - Lake Street** **Lake Street; 33rd Street - 35th Street**

The week of September 24, 2007, K2 Construction of Lincoln will be starting construction of a replacement water main for the Engineering Services Division of the Public Works and Utilities Department. This construction should be completed approximately early November 2007 barring weather or unforeseen conditions.

K2 Construction will be required to maintain two-way traffic on 33rd Street at all times. However, there will be some disruption to vehicular and pedestrian access during construction. The remainder of the project will have very limited access. Temporary "no-parking" signs will be installed ahead of time to permit the contractor working room. The work areas themselves will be barricaded and caution should be used when using the areas under construction.

The City of Lincoln realizes this project may temporarily inconvenience you for parking and possibly loss of services (utility/water, etc.). Please be patient and we will rectify the situation as quickly as possible.

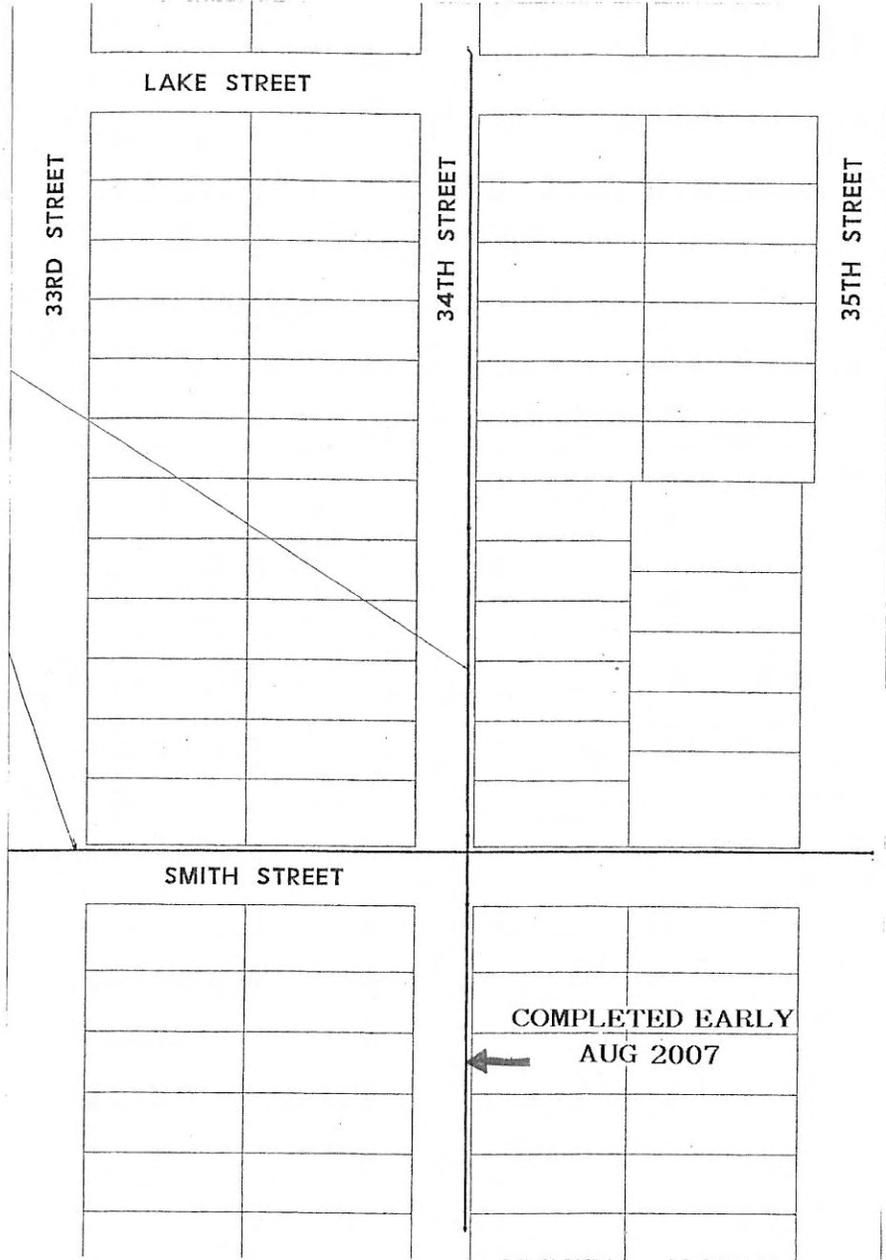
As a general reminder, if you have landscaping in the City right-of-way which you would like to save, please plan to relocate them as soon as practical to avoid damages. Please mark sprinklers so they can prepare their work around these areas. The contractor will not be responsible for items that are within the right-of-way once work starts.

If you have any problems or questions during the construction period, please contact the K2 Construction Superintendent Tom Rogge at (402) 770-5728 or the City of Lincoln Project Manager.

Charlie Wilcox, Senior Engineering Specialist  
Engineering Services, Public Works and Utilities  
Project Manager  
Cell: (402) 440-6067  
Email: [cwilcox@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:cwilcox@lincoln.ne.gov)

K2 Construction  
Tom Rogge, Superintendent  
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***See Map on Back***





# PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

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September 20, 2007

## **SIDEWALK REPAIR ADVISORY**

### **Project #702361**

The City of Lincoln has awarded a contract for sidewalk repair at various locations throughout Lincoln which includes sidewalk repair adjacent to your property. The contract for this work has been awarded to TCW Construction of Lincoln.

The contractor is expected to start work on this contract within one to two weeks. The repair work will involve removal and replacement of marked sections of sidewalk. There will be some inconvenience to residents in this area as sidewalk sections are removed and replaced and sidewalk locations are closed and barricaded to complete this work. Driveways may also be closed for short durations to complete work on sidewalk through the drive.

We request the patience and cooperation of residents in this area as the contractor progresses with this work. If you have a sprinkler system, it is advisable that you mark the location of the sprinkler lines and heads. It is the City's policy that sprinkler systems are a private improvement located in the public right-of-way. The Public Works and Utilities Department will not accept responsibility for repair of sprinkler systems which are located adjacent to the sidewalk.

This project is funded with funds budgeted in the City's General Fund. The Public Works and Utilities Department will administer this contract. You may contact the Sidewalk Section at 441-7541 with any questions. Ron Edson with the Public Works and Utilities Department is the Project Manager for the construction work and can be contacted at 525-9294. If you have any questions of the contractor, please call TCW Construction at 475-5030.

Harry Kroos  
Engineering Services  
441-7541



**Joan E Ross/Notes**  
09/18/2007 02:46 PM

To Nicole Tooze/Notes@Notes  
cc Benjamin J Higgins/Notes@Notes,  
CouncilPacket/Notes@Notes, Karl A  
Fredrickson/Notes@Notes, Trish A Owen/Notes@Notes  
bcc  
Subject Re: 07R-185 Cooperative Agreement from DEQ 

Nicole,  
I will make a notation on this item for the 9/24 agenda. **(Request to place on Pending , No Date Certain)**

Joan Ross, CMC  
City Clerk  
402/441-7438  
Fax: 402/441-8325  
Nicole Tooze/Notes



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## INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

<b>TO</b>	City Council	<b>DATE</b>	September 17, 2007
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>		<b>FROM</b>	Dana W. Roper
<b>ATTENTION</b>		<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	City Law
<b>COPIES TO</b>		<b>SUBJECT</b>	J Cook RFI 132 COZ 7046 – Bill No. 07-142

1. Enforcement of the 60/40. This will be enforced, at least initially, on a complaint basis. If necessary, the City would attempt to subpoena the books of the business. It is not entirely clear how a court would rule on this matter and it may be prudent to include a provision requiring an applicant to cooperate and comply with the City's request to inspect books. Once the City has such information, if a public records request were made, we would deny it because it was an investigatory record and/or contained commercial information which would serve no public purpose to disseminate.

2. Determination of 60/40 split. Given the lack of guidance in the ordinance we would expect to calculate this requirement on an annual basis. Consequently, the time of the sales would be irrelevant.

3. New applications. Determining compliance with initial applications will be based on the word of the applicant absent some obvious and glaring defect, i.e. no kitchen, etc.

4. Non-compliance with the 60/40 split. It is questionable whether failure to comply with the 60/40 split would allow the City to revoke the liquor license. Normally the Liquor Commission has been reluctant to revoke licenses absent a showing of State law violations. The City should be able to revoke the conditional permit.

5. Appeal process. The appeal process would likely go to District Court in cases where the City has attempted to enforce its zoning ordinance. If the City attempted to enforce under the State Liquor laws, it would go to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission and then to the District Court. The other possible forum would be the BZA.

6. Law Department comfort. You have asked whether the Law Department “. . . is comfortable with the legality and mechanism of enforcement of the 60/40 split.” We are still uncomfortable, as we were with the smoking ordinance of the 60/40 split, because of the difficulty in enforcement. This criteria currently exists for sidewalk cafes but only 23 of them exist in the City whereas this rule would apply to all zoning districts that allow the sale of alcohol.

DWR/tb



"SW McGovern"  
<midwestminichoppers@hotmail.com>

09/14/2007 11:22 AM

To council@lincoln.ne.gov, mdekalb@lincoln.ne.gov,  
dschorr@lancaster.ne.gov, jcamp@lincoln.ne.gov,  
JOrtiz@journalstar.com, ksvoboda@lincoln.ne.gov,

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Subject Quiet ZONES

Please forward to all RTSD Administration.

Hello, I am opposed to tax dollars being spent to quiet trains at 33rd, Adams and 44th street crossings along Cornhusker Hwy. I purchased my home 7 yrs. ago within blocks of these crossings because of the sound. I enjoy hearing the trains. I do not believe there is a safety concern.

The only problem these crossing cause is traffic congestion. I do not recall in the past 10 years any collision or death because the crossings were unsafe. Tax dollars should not be used to accommodate complainers of the sound as far as I am concerned.

Thank you for your time,  
Shannon McGovern



WebForm  
<none@lincoln.ne.gov>  
09/18/2007 10:56 PM

To General Council <council@lincoln.ne.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for  
General Council

Name: Amanda Metcalf  
Address: 2542 N. 88th Street  
City: Lincoln, NE 68507  
  
Phone: 402-261-8129  
Fax:  
Email: Metcalf403@neb.rr.com

Comment or Question:

I would like a better copy of the Cedar Cove Townhomes Preliminary Plat that was approved for annexation at 90th & Leighton. Your online version is very blurry.

What is the time frame on something like this, or who should I contact for further questions?

And, a light at 84th & Leighton... I see a neighbor of ours emailed you in reference to this. Do we have an answer? 84th & Leighton is dangerous, please send the appropriate individuals to determine the correct course of action for this intersection. Thank you.



**"Brett Joseph"**  
**<bjoseph@eastridge.org>**  
09/18/2007 01:56 PM

To <droper@lincoln.ne.gov>  
cc <ntooze@lincoln.ne.gov>, <council@lincoln.ne.gov>, <fmatulka@cindexinc.com>  
bcc

Subject Water issues at Vintage Heights

History:  This message has been forwarded.

Greetings Dana Roper,

I appreciate the opportunity to talk with you this afternoon, as we discussed, I am forwarding my pictures regarding the water drainage issues along Old Cheney. I understand someone will be contacting me on behalf of the city council, and I look forward to the meeting and the eventual rectification of this situation in a timely manner.

Thank you again for your time

Brett Joseph  
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Name: Michael Szakto  
Address: 7625 S. 37th  
City: Lincoln, NE, 68516  
  
Phone: 402-423-2726  
Fax:  
Email: zatgolf@yahoo.com

Comment or Question:

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE Do not spend our money twice. Pave Yankee Hill with concrete and not let the county do asphalt as is the plan. We all know that in 2-3 years it will be torn up and concrete will eventually replace it. I feel that this is the epitome of what people feel is wrong with county/city government and an unwillingness or ineptness to do things once and not do them again as with most road projects in this city. 27th Cornhusker, 27th Pine Lake (turn lanes after road already in). Do it once, disrupt traffic once, inconvenience home owners once and get it done! One final remark/question - Where exactly do the wheel tax dollars go? what dept, fund etc... .

Thank you.

1700 "J" Street  
Lincoln, NE 68508

Members of the Lincoln City Council  
555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln, NE 68508

September 14, 2007

Dear City Councilperson:

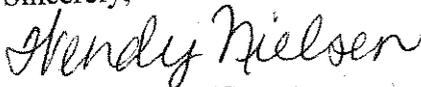
The purpose of this letter is to convey our association's (and neighboring persons') deep concern regarding the proposed day shuttle service which eliminates the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> and "J" Streets' shuttle stops. These two stops are frequented by the students at Hamilton College, those living in the two elderly/disabled apartment buildings located around 18<sup>th</sup> and "J", as well as our own building, the L.E.W. Housing for the Elderly, which houses 100+ elderly and disabled people. The three residences mentioned have large populations of those who lack their own means of transportation and are thus dependent upon bus services, as well as have numbers of residents who are only able to walk short distances. The closest proposed shuttle stop for us would be at 14<sup>th</sup> and Lincoln Mall, the distance to which is simply prohibitive to many of these residents.

On July 19, 2007, thirty-five area residents met here with our councilman, John Spatz, to discuss the situation. We are willing to have a change in the frequency of the shuttle stops (down to one per hour, on the half-hour opposite the northbound route buses that go up 17<sup>th</sup> Street) as long as the current stops in the neighborhood are kept. We are writing this to you with hopes that you will work together with Mr. Spatz to negotiate the keeping of our current shuttle stops.

We strongly urge you to reconsider the above proposed action with great thought and care, as it will affect some 150-175 elderly and disabled persons, area residents who walk here to use the Shuttle, as well as the students of Hamilton College.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Wendy Nielsen, Secretary  
L.E.W. Housing for the Elderly Tenant Association  
[mlewendy@gmail.com](mailto:mlewendy@gmail.com)

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James T. Simpson  
Isabel Guajardo

Cassie ~~Green~~ Ay  
Alexita Johnson

Elizabeth Melue  
Makine Lawson

Richard S. Fry  
David G.

Rebekah L. Greenwalt

Larry Bous

Andy Anderson &  
Stambridge Sr.

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Wallace Hanes

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Howard Kling

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Irene Hutchison

~~Gay Sullivatt~~

Samuel B. Stockton

Emily M. Stockton

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JoAnn Williams

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Donald Dr. Patmore  
Sally A. Campion  
Larry Bors  
Wallace Paris  
Maybell Shiffers  
Myrtle A. Krens  
Fred Lind  
Elizabeth McAue  
Jack R. Johnson  
~~Edith A. Johnson~~  
Kathryn A. Johnson  
Mervle Steckly  
Gaylene Currier  
Allen E. Kibbe  
Jonie Taylor  
Viva Herndon  
~~Edith A. Johnson~~  
Ruby Schulz

Robert A. Dunn  
representing 20 UNL  
students @ 17 + H  
Joan Jos 17  
Kathleen Hatz 18  
DAWN R. Seckert  
Maria Lampe  
Rose Stanley  
Chris Martin  
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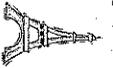
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Bob Dunn - owner of 14 plex apt  
at 700 So 17 full of international UNL  
grad. students who would use the SHUTTLE  
bus if it started early in the AM &  
ran as late as 6<sup>30</sup> - 7<sup>00</sup> PM. -

Many other apartment tenants  
to the east of 18<sup>th</sup> need the shuttle  
but do not need the 12 minute cycle



Wendy L. Nielsen  
1700 "J" Street #601  
Lincoln, NE 68508

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*Dan Marvin  
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Comment or Question:

Do you know what kind of message graffiti sends? It sends messages that no one cares about the property where it appears and that our community is willing to tolerate a condition many feel leads to a decline in the quality of life. It says that we need to do a better job of teaching our citizens about respect and responsibility.

The City of Lincoln and I want to do something, and hope you do, too. That's why I'm inviting you to join other concerned citizens, businesses and civic leaders in helping to form a new community coalition to address the problem of graffiti here in Lincoln. Attending this gathering will not obligate you to being on the coalition but I hope you will consider it, as the City can use your input as we study the graffiti problem. If you cannot join us, I hope you can have someone represent you, your group or department, as each of you have been selected because of your special knowledge of the city of Lincoln. The planning meeting will be on Thursday October 4 from 1-2:45 in the Mayor's Conference Room 2nd floor of the City County Building 555 S. 10 St Lincoln, NE.

Our community is no different than others in which graffiti has appeared in recent years. We want to know why it happens, who's responsible, and if we can prevent it here. To assist us I have lots of information on "Graffiti Hurts" that clearly explains the problem, dispels the myths, and provides a viable approach to make significant reductions in graffiti in our community. At this October 4th gathering you will have the opportunity to gather facts, hear about community resources and express your ideas and concerns on this important subject, graffiti.

Forming a coalition is a positive step to defeating the problem of graffiti and one I firmly believe should be taken. Together, we will learn about graffiti, conduct educational and public awareness programs for children and adults, and show businesses and public agencies why rapid removal and education are the best strategies. If we can accomplish these tasks, we will demonstrate that graffiti is not a "victimless" crime, that each of us has a stake in protecting our community's quality of life, and that it is in our power to affect positive change.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience. Please email me at nengel@lincoln.ne.gov or call and leave a message at 441-5658.

Regards,

Nancy Engel AmeriCorps-VISTA  
City of Lincoln, NE

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**ADDENDUM  
TO  
DIRECTORS' AGENDA  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007**

**I. MAYOR -**

1. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule Week of September 22 through 28, 2007 - Schedule subject to change.
2. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Mayor Beutler and City Council member Robin Eschliman will discuss a proposed State safe haven law at a news conference on 09/25/07 at 10:00 a.m. in Mayor's Conference Room.

**II. CITY CLERK - NONE**

**III. CORRESPONDENCE -**

**A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE - NONE**

**B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS -**

**HEALTH**

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Local Flu Hotline Available.

**PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES**

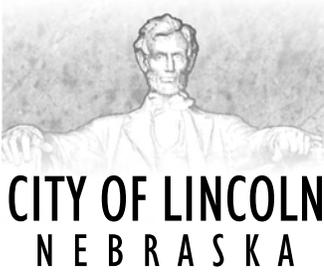
1. ADVISORY - RE: Water Main Replacement Project #700290-34<sup>th</sup> Street; Smith Street - Lake Street-Smith Street; 33<sup>rd</sup> Street - 35<sup>th</sup> Street with Map.

**URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

1. Memo from Peter Hind, President, Lincoln Haymarket Development Corporation from Hallie Salem, Urban Development Dept. - RE: Item #7-07R-184 - West Haymarket Blight Study.

**C. MISCELLANEOUS -**

1. E-Mail from Linda Alm - RE: Strongly and encourage you all to vote against blighting the Haymarket property.
2. E-Mail from Cecelia Dorn - RE: More Arena/Harris Overpass Planning is Needed.



# NEWS ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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Date: September 21, 2007

Contact: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

**Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule**  
**Week of September 22 through 28, 2007**  
*Schedule subject to change*

Saturday, September 22

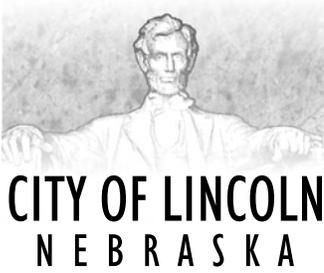
- Lincoln Arts Festival Breakfast - 9:30 a.m., SouthPointe Pavilions, 2910 Pine Lake Rd.
- Lincoln Arts Festival, selecting "Mayor's Choice Award" - 10 a.m., SouthPointe Pavilions (northwest parking lot in front of Barnes and Noble Booksellers)

Monday, September 24

- CenterPointe annual meeting, remarks - 11:30 a.m., Embassy Suites, 1040 "P" St.

Friday, September 28

- News conference, topic and location to be determined



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MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7511, fax 441-7120

**DATE:** September 24, 2007

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Chris Beutler and City Council member Robin Eschliman will discuss a proposed State safe haven law at a news conference at **10 a.m. Tuesday, September 25** in the Mayor's Conference Room, second floor of the County-City Building, 555 South 10th Street.

FOR  
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**FOR MORE**

**INFORMATION:** Bruce D. Dart, Ph.D. - 402-441-8001  
Health Director

### **LOCAL FLU HOTLINE AVAILABLE**

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department's (LLCHD) local Flu Hotline is now available to the public to provide information about Flu shot availability in the community. The local Flu Hotline can be accessed by calling 441-0358. The Health Department has also posted many of the locations at [www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov) , Keyword "Flu".

The Health Department will provide flu immunizations to low income uninsured individuals. Children between the ages of 6 months through 4 years can also obtain a flu shot at LLCHD as part of their routine childhood immunizations. The Department will no longer be providing flu shots to persons who are covered by insurance, Medicare, Medicaid (except for children 6 months through 4 years of age), other third-party payers, or those who do not fall at or below 185 percent of the U.S. poverty guidelines.

Beginning in October, Flu shots will be available at a various locations throughout the community. These include pharmacies and other commercial outlets and at many Activ Age Centers (Senior Centers). Individuals should check with their health-care provider about flu shot availability as well. The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department expects to begin providing Flu shots to low income uninsured individuals on October 15, 2007.

Bruce Dart, Health Director, said, "The vaccine supply this 2007-2008 flu season should be adequate to cover anyone who wants to be protected. Those at high risk are strongly encouraged to obtain a flu shot."

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# PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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## **WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT #700290** **34th Street; Smith Street - Lake Street** **Smith Street; 33rd Street - 35th Street**

The week of September 24, 2007, K2 Construction of Lincoln will be starting construction of a replacement water main for the Engineering Services Division of the Public Works and Utilities Department. This construction should be completed approximately early November 2007 barring weather or unforeseen conditions.

K2 Construction will be required to maintain two-way traffic on 33rd Street at all times. However, there will be some disruption to vehicular and pedestrian access during construction. The remainder of the project will have very limited access. Temporary "no-parking" signs will be installed ahead of time to permit the contractor working room. The work areas themselves will be barricaded and caution should be used when using the areas under construction.

The City of Lincoln realizes this project may temporarily inconvenience you for parking and possibly loss of services (utility/water, etc.). Please be patient and we will rectify the situation as quickly as possible.

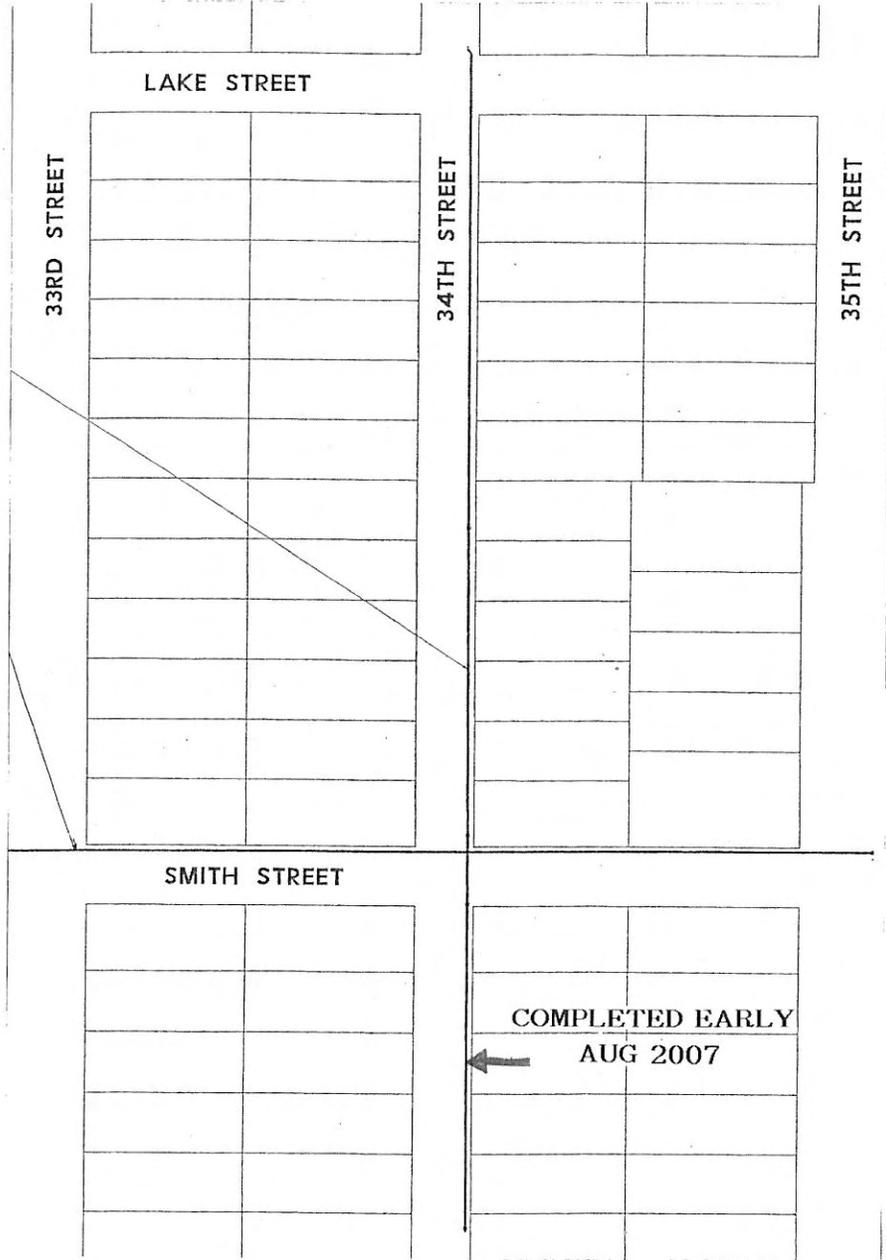
As a general reminder, if you have landscaping in the City right-of-way which you would like to save, please plan to relocate them as soon as practical to avoid damages. Please mark sprinklers so they can prepare their work around these areas. The contractor will not be responsible for items that are within the right-of-way once work starts.

If you have any problems or questions during the construction period, please contact the K2 Construction Superintendent Tom Rogge at (402) 770-5728 or the City of Lincoln Project Manager.

Charlie Wilcox, Senior Engineering Specialist  
Engineering Services, Public Works and Utilities  
Project Manager  
Cell: (402) 440-6067  
Email: [cwilcox@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:cwilcox@lincoln.ne.gov)

K2 Construction  
Tom Rogge, Superintendent  
Phone: (402) 770-5728

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33RD STREET

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## Lincoln Haymarket Development Corporation

335 North 8th, Suite B  
The Hardy Building  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508  
(402) 435-7496

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TO: City Council Representatives  
FROM: Peter Hind, President, Lincoln Haymarket Development Corporation  
DATE: September 21, 2007  
RE: WEST HAYMARKET BLIGHT STUDY

The Lincoln Haymarket Development Corporation (LHDC) appreciates your thoughtful consideration in declaring the West Haymarket area blighted and substandard as described in the West Haymarket Blight and Substandard Determination Study, June 2007.

The LHDC is in full support of finding the West Haymarket blighted, so that further exploration may be undertaken to determine the best use for the area west of the Historic Haymarket. LHDC agrees that redevelopment of the area, if undertaken in a manner that is respectful of existing uses in the Haymarket and is consistent in design, will enhance the vitality of the Haymarket, Downtown, and the City as a whole.

We hope that the Lincoln City Council will see the designation of the West Haymarket area as blighted as an important first step of many in the redevelopment of this area.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (402) 617-6984 or [peterhind@studio951.net](mailto:peterhind@studio951.net).

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Hind'.

Peter Hind, AIA, LEED AP.

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Name: Linda Alm  
Address: 3400 Pawnee St.  
City: Lincoln, NE 68506

Phone:  
Fax:  
Email: llgalm@yahoo.com

Comment or Question:  
Dear City Council Members -

I am writing to you as a resident, home owner and tax payer the fine city of Lincoln. I am writing to you to strongly urge and encourage you all to vote against blighting the Hay Market property!

We has citizens of Lincoln are being sold a bill of goods, regarding the Vision 2015 propositions. If these business owners want to build a new event center, let them do it with their money, not the tax payers! As you know better than I, Lincoln already has a budget deficit, which if you vote to blight the Hay Market area will only increase one hundred fold.

Let me remind you that the city of Lincoln has already spent millions of dollars to rebuild and build up the Hay Market area. Are you now going to flush all of that money down the drain, by declaring it blighted?! I strongly urge you not to do this!

Please, please vote against blighting the Hay Market area!

Sincerely:

Linda Alm



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Name: Cecelia Dorn  
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City: Lincoln, NE 68528

Phone: 4024757885  
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Comment or Question:  
More Arena/Harris Overpass Planning is Needed

Harris Overpass is scheduled to be closed November 12th in preparation for total renovation. If a new arena, hotel, and parking garage are going to be built somewhere in the Haymarket area shouldn't these plans be in place before millions of dollars are spent on renovating the Harris Overpass to pass over tracks that may be relocated within 10 - 15 years. What about approaches to the overpass, will these be at the correct angle and height when the tracks are relocated? What about the Big X overpass just north of the UNL campus? Will that still be properly configured if some of the RR tracks are relocated? How many roads and on-ramps will be built and rebuilt when a new arena, parking, and hotel are built downtown? Will the city and county pay all the cost of moving the tracks? Has the Railroad been contacted concerning the feasibility of moving tracks?

Extensive planning has been completed on how to build in a flood plain, how much fill to use, where to put the levees, etc. Owners of land near West O Street, Hay Market Park and in the Westgate area are currently raising the foundations of new construction two or three feet with fill dirt; therefore the new buildings are no longer in the flood plain. However older properties will be covered in much more water if a flood occurs as there is less area for the water to spread out over. Look at the floods in SE Minnesota and SW Wisconsin last month, KS, or New Orleans, and think about the consequences of investing large sums of money to build in flood prone areas.

What about property assessments that are the basis for the local tax contribution for all the new school and city/county projects? Current assessments are based on values of homes at the very peak of housing prices. We haven't heard anything about reassessments of homes now that the housing market is taking a major downward trend. Many homes on the County Assessors website do not even have comparables listed anymore. We cannot afford to spend our tax dollars on an overpass that might not meet the needs of a new arena and hotel. If the overpass is not safe it definitely needs to be repaired. However, complete renovation should not be considered until we know the long term plans for the property under the overpass.

The 2015 Visioning Group as well as the Lincoln City Council have spent a great deal of time looking at options and considering plans for an arena and hotel. However, in my opinion more definite plans need to be in place before work is started on the Harris Overpass to avoid the building and rebuilding of

roads and approaches. If these plans are already in place then more publicity is needed to reassure the voting public that our tax dollars will be wisely and prudently spent.

Cecelia Dorn