

**DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
ROOM 113, 2:00 P.M.**

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents March Award of Excellence to Investigator Jason Adams of the Lincoln Police Department.
2. NEWS RELEASE. "Clean Your Files Week" begins April 17, 2011.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Public asked for input on transportation projects.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to open house on Pioneers Boulevard project.

III. DIRECTORS

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1. 2010 Lincoln Commission on Human Rights Annual Report.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT/AUDITING

1. Memo from Don Herz, Finance Director, with explanation of attached documents:
 - a) Auditor's Communication Letter; and
 - b) Auditor's Comments.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE. Board of Health award winners announced.
2. Board of Health meeting minutes of March 8, 2011.
3. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department Report, March, 2011.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Health Advisory - Air Pollution. People with heart and lung disease warned to stay inside.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1. Administrative Approval by the Planning Director, Waiver No. 10025 to Administrative Final Plat No. 01008, on April 7, 2011.
2. Lplan 2040 Update: Newsletter Issue 5 and Transportation Alternatives, Survey/Open House with web links to referenced documents.

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/ENGINEERING

1. NEWS ADVISORY. Public Open House regarding Pioneers Boulevard; 32nd - 54th Street. Project No. 701778, on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the Gere Library, 56th and Normal Streets.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP

1. Memo to David Landis, Urban Development Director regarding Credit Union TIF project.
 - a) List of questions regarding the legislation for the Credit Union TIF project at 17th and Q Streets and relocation to 17th and P Streets.

JAYNE SNYDER

1. Letter from Christopher Lane, Speece Lewis Engineers, Inc. in support of Amendment to Chapter 10.32, parking of trucks on street more than 400 feet from primary place on business. Will enhance Lincoln's streets.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

1. Email from Joe Hampton on understanding the enforcement of where to park on a city street and large signs on trucks. (Distributed to Council Members before meeting on Monday, April 11, 2011)
2. Revised LES Administrative Board Meeting Agenda for Friday, April 15, 2011. (Distributed to Council Members on April 12, 2011)
3. Email from Bob Reeves with concerns on the proposed ordinance prohibiting parking of commercial trucks more than 400 feet from their business.
4. Correspondence from Carol and John Brown regarding proposed roundabout at 14th and Superior Streets, including attached links to web sites and:
 - a) Comment form summary of March 29, 2010;
 - b) Maps illustrating multi-lane versus roundabout at 14th and Superior; and
 - c) Access points map to Superior Street.
5. Leo Behne, Bellridge Drive, strongly against the proposed roundabout at 14th and Superior Streets. Will result in difficult access to Superior Street as traffic continues to increase due to area development.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-7511, fax 402-441-7120

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 11, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831

MAYOR PRESENTS MARCH AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Mayor Chris Beutler today presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence for March to Investigator Jason Adams of the Lincoln Police Department. 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.

Adams has been a Police Officer since 1997. Sergeant Sandra Myers nominated him in the category of productivity for his investigations into financial thefts, scams and cases of embezzlement and counterfeiting. In 2010, Adams investigated scams with losses of more than \$136,000. His work also resulted in embezzlement arrests with losses totaling more than \$263,000; forgery arrests with losses totaling more than \$62,000; and the clearing of identity theft cases with losses totaling more than \$67,000. As the head of all counterfeit money investigations, Adams has developed good contacts with the Secret Service. Last year, he worked on 81 counterfeit cases reported to LPD and helped clear several of them.

While investigating the unauthorized use of credit and debit cards, Adams noticed that Lincolniters cards were being used outside of Nebraska while they still had possession of them. Working with local financial institutions, Jason found the common denominator was a local golf course. With the help of LPD's Electronic Evidence Recovery officer, an image of the compromised computer was sent to the Federal Cyber Crimes Task Force who is now working on the case. The loss to citizens and financial institutions is more than \$750,000.

Jason works with larger police departments nationwide to investigate re-shipping and financial scams. He educates victims and the general public on avoiding scams and identity theft. Adams also is involved with LPD's Field Force team and the Lincoln Metro Clandestine Lab Team.

The other categories in which employees can be nominated are customer relations, loss prevention, safety and valor. Consideration also may be given to nominations that demonstrate self-initiated accomplishments or those completed outside of the nominee's job description. All City employees are eligible for the Mayor's Award of Excellence except for elected and appointed officials. Individuals or teams can be nominated by supervisors, peers, subordinates and the general public.

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Award of Excellence

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Nomination forms are available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: personnel) or 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.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
Recycling Office, 2400 Theresa Street, Lincoln, NE 68521, 441-7043

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 11, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Gene Hanlon, Recycling Coordinator, 441-7043
Julie Diegel, WasteCap Nebraska, 434-7376
Carrie Hakenkamp, WasteCap Nebraska, 436-2384

“CLEAN YOUR FILES WEEK” BEGINS APRIL 17

The twelfth annual “Clean Your Files Week” in Lincoln is set for April 17 through 23. The program supports Earth Day April 22 by offering office workers the opportunity to empty file drawers and fill recycling bins. Recyclable items include computer paper, letterhead, white and colored ledger paper, phone books, cards and envelopes.

City Recycling Coordinator Gene Hanlon said that in past years of “Clean Your Files Week,” businesses, government, office buildings and educational institutions have recycled thousands of pounds of paper. He said the goals of the event are to increase the recovery of office paper and to teach people how to recycle at work every day.

Individuals with home businesses also are encouraged to participate. They can deposit their old files in the residential mixed paper recycling container at recycling drop-off sites located throughout the City. The location of drop-off sites and other recycling information can be found on the City website, lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: recycle), and on pages 47 through 49 in the blue pages in the Windstream phone directory.

“Clean Your Files Week” was started in 1997 by Recycling at Work, a campaign of the National Office Paper Recycling Project. Local sponsors include the City of Lincoln, Lincoln Public Schools and WasteCap Nebraska.

On Saturday, April 30, confidential documents may be shredded between 10 a.m. and noon at the following locations:

- Shredding Solutions Mobile Shredding, east of the Famous Dave’s parking lot at 27th Street and Pine Lake Road
- Recycling Enterprises, at Lincoln Public Schools District Office parking lot, 59th and “O” streets.

There is no charge for the first 75 pounds or two file boxes of documents.

To learn more about “Clean Your Files Week” or to register your workplace, call 441-8215 or 434-7376.

LINCOLN/LANCASTER COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT
555 South 10th Street, Suite 213, Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-7491, fax 402-441-6377

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 12, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Sara Hartzell, Planning Department, 441-6371

PUBLIC ASKED FOR INPUT ON TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

The public is invited to comment on three packages of future transportation projects for Lincoln and Lancaster County as part of LPlan2040 – the update to the Comprehensive Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Open houses are set for next week, and the packages also are now available online at lplan2040.lincoln.ne.gov. Also on the website is a public survey that asks for comments on transportation preferences, specific projects or suggestions.

The City, County and Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization developed the three packages. “The packages are not meant to define the future of transportation for the County, but rather to inspire conversation on transportation,” said Sara Hartzell of the Planning Department.

The public is invited to discuss the transportation projects at two open houses Tuesday April 19 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.:

- 11 a.m to 1 p.m. with presentations at 11:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.
- 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with presentations at 5 and 5:45 p.m.

The packages will be presented by the Planning Department, the Public Works and Utilities Department, the Parks and Recreation Department and the County Engineer. Those attending will be able to comment and complete a survey. Those needing special accommodations should contact Hartzell by 4:30 p.m. April 15 at 402-441-7491 or shartzell@lincoln.ne.gov.

The process of developing the LRTP began with a review of projects currently shown in the 2030 Plan. The LPlan 2040 Advisory Committee and other members of the public helped select seven goals, which assisted in formulating the three packages of transportation projects featured online and in the open houses. The goals are:

1. Maintain the existing transportation system to maximize the value of these assets.
2. Improve the efficiency, performance and connectivity of a balanced transportation system.
3. Promote consistency between land use and transportation plans to enhance mobility and accessibility.
4. Provide a safe and secure transportation system.
5. Support the economic vitality of the community.
6. Protect and enhance environmental sustainability, provide opportunities for active lifestyles, and conserve natural and cultural resources.
7. Maximize the cost effectiveness of transportation.

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The LPlan 2040 public engagement process is the first of two opportunities for citizens to participate in City decision-making. In May, the City will release its annual “Taking Charge” budget survey to solicit community views on the upcoming 2011-2012 budget.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Engineering Services, 901 West Bond., Lincoln, NE 68521, 402-441-7711, fax 402- 441-6576

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 14, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Devin Biesecker, Engineering Services, 402-441-4955

**PUBLIC INVITED TO OPEN HOUSE ON
PIONEERS BOULEVARD PROJECT**

The public is invited to an open house on the Pioneers Boulevard street rehabilitation project from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 19 at Gere Library, 56th and Normal Boulevard.

The project involves Pioneers Boulevard from 32nd to 54th Street and includes street rehabilitation work (concrete base repair, asphalt mill and overlay, and curb replacement); complete intersection replacement at 33rd, 40th and 48th streets; new pavement markings; traffic signal/electrical work; storm sewer replacement; and sidewalk and ramp reconstruction.

At the open house, residents will have an opportunity to discuss the upcoming construction schedule and project phasing with representatives from the City's Public Works and Utilities Department. No formal presentations are planned.

Construction is expected to begin in late April and will continue through September.

Those unable to attend may contact Devin Biesecker at 402-441-4955 or by e-mail at dbiesecker@lincoln.ne.gov. Information on City construction projects is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: projects).

City of Lincoln
Commission on Human Rights

2010

Annual Report



From left: former Mayor Don Wesely, former LCHR Commissioner Dr. Sitaram Jaswal, Mayoral Aid Denise Pearce, former Mayor Coleen Seng, and former LCHR Director Larry Williams. Pearce reads Mayor Beutler's Proclamation declaring Larry Williams' Day at Williams' farewell gathering. Williams left the LCHR in July, 2010.

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Let's pull together
before we're torn apart.



Mayor Chris Beutler



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Dear Lincoln Residents:

As the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights (LCHR) begins its 42nd year of promoting equal opportunity, I am pleased to present this 2010 Annual Report.

In 1966, the people of Lincoln approved a charter amendment creating the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights and setting forth our community's commitment to fighting discrimination.

Over the past four decades, LCHR has become a national leader in educating our residents about their civil rights and responsibilities. In 2010, LCHR reached more than 6,000 residents in over 100 sessions covering civil rights and responsibilities. The annual Fair Housing Conference was expanded in 2010 to include both an employment and public accommodation focus. By all accounts, the expanded Conference was a resounding success.

2010 was a year of change for the Human Rights Division. With the resignation of long-time, respected Director Larry Williams, the City spent much of the year reviewing how we can improve our commitment to human rights here in our community. After reorganizing the Division to provide our fine investigators with the additional administrative support they needed, we have relied on our City Attorney, Rod Confer, and our Interim Civil Rights Officer, Milo Mumgaard, to guide us through this transition period. Although Mr. Williams certainly left big shoes to fill, Mr. Confer and Mr. Mumgaard have continued to move the Division forward.

2010 also brought great sadness to our community with the passing of Mrs. Leola Bullock. Mrs. Bullock was at the forefront of the Civil Rights movement here in Lincoln, and her work changed the very fabric of our community. Lincoln is, indeed, a far better place because of Mrs. Bullock. We owe it to her to never lose sight of the ultimate goal—ensuring Lincoln is a place where all people have the opportunity to develop their potential and contribute fully to our community's success.

In the upcoming year, LCHR will increase its outreach efforts, develop new partnerships, foster additional ties with the University of Nebraska, and encourage more of our residents to become involved in all aspects of city government. Through education, information and open dialogue, LCHR will continue to increase awareness and change attitudes.

Although much work has been done, much remains. Thank you, LCHR and Division staff, for leading the way.

Sincerely,

Chris Beutler
Mayor, City of Lincoln



To the People of Lincoln:

I am pleased to present the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights Annual Report for 2010. This was a year of change because of Director Larry Williams' resignation due to family commitments. Larry's 11-year tenure was characterized by an outstanding record, particularly in outreach and education to reduce discrimination. His long service to the cause of civil rights in Lincoln will be honored at the 2011 Civil Rights Conference by presenting him with the Fair Housing and Gerald Henderson Human Rights Awards.

LCHR meets monthly, considering accommodation, housing and employment complaints to determine whether discrimination occurred. We take this opportunity to thank our nine Commissioners for their wise counsel and generosity in volunteering time from their busy schedules to assure fairness and equity for the people of Lincoln.

LCHR's achievements in 2010 are due largely to the commitment of Investigators Angie Lemke and Margie Nichols, assisted by Americorps Volunteer Mema-Shua Regina Grant and City Hispanic Liaison and Outreach Coordinator Loren Mestre-Roberts. Their unstinting efforts allowed the task of equal rights education to continue undiminished this year. Nearly 6,000 people were trained in about 100 sessions with schools, the Housing Authority, Regions V and VI, the Real Estate Owners and Managers Association and others. The 2010 Civil Rights Conference drew attendees from around the state to learn about fair housing, equal employment and accommodating those with disabilities.

LCHR staff investigated almost 100 complaints of discrimination. Besides non-monetary resolutions they negotiated settlements approaching \$40,000. Allegations investigated included religious discrimination, discrimination based on national origin, marital and familial status, color, sex, disability, race and age, and claims of retaliation. Complainants and respondents alike were overwhelmingly satisfied with the handling of their cases according to surveys and would refer other discrimination victims to LCHR.

A successful reorganization of LCHR within the City Attorney's Office in 2010 improved administrative and clerical support. LCHR is also moving to a prominent new location in the County-City Building near the Mayor's Office and Law Department which demonstrates the City's commitment to equality for Lincoln residents.

With all that was accomplished in 2010, much remains before equal opportunities will be enjoyed by every person in our city. By reaching out to Lincolniters with this message and enforcing the rights guaranteed by Title XI of the Lincoln Municipal Code, LCHR continues to strive toward this worthy goal.

Sincerely yours,

Rodney M. Confer
Executive Director and City Attorney



Dear Citizens and Friends of the Commission,

There have been changes this year in the leadership of the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights.

Our Director of many years and many talents, Larry Williams, resigned his position in July so he could focus his attention on his much beloved mother and sister. He was the face of the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights that

we were all so used to seeing throughout the community and at events of any ethnic or cultural celebration of heritage or pride.

The City of Lincoln owes many thanks to Larry for being the constant for LCHR in the eyes of the public and to Larry's family for sharing him with us for so many years.

The LCHR has been assigned to work under the leadership of the City Attorney, Rod Confer.

Whether this change is long term or short term has yet to be determined. There has been much discussion between the Mayor's Multicultural Advisory Committee and the Mayor's office as to the direction our City's Civil Rights Agency may go and I am sure there will be many more conversations and thoughts shared.

This past year saw an increase in housing complaints (27); a few less employment cases (59) than the previous year and an increase in public accommodations cases (6). Overall, this was an increase of just over 6 percent from 2009.

Along with investigating complaints, our investigators also make time to do community outreach, which is so important to let the public know what the law is when it comes to housing discrimination, public accommodation and employment laws.

The Lincoln Commission on Human rights is our City's local Civil Rights Agency and we keep working toward our goal to eliminate and prevent ALL forms of illegal discrimination, to assure and foster equal opportunity for ALL citizens of the City, and to act in all matters within its jurisdiction.

Visit our website for more information about the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights.

<http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/mayor/human/about.htm>

Sincerely,

Wendy Francis
Chair

2010 Commissioners



Bottom row, left to right: *Hazell Rodriguez, Takako Olson, and Mary Reece*. Top row, left to right: *Dick Noble and Gene Crump*. Not pictured: *Anitra Warrior, Jose Quintero, Vice-Chair Karla Cooper and Chair Wendy Francis*.

The LCHR Commission is a nine member board of diverse people who hear and decide on the cases presented to them. They are volunteers who are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council. An additional goal of the Commission is to continue educating the public on the discrimination laws in the hope of preventing and eventually eliminating unlawful discrimination. They meet on the last Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the County/City Building.

Mission

The administration of the Human Rights Division supports the enforcement of all provisions of Title 11 of the Lincoln Municipal Code. To receive, settle, conciliate, investigate, issue findings, and hold public hearings on complaints alleging discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, national origin, familial status, age, ancestry, marital status, and retaliation.

To perform functions and activities with community groups, businesses, schools, and governmental entities for the purpose of promoting understanding between races, cultures, and sexes, and to work to eliminate inequalities and sources of inter-racial friction.

Review all City of Lincoln procurement bids and awards in excess of \$10,000.00.

Review DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprises) program of minority and women-owned businesses and maintain directory.

Goals

To eliminate and prevent all forms of illegal discrimination, to assure and foster equal opportunity for all citizens of the City, and to act in all matters within its jurisdiction.

The Commission's Role

The Commission is a NEUTRAL agency. We do not serve as either side's lawyer, advocate, or advisor. We are not prosecutors. We do not take the side of either the complainant (the person who filed the complaint) or the respondent (the alleged discriminator).

The job of the Commission is:

- to *investigate* complaints of discrimination;
- to *settle* complaints, if possible;
- to *determine*, after investigation, whether there was discrimination in violation of the City of Lincoln Equal Opportunity Ordinance;
- to *order remedies* if the complainant proves at a hearing that discrimination has occurred.

Agency Staff



Angela Lemke, Senior Civil Rights Investigator
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Angela is responsible for the investigation and settlement of complaints alleging a violation of Title 11 of Lincoln's Municipal Code. She serves as the primary investigator for employment complaints, and is the staff liaison with the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). In addition, Angela conducts training and outreach sessions, educating the general public, landlords, and businesses on the various equal opportunity laws. Angela has an Associate Degree in Applied Science, and started with LCHR as an intern in 1997. She is available to assist with training and provide technical assistance to the general public, landlords, property management companies, employers, and employees.



Margie Nichols, Civil Rights Investigator
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Margie is responsible for the intake and investigation of complaints alleging a violation of Title 11 of Lincoln's Municipal Code. She serves as the primary intake person for new complaints, primary investigator for housing complaints, and serves as the agency's liaison with HUD, monitoring contract compliance. Margie has a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Journalism. Margie also assists in providing trainings and technical assistance to the general public, landlords, property management companies, employers, and employees.



Mema "Regina" Grant, AmeriCorps
(402) 441-7625
mgrant@lincoln.ne.gov

Regina's main focus is serving as the primary outreach, education and prevention in the Lincoln School system. Her background includes working in many areas of human services, community development, direct case management services, with both adults and youth.

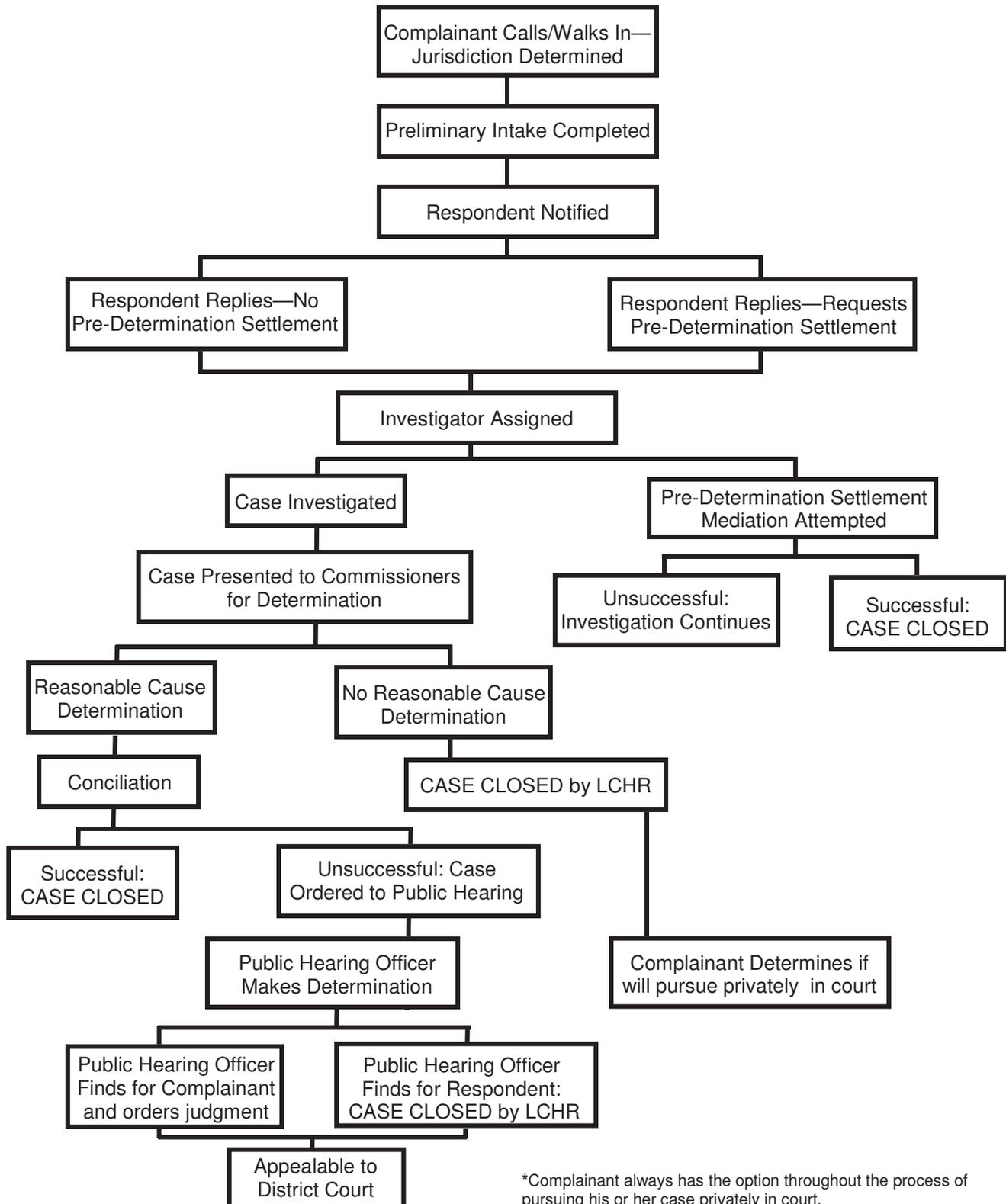


Loren Mestre-Roberts, Hispanic-Latino Liaison
(402) 441-6802
LMestre-Roberts@lancaster.ne.gov

Loren is the Hispanic-Latino Liaison for the City of Lincoln, and the Commission on Human Rights. In 2010 Loren began as the Hispanic-Latino Liaison, a position created by the Mayor's Office to improve communication within city departments, the Juvenile Justice System, non-profit agencies, and the Hispanic-Latino population in Lincoln. In September, Loren's role was expanded to serve with the Commission doing community outreach regarding fair employment and fair housing practices.

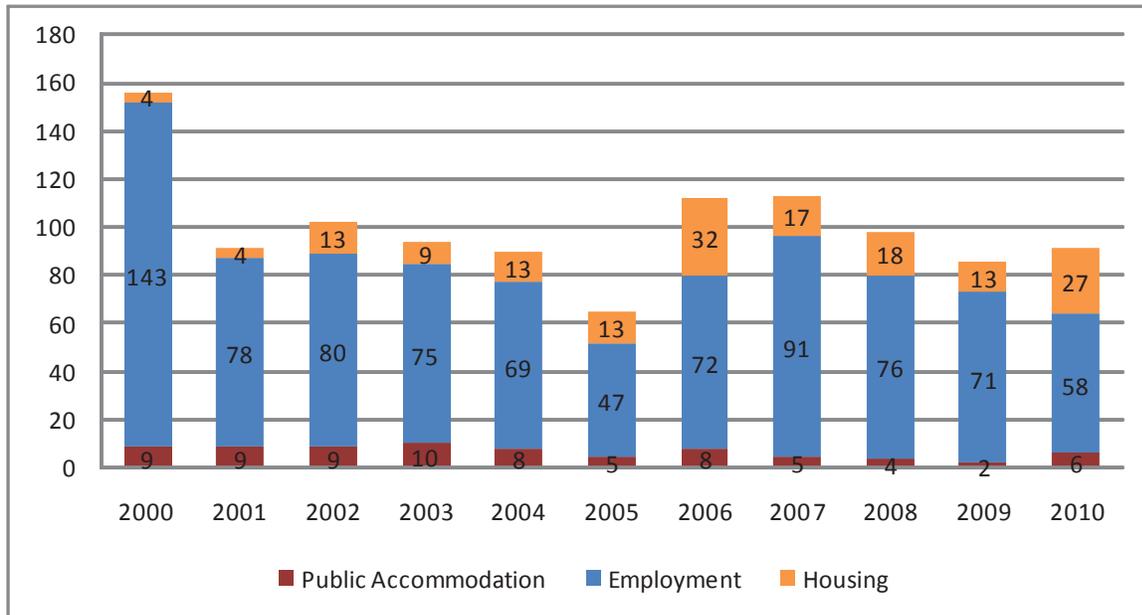
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Complaint Process*

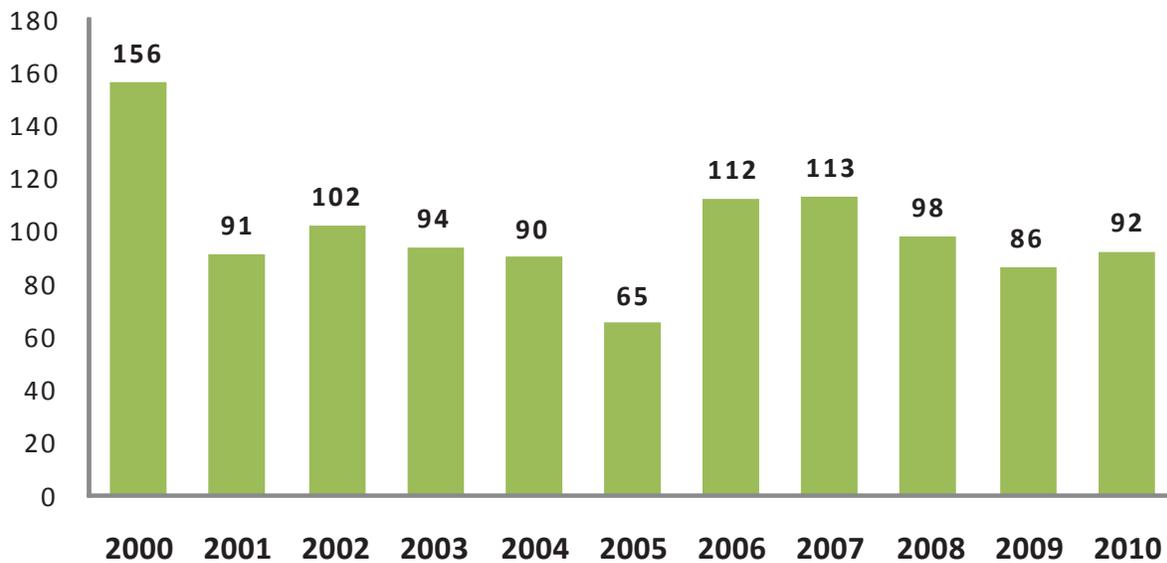


Complaint Overview

Cases Filed by Type 2000-2010



Cases Filed 2000-2010

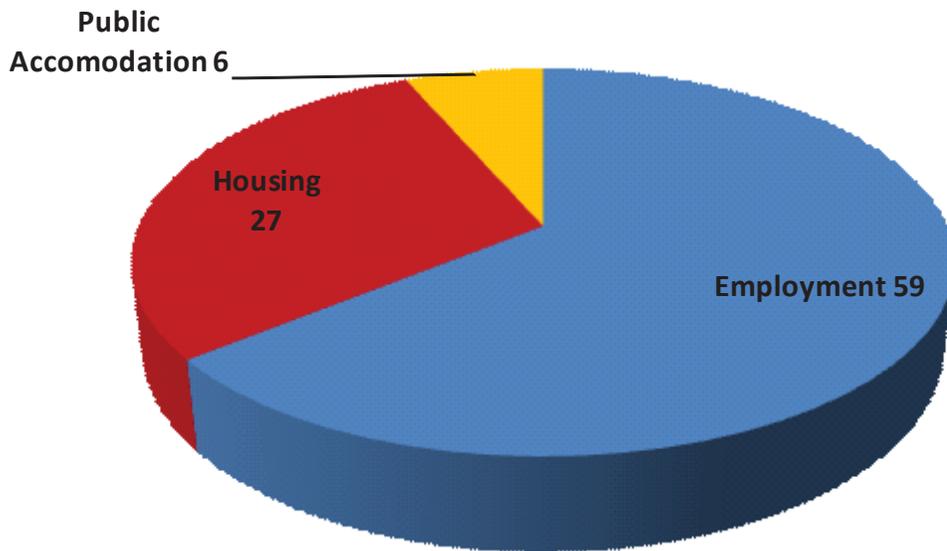


2010 saw a six percent increase in the number of cases filed from 2009. Employment cases declined slightly, whereas Housing and Public Accommodation complaints increased.

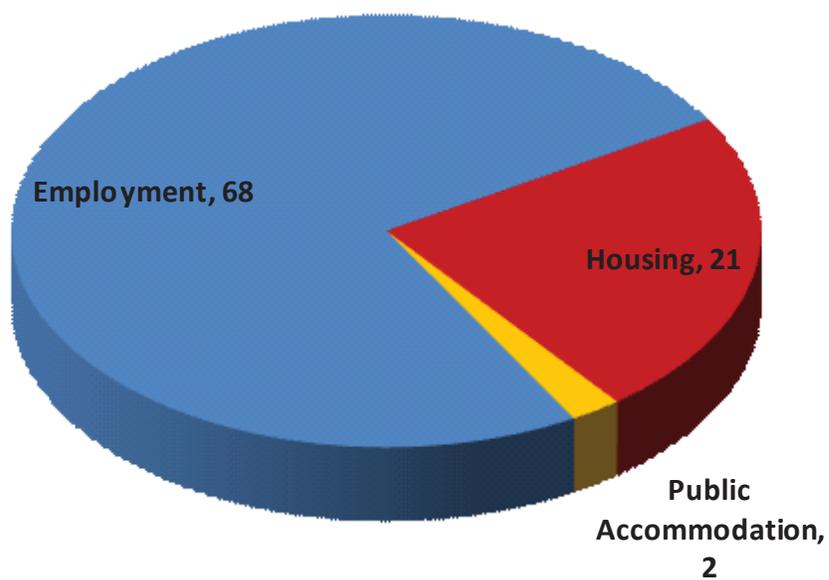
*In 2000, the LCHR had a contract with the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission (NEOC) in which any cases filed with the NEOC that were in the City of Lincoln would be turned over to the LCHR for investigation. During 2007, the NEOC deferred 13 cases to the LCHR for investigation in order to expedite case investigation.

Case Statistics

Cases Filed - 92
Breakdown by Type



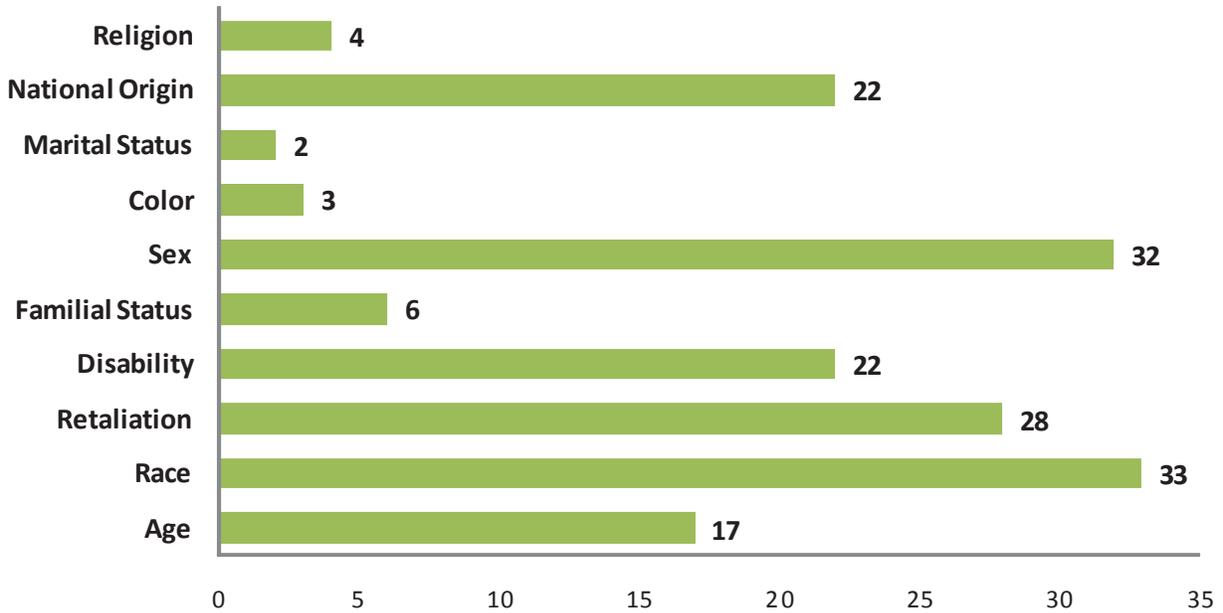
Cases Closed - 91
Breakdown by Type



*Cases closed includes cases filed in 2008 but closed in 2009.

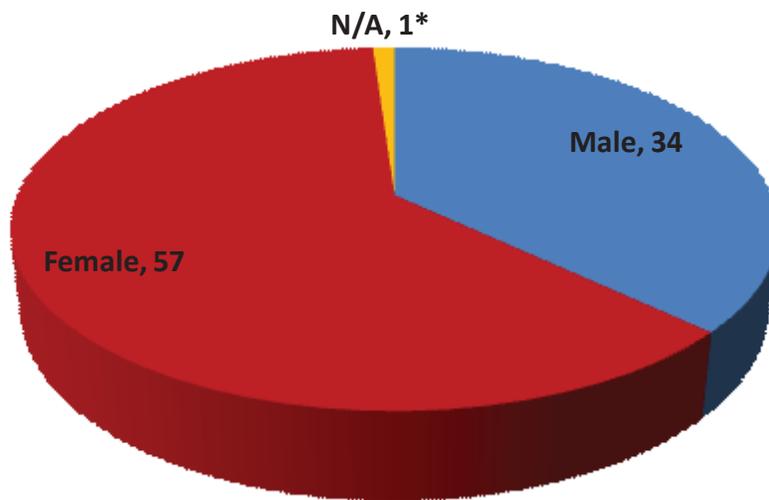
Case Disposition

Breakdown of Cases Filed by Basis*



*Cases are often filed under more than one basis, which could include a case filed, for example, on the basis of both Sex and Disability, or Race and Retaliation.

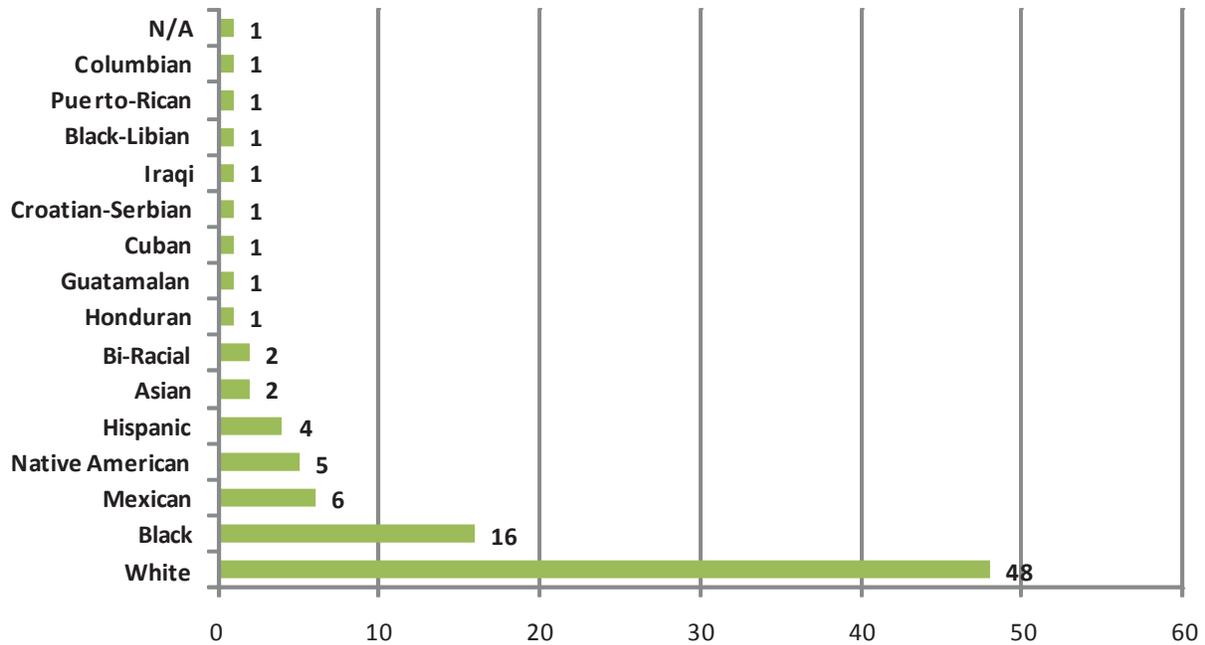
Breakdown of Cases Filed by Gender



*The Not Applicable (N/A) number is due to the Complaint being filed by an agency instead of an individual (Housing).

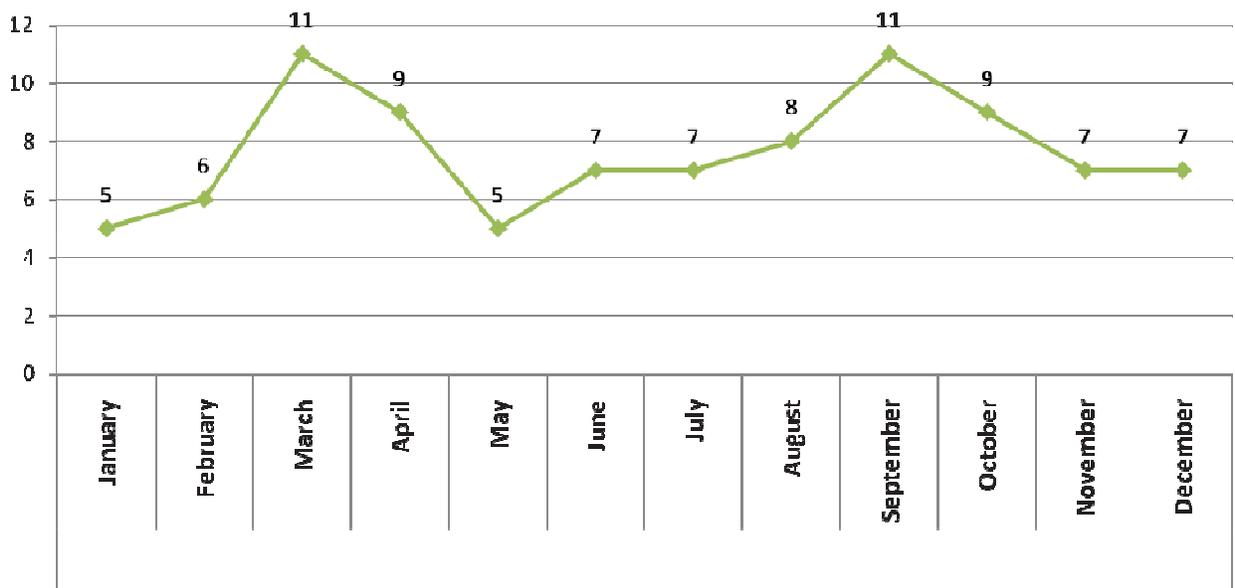
Case Disposition

Breakdown of Cases Filed by Race / National Origin*



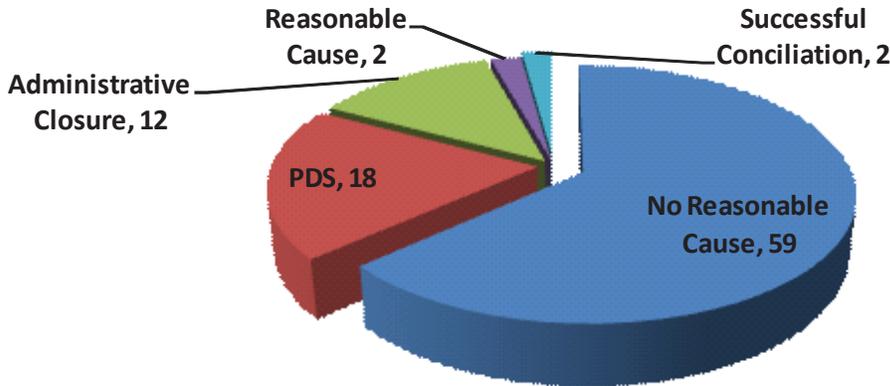
*This provides an approximate demographic report based on the racial or national origin designation provided by the Complainant. Although Hispanic is neither a race nor a national origin, it is indicated here in this report.

Breakdown of Cases Filed by Month



Case Disposition

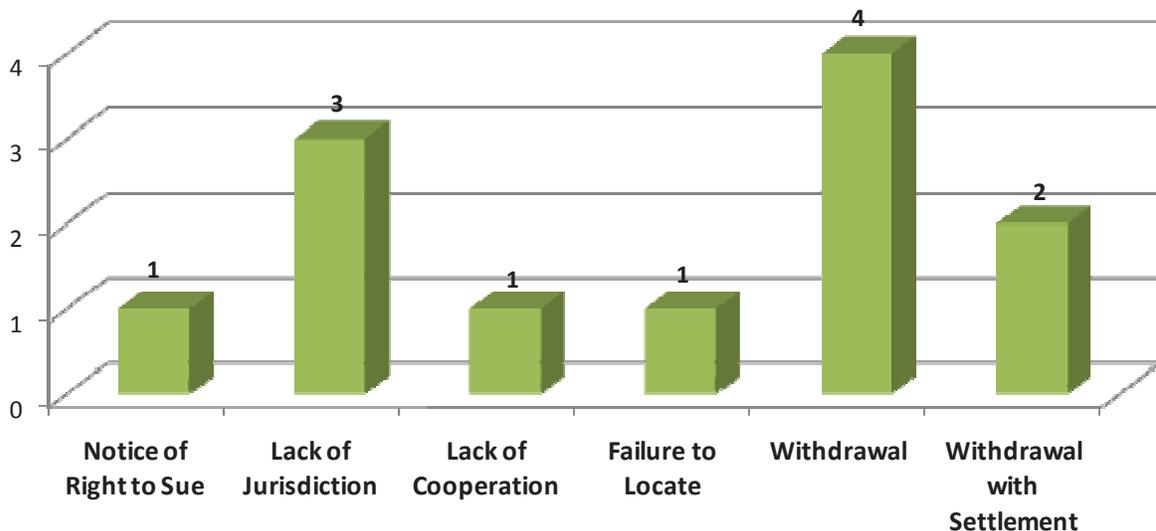
Breakdown of Commission Decisions



What do the numbers mean? No Reasonable Cause are those cases in which the Commissioners determined there was little or no evidence to believe discrimination occurred. In Reasonable Cause determinations Commissioners believe there is evidence showing discrimination did occur. Administrative Closures are cases closed for a variety of reasons—see the chart below. Pre-Determination Settlements are cases closed due to a settlement agreement prior to a Commission decision.

Sometimes the Commissioners make more than one decision in cases. Commissioners may determine that Reasonable Cause exists and those cases may later be closed in the same year by the Commission due to successful conciliation, public hearing determination, or issuance of a notice of right to sue. Because of this, the total number of Commission decisions may be greater than the number of cases closed.

Administrative Closures



Pre-Determination Settlements* Summaries & Withdrawals with Settlements

- \$150; fair housing training; change in policy
- Change of management; fair housing training
- \$1407.50; fair housing training; reporting requirements
- Neutral reference; deposit returned; fair housing training
- forgive past due rent, neutral reference, training, agrees not to divulge any negative information regarding Complainant
- \$300; fair housing training; agree not to discriminate in advertising
- Reasonable Accommodation provided and fair housing training
- \$4000 and neutral reference
- \$1000.00
- 3000, fair housing training
- Transferred; purged disciplinary record
- \$4500; resignation
- \$4000
- More time to move
- \$5625, neutral reference, training, policy
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- \$3,375

*A Pre-Determination Settlement (PDS) is a no-fault settlement agreement voluntarily entered into by both parties prior to the Commission making a determination in the case.

Conciliation Summaries**

- \$5000, training, Board member contacts, neutral reference
- \$1500

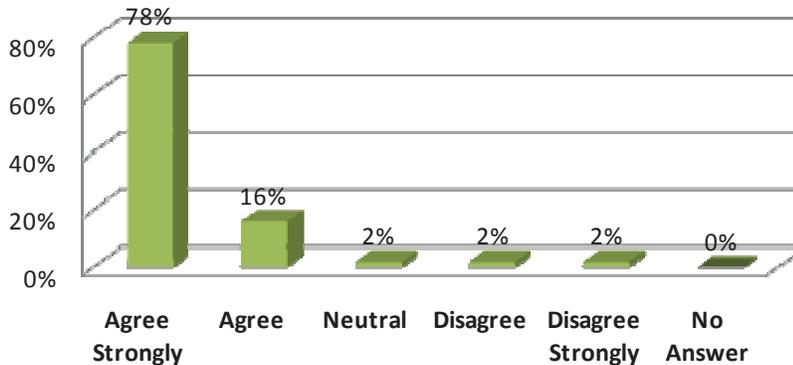
**A conciliation takes place after a finding of Reasonable Cause. Both parties come together and discuss, negotiate and facilitate a settlement.

Service Satisfaction Survey

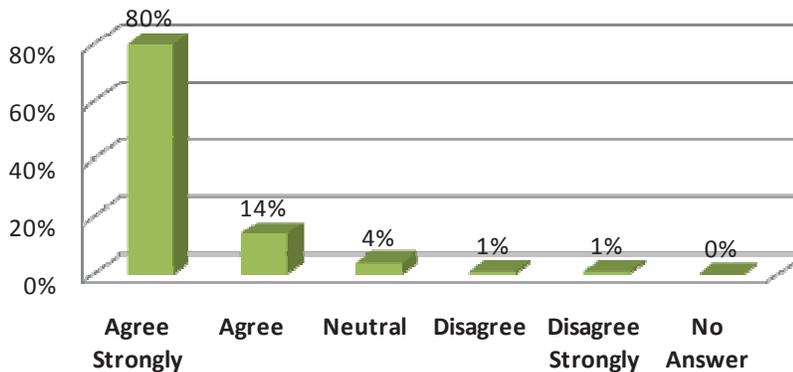
In an effort to gauge how our complainants and respondents felt about their contact with our agency, determine how they felt about the process and understanding the process, and to look for areas in which we could provide better service or a clearer understanding of what we do, surveys were mailed to all complainants and respondents following their case closure, regardless of the case outcome. We asked them to rank us in several areas.

Both Complainants and Respondents were asked to rank our office with 1 being the lowest and 5 being the highest.

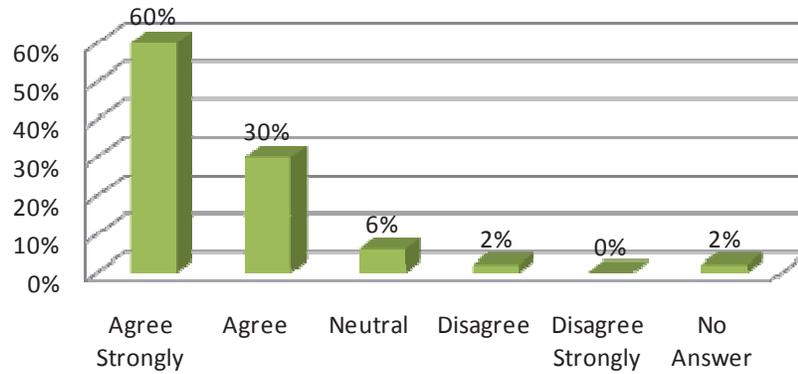
All department staff presented themselves in a courteous and professional manner at all times.



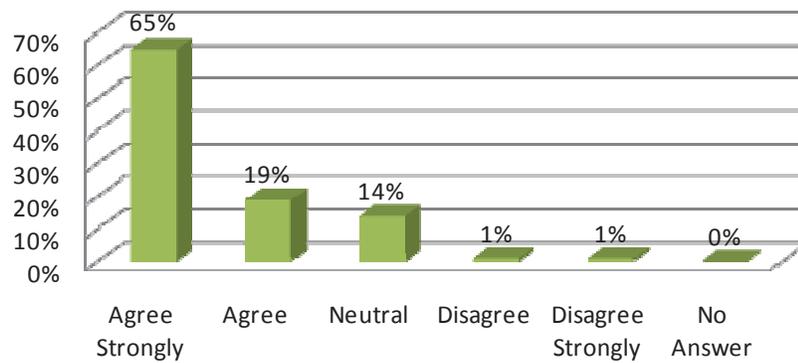
The intake investigator explained the laws and the LCHR investigative procedure to your satisfaction.



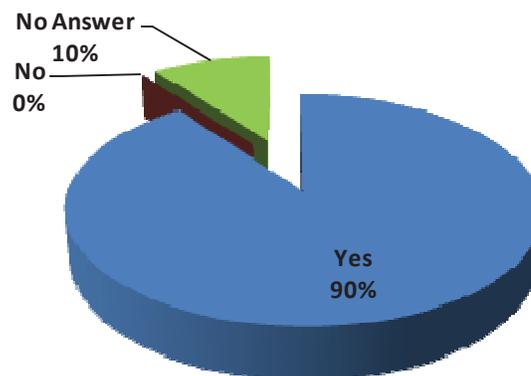
The investigator kept you adequately informed about the progress of the investigation.



Regardless of the case outcome, you felt the overall process was fair.



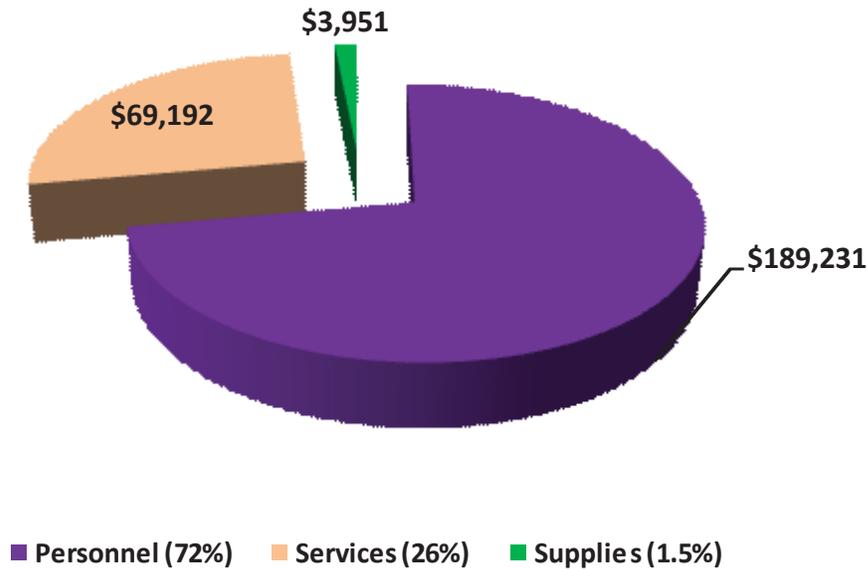
Would you refer someone experiencing a possible discrimination problem to the LCHR?



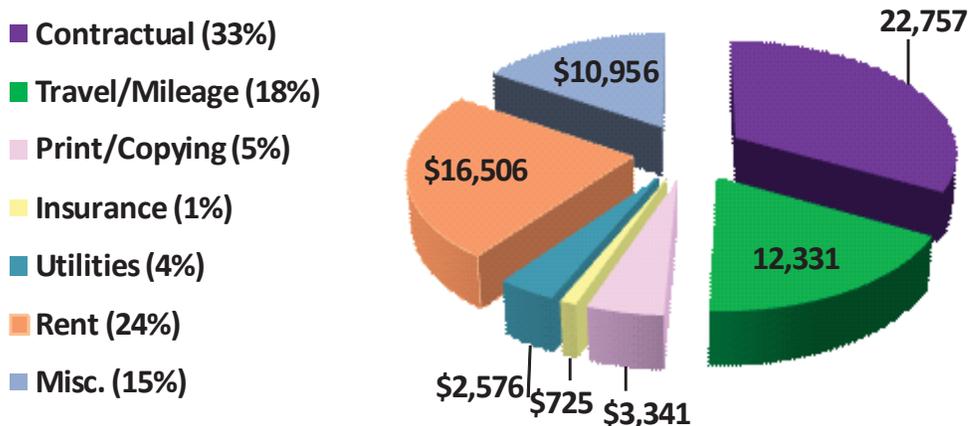
The Lincoln Commission on Human Rights’ budget is comprised of funding from the City of Lincoln General Fund as well as two Federal grant funding sources—the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. For Fiscal Year 2009—2010, the budget expenditures were supported by \$163,983 from General Fund and \$98,481 from federal funding sources for total expenditures of \$262,464.

Where Did the Money Go?

Of the total budget of \$262.464 the largest percentage went to personnel for salaries and benefits, for a total of \$189,321 or 72%. Services*, which expenditures cover our insurance, travel, mileage, interpretation/translation costs, office rental, copying, printing and utilities’ accounts for \$69,192 or 26% of our budget, while office supplies accounts for \$3,961, or 1.5% of our total budget.



*Services Summary



Education and Outreach

The Lincoln Commission on Human Rights provides services to the community to assure that individuals are aware of the rights and responsibilities under the Equal Opportunity and Fair Housing Laws. LCHR works to reach as many agencies, groups, community-based organizations, employers, property owners, civic groups and individuals as possible. These efforts include training programs which can be customized to meet the needs of the target audience. Topics include: racial and sexual harassment; fair employment practices; harassment free work environments; fair housing laws; public accommodation laws; Americans With Disabilities Act; and diversity training.

In 2010, the staff conducted training at a number of organizations for a total of 96 sessions reaching over 5,900 people. These organizations include the Lincoln Public School System, career education classes in the high schools; the Lincoln Housing Authority, Region V and VI, Rentwise, El Centro, as well as training sessions held with several respondents as a result of settlement agreements. Additionally, the Civil Rights Conference continued to be an unqualified success in 2010 providing the public with a forum and information on a wide range of housing topics.



Mema Shua Grant, AmeriCorps Volunteer working for LCHR, spends the majority of her time teaching Lincoln Public School students about discrimination.



Our resource table at one of the Conferences.



Hundreds of people from Nebraska and outlying states attend the Civil Rights Conference offered by the LCHR yearly.

2010 Civil Rights Conference Award Winners

The 2010 Fair Housing Award was presented to Jill Fenner, former Director of the Fair Housing Center of Nebraska and Iowa at the Fair Housing Conference—a program of Family Housing Advisory Services, Inc. The Gerald Henderson Award was present to Pastor Janet Goodman Banks, a tireless advocate for Human Rights issues.

The Fair Housing Award is given to a person, organization or formalized group that has made significant contributions to providing equal opportunity in the field of housing. Someone whose achievements have given new meaning to “fair housing”. The Gerald Henderson Award is given to recognize outstanding achievements in furthering human rights and relations in the City. In 2003, the award was renamed to honor the late Gerald Henderson, the first LCHR Director and longtime civil rights activist. Nominees for the award will be judged for their achievements in improving human rights based on activities implemented, services performed, or programs operated in Lincoln. Winners are chosen from among the nominees by the LCHR Commissioners.

Past LCHR Commissioners from 1963 through 2010

In honor of all the dedicated citizens of Lincoln who have freely given of their time to serve as a volunteer Lincoln Commission of Human Rights Commission, we proudly present the names of all who have served. Many of these individuals still serve our community today. (*The first name under each year is the chairperson.*)

1963

Appointed:

- *Carrol Thompson
- *Kenneth Lewis
- *Julian Hopkins
- *Fred Wells
- *Joe Hampton
- *Mrs. Louis Weaver
- *Percy Logan

1964

- *Carrol Thompson
- *Kenneth Lewis
- *Julian Hopkins
- *Fred Wells
- *Joe Hampton
- *Mrs. Louis Weaver
- *Percy Logan
- *Dean Cooper
- *George Crawford
- *Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
- *Dale LeBaron
- * = Human Relations Council

1965

- Carrol Thompson
- Kenneth Lewis
- Julian Hopkins
- Fred Wells
- Joe Hampton
- Mrs. Louis Weaver
- Percy Logan
- Dean Cooper
- George Crawford

- Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
- Dale LeBaron
- Hulda Roper
- Kay Thompson,
- Harry Peterson
- Curtis Kimball
- Gary Hill
- Mrs. J. M. Daly
- Chan Tyrell
- John Knight
- Charles Throne

1966

- Carrol Thompson
- Kenneth Lewis
- Julian Hopkins
- Fred Wells
- Joe Hampton
- Mrs. Louis Weaver
- Percy Logan
- Dean Cooper
- George Crawford
- Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
- Dale LeBaron
- Hulda Roper
- Kay Thompson
- Harry Peterson
- Curtis Kimball
- Gary Hill
- Mrs. J.M. Daly
- Chan Tyrell
- John Knight
- Charles Thone

1967

- Carrol Thompson
- Kenneth Lewis
- Julian Hopkins
- Fred Wells
- Joe Hampton
- Mrs. Louis Weaver
- Percy Logan
- Dean Cooper
- George Crawford
- Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
- Dale LeBaron
- Hulda Roper
- Kay Thompson
- Harry Peterson
- Curits Kimball
- Gary Hill
- Mrs. J. M. Daly
- Chan Tyrell
- John Knight
- Charles Thone

1968

- Carrol Thompson
- Kenneth Lewis
- Julian Hopkins
- Fred Wells
- Joe Hampton
- Mrs. Louis Weaver
- Percy Logan
- Dean Cooper
- George Crawford
- Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.

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Past LCHR Commissioners from 1963 through 2010

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Dale LeBaron
 Hulda Roper
 Kay Thompson
 Harry Peterson
 Curtis Kimball
 Gary Hill
 Mrs. J. M. Daly
 Chan Tyrell
 John Knight
 Charles Throne

1969

Carrol Thompson
 Kenneth Lewis
 Julian Hopkins
 Fred Wells
 Joe Hampton
 Mrs. Louis Weaver
 Percy Logan
 Dean Cooper
 George Crawford
 Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
 Dale LeBaron
 Kay Thompson
 Harry Peterson
 Chan Tyrell
 John Knight
 Charles Throne
 Kay Thompson
 Harry Peterson

1970

Carrol Thompson
 Kenneth Lewis
 Julian Hopkins
 Fred Wells
 Joe Hampton
 Mrs. Louis Weaver
 Percy Logan
 Dean Cooper
 George Crawford
 Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
 Dale LeBaron
 Hulda Roper
 Kay Thompson
 Harry Peterson
 James Raglin
 Charles Thone
 Charles Huff

1971

Carrol Thompson
 Kenneth Lewis
 Julian Hopkins

Fred Wells
 Joe Hampton
 Mrs. Louis Weaver
 Percy Logan
 Dean Cooper
 George Crawford
 Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
 Dale LeBaron
 Kay Thompson
 Harry Peterson
 James Raglin
 Charles Huff
 Curtis Kimball
 Gary Hill
 Mrs. J.M. Daly

1972

Carrol Thompson
 Kenneth Lewis
 Julian Hopkins
 Fred Wells
 Joe Hampton
 Mrs. Louis Weaver
 Percy Logan
 Dean Cooper
 George Crawford
 Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
 Dale LeBaron
 Kay Thompson
 Harry Peterson
 Curtis Kimball
 Gary Hill
 Mrs. J. M. Daly
 Charles Huff
 James Raglin
 John Scott
 Kenton Williams
 Clyde Sheridan

1973

Carrol Thompson
 Kenneth Lewis
 Julian Hopkins
 Fred Wells
 Joe Hampton
 Mrs. Louis Weaver
 Percy Logan
 Dean Cooper
 George Crawford
 Mrs. Lucy Nevels, Jr.
 Dale LeBaron
 Kay Thompson
 Kenton Williams
 John Scott
 Gary Hill

Mrs. J. M. Daly
 Chan Tyrell
 John Knight
 Kay Thompson
 Harry Peterson
 James Raglin
 Charles Huff
 Clyde Sheridan
 Harry Allen
 Beatty Brasch
 Lenora Letcher
 Merlyn McLaughlin
 Carol Reilly
 John Scott
 James Shelley

1974

Harry Allen
 Beatty Brasch
 Lenora Letcher
 Merlyn McLaughlin
 Carol Reilly
 John Scott
 James Shelley
 Monroe Usher, Jr.
 William Wilson
 Francis Zegers

1975

Harry Allen
 Beatty Brasch
 Lenora Letcher
 Merlyn McLaughlin
 Carol Reilly
 John Scott
 James Shelley
 Monroe Usher, Jr.
 William Wilson
 Francis Zegers

1976

Harry Allen
 Beatty Brasch
 Lenora Letcher
 Merlyn McLaughlin
 John Scott
 James Shelley
 Monroe Usher, Jr.
 William Wilson
 Francis Zegers

1977

Beatty Brasch
 John Breslow

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Past LCHR Commissioners from 1963 through 2010

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Norman Haldiman
Lenora Letcher
Dr. Richard Powell
David Piester
Marshall Prichard
Roger Rife
Keith Surface
Monroe Usher, Jr.

1978

Beatty Brasch
John Breslow
Henry Cox
Lenora Letcher
David Piester
Richard Powell
Marshall Prichard
Roger Rife
Alice Roach
Keith Surface
Monroe Usher, Jr.

1979

Beatty Brasch
John Breslow
Henry Cox
Lenora Letcher
David Piester
Richard Powell
Marshall Prichard
Roger Rife
Alice Roach
Keith Surface
Monroe Usher, Jr.

1980

Beatty Brasch
John Breslow
Jesse Cervantes
Henry Cox
Lenora Letcher
Jerry Loos
Margaret Puls
Alice Roach
Tim Sindelar
Roger Rife

1981

Tim Sindelar
Beatty Brasch
John Breslow
Eli Cardona
Robert Kerrey
Jerry Loos

Hasan Muhammad
Margaret Puls
Alice Roach

1982

Jerry Loos
Beatty Brasch (Chair)
Eli Cardona
Hasan Muhammad
Mary Pipher
Margaret Puls
Alice Roach
Tim Sindelar

1983

Beatty Brash
Eli Cardona
David DeCoster
Peter Levitor
Jerry Loos
Rosemary Machacek
James McClurg
Hasan Muhammad
Mary Pipher
Margaret Puls
Alice Roach
Tim Sindelar

1984

Wallace Coffey
David DeCoster
Archie Godfrey
Randy Lenhoff
Peter Levitor
James McClurg
Rosemary Machacek
Sheryl Marra
Hasan Muhammad
Mary Pipher
Margaret Puls
Alice Roach
Tim Sindelar

1985

Wallace Coffey
Archie Godfrey
Randy Lenhoff
Peter Levitor
James McClurg
Sheryl Marra
Rudy Peralez
Harry Peterson
Margaret Puls
Tim Sindelar

1986

Archie Godfrey
Ann Irvine
Randy Lenhoff
Sheryl Marra
John Milligan
Rudy Peralez
Harry Peterson
Donna Polk
Mike Schafer
Anita Urdiales

1987

Archie Godfrey
Ann Irvine
Randy Lenhoff
Sheryl Marra
John Milligan
Rudy Peralez
Donna Polk
Mike Schafer
Dorothy Clark

1988

Archie Godfrey
Ann Irvine
Randy Lenhoff
Sheryl Marra
John Milligan
Rudy Peralez
Donna Polk
Marty Ramirez
Mike Schafer
Michelle Suarez

1989

Archie Godfrey
Ann Irvine
Randy Lenhoff
Sheryl Marra
John Milligan
Rudy Peralez
Donna Polk
Marty Ramirez
Mike Schafer
Tom Schleich
Roberta Stick
Michelle Suarez

1990

Gwendolyn Combs
Ann Irvine
Sheryl Marra

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Past LCHR Commissioners from 1963 through 2010

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Rudy Peralez
Marty Ramirez
Mike Schafer
Tom Schleich
Roberta Stick
Michelle Suarez

1991

Gwendolyn Combs
Ann Irvine
Sheryl Marra
Rudy Peralez
Marty Ramirez
Mike Schafer
Tom Schleich
Roberta Stick
Michelle Suarez

1992

Gwendolyn Combs
Ann Irvine
Sheryl Marra
Rudy Peralez
Mike Schafer
Tom Schleich
Roberta Stick
Michelle Suarez

1993

Gwendolyn Combs
Clarence Hodges
Gloria McGee
Bill Morris
Rudy Peralez
Mike Schafer
Tom Schleich
Roberta Stick
Michelle Suarez

1994

Gwendolyn Combs
Clarence Hodges
Gloria McGee
Bill Morris
Rudy Peralez
Mike Schafer
Tom Schleich
Roberta Stick
Michelle Suarez

1995

Karen Flowes
Gloria Best
Donald Arp

Aaron Black
Bill Morris
Melinda Pearson
Lawrence Spottedbird
Michelle Suarez
David Temple

1996

Donald Arp
Lawrence Spottedbird
Gloria Best
Aaron Black
Bill Morris
Melinda Pearson
Celine Robertson
Michelle Suarez
David Temple

1997

Donald Arp
Ernesto Castillo
Gloria Best
Aaron Black
Darla Black
Bill Morris
Celine Robertson
David Temple

1998

Donald Arp
Ernesto Castillo
Gloria Best
Bill Morris
Celine Robertson
Leroy Stokes
David Temple

1999

Donald Arp
Ernesto Castillo
Celine Robertson
Leroy Stokes
David Temple
Pat Trainer
Linda Willard

2000

Donald Arp
Ernesto Castillo
Meredith DeCory
Oscar Harriott
Celine Robertson
Leroy Stokes
David Temple
Pat Trainer

Linda Willard

2001

Donald Arp
Ernesto Castillo
Meredith DeCory
Sitaram Jaswal
Celine Robertson
Elaine Spire
Leroy Stokes
David Temple
Pat Trainer
Linda Willard

2002

Ernesto Castillo
Oscar Harriott
Meredith DeCory
Muammal Jaafar
Sitaram Jaswal
Leroy Stokes
David Temple
Linda Willard

2003

Ernesto Castillo
Oscar Harriott
Maisun Allahiq
Carmy Anthony
Meredith DeCory
Sitaram Jaswal
Lori Lopez Urdiales
Leroy Stokes
Linda Willard

2004

Ernesto Castillo
Oscar Harriott
Maisun Allahiq
Carmy Anthony
Meredith DeCory
Sitaram Jaswal
Lori Lopez Urdiales
Linda Willard

2005

Ernesto Castillo
Oscar Harriott
Maisun Allahiq
Carmy Anthony
Meredith DeCory
David Fikar
Sitaram Jaswal
Lori Lopez Urdiales

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Linda Willard

2006

Maisun Allahi
Karla Cooper
David Fikar
Wendy Francis
Sitaram Jaswal
Lori Lopez-Uridales
Dick Noble
Linda Willard

2007

Maisun Allahi
Karla Cooper
David Fikar
Wendy Francis
Sitaram Jaswal
Lori Lopez-Uridales
Dick Noble
Linda Willard

2008

Wendy Francis
Jose Quintero
David Fikar
Sitaram Jaswal
Lori Lopez-Uridales
Karla Cooper
Dick Noble
Gene Crump
Hazell Rodriguez

2009

Wendy Francis
Jose Quintero
David Fikar
Sitaram Jaswal
Lori Lopez-Uridales
Karla Cooper
Dick Noble
Gene Crump
Hazell Rodriguez

2010

Wendy Francis
Karla Cooper
Gene Crump
Dick Noble
Takako Olson
Jose Quintero
Mary Reece
Hazell Rodriguez
Anitra Warrior

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**Thank you for your
service to the City of
Lincoln , its Citizens,
and the Commission
on Human Rights.**

Memo

To: Members of the City Council

From: Don Herz, Finance Department 

CC: Mayor's Office

Date: 4/12/2011

Re: Auditor's Communication Letter

On March 21, 2011, we distributed to you a copy of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

At that time, we indicated we would follow up with the distribution of the Auditor's Communication Letter and the City's responses to the Auditor's comments.

Please find those two documents enclosed.

Thank you.

Encl: Auditor's Communication Letter
Auditor's Comments



April 8, 2011

The Honorable Mayor, Members of
The Audit Committee and Management
City of Lincoln Nebraska

RESPONSE TO MANAGEMENT LETTER
DATED FEBRUARY 23, 2011

OTHER MATTERS

Although not considered material weaknesses, significant deficiencies or deficiencies in internal control over compliance, we observed the following matters and offer these comments and suggestions with respect to matters which came to our attention during the course of the audit of the financial statements. Our audit procedures are designed primarily to enable us to form opinions on the financial statements and, therefore, may not bring to light all weaknesses in policies and procedures that may exist. However, these matters are offered as constructive suggestions for the consideration of management as part of the ongoing process of modifying and improving financial and administrative practices and procedures. We can discuss these matters further at your convenience and may provide implementation assistance for changes or improvements if you require.

Periodic Review of User Access Privileges (IT)

Currently, access privileges are only reviewed if a department brings a conflict to the attention of the Information Services department. We recommend management review the capabilities of its information technology systems and consider the possibility of a periodic review of user access privileges by the appropriate members of management to ensure financial reporting systems and data are secure.

Information Services response:

City of Lincoln JD Edwards Software Access 3/29/2011

New Hires

The departments identify which new hires will need access to the City's JDE financial system. The departments provide information pertinent to the new hire's access to Cathy Meradith for non-PW&U users and to Fran Mejer/Scott Vrbka for PW&U users. Cathy or Fran/Scott then request Systems Development to establish a new JDE user Id, providing necessary information such as starting menu, business units, or note an Id that should be cloned for the new user. This request usually is by email, however in cases where the Id is needed immediately, a phone call is made to Systems Development, followed by an email. Systems Development emails Technical Support a request for a new City iSeries Id. When the City iSeries Id has been created, Systems Development creates the JDE user Id and notifies Cathy or Fran/Scott that the Id is ready to be used. If the departments contact System Development directly, asking for a new user Id, they are directed to Cathy or Fran/Scott.

CITY OF LINCOLN
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MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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City Controller's Office
Finance Department
Don Herz, Director
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Terminations

Notification of an employee termination may come to Systems Development in more than one way. Cathy Meradith or Fran Mejer/Scott Vrbka may email Systems Development to either delete the JDE Id or disable it (so that the JDE setup can be copied for the replacement employee). If Technical Support or PC Support provides the notification, Systems Development tries to contact Cathy or Fran/Scott to see if the Id should be deleted or disabled. If Cathy or Fran/Scott cannot be contacted, the Id will be disabled at the minimum, until contact can be made. To delete an Id, Systems Development deletes the JDE settings, then an email is sent to Technical Support to delete the associated iSeries Id.

Maintenance

Typical user access changes include adding business units to the user's list or adding the ability to change the budgets. At times members of the project team may need access opened up temporarily to update JDE settings in production for items that cannot be promoted such as Automatic Accounting Instructions. An email request (or phone call followed by an email request) from Accounting, Budgets, Treasurer's Office or Fran/Scott is needed for Systems Development to make those access changes. When the access is opened temporarily, the requestor then notifies Systems Development when they are done and Systems Development locks the access back down. If the departments contact Systems Development directly, asking for user access changes, they are directed to Cathy or Fran/Scott.

Review Status of Account Privileges

Systems Development will review the Employee Termination report created from the City's Personnel System that is produced every two weeks. Each name will be verified for JDE access, and Cathy or Fran/Scott will be contacted to determine whether the JDE Id should be deleted or disabled.

JDE provides some reports which will list the current access settings, such as P0003P for action code security, P0001P for business unit security. Cathy or Fran/Scott have access to these reports and they can create their own versions with custom data selection.

Security of Economic Development Loans

Due to current economic conditions, we recommend City management closely review loans made to small businesses for economic development purposes to identify any delinquency issues in a timely manner and to ensure these loans are properly secured to protect the City's financial interests.

Urban Development response:

A thorough review of all economic development loans was completed after an Urban Development employee resigned in May 2008. A status review is being done quarterly and any loans in serious default have been sent to the Law Department for collection.

Procurement Policies

We recommend management review current procurement policies and practices and consider changes, where necessary, to ensure these policies comply with the applicable laws, regulations, and federal requirements.

Purchasing Division response:

We are making changes for FTA purchases and have developed a separate procurement manual to meet their guidelines. This manual is currently being reviewed by the FTA.

New Accounting and Auditing Standards

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54: Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions

Statement 54 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2011.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 59: Financial Instruments Omnibus

Statement 59 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2011.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 60: Accounting and Financial Reporting for Service Concession Arrangements

Statement 60 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2013.

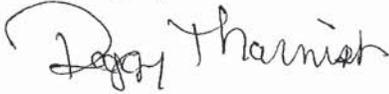
Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 61: The Financial Reporting Entity-Omnibus – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34

Statement 61 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2013.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 62: Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements

Statement 62 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2013.

The Finance Department currently has these statements under review and will implement any necessary reporting adjustments effective for the fiscal year ending date as required.



Peggy Tharnish
City Controller

The Honorable Mayor, Members of
the Audit Committee and Management
City of Lincoln, Nebraska

As part of our audit of the financial statements and compliance of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska (City) as of and for the year ended August 31, 2010 and our audits of the financial statements of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska Solid Waste Management Fund (Solid Waste), Emergency Medical Services Fund (EMS) and Lincoln Parking System (Parking), we wish to communicate the following to you.

AUDIT SCOPE AND RESULTS

Auditor's Responsibility Under Auditing Standards Generally Accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations*

An audit performed in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations*, is designed to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about the financial statements and about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements described in OMB Circular A-133 that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. In performing auditing procedures, we establish scopes of audit tests in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole. Our engagement does not include a detailed audit of every transaction. The 2010 audits of the financial statements and compliance of the City were performed in accordance with the standards described in this paragraph. Our engagement letter more specifically describes our responsibilities.

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These standards require communication of significant matters related to the financial statement and compliance audit that are relevant to the responsibilities of those charged with governance in overseeing the financial reporting process. Such matters are communicated in the remainder of this letter or have previously been communicated during other phases of the audit. The standards do not require the auditor to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to be communicated with those charged with governance.

An audit of the financial statements and compliance does not relieve management or those charged with governance of their responsibilities. Our engagement letter more specifically describes your responsibilities.

Qualitative Aspects of Significant Accounting Policies and Practices

Significant Accounting Policies

The City's significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The significant accounting policies of Solid Waste, EMS and Parking are described in Note 1 of the respective audited financial statements.

Alternative Accounting Treatments

No matters are reportable.

Management Judgments and Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of financial statement preparation by management, based on its judgments. The following areas involve significant areas of such estimates for which we are prepared to discuss management's estimation process and our procedures for testing the reasonableness of those estimates:

- Accrued closure/post-closure care costs - Solid Waste
- Allowance for uncollectible accounts - City, Solid Waste and EMS
- Net ambulance services revenue - EMS
- Valuation and disclosure of developer liabilities - City
- Determination of Investment in Joint Venture balance - City
- Reporting entity determination of the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency, as a blended component unit, in accordance with GASB Statement Nos. 14 and 39 - City

Financial Statement Disclosures

The following areas involve particularly sensitive financial statement disclosures for which we are prepared to discuss the issues involved and related judgments made in formulating those disclosures:

- Developer commitments - City
- Fair value of investments - City
- Related party transactions - City, Solid Waste, EMS and Parking
- Loss contingencies - City

Audit Adjustments

No audit adjustments were proposed.

Auditor's Judgments About the Quality of the Entity's Accounting Principles

During the course of our audits, we made the following observations regarding the City's application of accounting principles. The City implemented the following Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements:

- 51 – *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets*
- 53 – *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Derivative Instruments*

The implementation of these standards did not have a material impact on the financial statements.

Disagreements with Management

No matters are reportable.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

No matters are reportable.

Other Material Written Communications

Listed below are other material written communications between management and us related to the audit:

- Management representation letters (attached)

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and, therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as discussed below, we identified a deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis.

A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

We observed the following matter that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

Significant Deficiency

Refer to the Independent Accountant's Report on Compliance With Requirements That Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance With OMB Circular A-133

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Procurement Policies

We recommend management review current procurement policies and practices and consider changes, where necessary, to ensure these policies comply with the applicable laws, regulations, and federal requirements.

New Accounting and Auditing Standards

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, to enhance the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing governmental fund type definitions.

Statement 54 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2011.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 59

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued Statement No. 59, *Financial Instruments Omnibus*, to improve existing standards regarding financial reporting and disclosure requirements of certain financial instruments and external investment pools for which significant issues have been identified in practice.

Statement 59 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2011.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 60

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued Statement No. 60, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Service Concession Arrangements*, to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to service concession arrangements (SCAs), which are a type of public-private or public-public partnership. As used in this Statement, an SCA is an arrangement between a transferor (a government) and an operator (governmental or nongovernmental entity) in which (1) the transferor conveys to an operator the right and related obligation to provide services through the use of infrastructure or another public asset in exchange for significant consideration and (2) the operator collects and is compensated by fees from third parties.

Statement 60 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2013.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 61

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity-Omnibus – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34*, to improve financial reporting for a governmental financial reporting entity. The requirements of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34 were amended to better meet user needs and to address reporting entity issues that have arisen since the issuance of those Statements.

Statement 61 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2013.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 62

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued Statement No. 62, *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements*, to incorporate into the GASB's authoritative literature certain accounting and financial reporting guidance that is included in pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA pronouncements, which does not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. This Statement also supersedes Statement No. 20, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, thereby eliminating the election provided in paragraph 7 of that Statement for enterprise funds and business-type activities to apply post-November 30, 1989, FASB Statements and Interpretations that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

Statement 62 is effective for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2013.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Mayor, Members of the Audit Committee and City Council and others within the organization and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BKD, LLP

February 23, 2011



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CITY OF LINCOLN
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February 23, 2011

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We are providing this letter in connection with your audit of our financial statements as of and for the year ended August 31, 2010, and your audit of our compliance with requirements applicable to each of our major federal awards programs as of and for the year ended August 31, 2010. We confirm that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We are also responsible for adopting sound accounting policies, establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, operations and compliance, and preventing and detecting fraud.

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following:

1. The financial statements referred to above are fairly presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for each opinion unit included therein.

2. We have made available to you:
 - (a) All financial records and related data.
 - (b) All minutes of meetings of the governing body held through the date of this letter.
 - (c) All significant contracts and grants.
3. We have informed you of all current risks of a material amount that are not adequately prevented or detected by entity procedures with respect to:
 - (a) Misappropriation of assets.
 - (b) Misrepresented or misstated assets, liabilities, net assets, or fund balances.
4. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud.
5. We have no knowledge of any known or suspected:
 - (a) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving management or employees who have significant roles in internal control.
 - (b) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving others that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
6. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the City, received in communications from employees, customers, regulators, suppliers, or others.
7. Except as reflected in the financial statements, there are no:
 - (a) Plans or intentions that may materially affect carrying values or classifications of assets and liabilities.
 - (b) Material transactions omitted or improperly recorded in the financial statements.
 - (c) Material gain/loss contingencies requiring accrual or disclosure, including those arising from environmental remediation obligations.

- (d) Events occurring subsequent to the balance sheet date requiring adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.
 - (e) Related party transactions, balances, arrangements, or guarantees.
 - (f) Agreements to purchase assets previously sold.
 - (g) Violations of law, regulations, contracts, grants or requirements of regulatory agencies for which losses should be accrued or matters disclosed in the financial statements.
 - (h) Unasserted claims or assessments that our attorneys have advised us are probable of assertion.
 - (i) Restrictions on cash balances or compensating balance agreements.
 - (j) Guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the City is contingently liable.
8. Adequate provisions and allowances have been accrued for any material losses from:
- (a) Uncollectible receivables.
 - (b) Reducing obsolete or excess inventories to estimated net realizable value.
 - (c) Sales commitments, including those unable to be fulfilled.
 - (d) Purchase commitments in excess of normal requirements or above prevailing market prices.
9. Except as disclosed in the financial statements, we have:
- (a) Satisfactory title to all recorded assets, and they are not subject to any liens, pledges or other encumbrances.
 - (b) Complied with all aspects of contractual and grant agreements, for which noncompliance would materially affect the financial statements.
10. We have not been designated as a potentially responsible party (PRP or equivalent status) by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or other cognizant regulatory agency with authority to enforce environmental laws and regulations.

No provision has been made for any material loss that is probable from environmental remediation liabilities associated with the StarTran bus barn or Food Bank or Journal Star spill sites. We believe any loss associated with these sites will be immaterial to the City of Lincoln and that this treatment is reasonable based on available information and that the liabilities and related loss contingencies and the expected outcome of uncertainties have been adequately disclosed in the City's financial statements.

11. With regard to deposit and investment activities:
 - (a) All deposit, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements and investment transactions have been made in accordance with legal and contractual requirements.
 - (b) Disclosures of deposit and investment balances and risks in the financial statements are consistent with our understanding of the applicable laws regarding enforceability of any pledges of collateral.
 - (c) We understand that your audit does not represent an opinion regarding the enforceability of any collateral pledges.
12. We acknowledge that we are responsible for compliance with applicable laws, regulations and provisions of contracts and grant agreements.
13. We have identified and disclosed to you all laws, regulations and provisions of contracts and grant agreements that have a direct and material effect on the determination of amounts in our financial statements or other financial data significant to the audit objectives.
14. We have identified and disclosed to you any violations or possible violations of laws, regulations and provisions of contracts and grant agreements whose effects should be considered for recognition and/or disclosure in the financial statements or for your reporting on noncompliance.
15. We have taken or will take timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud, abuse, illegal acts or violations of provisions of contracts or grant agreements that you or other auditors report.
16. We have a process to track the status of audit findings and recommendations.
17. We have identified to you any previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits or other studies related to the objectives of your audit and the

corrective actions taken to address any significant findings and recommendations made in such audits, attestation engagements or other studies.

18. We have provided our views on any findings, conclusions and recommendations, as well as our planned corrective actions with respect thereto, to you for inclusion in the findings and recommendations referred to in your report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters based on your audit of the financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
19. With regard to federal awards programs:
 - (a) We have identified in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards all assistance provided (either directly or passed through other entities) by federal agencies in the form of grants, contracts, loans, loan guarantees, property, cooperative agreements, interest subsidies, commodities, insurance, direct appropriations or in any other form.
 - (b) We have identified the types of compliance requirements described in the *U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* regarding activities allowed or unallowed; allowable costs/cost principles; cash management; Davis-Bacon Act; eligibility; equipment and real property management; matching, level of effort, earmarking; period of availability of federal funds; procurement and suspension and debarment; program income; real property acquisition and relocation assistance; reporting; subrecipient monitoring; and special tests and provisions that are applicable to each of our federal awards programs identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the schedule of findings and questioned costs.
 - (c) We are responsible for our compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of our federal awards programs and have disclosed to you any and all instances of noncompliance with those requirements occurring during the period of your audit or subsequent thereto to the date of this letter of which we are aware.
 - (d) We are responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance to provide reasonable assurance we have administered each of our federal awards programs in compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to those programs.

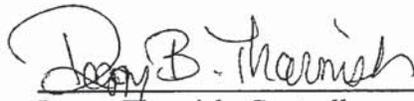
- (e) We have made available to you all contracts and grant agreements, including any amendments, and any other correspondence or documentation relevant to each of our federal awards programs and to our compliance with applicable requirements of those programs.
- (f) The information presented in federal awards program financial reports and claims for advances and reimbursements is supported by the books and records from which our financial statements have been prepared.
- (g) Amounts claimed or used for matching were determined in accordance with the applicable OMB Circular regarding cost principles.
- (h) We have monitored any subrecipients to determine that they have expended federal awards in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and have met the audit and other requirements of OMB Circular A-133.
- (i) We have taken appropriate corrective action on a timely basis after receipt of any subrecipient's auditor's report that identified findings and questioned costs pertaining to federal awards programs passed through to the subrecipient by us.
- (j) We have considered the results of any subrecipient's audits received and made any necessary adjustments to our books and records.
- (k) We have disclosed to you any communications from grantors and pass-through entities concerning possible noncompliance with the applicable compliance requirements for each of our federal awards programs, including any communications received from the end of the period of your audit through the date of this letter.
- (l) We have identified to you any previous compliance audits, attestation engagements and internal or external monitoring related to the objectives of your compliance audit, including findings received and corrective actions taken to address any significant findings and recommendations made in such audits, attestation engagements or other monitoring.
- (m) We are responsible for taking corrective action on any audit findings.
- (n) The summary schedule of prior audit findings correctly states the status of all audit findings included in the OMB Circular A-133 section of the prior audit's schedule of findings and questioned costs and any uncorrected open

findings included in the prior audit's summary schedule of prior audit findings as of the date of this letter.

20. The financial statements disclose all significant estimates and material concentrations known to us. Significant estimates are estimates at the balance sheet date which could change materially within the next year. Concentrations refer to volumes of business, revenues, available sources of supply, or markets for which events could occur which would significantly disrupt normal finances within the next year.
21. The fair values of financial and nonfinancial assets and liabilities, if any, recognized in the financial statements or disclosed in the notes thereto are reasonable estimates based on the methods and assumptions used. The methods and significant assumptions used result in measurements of fair value appropriate for financial statement recognition and disclosure purposes and have been applied consistently from period to period, taking into account any changes in circumstances. The significant assumptions appropriately reflect our present intent and ability to carry out specific courses of action relevant to and inherent in those assumptions.
22. The supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, consisting of management's discussion and analysis and schedules of funding progress and employer contributions, has been prepared and is presented in conformity with the applicable GASB pronouncements. The information contained therein is based on all facts, decisions and conditions currently known to us and is measured using the same methods and assumptions as were used in the preparation of the financial statements. There has been no change from the preceding period in the methods of measurement and presentation.
23. We have received opinions of counsel upon each issuance of tax-exempt bonds that the interest on such bonds is exempt from federal income taxes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. There have been no changes in the use of property financed with the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds, or any other occurrences, subsequent to the issuance of such opinions, that would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of the bonds. Provision has been made, where material, for the amount of any required arbitrage rebate.
24. We believe the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency meets the applicable criteria, as defined in GASB Statement Nos. 14 and 39, for inclusion as a blended component unit within the City's financial statements.



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City of Lincoln, Nebraska Lincoln Parking System

February 23, 2011

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We are providing this letter in connection with your audits of our financial statements as of and for the years ended August 31, 2010 and 2009. We confirm that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We are also responsible for adopting sound accounting policies, establishing and maintaining effective internal control, and preventing and detecting fraud.

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement.

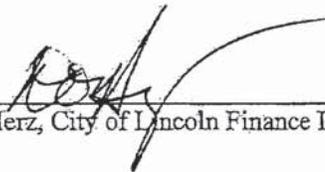
We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following:

1. The financial statements referred to above are fairly presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
2. We have reviewed and approved a draft of the financial statements and related notes referred to above, which you prepared in connection with your audit of our financial statements. We acknowledge that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements and related notes.
3. We have made available to you:
 - (a) All financial records and related data.

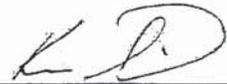
- (b) All minutes of meetings of the governing body held through the date of this letter.
 - (c) All significant contracts and grants.
- 4. We have informed you of all current risks of a material amount that are not adequately prevented or detected by entity procedures with respect to:
 - (a) Misappropriation of assets.
 - (b) Misrepresented or misstated assets, liabilities or net assets.
- 5. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud.
- 6. We have no knowledge of any known or suspected:
 - (a) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving management or employees who have significant roles in internal control.
 - (b) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving others that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- 7. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Fund received in communications from employees, customers, regulators, suppliers or others.
- 8. Except as reflected in the financial statements, there are no:
 - (a) Plans or intentions that may materially affect carrying values or classifications of assets and liabilities.
 - (b) Material transactions omitted or improperly recorded in the financial statements.
 - (c) Material gain/loss contingencies requiring accrual or disclosure, including those arising from environmental remediation obligations.
 - (d) Events occurring subsequent to the balance sheet date requiring adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.

- (e) Related party transactions, balances, arrangements, or guarantees.
 - (f) Agreements to purchase assets previously sold.
 - (g) Violations of law, regulations, contracts, grants or requirements of regulatory agencies for which losses should be accrued or matters disclosed in the financial statements.
 - (h) Unasserted claims or assessments that our attorneys have advised us are probable of assertion.
 - (i) Restrictions on cash balances or compensating balance agreements.
 - (j) Guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the Fund is contingently liable.
9. Adequate provisions and allowances have been accrued for any material losses from uncollectible receivables.
10. Except as disclosed in the financial statements, we have:
- (a) Satisfactory title to all recorded assets, and they are not subject to any liens, pledges or other encumbrances.
 - (b) Complied with all aspects of contractual and grant agreements, for which noncompliance would materially affect the financial statements.
11. We have not been designated as a potentially responsible party (PRP or equivalent status) by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or other cognizant regulatory agency with authority to enforce environmental laws and regulations.
12. With regard to deposit and investment activities:
- (a) All deposit, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements and investment transactions have been made in accordance with legal and contractual requirements.
 - (b) Disclosures of deposit and investment balances and risks in the financial statements are consistent with our understanding of the applicable laws regarding enforceability of any pledges of collateral.

- (c) We understand that your audit does not represent an opinion regarding the enforceability of any collateral pledges.
- 13. The City of Lincoln provided certain administrative services to Parking System who paid fees for these services. These fees were approximately \$86,000 and \$127,000 for the years ended August 31, 2010 and 2009.
- 14. Transfers out to other city funds for the Parking Lot Revolving Fund amounted to \$3,529 and \$0 and for the Parking Facilities Fund amounted to \$843,000 and \$834,575, respectively, for the years ended August 31, 2010 and 2009.



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Ken Smith, Parking Manager



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City of Lincoln, Nebraska Emergency Medical Services Fund

February 23, 2011

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We are providing this letter in connection with your audits of our financial statements as of and for the years ended August 31, 2010 and 2009. We confirm that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We are also responsible for adopting sound accounting policies, establishing and maintaining effective internal control, and preventing and detecting fraud.

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We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following:

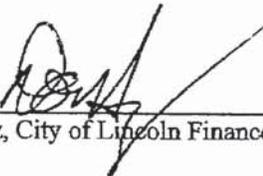
1. The financial statements referred to above are fairly presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
2. We have reviewed and approved a draft of the financial statements and related notes referred to above, which you prepared in connection with your audit of our financial statements. We acknowledge that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements and related notes.
3. We have made available to you:
 - (a) All financial records and related data.
 - (b) All minutes of meetings of the governing body held through the date of this letter.

- (c) All significant contracts and grants.
4. We have informed you of all current risks of a material amount that are not adequately prevented or detected by entity procedures with respect to:
 - (a) Misappropriation of assets.
 - (b) Misrepresented or misstated assets, liabilities or net assets.
 5. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud.
 6. We have no knowledge of any known or suspected:
 - (a) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving management or employees who have significant roles in internal control.
 - (b) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving others that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
 7. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Fund received in communications from employees, customers, regulators, suppliers or others.
 8. Except as reflected in the financial statements, there are no:
 - (a) Plans or intentions that may materially affect carrying values or classifications of assets and liabilities.
 - (b) Material transactions omitted or improperly recorded in the financial statements.
 - (c) Material gain/loss contingencies requiring accrual or disclosure, including those arising from environmental remediation obligations.
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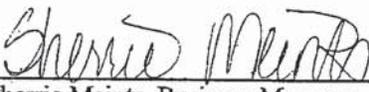
- (h) Unasserted claims or assessments that our attorneys have advised us are probable of assertion.
 - (i) Restrictions on cash balances or compensating balance agreements.
 - (j) Guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the Fund is contingently liable.
9. Adequate provisions and allowances have been accrued for any material losses from:
- (a) Uncollectible receivables.
 - (b) Reducing obsolete or excess inventories to estimated net realizable value.
 - (c) Purchase commitments in excess of normal requirements or above prevailing market prices.
10. Except as disclosed in the financial statements, we have:
- (a) Satisfactory title to all recorded assets, and they are not subject to any liens, pledges or other encumbrances.
 - (b) Complied with all aspects of contractual agreements, for which noncompliance would materially affect the financial statements.
11. We have not been designated as a potentially responsible party (PRP or equivalent status) by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or other cognizant regulatory agency with authority to enforce environmental laws and regulations.
12. With regard to deposit and investment activities:
- (a) All deposit, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements and investment transactions have been made in accordance with legal and contractual requirements.
 - (b) Disclosures of deposit and investment balances and risks in the financial statements are consistent with our understanding of the applicable laws regarding enforceability of any pledges of collateral.
 - (c) We understand that your audit does not represent an opinion regarding the enforceability of any collateral pledges.
13. The Due to Other Funds Balance as of August 31, 2010 and 2009 was \$49,055 and \$752,372, respectively. The total balance in 2010 was current. Of the total

balance, in 2009, \$500,000 was current and \$252,372 was non-current. Our intent is to pay the balance in full.

14. The City of Lincoln provided data processing and administrative services to EMS for which EMS paid fees to the City. These fees amount to approximately \$71,000 for the year ended August 31, 2010 and \$70,000 for the year ended August 31, 2009.
15. The Fund's share of medical oversight costs paid to Emergency Medical Services, Inc. amounted to approximately \$8,800 and \$8,600 at August 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.
16. We believe the net accounts receivable balance is fully collectible and is properly stated at August 31, 2010 based on all information currently available to us.



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City of Lincoln, Nebraska Solid Waste Management Fund

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We are providing this letter in connection with your audits of our financial statements as of and for the years ended August 31, 2010 and 2009. We confirm that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We are also responsible for adopting sound accounting policies, establishing and maintaining effective internal control, and preventing and detecting fraud.

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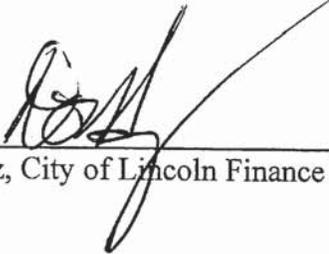
We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following:

1. The financial statements referred to above are fairly presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
2. We have reviewed and approved a draft of the financial statements and related notes referred to above, which you prepared in connection with your audit of our financial statements. We acknowledge that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements and related notes.
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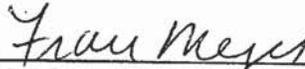
- (b) All minutes of meetings of the governing body held through the date of this letter.
 - (c) All significant contracts.
- 4. We have informed you of all current risks of a material amount that are not adequately prevented or detected by entity procedures with respect to:
 - (a) Misappropriation of assets.
 - (b) Misrepresented or misstated assets, liabilities or net assets.
- 5. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud.
- 6. We have no knowledge of any known or suspected:
 - (a) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving management or employees who have significant roles in internal control.
 - (b) Fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets involving others that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- 7. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Fund received in communications from employees, customers, regulators, suppliers or others.
- 8. Except as reflected in the financial statements, there are no:
 - (a) Plans or intentions that may materially affect carrying values or classifications of assets and liabilities.
 - (b) Material transactions omitted or improperly recorded in the financial statements.
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 - (f) Agreements to purchase assets previously sold.
 - (g) Violations of law, regulations or requirements of regulatory agencies for which losses should be accrued or matters disclosed in the financial statements.
 - (h) Unasserted claims or assessments that our attorneys have advised us are probable of assertion.
 - (i) Restrictions on cash balances or compensating balance agreements.
 - (j) Guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the Fund is contingently liable.
9. Adequate provisions and allowances have been accrued for any material losses from uncollectible receivables.
10. Except as disclosed in the financial statements, we have:
- (a) Satisfactory title to all recorded assets, and they are not subject to any liens, pledges or other encumbrances.
 - (b) Complied with all aspects of contractual and grant agreements, for which noncompliance would materially affect the financial statements.
11. We have not been designated as a potentially responsible party (PRP or equivalent status) by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or other cognizant regulatory agency with authority to enforce environmental laws and regulations.
12. With regard to deposit and investment activities:
- (a) All deposit, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements and investment transactions have been made in accordance with legal and contractual requirements.
 - (b) Disclosures of deposit and investment balances and risks in the financial statements are consistent with our understanding of the applicable laws regarding enforceability of any pledges of collateral.

- (c) We understand that your audit does not represent an opinion regarding the enforceability of any collateral pledges.
13. The Fund has a liability for closure and post-closure care requirements of their two operating landfills and one closed landfill, which was calculated in accordance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Solid Waste Disposal Facility Criteria. The liability balance was \$13,490,000 and \$9,796,000 as of August 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.
 14. The City of Lincoln provided certain administrative services to the Landfill who paid fees for these services. These fees were approximately \$171,000 for the year ended August 31, 2010 and \$156,000 for the year ended August 31, 2009.
 15. Transfers out to other city funds amounted to \$979,551 and \$870,970 for the years ended August 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.



Don Herz, City of Lincoln Finance Director



Fran Mejer, Business Manager



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BOARD OF HEALTH AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department will recognize two businesses, an advisory group and three individuals with Board of Health Awards. The Awards will be presented at the Board of Health Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony on April 14th at the Lincoln Station Great Hall, 201 North 7th Street.

The Keynote Speaker will be Sheila Burke, a senior public policy advisor and faculty member at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. She will speak on Health Policy & Health Care Reform, The Awards will be given in five categories with two awards presented in the general community category.

Community Health Award to the 2009 H1N1 Vaccine Distribution Advisory Group. The Advisory Group is being recognized for their assistance in prioritizing the distribution of the H1N1 vaccine in the community.

Community Health Award to Pfizer, Inc. for their assistance with the H1N1 vaccine distribution in 2009 and for their many years of support in promoting public health in our community.

Public Health Leadership Award to Joan Anderson, Executive Director of the Lancaster County Medical Society, for her leadership in the community on health care access. She has been closely involved in the development and implementation of several programs and initiatives focusing on those who do not have a source of needed care or a way to pay for health care.

John J. Hanigan Award to Sarah Cada, MD, for her extraordinary leadership and dedication to public health. These include her efforts with promoting women's health and advocating for public health services.

Food Sanitation Excellence Award to The Parthenon for their exceptional inspection scores, cleanliness of their business and solid food handling practices.

Carole Douglas Public Health Achievement Award to Barbara Martinez for her outstanding service to public health. Ms. Martinez is a 25 year Health Department employee and will be recognized for her efforts in Community Health Services for assuring access to needed and appropriate health care to individuals in our community.

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LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health
March 8, 2011

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:04 PM by Karla Lester at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members present: Rodrigo Cantarero, Tony Messineo, Deb Schorr, David Smith, Heidi Stark, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Rick Hoppe (ex-officio), Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Karla Lester.

Members Absent: Lisa Peterson, Ed Schneider, and Jayne Snyder.

Staff Present: Judy Halstead, Steve Frederick, Steve Beal, Andrea Mason, Charlotte Burke, Scott Holmes, Doug Tangeman, Rick Thorson, Joyce Jensen, Kathy Cook, Deb Byrne, Mike Heyl, Gwendy Meginnis, and Elaine Severe.

Others Present: David Cary.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Lester asked that the Agenda be amended to reflect March 8, 2011 and Approval of the February 8, 2011 minutes. She asked if there were any other additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion: Moved by Ms. Schorr that the Agenda be approved as amended. Second by Dr. Cantarero. Motion carried by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Lester asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes.

Motion: Moved by Mr. Messineo that the February 8, 2011 Minutes be approved as mailed. Second by Dr. Cantarero. Motion carried by acclamation.

PUBLIC SESSION

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Health Director Update

Ms. Halstead stated the Garbage ordinance revisions that were approved by the Board of Health in February will be forwarded to the City Council by the end of April. Governor Heineman will sign a proclamation for Public Health Awareness Month. National Public Health Week is April 4-11, 2011.

The Department's FY11-12 budget request was submitted to the City Finance Department on February 25, 2011. Departments were directed to submit their budget at 97% of the current year's budget. Staff will meet with the City Budget Office on March 29. The Mayor will release his proposed budget in July. Ms. Halstead will review the Department's budget request on April 12, 2011 at 4:30 PM (prior to the Board of Health meeting).

Mr. Frederick provided an update on flu in the community. He noted staff are seeing a different strain of Influenza B in the community. This particular strain was not in the flu vaccine.

Dr. Smith inquired about the increase in court citations in Animal Control. Mr. Beal noted defect follow-ups are partially responsible for the increase. Revenues have also increased. Response call time has also decreased. He complimented the staff for their good work.

Safe Kids Celebration Luncheon - March 31, 2011 - Health Department Training Center. Board of Health members are encouraged to attend.

Congratulations to Shelli Buhr - Employee of the Month. Congratulations to Mike Heyl - Trail Boss Award.

VI. CURRENT BUSINESS (Action Items)

A. Proposed Appointments to the Food Advisory Committee

Ms. Jensen stated staff are recommending the appointment of Curt Magnus, the managing partner of the Texas Roadhouse, to serve as an industry representative on the Food Advisory Committee. Staff are also recommending the reappointment of Stan Mills and Dr. Harshavardhan Thippareddi to the Committee. All have agreed to serve if appointed or reappointed. Their terms would expire in January, 2015.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Smith that the Board of Health approve the appointment of Curt Magnus and the reappointment of Stan Mills & Dr. Harshavardhan Thippareddi to the Food Advisory Committee. Second by Mr. Messineo. Motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.

VII. CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)

A. Department Program and Budget Indicators

Ms. Halstead reviewed the Health Department Program Indicators for 2011. She noted it is a starting point and the indicators may change over time. We would like to

see all of the process indicators turn into outcome indicators. Divisions will provide reports to the Board of Health on progress on the indicators. Community Health Services and Environmental Public Health will begin reporting to the Board of Health later this year. Dr. Smith stated we do need numbers/indicators and we need to assess if these numbers represent where we are, where we would like to be, etc. Dr. Lester complimented staff for their work on the Program Indicators. She stated “how you get there” is the hard part.

B. Legislative Update

Ms. Halstead provided a detailed handout of the legislative bills the Department and Mayor’s Office are following. Letters of support have been prepared for several bills. Senators and Committees will select their Priority Bills on March 10, 2011. The main focus of the Legislative session will be the State Budget. She will continue to update the information for Board members to review.

C. Greenhouse Gas Inventory Update

Mr. Thorson stated the Greenhouse Gas Inventory is a requirement of the Clean Air Act. He also stated the Department is completing an inventory for the City of Lincoln. Mr. Thorson introduced Mr. Tangeman who provided background information, descriptions of the methods used and the benefits of the inventory. He reviewed the sources of the emissions by fuel types, as well as comparisons between other cities and states. He stated the Department plans to complete the inventory every three years.

D. L Plan 2040 (Lincoln/Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan) Update

Mr. Holmes provided an update on the L Plan 2040, the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan for Lincoln and Lancaster County. The Comprehensive Plan is updated every 5 years. He introduced Mr. Cary from the City-County Planning Department. Mr. Cary reviewed the timeline and the demographic projections. He noted the fastest growth in the community will be in the 65+ population. He discussed the impacts on housing demands on the housing market, recommended growth scenarios, land and transportation use, and existing and emerging issues. Transportation issues include street funding, a bicycle network and trails network. Concerns include available funding, changing demographics, health factors, air quality, maintenance and rehabilitation of streets, etc. Efficient transportation will include a pedestrian system and prioritized plan, a bicycle system, and an on-street bicycle system. Challenges include being efficient, maintaining current projects and prioritizing projects and funding sources.

E. Walkability

Mr. Frederick, Ms. Burke and Mr. Cary provided information on the walkability audit tool. He reviewed the audit tool - the walkability survey. Ms. Byrne was responsible for preparing the sidewalk grids for the city. Staff are also working with Public Works, Planning and the Parks & Recreation Department on this project. It is hoped the project will promote and encourage walking and biking in the community.

VIII. FUTURE BUSINESS

Future business items: MAPP Process Update. This will be provided at the April 12, 2011 meeting.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting is April 12, 2011 - 5:00 PM.
Budget Overview - April 12, 2011 - 4:30 PM
Annual Awards Luncheon - April 14, 2011 - 11:30 AM - Lincoln Station Great Hall

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Elaine Severe
Recording Secretary

Heidi Stark
Vice-President

DEPARTMENT REPORT

MARCH, 2011

HEALTH DIRECTOR

- Staff met with the City Budget Office on March 29, 2011 to review the Department's FY11-12 budget request. The request will be reviewed with the Mayor on April 11.
- The Health Director continues to oversee state legislative activities for the Department and coordinates the Department's response with the Mayor's Office. Speaker, Senator and Committee priority bills have been selected.
- The Health Director is serving as a member of the planning committee for the implementation of an EduCare Program in Lincoln. The EduCare Program would provide early development opportunities for children in our community. The building will be funded by the Susan Buffett Foundation with UNL Foundation's operations funding through Community Action Partnership, Lincoln Public Schools and other resources.
- Employees of the Month - Kathy Cook, Debra Leth, & Trudy Hofmann - Information & Fiscal Management Division.
- Dan King, Environmental Health Specialist, was awarded the Mayor's Award of Excellence for February, 2011. He received the award at the March 7, 2011 City Council Meeting.
- Sarah Neujahr, Animal Control Dispatcher, was awarded the Mayor's Award of Excellence for March, 2011. She received the award at the March 14, 2011 City Council Meeting.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control March Stats

	Sep 08-Feb 09	Sep 09-Feb 10	Sep 10-Feb 11
Pet Licenses Sold	29,086	28,900	29,923
Cases Dispatched	8,423	6,791	9,359
Investigation	10,013	8,081	10,327
Animals Impounded			
Dogs	908	863	849
Cats	786	726	826
Court Citations Issued	108	92	252
Warnings/Defects Issued	2,841	1,307	5,047
Bite Cases Reported	180	174	207

Attack Cases Reported	32	38	36
Dogs Declared (PPD, DD, V)	51	46	69
Animal Neglect Investigations	339	281	300
Injured Animal Rescue	277	265	260
Wildlife Removal	178	152	156
Dead Animal Pickup	645	591	717
Lost and Found Reports	919	985	1,018
Phone Calls	20,076	16,192	19,397
Average Response Time (in mins)	20	32	9

- Animal Control Supervisor Scott Lowry continues to provide training to the Lincoln Police Department on dealing with Dangerous Dogs and Alternatives to Lethal Force. This is a mandatory training course for all LPD officers. The training is 10 days and each session is 30-45 minutes. The feedback has been very positive.
- The officers and dispatcher/office support staff continue to do a good job on defective license follow ups. The outcome has been an increase in the number of delinquent owners getting current on their pet license(s). A sample of approximately 250 defects returned showed that an average of \$51.60 was collected for each defect or approximately \$13,000 total. We will continue this campaign and add some public service announcements and education about the benefits of pet licensing.
- The Animal Control Manager attended the February UNL veterinary roundtable discussion hosted by Dr. David Smith. Two students will be placed in the Animal Control Division to work with our staff and complete a project. The roundtables are interesting and provide valuable information on topics relevant to the Division and others working with animals in the community and statewide.
- The Animal Control statistics and updates to website were completed for the Department Annual Report. Additional work will be done on the Animal Control website. A new draft plan has been discussed and several ideas for streamlining the content are underway. These updates will be coordinated with the Department’s overall efforts.
- With the warmer weather we are seeing an increase in dispatched calls and phone calls from the public. The license defect follow ups have also caused a significant increase in phone calls.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

CHS PLANNING FEEDBACK

- In February, CHS staff were assigned to work in one of five groups comprised of our major service areas; Access to Care, General Assistance Medical Clinic, Immunization

Clinic, Maternal-Child Health Services, and STI Clinic. Groups asked to brainstorm their ideas about the following questions:

- Given the challenges your team faces, describe your team's response to those challenges currently. List major challenges and major responses for your team. Focus on system/team challenges & responses. (Point A)
 - Describe what options you'd like to have available to your team to respond to those challenges. Focus on system/team options. (Point B)
 - What does your team have about getting from Point A to Point B? (Call to Action)
- During March's CHS Division Meeting, the major themes, priorities and next steps were shared with CHS staff.

Access to Care

Major Challenges/Themes: Increase timely access to General Assistance services (outreach, clinic services, nurse case management, specialty services). Getting clients to follow up with providing necessary documentation for Medicaid approval. Lack of providers willing to take Medicaid. Clients experiencing barriers in communicating with the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services in terms of benefits. Transportation barriers for refugees. Need more in-house interpreter access for Vietnamese and Karen speaking clients.

General Assistance Medical Clinic

Major Challenges/Themes: Increase timely access to General Assistance services (outreach, clinic services, nurse case management, specialty services). New provider in General Assistance clinic. Computer literacy – would like a “round 2”/deeper level training on our new electronic medical record (EHS).

Immunization Clinic

Major Challenges/Themes: Reallocate time for certain types of immunization appointments (basically lengthening time when possible). Increase our ability to quickly accommodate those who are excluded from school due to needed immunizations. Revise the pick list for immunizations in EHS. Improve coordination of services when clients need interpretation.

Maternal-Child Health Services

Major Challenges/Themes: Need better texting capability on nurse case manager cell phones as this has become an effective way of reaching our clients. Need to improve/finalize outcome measures in EHS reports. Need to effectively manage increased caseloads due to changes with the Healthy Families America Model – we are in a transition period. Need an EHS Super User Group to manage needed improvements/enhancements in the system.

STI Clinic

Major Challenges/Themes: Improvement needed in STI Clinic templates in EHS – need coordination in this effort. Staff is asking who do we go to for EHS improvements and

how do we know what is happening with EHS improvement efforts? Need to increase communication among all team members working STI Clinics the day of the specific clinic.

Next Steps

Some challenges, like purchasing a new model of cell phones with improved texting capability were presented as “quick wins” to CHS staff while other efforts will be reviewed by the CHS Quality Improvement Guidance Team throughout the next year. CHS Supervisors and IFM staff members are revisiting the idea of the EHS Super User Group to address EHS improvements/enhancements. The CHS Quality Improvement Guidance Team will add cost analysis to its study and decision making process for future QI studies as needed.

DENTAL HEALTH & NUTRITION

WIC

WIC Food Package Changes – Update

- During 2009 the USDA and all state and local WIC agencies implemented historic changes designed to align the WIC food packages with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. The changes, recommended by the Institute of Medicine, included the addition of fruits and vegetables, whole grains and soy products, as well as modification in the types and amount of milk, cheese, eggs and juice. Information about the WIC food packages is available at www/fns.usde.gov/WIC/.
- The changes were designed to promote healthier food choices to WIC clients, with particular emphasis on updating WIC target nutrients based on new scientific evidence. The changes were also intended to help lower the risk of obesity and its consequences, since obesity disproportionately impacts low income families. This was an opportunity to promote healthy eating and healthy weight among young children.
- **How is it working?** A number of studies are underway to evaluate the impact of the food package changes and early outcomes indicate that we are changing the shopping and eating behavior of our participants. A California study showed that educating clients about the food package changes (before implementation) improved their consumption of fruits, vegetables, lower-fat milk and whole grains. Once food vouchers were issued to clients for the actual purchase of these foods, consumption increased even further.
- The food package changes also had an impact on grocery stores and community food access. Several studies showed that smaller stores increased the availability of healthy foods for all shoppers, and found marked improvement in healthy food availability in largely Hispanic neighborhoods with previously poor access.
- One might conclude that the changes in the WIC food package are not only improving the nutrition intake and health of our clients but communities at large.

Dental Health

- During the month of February, the dental staff provided orientation to the staff of the Head Start Child Development Center, located at 3258 South 13th street on the Preventive Health Grant Program, funded through DHHS. Following the orientation, dental staff scheduled 3 site visits to meet with parents on the free program services and obtain parental consent for participation. To date, staff has collected over 67% parental consent for the children enrolled at the Center to participate in the program services. Dental staff will return in April to the Center for the first visit to provide oral health assessments, dental education and application of the iodine/fluoride varnish application.
- Staff are now meeting with the parents and children enrolled in the home based program at the 210 O street location. The home based pregnant women and children are primarily Spanish and Arabic speaking and come in for play group activities. Staff will target the parents and children during their planned play group activities with program services. The first group of Spanish parents and children meet March 22.
- Other educational activities included dental health education for children at the Pershing and West Lincoln Community Learning Centers for a total of 100 children.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

ARRA/DERA Grant Activities

Crankcase Ventilation Filter installed on a Lincoln Public Schools bus.



Hotstart Auxiliary Power Unit installed on BNSF Railway Switch Engine



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- The Air Quality Program has been working extensively with public and private partners in the administration of an American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 Diesel Emissions Reduction grant. The purpose of this \$1,000,000 award is to stimulate the local economy through completion of emissions reduction retrofit projects with a demonstrable benefit to the environment and the public health.
- To date, LLCHD has partnered with Lincoln Public Schools, BNSF Railroad, NEBCO, and Husker Concrete; as well as retrofitting multiple City fleet vehicles with pollution control devices. Retrofit projects are planned for two large over-the-road trucking firms as well.
- The estimated diesel emissions reductions for this project are at least 12,000 pounds of air pollution per year and at least 14,000 pounds of air pollution over the lifetime of the vehicles that will be retrofitted. Also, assuming that the auxiliary power units that have been installed on BNSF railroad switch engines operate 50% of the time, an additional 7,687,480 pounds of air pollution emissions will be eliminated each year.

Child Care Program (Centers) Compliance Certificates and Inspection

- The Lincoln Municipal Code authorizes the Department to issue compliance certificates for Child Care Program's to operate within Lincoln's jurisdiction. A Child Care Program is a child care center/facility that cares for 13 or more children under the age of 13. The purpose of the code is to prevent and eliminate health and safety risks posed by the practice of child care. Child Care Program Certificates must be renewed annually. Annual certificate fees vary from \$90 to \$170 per year depending on the number of children and type of program. In 2011, LLCHD renewed 140 Certificates. Environmental Health Specialists conduct annual inspections evaluating the environmental conditions of the facility, the health and sanitation practices, and verifying that the center's staff have received required health and safety training. Staff investigate complaints, and the Health Director may suspend or revoke the Certificate (close the facility) if conditions pose imminent health risk. LLCHD collaborates with the Child Care Specialists from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, which holds a State permit for the facilities. The Environmental Health Specialists work with the LLCHD Child Care Health Consultant when investigating illness outbreaks, or when a center needs assistance in developing and implementing health and safety policies or in-house training.

Illicit Discharge Program

- EPA has charged the City of Lincoln with the responsibility to ensure that an industry which has a National Pollution Discharge Elimination Program (NPDES) permit is in compliance with the term and conditions of the permit.
- In response to this delegation, LLCHD works with and inspects 99 industrial facilities

that have an NPDES permit to ensure that their permit requirements are met. Through our consultative assistance and the inspection process, our goal is to assure that 80% of the facilities will pose minimal risk of illicit discharge. In Fiscal Year 2009-10, 75% met this criterion. We believe we will achieve this goal in 2011. LLCHD also inspects 21 municipal facilities to ensure that the City complies with its own NPDES permit.

- Other components of the Illicit Discharge Program consist of investigating illicit discharges from other sources, identifying industries that should obtain an NPDES permit, working with NDEQ to assure that permits are obtained and to take enforcement action when needed.
- 82% of the program costs are paid through inspection fees, grants-in-aid and a Public Works and Utilities fee transfer.
- The Illicit Discharge Program was designed to prevent pollution from being discharged into our storm water system. Once the pollutant is in the storm water system, a real threat can exist to the surface water and groundwater. By significantly reducing the risk of pollution being dumped into our stormwater system, the more our creeks, rivers and water supply is protected.

HEALTH DATA & EVALUATION

- Influenza activity locally, in Nebraska and nationally has been decreasing over the past few weeks. Provider visits, hospital admissions and school absences for influenza-like illness (ILI) have all decreased from their peak levels. Nevertheless, flu activity remains higher than at this time last year so cases will likely continue to occur for a little while longer and a few cases will likely be found through April and into May.
- Work on the MAPP (Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships) community planning process continues. An update on MAPP progress will be reported at the April Board of Health meeting. The status as of mid-March:
 - o The survey for the Community Public Health System Assessment has been sent to our community health partners and others who are part of the local public health system. As of March 21st, we have received 52 responses. The results will be analyzed now that we have closed the survey.
 - o The community survey developed as part of the Themes and Strengths Assessment has been distributed by e-mail to the WorkWell companies and agencies, through a press release from the Mayor's Office and by making the flyer available to partner agencies (People's Health Center, Center for People in Need, Nebraska Blood Bank). As of March 21, we have had 756 people who have responded to survey, but we hope to get more responses before the survey ends at the end of March. The link to the survey on Survey Monkey is <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/6P26FS2> and anyone can complete the survey as it is meant to solicit the public's perceptions about the quality of life in Lincoln and Lancaster County.

- The Spanish version of the community survey has also been posted, but so far the number of respondents is low. We expect to contact partner agencies to solicit their help in reaching persons who speak Spanish.
 - The two required focus groups of minority populations to gather input about perceived themes and strengths in the community have been completed.
 - At the meeting of the MAPP Steering Committee on March 4th, members of the committee were asked to brainstorm on the Forces of Change. The participation of those present was great and at least 75 events, trends and factors were identified. MAPP staff members are organizing the listed items into a format that will allow further discussion of threats and opportunities, and a determination of the forces most subject to strategic action.
- We recently received the 2010 BRFSS (Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System) results and those data will be added to the dashboards soon. Other panels are being added over time as we get complete and accurate, high quality data. The dashboard built for the Board of Health will have periodic updates of new panels so continue to try it out and suggest changes that you may want. If you have questions, please feel free to call Steve Frederick (441-6271) or Raju (441-6270).
- Dashboard panels for the Mayor's Taking Charge initiative were presented to the Mayor and the City Department Directors on March 9th. Utilizing dashboard applications makes it possible to manage the data behind the objectives in a much better way than was the case with the original PowerPoint slides and the feedback about the functionality of the dashboards was overwhelmingly positive.

HEALTH PROMOTION & OUTREACH

Highlights

Early Development Services Coordination

- In the month of February 2011, there were 85 referrals made to the Early Development Services Coordination Program. Of the 85 referrals, 50 were younger than 2 years of age (program target population).

Injury Prevention

- Staff played a lead role in the coordination of the Safe Kids Lincoln Lancaster County and Lincoln Fire and Rescue's 4th Smoke Alarm rally held on March 6. At least 1,150 smoke alarms were installed in residences bounded by 17th to 27th Streets and Capital Parkway and D and K Streets. This area was targeted because of its demographics and the high number of fire calls. University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Nebraska Wesleyan and Southeast Community College Fire Protection Technology Program provided 350 student volunteers for this very successful event. The students from UNL and Nebraska Wesleyan were from the sororities and fraternities and used this rally as a volunteer effort for Greek Week. The students found

their volunteer effort to be so beneficial to the community and personally rewarding that they have committed to volunteering their time during the 2012 Greek Week. An important partner in this effort was REOMA in promoting the rally and recruiting 53 landlords who provided access to their properties for installation of the smoke alarms. An assessment of whether or not smoke alarms installed one year ago are still functioning reveals that approximately 83% of the smoke alarms are still in place and working.

- Staff assisted with the Sport Safety Clinic presented at the YMCA Youth Sports Office. The emphasis of this safety clinic was on prevention of concussion. The clinic was held in conjunction with youth soccer and flag football coaches roster-pick-up day. Nineteen coaches attended the clinic presented by Dave Schultz, Athletic Trainer at Nebraska Orthopedic and Sport Medicine Clinic PC. YMCA leadership and Safe Kids will continue to partner on safety clinics for coaches. The presentation given by Dave Schultz is currently airing on 5CityTV.

Tobacco Prevention

- Staff continue their efforts to encourage apartment owners/managers to consider adopting smokefree policies in their buildings. In the past month, fifteen owners/managers requested the Smokefree Housing Guide and expressed interest in exploring the possibility of becoming smokefree. Efforts like the Smoke Alarm Rallies allow tobacco prevention staff the opportunity to provide information to apartment owners/managers. Staff have identified 97 buildings with 1,146 living units as smokefree in Lincoln.

Chronic Disease

- Staff assisted in coordinating a program on 5CityTV for the Crusade Against Cancer. The spot features an interview with Dr. Hrnicek and a colon cancer survivor discussing the importance of colon cancer screening. Ruth Van Gerpin, Bryan LGH Oncology Nurse and Crusade member, is the interviewer. This program is being aired throughout March on 5CityTV as part of Colon Cancer Awareness Month.

INFORMATION & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- The Health Director and Division Managers met with the City Budget Office for the initial review of our FY 2012 budget request on March 29th. The Division Manager is working with the Health Director to prepare a summary based on outcomes for the budget meeting with the Mayor on April 11th.
- LLCHD's "Public Health Information Technology and Management" is being recognized by NACCHO as a Model Practice. This includes the departments IT Strategic Direction, use of point of service applications (EHS, Dentrix, Permits Plus, Animal Control), Use of internal website, structured approach to managing assessment data and reporting tools including our dashboard. NACCHO's Model Practice Program honors and recognizes outstanding local health practices from across the nation and shares and promotes these practices among local health departments. It is not a competitive award but is judged according to specific criteria for LHD Role and Collaboration; Innovation; Responsiveness and Evaluation. All criteria

must be met to be designated as a Model Practice. The Health Department's initiative is the result of more than ten years of planned, systematic approach to building information resources that support and enhance the Department's ability to accomplish its mission. While staff in Information Management have been central to the planning and implementation of many of the strategic IT initiatives, this designation recognizes the depth of change throughout the department in using technology to improve our ability to achieve healthy outcomes. One of our current teams is the Report Developer Team—a cross divisional effort for Information Management, Health Data, and Environmental Health. This group will be expanding in the next year to include staff from Community Health Services. Key staff in nearly every division are part of the collaborative approach to use information technology to manage and understand data and to use it to make better more timely decisions and improve health outcomes.



NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 13, 2011
FOR MORE INFORMATION: **Scott E. Holmes:** 402-441-8634

Health Advisory – Air Pollution People with Heart and Lung Disease Warned to Stay Inside

“People with heart or lung disease, such as chronic bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma, the elderly, children and pregnant women should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion and limit time spent outdoors due to high levels of air pollution from fires,” said Scott E. Holmes, Environmental Public Health Manager, with the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. “Smoke from fires is being carried into the Lincoln area by southerly winds. Smoke is made up of tiny particles and gases which, when breathed into the lungs, can cause asthma attacks, make chronic bronchitis and emphysema worse, and cause angina in some people with heart disease.”

The air in Lincoln has been classified as UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE INDIVIDUALS according to the Environmental Protection Agency’s Air Quality Index due to the levels of particle air pollution from smoke. Keeping windows and doors closed in your home can give some protection from smoke. If you must drive somewhere, turn the car air conditioner to the “re-circulate” setting.

If people with lung or heart disease have symptoms worsened by smoke exposure, they should consult their health care provider immediately. These symptoms include repeated coughing, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, wheezing, tightness or pain in the chest, palpitations, nausea, unusual fatigue or feeling light headed.

Other tips to protect your health and reduce your exposure to smoke :

- avoid using exhaust fans (kitchen, bathroom, clothes dryer, etc.)
- do not use whole house fans that draw outside air into your home
- if cooling is needed, turn air conditioning to re-circulate mode in home and car, or use ceiling fans or portable fans
- avoid indoor sources of air pollution, including tobacco smoke, frying or broiling foods, burning candles, vacuuming, and using paints, solvents, cleaning products and adhesives

- keep a several days supply of medication available

The Health Department monitors air quality 24 hours a day for Carbon Monoxide, Ozone, and PM2.5 (fine particles). The Air Quality Index for Lincoln is updated daily and can be found by going to the City of Lincoln's web site: lincoln.ne.gov and using the keyword "air".

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Memorandum

Date: ♦ April 12, 2011
To: ♦ City Clerk
From: ♦ Teresa McKinstry, Planning Dept.
Re: ♦ Administrative Approvals
cc: ♦ Jean Preister

This is a list of the Administrative Approvals that were approved by the Planning Director from April 5, 2011 thru April 11, 2011:

Waiver No. 10025 to Administrative Final Plat No. 01008, approved by the Planning Director on April 7, 2011, requested by the Baylor - Evnen law firm, to extend the time for two years to install sidewalks, street trees and private ornamental lighting for Carroll M5 Addition. The improvements shall be completed by April 7, 2013. Sidewalks must still be completed on any lot prior to occupancy as part of a building permit. Property is generally located at N. 27th St. and Cleveland Ave.

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Council Packet
Subject: Announcement: LPlan 2040 Update: Newsletter Issue 5 & Transportation Alternatives Survey/Open House

Dear Friends of LPlan 2040,

Attached to this email you will find the latest version of the [LPlan 2040 Newsletter](#). This edition is devoted to the Long Range Transportation Plan and the public process involving that plan.

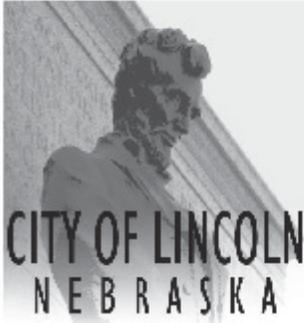
We are seeking public input on the three plans for future transportation projects described in the newsletter. You can review the plans and complete a survey through April 27 on the web at lplan2040.lincoln.ne.gov or at Bennett-Martin, Gere, Walt, Eiseley, and Anderson libraries; Asian, Malone, Hispanic and Indian Centers; Peoples City Mission; and Downtown and Northeast Aging Services Centers.

On Tuesday, April 19 there will be an Open House for the transportation alternatives at the County City Building, 555 S. 10th, from 11 am to 1 pm, and again from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. At the open houses, the public will be able to view stations that feature information about street maintenance, street construction, county roads, transit, trails, other bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and finances. Three additional stations will feature the alternative urban transportation plans. Staff will be available to review materials and answer questions at each station, and formal presentations will be made at the following times: 11:30 am, 12:15 pm, 5:00 pm and 5:45 pm.

Please distribute this information to as many people as you can – the more participation the better!

Michele Abendroth

Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department
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PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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April 12, 2011

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE **Pioneers Boulevard; 32nd - 54th Street** **Project No. 701778**

When: Tuesday, April 19, 2011
4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Where: Gere Library
56th and Normal

The City of Lincoln is hosting an informational open house regarding the upcoming construction along Pioneers Boulevard. The Pioneers Boulevard Street Rehabilitation Project from 32nd to 54th Street includes street rehabilitation (concrete base repair, asphalt mill and overlay, and curb replacement), complete intersection replacement at 33rd, 40th and 48th Streets, new pavement markings, some traffic signal/electrical work, storm sewer replacement, and sidewalk and ramp reconstruction.

This meeting will be in an open house format. The public is invited to stop in anytime between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. The public will have an opportunity to discuss the upcoming construction with representatives from the City's Public Works Department who will be there to answer questions and provide detail about the proposed construction schedule and project phasing. If you are unable to attend, you can contact the project engineer listed below with questions/concerns.

Project Engineer: Devin Biesecker
Phone: 402-441-4955
Email: dbiesecker@lincoln.ne.gov

Mary M. Meyer

From: Jon Camp [JonCamp@lincolnhaymarket.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 6:43 PM
To: David Landis
Cc: 'John Spatz'; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Questions on Credit Union TIF
Attachments: 2011-04-12--questions for Urban Development.docx

Dave:

Please see the attached list of questions regarding the legislation for the Credit Union TIF project at 17th & Q Streets and relocation to 17th & P Streets.

Thanks in advance for answering these questions.

Jon

JON A. CAMP

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“The American Republic will endure until the day Congress discovers that it can bribe the public with the public's money”

~ *Alexis de Tocqueville* ([French Historian](#) and [Political scientist](#). 1805-1859)

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<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Apothecary-Lofts-Ridnour-Room/173175799380032>

17th & Q Streets—Credit Union Proposed Redevelopment Project

Questions:

1. Age of existing credit union building
2. Fraternity—is this the building being constructed at 17th & R Streets?
 - a. Or is another fraternity planned to be constructed?
 - b. What is the name of the fraternity?
 - c. What are the 2.5 positions anticipated for the fraternity?
 - i. Annual compensations?
3. Will the City of Lincoln purchase the land at 17th & P Streets?
 - a. If so, what is the projected purchase price?
 - b. What is the projected sales price to the credit union?
4. Street changes
 - a. Please describe anticipated changes in the streets
 - i. Q Street
 - ii. R Street
 - iii. 17th Street
 - iv. P Street
5. Tax Revenues
 - a. Which parcel currently has no tax value?
 - i. What will be the projected base value for TIF purposes?
 - ii. What will be the post-construction value?
 - b. What is the current tax value for the credit union at its present location?
 - i. What is the projected tax value for the credit union at its new location?
6. Credit Union
 - a. Is the “building area” of the credit union represented by the 9,000 square feet?
 - i. Or does that include land not occupied by a building structure?
 - b. Is the “building area” of the new credit union to be 14,000 square feet?
 - i. Or does that include land not occupied by a building structure?
 - c. Is the credit union fully taxable?
 - i. Or is a portion or all of the credit union tax-exempt?



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April 11, 2011

Ms. Jayne Snyder
City Council
555 S. 10th St., Suite 111
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Amendment to Chapter 10.32
New Section Numbered 10.32.075
Parking of Trucks on Street More than 400'
From Primary Place of Business

Dear Ms. Snyder:

I am writing you in support of your amendment to the above Lincoln Municipal Code relating to stopping, standing and parking of trucks on a street more than 400 feet from the primary place of business. This amendment will enhance the City of Lincoln's streets.

The residents that are affected by companies that park their company/commercial vehicles in front of businesses/homes will see improved traffic flow and safety. This amendment will also help improve the aesthetics of the City of Lincoln's streets.

Should you have any questions regarding this proposed amendment, I would be happy to discuss them with you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Christopher E. Lane'.

Christopher E. Lane
Vice President/Owner
Speece Lewis Engineers, Inc.

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Joe Hampton [JHampton@hampton1.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 1:44 PM
To: Council Packet

In reference to item 15 on today's council agenda:
It would be quite helpful to have some consistency and better understanding in the enforcement of where you can park on a City street or City right-of-way. Also, it would be helpful to have a clear understanding of when a large sign on a large truck is a legal or an illegal sign.

Respectfully,
Joe Hampton

Joe Hampton

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AGENDA
LES ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD
Friday, April 15, 2011 – 9:30 A.M.
LES Board Room
1040 "O" Street

9:30 A.M.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the March 18, 2011 Regular Meeting of the LES Administrative Board**
- 3. Comments from Customers**
- 4. Introduction and Recognition of Staff**
 - A. 20-Year Employee: Krishna Amancherla, Senior Engineer, Power Supply, Project Engineering; James Rigg, Utilities Coordinator II, T&D Construction, Energy Delivery; and Jim Hennessy, Utilities Supervisor I, GIS/CAD Systems, Energy Delivery
- 5. Administrator & CEO Reports**
 - A. State and Federal Legislative Report
 - B. 1st Quarter 2011 Financial Review and Forecast
 - C. 2010 Gross Revenue Tax Payments (PILOT)
- 6. Chief Operating Officer's Reports**
 - A. 1st Quarter 2011 Strategic Plan Indicators
 - B. Customer & Employee Lifecycle Project Update
 - C. Summer Loads and Resources Outlook
 - D. 1st Quarter 2011 Power Supply Report
 - E. Southwest Power Pool, Part 3
 - F. Miscellaneous
- 7. Committee Reports**
 - A. Operations & Power Supply Committee
 - B. Budget & Rates Committee
 1. Approval of Updates to the LES Service Regulations and Rate Schedules – LES Resolution 2011-6
 - C. Finance & Audit Committee
 1. 2010 Annual Baker Tilly Audit and Management Letter
 2. Review Commercial Paper Issuance
 - D. District Energy Corporation Report
- 8. Other Business**
 - A. Monthly Financial and Power Supply Reports
 - B. Miscellaneous Information
- 9. Adjournment**

Next Administrative Board meeting Friday, May 20, 2011.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Robert Reeves [bobreeves63@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 7:49 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: truck parking proposal

Dear City Council members:

I have concerns about the proposed ordinance prohibiting parking of commercial trucks more than 400 feet from their business. I understand the motivation behind this, but I think it will be very difficult to enforce. For example, what about a moving company that is actually delivering furniture to a house and must park overnight on the street to complete the delivery? Would it be in violation? Or what about an out-of-town company making a delivery to a small store in Lincoln. It might have to park a truck on a street for several hours while making the delivery, if the local business didn't provide off-street parking. Would that be in violation? I think you can come up with a number of other possible scenarios in which there would be a legitimate reason to park a truck more than 400 feet from the business address.

Bob Reeves

Mary M. Meyer

From: Council Packet
Subject: 14th and Superior roundabout
Attachments: Comment Summary.pdf; multilane vs roundabout 14th and Superior.pdf; neighborhood access points to Superior.pdf

To: The City Council and Mayors Office:

We have lived off of 21st and Superior Street over 25 years. We have approached the City Planning Department many times over the years to make improvements for the residents who use Superior Street as an access to get out of our neighborhoods. We do not believe the roundabout planned for 14th and Superior helps our plight. A roundabout will produce a relentless travel of vehicles giving us little or no admittance to Superior.

It is getting virtually impossible to turn east or west onto Superior from Superior Street Apartments, Paul the VI Heights, Bel Ridge Dr., the Mobile Home courts, 18th St., 19th St., 20th St., 21st St., 24th St., Campbell School or leaving Eisley Library. As you can see we have many entrances to Superior which would be increasingly hindered if allowed to have a constant stream of traffic with the implementation of a roundabout. A roundabout would force even more traffic through the neighborhoods to find a way out. We have heavy traffic through the neighborhoods as it is! I have attached a map of the access points between 14th and 27th Street for your review.

When asked of Roger Figard how we are going to be able to get out of our development he said for us to take a right out of our development go down to 27th and Superior and flip a u-turn. To me that is very poor advice and dangerous.

We enjoy going to Walgreens and the roundabout reduces the ability to get out of Walgreens in a safe manner. If you were walking from the South to access Walgreens there is no safe way of crossing with a roundabout present.

Many individuals we have talked to are very concerned about buses, grain vehicles, semi trucks delivering goods to Walgreens or CVS et al who will be using the roundabout. Emergency vehicles also give us a pause for concern.

Is there an access point for the blind and disabled walkers to cross Superior Street safely with a roundabout?

There were 105 calls for service so far this year at Goodrich Junior High. I understand this number was much higher when we had school resource officers. The children were able to come to the officers to report more incidences/crimes at the school. How many issues/crimes will be played out in the walking tunnels proposed under the streets? Those children bullied or enticed into the tunnel to get ruffed up will not go through the tunnel again and will be daring enough to cross the roundabout. Crime, vandalism and graffiti will not make it feel safe for anyone to utilize these tunnels.

What will the drainage system be like in the tunnels? We have a water problem out here for much of our developments have been built on underground springs. At 24th and Superior the street weeps constantly and requires maintenance routinely because of the broken pavement. We have flooding at intersections every time we have a rainstorm! I would not use the tunnels in a heavy downpour!

Snow clearance has been an issue on Superior Street. When the snow is piled high along the south side of Superior at 20th Street the visibility is very limited to get out of our neighborhood off of 21st Street. When you can't see over the mounds of snow you have to have peel out like a drag racer in order to miss a catastrophic crash!

This roundabout project is a blatant waste of money when we have so many other road needs in the city. Monday night at the council meeting we heard of individuals on such limited income, that to have improvements done in their neighborhood is going to be a huge financial tax burden to them. Here we go and plop down 11 million dollars on 14th and Superior like money was water. I believe this roundabout project poses a total disrespect for the maintenance of other areas of the city which are in dire need of repair.

It makes me livid to see the complete disregard of the voices of the people. There was a survey taken (which is attached to this message) asking the people who went to the open house for the 14th and Superior Street improvements what proposal they would like; a roundabout or more lanes added to this area. Overwhelmingly the choice was to have more lanes added to 14th and Superior! I think ignoring the wishes of the residents out here in this area is absolutely unforgivable! Do you remember who pays your salaries? Or votes?

If you have not been out on 14th and Superior at the busiest times of the day you would see for yourself how this roundabout will not work like it does in other areas of the city where traffic is not as heavy.

We would welcome any of the City Council members or the Mayor to visit this area yourself to see what the traffic situation really is!

Carol and John Brown
2201 Elba Circle

map of Superior

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COMMENT FORM SUMMARY

North 14th and Superior Public Meeting – March 29, 2010

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- 203 members of the public signed in.
 - 151 people completed a comment survey during or immediately after the meeting.
 - 62 people completed the web survey; a number of people sent in comments via e-mail or called with their thoughts.
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Please rank your thoughts on the proposed roundabout concept design.

Strongly favor	Favor	Neutral	Oppose	Strongly oppose
20	28	31	26	103

Main comment themes about the roundabout concept:

- **Concern for pedestrian safety:**
 - One of the most commented items was about the underpasses not being safe for children and others who use them and the underpasses being a haven for criminals.
 - Numerous comments were made about the middle school children running through the roundabout.
 - Several commented that there are several blind and/or wheelchair bound people who live in this neighborhood and use this intersection.
 - Several suggested the underpasses be on the south and east edges of the intersection.
 - Some would like to see overhead pedestrian crossings.
- **Drivability and snow removal:**
 - “Not very comfortable easing into morning traffic, especially with so many lanes to consider.”
 - Many people cited “other drivers” and “inability of drivers to adjust to change” as reasons for opposing the roundabout and said there’s a fear factor associated with roundabouts.
 - Many also cited the number of out-of-town drivers who use this intersection and wouldn’t understand how to handle it, particularly on Husker game days.
 - “I like the roundabout on 40th and Sheridan and think they do improve traffic flow and drive conditions.”
 - Several said that the other smaller, residential roundabouts in this area of town are not cleared well on snowy days.
- **Need for education:**
 - With education, proper signage and lane markings, it could be beneficial. Certainly innovative—still safety concern for game day traffic congestion and emergency vehicles
 - Several made comments that people lack driver education about roundabouts.
- **Concern that roundabout can handle traffic and large trucks:**
 - One said, “Percent of vehicles going straight through or wanting to go left. If majority was making right turn, roundabout may work.”
 - Another said, “I’m a farmer and, at harvest, the semis will run over cars making the turn to the east.”
- **Belief that roundabout will cause more crashes:**
 - A number of people commented that they believe crashes will be more prevalent with a roundabout.
- **Belief that roundabout will eliminate crashes:**

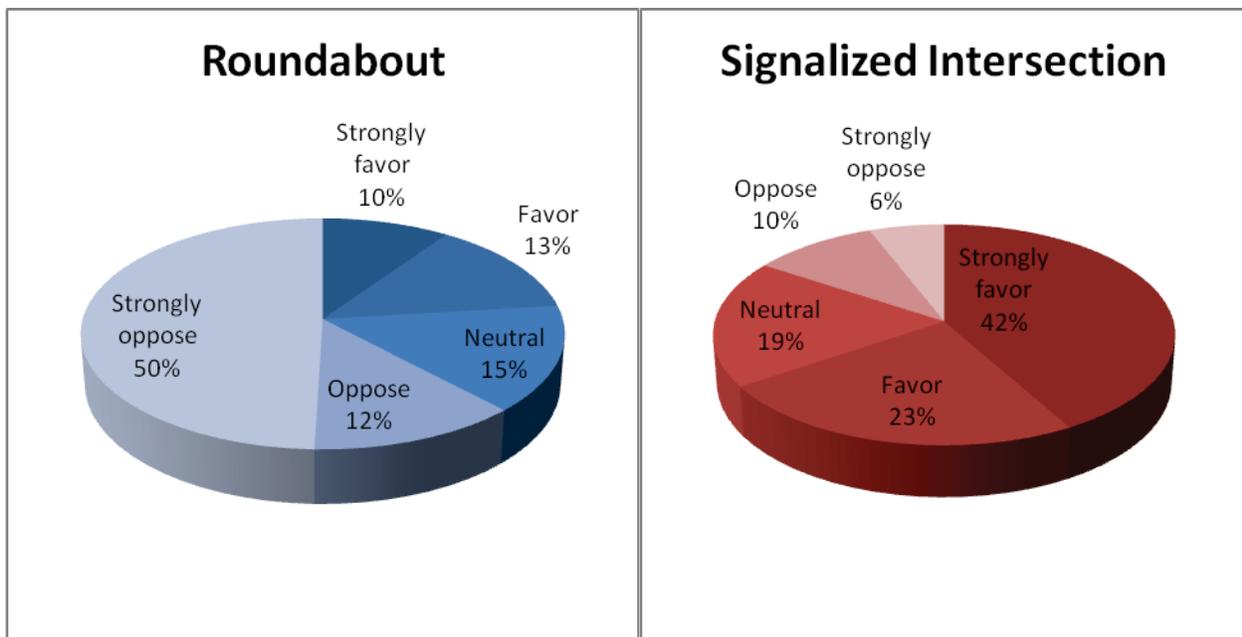
- “As a law enforcement officer who has had to work a LOT of accidents at or near the intersection, I believe a roundabout would be a successful option to move the traffic through the area efficiently, while improving the overall safety of the intersection.”
- **Allows better access to and from shopping center**

Another option for the 14th and Superior streets intersection is to expand the intersection by adding lanes. Please rank your thoughts on this proposed design.

Strongly favor	Favor	Neutral	Oppose	Strongly oppose
85	48	38	20	12

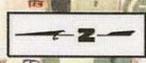
Main comment themes about the signalized intersection:

- **Many simply preferred this concept to the idea of a roundabout:**
 - Several people said that traffic will move in a safer manner and people will obey signals more than they would yield properly in a roundabout.
 - A few commented that they like the familiarity of a signalized intersection.
- **Prefer to not have underpasses:**
 - *Similar reasons stated as are on page 1.*
- **A few aren't sure why this project is even necessary:**
 - One asked why the intersection needed to be expanded for two hours of high volume traffic each day?
- **Will hurt access to local businesses:**
 - A few people had concern about access to the local businesses and the shopping center, including “greatly damaged access” to the center.
 - “Access to local businesses is more difficult. Would force me to use other businesses.”
 - “Does not allow left out access to Superior Street for residents at Superior Place Apartments.”





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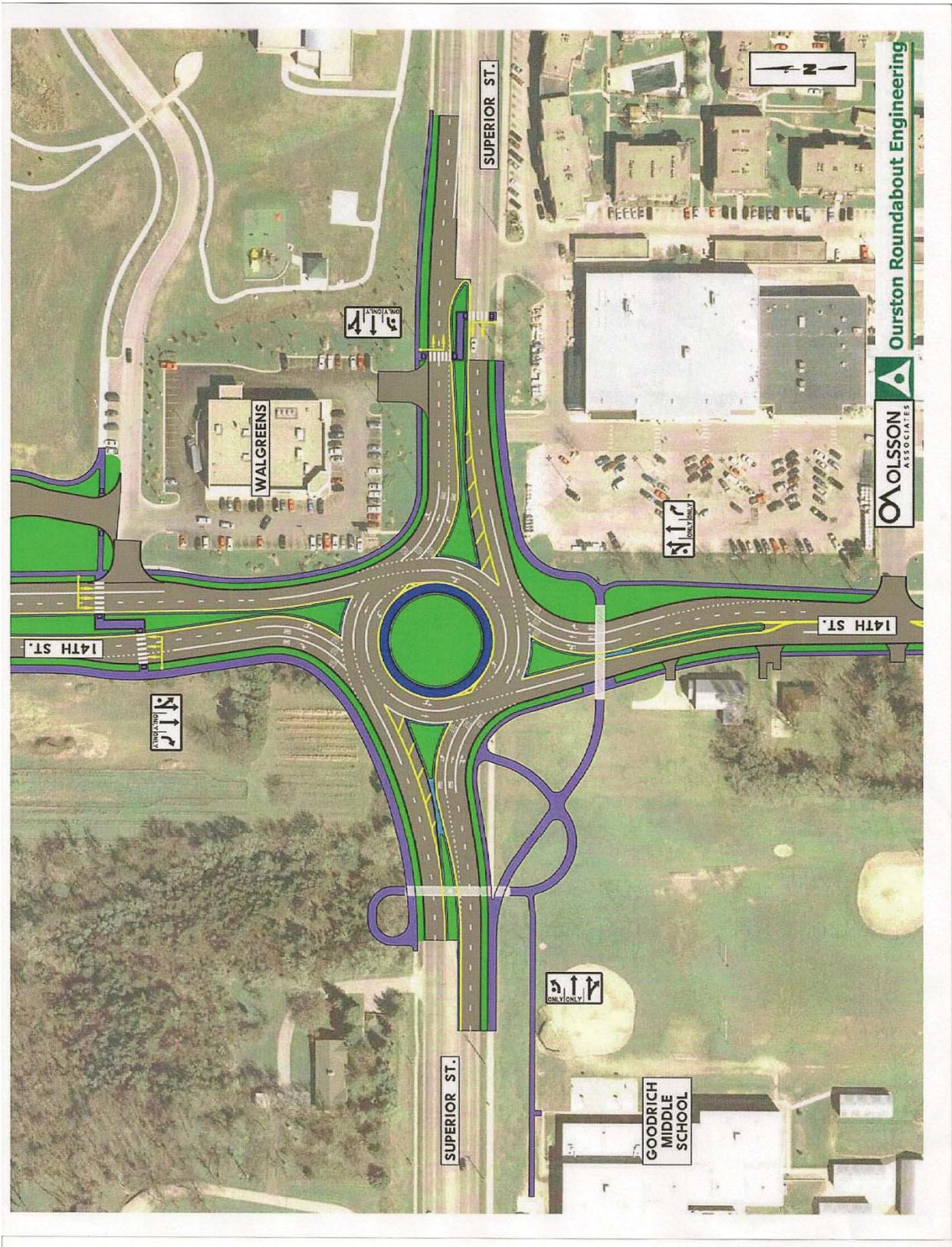
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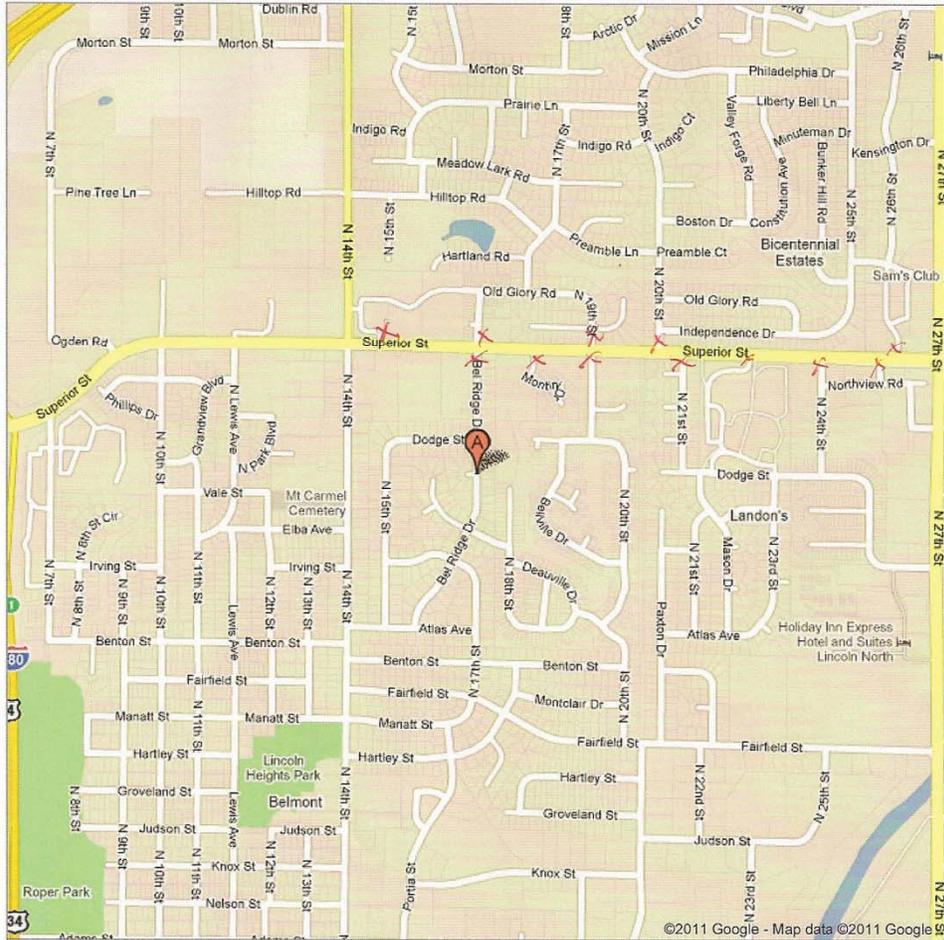
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**DIRECTORS' AGENDA
ADDENDUM
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011**

I. CITY CLERK

II. CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE MAYOR & DIRECTORS

MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. "O" Street to close during evening, overnight hours for street rehab work
2. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for the week of April 16, 2011 through April 22, 2011.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Report tracks discrimination complaints. View the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights (LCHR) report on line at lincoln.ne.gov.

DIRECTORS

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1. Lincoln's Urban Design Committee and the Historic Preservation Commission will hold joint public meetings on Thursday, April 21, 2011, at the County-City Building at 3:00 p.m., agenda attached. They will reconvene at 7:00 p.m. at the Pershing Center, with a public open house between the two sessions.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

1. Reply to Councilman Jon Camp on his question of the City's policy on not using flashing yellow/red at traffic lights during late night hours from Randy Hoskins, Assistant City Engineer, and Greg MacLean, Director of Public Works and Utilities.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT

1. Answers to Councilman Camp's questions regarding the Credit Union TIF project. (Director's Agenda, April 18, 2011, IV., Council Members/Jon Camp, #1)
2. Response from Councilman Camp to reply on 17th and Q Credit Union, with a couple additional questions regarding the property.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP

1. Letter from Judy and Jim Lerdahl stating reasons why the Memory Care Unit should be built in a different area. The neighborhood wants a voice in what happens in their area.
2. Letter from Brad Williams with information why the neighborhood is asking the Council to vote no to the permit that approves the building of the domiciliary care facility unit at S. 27th and Wilderness Hills Boulevard.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS TO COUNCIL

1. Email from Sandra Lab asking Council to vote no on the city ordinance banning vehicles with advertising being parked on city streets.

2. InterLinc correspondence from Janet Chung listing Sunrise Estates Community Association's concerns with construction traffic in the neighborhood when accessing Waterford Estates.
3. InterLinc correspondence from Diana Miller explaining why StarTran should keep their services and not eliminate any bus service.
4. Email from Fred Freytag stating reasons to vote against Municipal Code prohibiting the parking of trucks on a street more than 400 feet from the primary place of business, and providing certain exceptions.
5. Three letters against the proposed special water district from West Q Street to West S Street, #6467981, from Hubert Twiehaus, Melvin Mettscher, and Chas Waldmann.

V. INVITATIONS
See invitation list.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Engineering Services, 901 West Bond., Lincoln, NE 68521, 402-441-7711, fax 402- 441-6576

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 15, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Brian Dittmann, Engineering Services, 402- 525-5646

**“O” STREET TO CLOSE DURING EVENING,
OVERNIGHT HOURS FOR STREET REHAB WORK**

Public Works officials today announced that “O” Street will be closed for street rehabilitation work from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. daily beginning Monday, April 18. Milling and overlay work is expected to be completed by 7 a.m. Friday, April 22.

During these times, a two block section of “O” Street will close from just east of the Centennial Mall and “O” Street intersection to just east of the 17th Street and “O” Street intersection. Suggested alternate routes are “N,” “P” and “Q” streets.

For more information on City street closings and project information, visit the City website at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: street projects).

Date: April 15, 2011

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

Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule
Week of April 16 through 22, 2011
Schedule subject to change

Saturday, April 16

- Fund-raiser and graffiti painting event for William Carver - 9 a.m., 2202 Washington St.

Sunday, April 17

- Child Advocacy Center ribbon-cutting, remarks and proclamation - 5025 Garland

Monday, April 18

- United Way annual meeting, remarks, accepting award for City of Lincoln - 11:30 a.m., Cornhusker Marriott Hotel, 333 S. 13th St.
- Mayor's Award of Excellence (annual award) - 3 p.m., Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

Tuesday, April 19

- KLIN - 8:10 a.m., 4343 "O" St.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Comm. on Human Rights, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-7624, fax 402-441-6937

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 15, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Rod Confer, City Attorney, 402-441-7281

Margie Nichols, Civil Rights Investigator, 402-441-8690

REPORT TRACKS DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

The number of housing discrimination claims received by the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights (LCHR) doubled from 2009 to 2010, but the number of employment discrimination complaints dropped 17 percent. Those are some of the figures compiled in the LCHR annual report now available online at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: rights).

The 2010 LCHR annual report shows a total of 92 cases filed – 59 for employment discrimination, 27 for housing discrimination and six for public accommodation discrimination. That compares to 86 cases filed in the previous year – 71 for employment discrimination, 13 for housing discrimination and two for public accommodation discrimination.

“We believe the increase in housing complaints is due largely to LCHR’s education and outreach efforts,” said Margie Nichols, Civil Rights Investigator. “These important functions have been carried on by LCHR’s AmeriCorps Volunteer Regina Grant and Hispanic Liaison Loren Mestre Roberts. They have been our voice to the community, freeing the two investigators to focus their attention on the reason LCHR exists: to investigate allegations of discrimination in Lincoln.”

LCHR’s two investigators, Nichols and Angela Lemke, closed 91 cases in 2010 (not all were filed in 2010). In addition to non-monetary resolutions, LCHR negotiated settlements of about \$40,000. A service satisfaction survey sent to all complainants and respondents showed:

- 84 percent agreed or strongly agreed that the process was fair.
- 90 percent said they would refer LCHR to someone else experiencing discrimination.

In 2010, LCHR reached more than 6,000 residents in about 100 sessions covering civil rights and responsibilities. The annual Fair Housing Conference was expanded in 2010 to include both an employment and public accommodation focus.

“I commend the Commissioners and staff for a very productive year,” said Mayor Chris Beutler. “With the resignation of longtime Director Larry Williams, this has been a year of transition. Through reorganization, we’ve provided our fine investigators with the administrative support they need and have expanded our outreach efforts. Although Larry certainly left big shoes to fill, the Commissioners and staff have ensured the City’s commitment to human rights remains firm.”

- more -

Human Rights
April 15, 2011
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The Human Rights Division is now under the supervision of City Attorney Rod Confer, and Mayoral Aide Milo Mumgaard is serving as Interim Civil Rights Officer. LCHR will soon move to the third floor of the County-City Building, where new offices are under construction adjacent to the City Attorney's Office. An open house is being planned for late spring.

More information about LCHR is available at 402-441-7624 or lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: rights).

Joint meeting of
Historic Preservation Commission
&
Urban Design Committee

The City of Lincoln's Urban Design Committee and Historic Preservation Commission will hold joint public meetings on Thursday, **April 21, 2011**.

The meeting will convene at **3:00 p.m. in Room 214, 2nd floor, County-City Building**, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, to consider the following agenda. The groups will recess and reconvene at **7:00 p.m. at the Pershing Center**, 226 Centennial Mall South.

A public **Open House** will be held between the two sessions of the joint meeting, at Pershing Center, **6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**, April 21, 2011.

For more information, contact the Planning Department at 441-7491.

April 21, 2011

3:00 p.m., Room 214, County/City Building

1. Presentation by West Haymarket Arena Design Team (DLR/BVH): update on West Haymarket Arena design process
2. Discussion by Joint boards of Arena Design

6:00-7:00 p.m., Pershing Center

Public Open House on West Haymarket Arena Design

7:00 p.m., Pershing Center

3. Public Hearing by Urban Design Committee & Historic Preservation Commission on Arena Design.
4. Discussion, scheduling of next joint meeting, adjournment.

The Historic Preservation Commission agenda may be accessed on the Internet at
<http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/bdscom/hpc/index.htm>

The Urban Design Committee agenda may be accessed on the Internet at
<http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/bdscom/udc/index.htm>

Mary M. Meyer

From: Karen K. Sieckmeyer
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:30 PM
To: Jon Camp; Council Packet
Cc: Trish A. Owen; Rick D. Hoppe; Debbie Engstrom
Subject: Yellow/Red Flashing Lights

Dear Councilman Camp,

In an email last week you asked Public Works Director Greg MacLean to address your question regarding, "**...the City's policy on NOT using flashing yellow/red at traffic lights during late night hours?**" At the Director's meeting on April 11th you asked if Public Works was going to implement the flashing of signals suggestion and wanted to make sure that the cost of wasted fuel from idling vehicles be included in the analysis.

This is actually a fairly common question, and seemingly simple. However, it is a public safety issue and does not have or deserve a simple response, so I have asked Assistant City Engineer Randy Hoskins to prepare the response which follows:

Public Works looked at this idea several years ago to determine if going to flashing operations with the traffic signals at night would be an improvement or not. There are a number of factors that go into the decision of whether to flash traffic signals at night. Based on the results of our review, the decision was made not to flash Lincoln's signals at night, and that decision remains in place today.

First of all, every signal in the City is currently set to 'flash-red' in all directions when they are put into flashing operation. The decision to go to an 'all-red-flash' was made due to concerns over confusion to motorists created when some signals were set to 'all-red-flash' and others were in 'red/yellow flash.' Motorists facing a red flash were making the assumption that the opposing direction was facing a red flash as well, then pulling out in front of on-coming traffic that was in fact facing a yellow flash. This resulted in crashes and near misses, which prompted us to change to 'all-red-flash' at all intersections.

Under this policy, any flashing of signals late at night would only be done under an 'all-red-flash' condition. Obviously this ensures that everyone must stop at every signal. As it stands now, under our currently operating policy, traffic signals rest in green for the approach that carries the greatest volume of traffic. As a result, our current policy results in the fewest number of vehicles that must stop and arguably the greatest fuel and time efficiency for the motoring public.

It is also very important to remember that most of Lincoln's traffic signals are now vehicle actuated, meaning that as soon as the signal recognizes the presence of a vehicle on the side street, it begins the process of changing the signal to green for the side street. This configuration minimizes the amount of delay that a vehicle will incur while approaching the intersection. We do have some older signals, particularly in the downtown area, that run on a fixed time pattern and will take longer to turn to green. Eventually, these too will be actuated, but that requires money.

Another very important consideration in making the decision not to flash signals is pedestrian safety. While there are generally not many pedestrians at night, we still need to ensure that they are able to safely cross streets. Pedestrians are more difficult to see at night, so the ability to have a Walk indication is even more important at night. When signals are flashing, (whether 'all-red' or 'yellow-red') there is no opportunity to bring up a Walk indication for pedestrians in any direction.

The final reason that we do not flashing signals is purely a safety concern. Signals must meet Federal warrants before they can be installed, and most of the time, signals are installed for safety reasons. Safety is a concern 24 hours a day, so not having signals operate in their designed normal configuration during certain portions of the

day could leave the City open to liability claims by motorists involved in crashes under those conditions. Traffic control devices are designed to be consistent and familiar. If we make a decision to change the operation, we introduce an inconsistency that we believe could create a safety hazard.

In closing, we know that a reason often cited by advocates of flashing signals is that the flashing operations save energy and therefore money. However, nearly all of Lincoln's traffic signals are now equipped with LED signal heads, which are very energy efficient. The greatest portion of the energy usage at an intersection is expended within the traffic signal cabinet where the computer that runs the signal is housed. Any savings by the short period of time a light would be off during flashing operations is offset by the greater cost to replace the signals on a more frequent duration due to turning them on and off more rapidly than normal.

*Randy Hoskins, PE
Assistant City Engineer*

As for potential fuel savings due to fewer idling instances, consider this. The average modern full-size car consumes approximately 1/2 gallon per hour while idling with the engine warm. If you conservatively assume that gas is \$5/gallon (which it may well soon be), a typical motorist will be using about 4 cents of gas per minute. Lincoln's longest red light at night is less than a minute. So, the worst-case scenario for a driver that just misses a green light at night, is it will cost them a minute of time and about 4 teaspoons of gas, or a nickel. Some modern cars actually shut the motor off when stopped, so those folks pay zero extra, just like the motorist that made the green light.

As you can see, we have no compelling safety or environmental reasons to consider changing our current policy and switching to flashing signals at night at this time, but there are many valid reasons to keep it the same.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, feel free to contact Assistant City Engineer Randy Hoskins at 441-7570, or me at 441-7566.

Sincerely,

Greg MacLean
Director of Public Works & Utilities

17th & Q Streets—Credit Union Proposed Redevelopment Project

Questions:

1. Age of existing credit union building - 1950
2. Fraternity—is this the building being constructed at 17th & R Streets? No, that building is outside the project area.
 - a. Or is another fraternity planned to be constructed? Another fraternity is planned to be constructed.
 - b. What is the name of the fraternity? Phi Kappa Theta
 - c. What are the 2.5 positions anticipated for the fraternity? The positions in the fraternity may include a “house parent,” facilities manager, and cook.
 - i. Annual compensations? It is not known at this time.
3. Will the City of Lincoln purchase the land at 17th & P Streets? The City is discussing the acquisition process with the developer. The acquisition terms will be negotiated as part of the redevelopment agreement.
 - a. If so, what is the projected purchase price?
 - b. What is the projected sales price to the credit union?
4. Street changes – The proposed changes to the streets may include removing two curb cuts on Q Street, existing curb cut enhancements, and streetscape/sidewalk improvements on Q, P, and 17th. No other changes to the streets have been discussed at this time, but further changes may be identified as discussions with the developers continue.
 - a. Please describe anticipated changes in the streets
 - i. Q Street- Above
 - ii. R Street - None
 - iii. 17th Street - Above
 - iv. P Street - Above
5. Tax Revenues
 - a. Which parcel currently has no tax value? All parcels in the project area have tax values. One parcel will be split, and it is not known how the Assessor will split the value.
 - i. What will be the projected base value for TIF purposes? The cost benefit analysis shows a projected base value of \$406,100 plus \$535,500 for a total of \$941,600.
 - ii. What will be the post-construction value? The cost benefit analysis shows that we are projecting a value of \$2,806,700 plus \$2,919,500 for a total of \$5,726,200
 - b. What is the current tax value for the credit union at its present location? We are showing a current value of the credit union drive through at an estimated \$406,100.
 - i. What is the projected tax value for the credit union at its new location? The projected value of the credit union at this time is \$2,919,500.
6. Credit Union

- a. Is the “building area” of the credit union represented by the 9,000 square feet? **Yes.**
 - i. Or does that include land not occupied by a building structure? **No.**
- b. Is the “building area” of the new credit union to be 14,000 square feet? **Yes.**
 - i. Or does that include land not occupied by a building structure? **No.**
- c. Is the credit union fully taxable? **Yes.**
 - i. Or is a portion or all of the credit union tax-exempt? **No.**

Mary M. Meyer

Subject: FW: Responses to Councilman Camp's Questions - 17th and Q Credit Union

Hallie:

Thanks for your answers to my questions.

Regarding the date the building was constructed, I think you were referring to the building that is not part of this TIF project, namely the main bank building that, subject to your confirmation, will be sold to the Newman Center and be taken off the tax rolls.

Also, the credit union main building was remodeled in 2003.

When was the drive-in portion of the credit union built?

Jon

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From: Hallie E. Salem [<mailto:HSalem@lincoln.ne.gov>]

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 1:48 PM

To: Jon Camp; Mary M. Meyer

Cc: Dallas A. McGee; David Landis

Subject: Responses to Councilman Camp's Questions - 17th and Q Credit Union

Mary,

Please find and distribute the attached responses to Councilman Camp's questions on the 17th and Q Credit Union Project to the City Council.

Thank you,

Hallie

Hallie Salem, AICP
Community Development Specialist/Downtown Redevelopment
Urban Development Department
555 S 10th Street, Suite 205

Mary M. Meyer

Subject: FW: Memory unit at 27th and Wilderness Hills Blvd.

Jim and Judy:

Thank you for your email. I visited by telephone with Brad Williams a few days ago and he also express concerns as well as the suggestion of having traffic enter the proposed parking lot for the Memory Care Center off Wilderness Hill Blvd.

I will be inquiring more into this situation.
Best regards,

Jon
Ec: Lincoln City Council; Marvin Krout, Planning Director

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From: Judy Lerdahl [mailto:judysjewels43@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2011 11:15 AM
To: Jon Camp; KARIN VANDEUN; BWilliams@TheWilliamsWay.com
Subject: Memory unit at 27th and Wilderness Hills Blvd.

Hello,

My name is Judy Lerdahl. My husband, Jim, and I live at 9020 S. 28th St. We have concerns about the proposed building of a Memory Care Unit across the street from our home. Even though we live a bit farther to the south, we feel such a unit will have the following impacts on us and our neighbors:

1. We have concerns about the evaluation of our property. We chose this area because of it being a residential neighborhood with single family dwellings and townhomes. Many of our neighbors are retired, but we also have families living here. It **seemed to be** the perfect place to build our retirement home.

2. We are concerned that the traffic increase will disturb our otherwise quiet street. At this time we are able to walk on sidewalks or the streets, visiting with our neighbors, with little fear of delivery trucks buzzing in and out.
3. We wonder what will happen to the vacant area just to the south of this unit. Will Mr. Klein soon decide to build more units on those vacant lots? Or worse yet, will other "money making" projects begin to develop with a possible change of zoning? If the property remains available for sale to private home owners, would anyone want to build on this property having an Alzheimer unit (units) right next door? I think "NOT".
4. We are concerned with safety of all of us. Knowing that folks with the Alzheimer disease want to "go Home". They will go to any means to "get out". I know, as I was very much involved with my aunt who had Alzheimer's. These folks, bless their soles, are not operating with a rational mind.
5. Last, but not least, we are requesting if this does pass, that Mr. Klein or the city, make a "cut away" off Wilderness Hills Blvd. as an access road. We have great concern that the entry will be right in front of my cousin's home, Brad Williams. He just purchased the home, and had no idea of such a plan for the units.

We in, Wilderness Hills, felt "railroaded" by Lincoln Federal. The city planning commission appeared to already have their minds made up as to how they would vote. Hmm. Sure puts a damper on giving Lincoln citizens some say in the city decisions. My husband and I attended the meeting on March 15th and were shocked to see a full color plan of the facility, and NONE of us as residents of this Wilderness Hills Development had any information of such a plan. To make matters worse, neither Lincoln Federal nor our association "president", Mike Rierden, were in attendance. Of course, neither showed up at the meeting on April 6th. Certainly, we have lost faith in Lincoln Federal. It makes us wonder, "what next"?

Hope you will take note and consider our viewpoints. I would be glad to speak with you on the phone. My number is [402-450-1465](tel:402-450-1465). We as residents of Wilderness Hills are not willing to think, "oh well, we cannot do anything. It is a done deal". We want a voice in what happens in our neighborhood. Please, consider a veto of this plan, and help search for a location that does not impact home owners. Certainly, we are not going on record as not seeing the need for this facility. JUST NOT HERE! Give us, as citizens of Lincoln, a say in our neighborhoods.

Sincerely,
Judy Lerdahl, Jim Lerdahl

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Jon Camp [JonCamp@lincolnhaymarket.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2011 4:07 PM
To: Brad Williams
Cc: Judy Lerdahl (judysjewels43@gmail.com); KARIN VANDEUN; Marvin S. Krout; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: RE: Adopt Resolution #PC-01228 that Approves Special Permit #1105 (Domiciliary Care Facility South 27th and Wilderness Hills Blvd)

Brad:

Thank you for your email in which you detailed the discussion we had by telephone. Your email below does an excellent job of expressing your concerns and suggestions for the Domiciliary Care Facility near your home.

Rather than paraphrase what you wrote, I am forwarding your email to several City officials including my colleagues on the City Council and Marvin Krout, the Planning Director.

I have also received other communications from other neighbors. I will try to include them on this email as well and perhaps you can share our discussion with others.

Thank you for your constructive evaluation of this matter and explaining your concerns as well as possible areas for compromise.

Best regards,

Jon

ec: Lincoln City Council
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From: Brad Williams [mailto:bwilliams@thewilliamsway.com]

Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:03 PM

To: Jon Camp

Subject: Adopt Resolution #PC-01228 that Approves Special Permit #1105 (Domiciliary Care Facility South 27th and Wilderness Hills Blvd)

Dear Mr. Camp,

Thank you so much for taking time from your busy schedule to hear me out. I know you must be busier than a one armed paper hanger with elections, council duties, etc. As requested, I will do my best to overview the situation, list neighborhood objections/concerns and ask for a special request should the city council members approve this permit.

On April 6th, the Lincoln Planning Commission members passed this resolution 9-0. Now we know how Custer must have felt because we determined quickly in the hearing they already had their minds made up and we lost the battle before we even got started. Without question, Mr. Kline had the wheels greased.

We in the neighborhood were totally unaware of Mr. Kline's intentions until he showed up one night at a neighborhood meeting with a colored architectural drawing to tell us how beautiful this facility was going to look in our neighborhood. It sounded like it was already a done deal. Until that night, we had no clue what was going on behind closed doors with the bank that owned the property, Planning Commission members contacted by Mr. Kline, etc. Most of us don't mind losing when the playing field is level, but we as a neighborhood felt completely "steam rolled" with this unfortunate chain of events. Basically, we felt the Planning Commission members never took the time to thoroughly understand our position. If they had, then the outcome might have been different.

The Situation -

- 1 Regal Builder, Dan Kline, requested a special permit from the Lincoln Planning Commission (#1105) to build two interconnected Alzheimers/Dementia Care Units (each housing 16 patients) on property zoned R3 located in the Wilderness Hills Community Unit Plan. This property is located on south 27th and Wilderness Hills Blvd.
- 2 Fitting this facility into this corner area will result in one unit being backed up to the east side of south 27th and interconnected at an angle with the other unit and parking lot backed up to the south side of Wilderness Hills Blvd. The front will face empty lots directly across the street (south and south east) which are zoned R3 for family residence and listed for sale.
- 3 It will probably make you dizzy to read these directions, but we feel it is important to fully understand how the location is reached. You would drive south on 27th, turn left (east) onto Wilderness Hills Blvd, drive east a short distance, turn right (south) on 28th, almost immediately turn right (west) onto Keystone, continue 100 feet or so and turn right (north) into the proposed parking lot.

We are not thinking, "Well it's okay for someone else to live next to these unfortunate souls but not us." We believe there has to be a better location than what has been proposed by Mr. Kline and approved by the Planning Commission, even though we are fearful City Council members might approve this permit as well. It would seem this facility should be closer to a hospital and ambulance support. Be as it may, we don't want to dumb you to death with this rather long email, but please put your self in our shoes and hear us out with our prioritized concerns below:

Our Major Concerns

- 1 **Safety** - One of the Commission members said it is their duty to integrate these people into our neighborhoods. First of all, let me say, we are all acutely aware of the need for facilities to care for these unfortunate patients. All our hearts go out to them. However, these unfortunate souls are in a "containment center" surrounded by six foot walls to

enhance security. Some of us have endured the agony of watching a loved one suffer with these conditions; my mother being one. Unfortunately, a facility for Alzheimer/Dementia patients has a much more negative connotation than an assisted care facility; especially when there is a need for containment walls combined with extra security measures. That is just a fact of life.

There is no way to integrate these unfortunate folks into a neighborhood setting, because they can't leave the facility except to be outside within the six foot wall containment area. It's just not the same secure feeling as with an assisted living facility. Also, it would seem wiser to build this facility closer to a hospital and ambulance support. *Can a permit be granted for this kind of facility to be built in a new or clean environmental commercial zone setting as well as R3 zoning?*

I have a daughter in-law who managed an Alzheimer facility here in Lincoln at one time. She will tell you some of the patients can get extremely violent. Even though most are older folks, some are quite strong under certain conditions of agitation. A few did manage to sneak out of the facility because most of them don't want to be there. The fear of that same thing happening in our neighborhood is real; especially with our residents who have children.

One Commission member asked Mr. Kline, "How many of these types of facilities have you constructed in the past?" I think he said two in Lincoln and one in Missouri. Then he asked, "Have you ever had any bad citizen reports or complaints evolve from those locations?" Mr. Kline said, "No, I don't believe so." However, towards the end of the Commission hearing, Mr. Kline admitted his other facilities are for assisted living patientsd even though he thought one of them did have a few Alzheimer patients. He has never built a facility solely dedicated to Alzheimer/Dementia patients. Two of his assisted living facilities face major traffic streets and not the neighborhood. I certainly didn't see any wall confinement areas. I haven't seen the other one.

There are many children in this neighborhood that will be close to this proposed facility and we have to be concerned about their safety from increased traffic and other obvious security reasons. Many children will be passing this facility on their way to and from school and for other various community activities.

2 Definitely Enhanced Traffic Flow and Noise -

- a. Employee vehicles.
 - i. 8 full employees
 - ii. 13 part time
- b. Visitor vehicles
- c. Service vehicles (food, beverage, garbage disposal, postal, etc.)
- d. Medical vehicles (ambulance sirens any time day or night right next to several neighborhood residences. Not a good thing for young children and adults seeking a good night's sleep)

One commission member said the traffic wouldn't be much different than building townhomes on this property. We beg to differ. Looking at the map, you can see where 8 lots for town houses sit on this same property. Even if each townhouse owner had two cars, it still wouldn't be the same traffic influx or potentially higher noise level as this facility.

3 Jeopardize Future Neighborhood Construction and Growth –

As mentioned above, there are still some lots zoned R3 that sit directly across the street (south side of Keystone) that are for sale. With this Alzheimers facility sitting directly to the north just across the street,

who or what builder is going to want to build a family home, townhouse or duplex across from it? The odds are highly unlikely and will leave these few lots as prime property to get another permit for building either an assisted living or another Alzheimers facility on it. Mr. Kline didn't deny that when I posed the question to him.

- 4 **Declining Property Evaluation** – It is probably fair to assume property values won't go down, but we strongly feel the potential to sell our homes (if the need arises) close to this facility will be much more difficult; which will lead to negotiating for a price lower than being located close to other single family dwellings, town houses and duplexes. This we learned from some good folks who live next to a similar property here in Lincoln.

My wife and I recently bought a home (corner of 8900 South 28th St.) which is very close to this proposed facility. Prior to purchasing the house, we did our homework and found the property across the street zoned R3, which was exciting because this appeared to be a new and pleasant environment for residential living. There are many of us in the neighborhood who feel this is not the best location for this facility for valid reasons outlined above.

An Alternative - As an alternative, is there a possibility the city engineers might approve a turning lane or curb cut on Wilderness Blvd for access into this facility on the north side of their proposed parking lot? The proposed plan now shows entry into the parking lot from the south side of this proposed facility from the neighborhood Keystone street. At least it will help reduce our concerns with child safety and elevated traffic flow. It certainly won't reduce other negative factors such as some service vehicles and unexpected ambulance noise.

If City Council members approve this permit, we hope the builder will pay close attention to additional landscaping; especially the parking lot (i.e. berms, trees, scrubs, rocks, etc.) to help maintain the appearance specific to this residential community.

We as a neighborhood are asking the Council members to stand by us and vote "No" to this permit. Please don't force us to endure the ramifications of this facility; but instead allow us the full benefit of continuing to live in a friendly and thriving neighborhood environment. I think it is fair to ask, "Knowing what you do now, would you be willing to live right next door to this type of facility?"

I'm grateful for the opportunity to communicate our concerns. Please forward this message to the appropriate folks. If you have any advice to help me further our cause, please let me know at your convenience.

Your eyes are probably crossed by now. Mine are.

The Best to You,

Brad Williams, O.D., F.A.A.O. (Cell: 402-770-3232) (Home: 402-421-1607)

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Mary M. Meyer

From: bluevortex07 [bluevortex07@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:13 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Discussion re: city ordinance banning vehicles with advertising

I want to make it clear, before I begin, that I do not know any people involved, so this isn't about being a "friend". When I read about this in the paper, I couldn't believe this would even be considered. This truck is not parked in a residential area and on a city street. As I was driving the other day, I noticed many vehicles that carried advertising. Now, with this ban, they wouldn't be able to park on city streets, either, if this crazy ordinance is voted through. Who will drive through Lincoln, looking for vehicles with advertising, that are parked on city streets? Where will you tell them to park? Who gets a pass and who doesn't? Don't let this happen. Sandra Lab

Mary M. Meyer

From: WebForm [none@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2011 11:07 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
General Council

Name: Janet Chung
Address: 9501 Eastview Road
City: Lincoln, NE 68505

Phone: 402-429-1417
Fax:
Email: janet40220@yahoo.com

Comment or Question:

This e-mail is to advise you of Sunrise Estates Community Association's (SECA) concerns with the construction traffic through our neighborhood in order to access Waterford Estates.

SECA's development is made up of twenty eight acreages with asphalt roads that are maintained by Lancaster County. We do not have sidewalks and the roads were not constructed to be wide enough for large vehicles to pass each other. The roads were not constructed to support the weight by large construction trucks or for the increased number of cars for a large city development.

A construction truck damaged a homeowner's yard and sprinkler system while attempting to make the turn at the intersection of Linwood Lane and Eastview Road. The homeowner has contacted numerous city/county staff including Ken Schroeder, County Engineer and Tom Cajka, City Planning.

Mark Palmer of Olsson Associates indicated that the developer notified builders that construction traffic should use O Street and posted signs at the entrances of SECA. Other neighbors have observed vehicles stop to read the sign and continue to drive past it to the construction sites. One has contacted the companies to advise them that they should be using the O Street entrance, the list includes: Lincoln Lumber, Riemers Kaufman, Vogt excavating, and more. This is a time consuming activity that also does not seem to be very effective. We have noticed that construction is increasing at Waterford Estates.

SECA has asked Kent Seacrest who represents Waterford Estates for the following:

1. Install temporary rock road on 98th street for construction traffic.
2. Install "no outlet" signs and a barricade on Eastview Road at the border of SECA and Waterford Estates property.

Tom Cajka, City Planning, told one of our residents that the city is currently looking at the 98th Street construction. We request that the plan be expedited. If the street can not be paved, we request that a temporary rock road be installed for construction traffic.

Thank you for your prompt response.

Janet Chung

9501 Eastview Road

Mary M. Meyer

From: WebForm [none@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2011 10:54 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
General Council

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Phone: 4026174975
Fax: N/A
Email: dlimcouch56@hotmail.com

Comment or Question:

To whom it may concern;

Please do not shut down the Star Tran Bus services as they are the only means I have to and from work, store, and doctor offices. I use the bus service every day. I am 55 yrs old and have no car or bike...and I can't retire as government says I must work until 67 or 72 for benefits to be given. I go to work Monday-Thursday at 11:55 and come home on the 54 bus to mall and catch the 44 bus to downtown and catch the last 55 bus home. On Fridays I work 8am-5:45pm and catch 54 bus to mall then the 44 bus to downtown and the 55 bus home. So you see I need all the buses running to make it to and from my job. Please...raise the cost of fare before taking buses away...I pay what I have to to stay a working member of our town. Thank you for your time. Please save my job and my buses for me.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Council Packet
Subject: Amending Chapter 10.32 of the Lincoln, Municipal Code relating to Stopping, Standing and Parking of Vehicles

Dear City Council Member,

I am writing to you in regard to the newly proposed change to the Lincoln Municipal Code stated below. This ordinance is full of undefined areas from what is a truck to what type of streets. It could be a pickup truck like an S10 to a semi truck with trailer. If I take my pickup truck home that is owned by my company and it has the company name on it and I park it in front of my house I would be in violation of this new law. Then should this new law also apply to any vehicle owned by a company? A van, a car, an SUV and so on, if it has advertisement on it? What if some one is running a business out of their home and the neighbor has the same type of business but has a business location? Does this pertain to residential as well as commercial areas? Any specifically zoned areas?

I could go on and on but I think you know already many of the questions. This is a bad ordinance for a single issue that most likely has a much better solution than the one proposed. If the truck that is causing this issue is parked in a bad spot where it causes issues because of traffic concerns than maybe there should be no one parking there. Make it a no parking area. It is done all over town.

The DOT requires businesses to have their name on all vehicles that are company owned and fall under the DOT guidelines. That can include 1/2 ton pickups.

Do we here in Lincoln want to become so business unfriendly that we start regulating what type of adverting is on vehicles or trailers? How will be deal with that when out of town companies come here to do business? Will they be stopped at the City Limits?

This is bad government and I am against this sort of law making and urge you to not set it aside for further discussion but vote it down.

[11-39](#) Amending Chapter 10.32 of the Lincoln
Municipal Code relating to Stopping,
Standing and Parking of Vehicles by adding

a new section numbered 10.32.075 to
prohibit the parking of trucks on a street
more than 400 feet from the primary place
of business and providing certain

exceptions. (3RD READING W/CON'T P.H.
ON 4/18/11, 6-0)
[Fact Sheet](#) (75K)

Thank you for considering my points of view.

Fred Freytag
530 S 38th
Lincoln NE 68510

To: the Lincoln City Council

My name is Herbert V. Juchaus,
Own 330 NW 19th Street. I am
against the proposed special Water
district from West A Street to
West S. Street # 6467981. I may
be reached at 402 525 5981 if you
need to reach me. Thank you for
your attention in this matter.

Yours truly,
Herbert V Juchaus

City Council;

My name is Melvin Mittscher
I live at 415 NW 19th St, Lenexa, Mo.
In regards to the new water district
being proposed, I am very much
against it. I am happy with my
water as it is.

We are both on Social Security &
do not have the money to help pay
for something we feel is not
needed.

I had a family emergency on the
11th of this month & could not make the
meeting on this.

Thank You

M. J. Mittscher
415 NW 19th St
City

PHONE# 435 5586

cell 430 8441

301 NW 19th
Lincoln Ne

I CHAS L. WALDMANN live at
301 NW 19th STREET. I AM OPPOSED
to the CREATION OF SPECIAL WATER
district #6467981 west Q st to west
S street. I may be reached at 402-416-0396,
my cell phone if there ARE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK you
CHAS L. WALDMANN

**MINUTES
DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011**

Present: John Spatz, Chair
Gene Carroll, Vice Chair
Jon Camp
Jonathan Cook
Doug Emery
Adam Hornung
Jayne Snyder

Others: Joan Ross, City Clerk
Rod Confer, City Attorney
Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff

Chair Spatz opened the meeting at 2:02 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I. CITY CLERK

Ross stated Item #16 does have a Motion to Amend. Spatz commented Items #11 and #12 could be called together, with Ross agreeing. He added Item #16 has public hearing. Cook stated Item #21 is a request for second and third readings and asking if someone will state the reason for the request at the meeting. Confer replied he would explain the ordinance.

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents March Award of Excellence to Investigator Jason Adams of the Lincoln Police Department.
2. NEWS RELEASE. "Clean Your Files Week" begins April 17, 2011.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Public asked for input on transportation projects.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to open house on Pioneers Boulevard project.

No comments

Hoppe stated they've discussed the new EMS Oversight Authority which will go into effect as a result of the Mayor's Committee. Will email the resolution, proposed by-laws, and articles of incorporation for the new entity. Will introduce the items on May 2, 2011 with public hearing and vote on May 9, 2011. Also, should have a resolution for the Board's first appointments, which is a mix of Mayoral and City Council approved appointments and based on what position your organization holds. Would give an idea of what the Board will look like and will introduce at the same time. Hoppe stated he would send this week, before the public hearing, in case Council has comments or ideas to be incorporated.

III. DIRECTORS

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1. 2010 Lincoln Commission on Human Rights Annual Report.
- No comments

FINANCE DEPARTMENT/AUDITING

1. Memo from Don Herz, Finance Director, with explanation of attached documents:

- a) Auditor's Communication Letter; and
- b) Auditor's Comments.

No comments

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- 1. NEWS RELEASE. Board of Health award winners announced.
- 2. Board of Health meeting minutes of March 8, 2011.
- 3. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department Report, March, 2011.
- 4. NEWS RELEASE. Health Advisory - Air Pollution. People with heart and lung disease warned to stay inside.

No comments

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- 1. Administrative Approval by the Planning Director, Waiver No. 10025 to Administrative Final Plat No. 01008, on April 7, 2011.
- 2. Lplan 2040 Update: Newsletter Issue 5 and Transportation Alternatives, Survey/Open House with web links to referenced documents.

No comments

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/ENGINEERING

- 1. NEWS ADVISORY. Public Open House regarding Pioneers Boulevard; 32nd - 54th Street. Project No. 701778, on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the Gere Library, 56th and Normal Streets.

No comments

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP

- 1. Memo to David Landis, Urban Development Director regarding Credit Union TIF project.
 - a) List of questions regarding the legislation for the Credit Union TIF project at 17th and Q Streets and relocation to 17th and P Streets.

No comments

JAYNE SNYDER

- 1. Letter from Christopher Lane, Speece Lewis Engineers, Inc. in support of Amendment to Chapter 10.32, parking of trucks on street more than 400 feet from primary place on business. Will enhance Lincoln's streets.

No comments

CITY COUNCIL

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| Hornung | No comments |
| Snyder | No comments |
| Carroll | No comments |
| Camp | No comments |
| Emery | No comments |
| Cook | No comments |
| Spatz | No comments |

V. MISCELLANEOUS

VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

1. Email from Joe Hampton on understanding the enforcement of where to park on a city street and large signs on trucks. (Distributed to Council Members before meeting on Monday, April 11, 2011)
2. Revised LES Administrative Board Meeting Agenda for Friday, April 15, 2011. (Distributed to Council Members on April 12, 2011)
3. Email from Bob Reeves with concerns on the proposed ordinance prohibiting parking of commercial trucks more than 400 feet from their business.
4. Correspondence from Carol and John Brown regarding proposed roundabout at 14th and Superior Streets, including attached links to web sites and:
 - a) Comment form summary of March 29, 2010;
 - b) Maps illustrating multi-lane versus roundabout at 14th and Superior; and
 - c) Access points map to Superior Street.
5. Leo Behne, Bellridge Drive, strongly against the proposed roundabout at 14th and Superior Streets. Will result in difficult access to Superior Street as traffic continues to increase due to area development.

No comments

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Spatz adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m.