

**DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2011
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
ROOM 113, 2:00 P.M.**

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference on May 27th, at the County-City Building, Room 303, at 9:00 a.m., to discuss public safety issues.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler appoints Police Chief Tom Casady as the new Public Safety Director.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for May 28th through June 3, 2011.
4. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference on Tuesday, May 31st, 10:00 a.m. at 555 S. 10th Street to release a prioritized list of all 245 City programs, including a cost estimate for each.
5. NEWS RELEASE. New list of City programs includes estimated costs. Public urged to view prioritized list on City website and comment.
6. Fiscal Impact statement for Public Works.

III. DIRECTORS

FINANCE/BUDGET

1. May sales tax reports reflecting March activity:
 - a) Actual compared to Projected Sales Tax Collections;
 - b) Gross Sales Tax Collections (with refunds added back in) 2005-2006 through 2010-2011;
 - c) Sales Tax Refunds 2005-2006 through 2010-2011; and
 - d) Net Sales Tax Collections 2005-2006 through 2010-2011.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE. Health Advisory - LPS Fire. People with heart and lung disease warned to stay inside.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Location change for June's household hazardous waste collection.

LINCOLN LIBRARIES

1. NEWS RELEASE. Library Bookmobile at the Zoo, with summer service scheduled.
2. 2011 One Book - One Lincoln finalists announced. Voting begins June 1st.

LINCOLN PARKS AND RECREATION

1. Advisory Board meeting agenda for June 9, 2011 with minutes of meeting of May 12, 2011.

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Minutes of Special Public Hearing of May 25, 2011 on the FY 2011/12 - 2016/17 City of Lincoln Capital Improvements Program and the FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program.
2. Action by Planning Commission, June 1, 2011.

3. Planning Commission Final Action, June 2, 2011. Resolution No. PC-01232, approving Special Permit No. 11010.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES/RECYCLING

1. Correspondence from Gene Hanlon, Recycling Coordinator, in support of the proposed ordinance requiring garbage service for every dwelling, reducing the amount of waste dumped illegally at recycling drop-off sites.
 - a) Photos of illegal dumping even though the recycling sites are emptied three times a week.

WEED AUTHORITY

1. Combined Weed Program, City of Lincoln, May 2011 monthly report.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JONATHAN COOK

1. Letter from Pamela Rowland stating concerns regarding her neighbor's aggressive dog.
2. Response from Lin Quenzer, Ombudsman, to Pamela Rowland.
3. Correspondence from Steve Beal, Animal Control Manager, regarding the incidents mentioned by Pamela Rowland.

DOUG EMERY

1. Letter from JoAnn Bauer asking that the implementation of Smart Meters in Lincoln be banned.

CARL ESKRIDGE

1. Letter from Annie Clark. Consider a city-wide ordinance of banning Smart Meters.
2. Letter from Mike and Charlotte Ralston requesting the Council to ban Smart Meters.

V. MISCELLANEOUS - None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

1. Community Health Endowment of Lincoln announces funding awards.
2. InterLinc correspondence from Mark Elsener. With the city libraries having to cut hours and reduce staff it is not the time to start a new bureaucracy. Salary and staffing the new position is prohibitive.
3. Email from Melanie Brewer regarding her claim against the city.
4. Email from Christopher Nollette expressing his absolute opposition to the elimination of the Vets Hospital StarTran route.
5. Letter from Virginia Carter. Very disappointed the Council put the Old Cheney Road widening project on indefinite hold. Vote for accepting the City Engineer's plan and keep traffic moving safely.
6. Letter from Jean Frischknecht regarding neighborhood properties. (Sent to two Problem Resolution Team members)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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

DATE: May 26, 2011

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

Mayor Chris Beutler will discuss public safety issues at a news conference at **9 a.m. Friday, May 27** in **Room 303**, third floor of County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

The daily 8:40 a.m. police briefing for the media will take place immediately after the news conference and also will be in Room 303.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: May 27, 2011

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MAYOR APPOINTS CASADY AS PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Mayor Chris Beutler today announced a new structure for the City's public safety services and named Lincoln Police Chief Tom Casady as the new Public Safety Director with responsibility for the Lincoln Police Department and Lincoln Fire and Rescue. With the cooperation of the Lancaster County Board and the Sheriff's Office, Casady also would oversee 911 Emergency Communications, now a division of the City Finance Department. Assistant Police Chief Jim Peschong has been named Interim Police Chief. Interim Fire Chief John Huff and 911 Communications Coordinator Julie Righter will continue to serve in those positions.

The changes will be effective June 1, and Mayor Beutler will ask the City Council to support the new management concept for a two-year period. "That will give us time to see how the new arrangement is working, whether we are achieving our goals and meeting our performance indicators and how the change impacts our budget," Beutler said. "If we determine the new model is a good fit, we will make it a permanent arrangement."

Casady has been Police Chief since January 1994. He served as Lancaster County Sheriff prior to that appointment. He began his law enforcement career as a Lincoln Police Officer in 1974. He has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from the University of Nebraska-Omaha, and a master's degree in political science from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

"I have chosen Tom for this position because I believe the skills he has demonstrated as Police Chief will be extremely valuable to our entire public safety team," Beutler said. "He is a strong communicator and will work well with neighborhoods on their public safety needs. Under his leadership, LPD has contributed to a low crime rate and increased livability through innovative community policing efforts. Tom also has made Lincoln a national leader in the use of technology, particularly GIS applications, to provide the instant information that helps prevent and solve crime.

"I'm excited about the new challenge Mayor Beutler has asked me to accept," said Casady. "This change gives us an opportunity to take a new look at budgetary and management issues. The new model also provides a common direction for all the public safety services and promotes collaboration, cooperation and joint operations. I hope I can bring a fresh perspective to these important City services.

Date: May 27, 2011

Contact: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7547

Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule
Week of May 28 through June 3, 2010
Schedule subject to change

Monday, May 30

CITY OFFICES CLOSED – MEMORIAL DAY

Tuesday, May 31

- Corrections Joint Public Agency (JPA) meeting - 9 a.m., City Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.
- Farewell reception Jack Oliva, Dean of the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts, present medallion - 3:30 p.m., Van Brunt Visitors Center, 313 N. 13th St.

Thursday, June 2

- KFOR Morning Show - 7:45 a.m.
- Environmental Task Force meeting - noon, Mayor's Conference Room, County-City Building
- West Haymarket JPA meeting - 3:30 p.m., Room 303, County-City Building

Friday, June 3

- Environmental Leadership Awards ceremony, remarks - 7:30 a.m., UNL Champions Club, 707 Stadium Drive

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DATE: May 30, 2011

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As part of the “Taking Charge” budget process, Mayor Chris Beutler will release a prioritized list of all 245 City programs at a news conference at **10 a.m. Tuesday, May 31** in the **Mayor’s Conference Room**, third floor of County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

For the first time, the list will include a cost estimate for each program. The Mayor is scheduled to release his budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year in July.

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NEW LIST OF CITY PROGRAMS INCLUDES ESTIMATED COSTS

Public urged to view prioritized list on City website and comment

Mayor Chris Beutler today released a prioritized list of all 224 City programs and encouraged the public to comment on the list at lincoln.ne.gov. He also announced that for the first time, the list includes the estimated cost of providing the program in the 2011-2012 fiscal year. The list is part of the City's "Taking Charge" public budget process, which also includes a budget survey now available on the same City website.

The Mayor said the first three years of the "Taking Charge" process have shown City leaders that residents want to better understand the budget and the options that are available. He said the prioritized program list gives residents a simple and clear picture of what City Hall does and how much it costs. City programs are listed in order based on their importance in achieving goals, and those at the bottom of the list are less likely to be funded when the budget is tight.

"You can clearly see which programs are at risk when there is a budget shortfall and how much revenue we need to keep a program going," Beutler said. "You don't have to understand the complicated budget terms, dig through pages of data or know the right questions to ask. The program prioritization list available on our City website gives taxpayers a more clear and direct way to look at the City budget than they've ever had before."

Beutler said the list is an important tool in creating transparency and is designed to encourage community discussion. "It is important to my Administration to provide that information as we build consensus for a budget blueprint – a blueprint for the kind of future we want for Lincoln," he said. "Again this year, we face tough choices in maintaining the programs that help give Lincoln its unique quality of life. It is imperative that we make these choices together, because all of us will live with both the positive and the negative consequences of our decisions."

The City worked with the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center on the list and the survey. About 1,400 people have taken the online survey so far. The Mayor also reminded residents that they can sign up online for the "Taking Charge Community Conversation" on Saturday June 18 at City Hall. Participants will learn more about the City budget and discuss several specific issues that will help the City establish priorities and make spending choices.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS	Availability of Appropriations: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	BUDGET OFFICER <u>Steve Gubler</u>
	PURCHASING AGENT _____
FINANCE DIRECTOR <u>[Signature]</u>	DATE <u>7/29/11</u>

APPROVED: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	MAYOR <u>[Signature]</u>
	DATE <u>5-31-11</u>

WHEN TO USE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

1. Requesting transfer of operating appropriations.
2. Requesting increase in personnel (full time equivalents) appropriations.
3. Requesting transfer of capital improvement appropriations.
4. Requesting operational change not authorized during the budget process.
5. Requesting appropriations based on receipt of additional funds from outside sources.
6. Requesting use of Contingency funds.

HOW TO USE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NEED: There should be a detailed explanation of why a change to the previously approved budget is necessary. If the change will have any impact beyond the current fiscal year, it should also be noted.

FUTURE IMPACT: One of the boxes should be checked. An example of an item with ongoing impact would be a request for additional fte authorization that will also be requested in upcoming budgets. This would necessitate filling out the "Next Fiscal Year Annualized" column. An example of an item with limited impact would be asking for authorization to use salary savings for the one time purchase of equipment. If "Projected Completion Date" applies, please fill in.

REVENUES GENERATED: Please note if the request will affect current and future revenues.

LEGISLATIVE CHANGES: These boxes should be marked yes or no. Some of the actions this form is used for (transfer of capital improvement appropriations, Contingency Funds) require a City Council ordinance.

PERSONNEL (full time equivalents): Please note the number of ftes the request involves, if applicable.

PERSONNEL (cost), SUPPLIES, OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES, EQUIPMENT: All entries in these boxes must have the business unit, object code, and object code description along with the dollar amount. Negative amounts must be indicated by brackets.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: This box should contain the sum of the dollar amounts in the various expenditure categories.

SOURCE OF REVENUES: This box should contain the name of the fund the action is required for.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Public Works/Street Operations

DATE: April 25, 2011

NEED

The current approved budget for Public Works, Street Operations, includes approximately \$122,000 to make lease/purchase payments for the replacement of (4) 58,000 GVWR Dump/Plow Trucks used for snow removal operations. An additional \$40,000 was also budgeted for other plow equipment needed. The bids on the trucks were recently submitted and were very close to what was budgeted. We also asked for and received bids for "underbody scrapers" and "wing plows". The prices we received exceed the \$40,000 budgeted. The addition of these new scrapers & plows, will assist us in providing better snow removal service by making our existing equipment more versatile. For instance, a truck mounted with a \$10,000 "underbody scraper", along with a regular snow plow and a \$11,000 "wing plow", will be able to operate as a motor grader and two truck plows at the same time, all with one operator. The price to purchase a new motor grader is approximately \$200,000 and an additional plow truck is approximately \$140,000. You would also need two additional operators to run these two pieces of equipment.

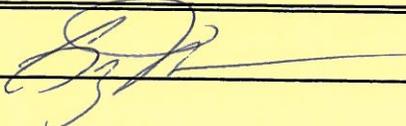
At the end of the 2010-11 fiscal year, we anticipate a balance of approximately \$125,000 to remain in the Snow Budget. We are requesting to move \$25,000 from Business Unit 79130, Object Code 5629 (Contractual Support - Snow Removal) to Business Unit 79130, Object Code 6073 (Heavy Equipment). This would increase the available dollars from \$40,000 to \$65,000 in Object Code 6073. This would be used to purchase four (4) "underbody scrapers", one for each new truck and two (2) "wing plows", to be mounted on two of the four new trucks. So, when we receive the four new trucks, we will have two with regular plows, "underbody scrapers" and "wing plows" and two with regular plows and "underbody scrapers".

FUTURE IMPACT **ONGOING**
 LIMITED **Projected Completion Date** October 1, 2011

REVENUES GENERATED	LEGISLATIVE CHANGES		
	City	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	County	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	State	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Federal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

IMPACT	Current Fiscal Year	Next Fiscal Year Annualized
PERSONNEL (full time equivalents) <input type="checkbox"/>		
PERSONNEL (cost) index code: object code description		
SUPPLIES index code: object code description		
OTHER SERVICES & CHARGES index code: 79130 object code description		
5629 (Contractual Support - Snow Removal)	(\$25,000.00)	
EQUIPMENT index code: 79130 object code description		
6073 (Heavy Equipment)	\$25,000.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	(\$25,000.00)	

SOURCE OF REVENUES Streets & Highways Fund 79130

DIRECTOR _____  _____ **DATE** _____

**Actual Compared to
Projected Sales Tax Collections**

	2010-11 PROJECTED	2010-11 ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM PROJECTED	\$ CHANGE FR. 09-10	% CHANGE FR. 09-10
SEPTEMBER	\$4,606,732	\$4,767,314	\$160,582	\$163,898	3.56%
OCTOBER	\$4,803,841	\$4,865,846	\$62,005	\$273,777	5.96%
NOVEMBER	\$4,756,946	\$4,889,920	\$132,974	\$116,328	2.44%
DECEMBER	\$4,499,729	\$4,695,792	\$196,063	\$396,057	9.21%
JANUARY	\$4,578,573	\$4,414,597	(\$163,976)	\$317,344	7.75%
FEBRUARY	\$5,817,548	\$5,850,307	\$32,759	\$528,063	9.92%
MARCH	\$4,293,198	\$3,933,528	(\$359,670)	(\$278,706)	-6.62%
APRIL	\$4,066,088	\$4,411,735	\$345,647	\$193,430	4.59%
MAY	\$4,719,366	\$5,205,614	\$486,248	\$87,592	1.71%
JUNE	\$4,595,468				
JULY	\$4,651,786				
AUGUST	\$4,927,739				
TOTAL	\$56,317,014	\$43,034,652	\$892,631	\$1,797,783	4.98%

Actual collections through May are 2.12 % above projections for the year.

**CITY OF LINCOLN
GROSS SALES TAX COLLECTIONS
(WITH REFUNDS ADDED BACK IN)
2005-2006 THROUGH 2010-2011**

	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2006-2007	ACTUAL 2007-2008	ACTUAL 2008-2009	% CHG. FR. PRIOR YEAR	ACTUAL 2009-2010	% CHG. FR. PRIOR YEAR	ACTUAL 2010-2011	% CHG. FR. PRIOR YEAR
SEPTEMBER	\$4,630,210	\$4,573,597	\$4,612,020	\$4,812,555	4.35%	\$4,703,478	-2.27%	\$4,822,814	2.54%
OCTOBER	\$4,823,369	\$4,712,519	\$5,052,950	\$4,845,000	-4.12%	\$4,687,315	-3.25%	\$4,987,584	6.41%
NOVEMBER	\$4,799,275	\$4,658,480	\$4,818,715	\$4,937,998	2.48%	\$4,922,939	-0.30%	\$4,938,240	0.31%
DECEMBER	\$4,511,403	\$4,445,761	\$4,753,456	\$4,545,947	-4.37%	\$4,502,684	-0.95%	\$4,708,180	4.56%
JANUARY	\$4,342,902	\$4,554,634	\$4,617,097	\$4,465,270	-3.29%	\$4,354,458	-2.48%	\$4,777,606	9.72%
FEBRUARY	\$5,797,893	\$5,993,653	\$5,596,617	\$5,775,594	3.20%	\$5,426,478	-6.04%	\$5,920,886	9.11%
MARCH	\$4,247,908	\$4,125,074	\$4,421,405	\$4,258,773	-3.68%	\$4,226,466	-0.76%	\$4,418,795	4.55%
APRIL	\$3,991,159	\$4,018,709	\$4,227,476	\$4,119,617	-2.55%	\$4,294,043	4.23%	\$4,421,797	2.98%
MAY	\$4,543,369	\$4,895,921	\$4,753,366	\$4,744,089	-0.20%	\$5,186,573	9.33%	\$5,374,035	3.61%
JUNE	\$4,539,614	\$4,664,470	\$4,859,251	\$4,624,054	-4.84%	\$4,662,293	0.83%		
JULY	\$4,655,061	\$4,772,617	\$4,983,976	\$4,501,197	-9.69%	\$4,567,893	1.48%		
AUGUST	\$4,991,723	\$4,887,329	\$5,026,702	\$4,856,331	-3.39%	\$5,105,968	5.14%		
TOTAL	\$55,873,886	\$56,302,764	\$57,723,030	\$56,486,425	-2.14%	\$56,640,589	0.27%	\$44,369,937	4.88%

**CITY OF LINCOLN
SALES TAX REFUNDS
2005-2006 THROUGH 2010-2011**

	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2006-2007	ACTUAL 2007-2008	ACTUAL 2008-2009	% CHG. FROM PRIOR YEAR	ACTUAL 2009-2010	% CHG. FROM PRIOR YEAR	ACTUAL 2010-2011	% CHG. FROM PRIOR YEAR
SEPTEMBER	(\$80,882)	(\$27,350)	(\$90,282)	(\$435,079)	381.91%	(\$100,061)	-77.00%	(\$55,500)	-44.53%
OCTOBER	(\$358,866)	(\$166,695)	(\$79,688)	(\$108,925)	36.69%	(\$95,246)	-12.56%	(\$121,738)	27.81%
NOVEMBER	(\$173,972)	(\$3,881)	(\$158,855)	(\$86,760)	-45.38%	(\$149,347)	72.14%	(\$48,320)	-67.65%
DECEMBER	(\$6,319)	(\$175,440)	(\$29,848)	(\$209,674)	602.47%	(\$202,950)	-3.21%	(\$12,388)	-93.90%
JANUARY	(\$269,713)	(\$84,287)	(\$26,308)	(\$256,270)	874.13%	(\$257,206)	0.37%	(\$363,009)	41.14%
FEBRUARY	(\$73,395)	(\$327,119)	(\$489,939)	(\$83,713)	-82.91%	(\$104,235)	24.51%	(\$70,579)	-32.29%
MARCH	(\$165,869)	(\$133,574)	(\$325,269)	(\$73,785)	-77.32%	(\$14,233)	-80.71%	(\$485,268)	3309.51%
APRIL	(\$196,682)	(\$130,611)	(\$108,764)	(\$70,988)	-34.73%	(\$75,738)	6.69%	(\$10,063)	-86.71%
MAY	(\$166,567)	(\$381,653)	(\$22,529)	(\$117,201)	420.23%	(\$68,551)	-41.51%	(\$168,421)	145.69%
JUNE	(\$14,085)	(\$186,252)	(\$136,308)	(\$444,973)	226.45%	(\$110,343)	-75.20%	(\$104,495)	-5.30%
JULY	(\$39,492)	(\$155,825)	(\$478,184)	(\$331,804)	-30.61%	(\$251,505)	-24.20%		
AUGUST	(\$57,700)	(\$569,595)	(\$43,759)	(\$11,878)	-72.86%	(\$286,162)	2309.23%		
TOTAL	(\$1,603,541)	(\$2,342,280)	(\$1,989,734)	(\$2,231,050)	12.13%	(\$1,715,576)	-23.10%	(\$1,439,780)	22.23%

Year to date vs.
previous year

**CITY OF LINCOLN
NET SALES TAX COLLECTIONS
2005-2006 THROUGH 2010-2011**

	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2006-2007	ACTUAL 2007-2008	ACTUAL 2008-2009	% CHG. FROM PR. YEAR	ACTUAL 2009-2010	% CHG. FROM PR. YEAR	ACTUAL 2010-2011	% CHG. FROM PR. YEAR
SEPTEMBER	\$4,549,328	\$4,546,247	\$4,521,738	\$4,377,476	-3.19%	\$4,603,417	5.16%	\$4,767,314	3.56%
OCTOBER	\$4,464,503	\$4,545,825	\$4,973,261	\$4,736,074	-4.77%	\$4,592,069	-3.04%	\$4,865,846	5.96%
NOVEMBER	\$4,625,303	\$4,654,599	\$4,659,859	\$4,851,237	4.11%	\$4,773,592	-1.60%	\$4,889,920	2.44%
DECEMBER	\$4,505,085	\$4,270,321	\$4,723,609	\$4,336,273	-8.20%	\$4,299,735	-0.84%	\$4,695,792	9.21%
JANUARY	\$4,073,189	\$4,470,347	\$4,590,789	\$4,209,000	-8.32%	\$4,097,252	-2.65%	\$4,414,597	7.75%
FEBRUARY	\$5,724,498	\$5,666,534	\$5,106,677	\$5,691,881	11.46%	\$5,322,243	-6.49%	\$5,850,307	9.92%
MARCH	\$4,082,038	\$3,991,501	\$4,096,136	\$4,184,988	2.17%	\$4,212,234	0.65%	\$3,933,528	-6.62%
APRIL	\$3,794,477	\$3,888,098	\$4,118,712	\$4,048,629	-1.70%	\$4,218,305	4.19%	\$4,411,735	4.59%
MAY	\$4,376,803	\$4,514,268	\$4,730,837	\$4,626,889	-2.20%	\$5,118,022	10.61%	\$5,205,614	1.71%
JUNE	\$4,525,529	\$4,478,219	\$4,722,943	\$4,179,081	-11.52%	\$4,551,950	8.92%		
JULY	\$4,615,569	\$4,616,793	\$4,505,792	\$4,169,394	-7.47%	\$4,316,388	3.53%		
AUGUST	\$4,934,023	\$4,317,734	\$4,982,944	\$4,844,454	-2.78%	4,819,806	-0.51%		
TOTAL	\$54,270,346	\$53,960,485	\$55,733,297	\$54,255,376	-2.65%	\$54,925,013	1.23%	\$43,034,652	4.36%



NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER



LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
3140 N Street, Lincoln NE 68510 • Phone: 441-8000
Fax: 441-6229

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: May 31, 2011
FOR MORE INFORMATION: **Scott E. Holmes:** 402-441-8634
Rick Thorson: 402-441-6236

Health Advisory – LPS Fire People with Heart and Lung Disease Warned to Stay Inside

“As a result of an overnight fire at the Lincoln Public Schools Administration building, the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department is advising people with heart or lung disease, such as chronic bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma, the elderly, children and pregnant women to avoid prolonged or heavy exertion and limit time spent outdoors due to high levels of air pollution,” said Scott E. Holmes, Environmental Public Health Manager, with the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. “Smoke from the fire is lingering throughout the community. 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.”

Due to the levels of particle air pollution from smoke, people are advised to take the necessary precautions to prevent exposure. 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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3140 N Street, Lincoln NE 68510 • Phone: 441-8000
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 1, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Dan N. King, Environmental Health Specialist, 441-8084

Location Change for June's Household Hazardous Waste Collection

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department has announced a location change for their June 10 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection, which will now take place at **Southeast High School**, 37th & Van Dorn, on Friday, June 10, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Residents are encouraged to check sheds, garages and basements for unwanted household chemicals to bring to this event, since the next collection will not take place until late August.

Items accepted at the HHW collection include fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) and tubes, pesticides, paint thinners, stains, polishes and waxes, turpentine, oil-based paint, pool cleaning chemicals, flea and tick powders, rodent poison, charcoal starter fluids, mixed or old gasoline, mercury-containing items including thermometers, upholstery cleaners, grease removers and brake and power steering fluids.

Items that can be recycled or safely disposed of locally **will not** be accepted at the HHW collection: latex paint, motor oil, gas grill cylinders, pharmaceutical waste, electronics, and batteries. The 2011 Waste Reduction and Recycling Guide provides information on what to do with those items (and can be accessed on-line at www.lincoln.ne.gov, keyword: recycling). Residents are encouraged to buy the minimum amount of household chemicals needed and to choose the least toxic alternative, therefore reducing hazardous waste from their households.

This will be the last HHW collection until August 27, 2011. For more information about the collections, contact 441-8021 or check the website at www.lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: household).

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Council Packet
Subject: Bookmobile has scheduled Zoo visits

FOR RELEASE: May 27, 2011

CONTACT: Barbara Hansen, Administrative Aide

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LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE AT THE ZOO

Summer service scheduled at Lincoln Children's Zoo

Beginning June 17th Lincoln City Libraries' bookmobile will be a regular feature at the Lincoln Children's Zoo/Ager Play Center, 1300 So. 27th Street, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. every other Friday, through August 26th.

The bookmobile carries adult and youth books, magazines, DVDs and videos, audio books, music CDs, video games, and large-print titles. Most items on the bookmobile are loaned for a 4-week period.

For more information about the bookmobile and its services, contact Rebecca at 402-441-8545.

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Council Packet
Subject: Library Announces One Book - One Lincoln Finalists

2011 ONE BOOK – ONE LINCOLN FINALISTS ANNOUNCED
Voting begins June 1st

Lincoln City Libraries announced the top three finalists for its 2011 One Book – One Lincoln Community Reading Program on Monday, May 30th.

Cutting for Stone, by Abraham Verghese: Marion and Shiva Stone are twin brothers born of a secret union between a beautiful Indian nun and a brash British surgeon. Orphaned by their mother's death and their father's disappearance, bound together by a preternatural connection and a shared fascination with medicine, the twins come of age as Ethiopia hovers on the brink of revolution. Moving from Addis Ababa to New York City and back again, *Cutting for Stone* is an unforgettable story of love and betrayal, medicine and ordinary miracles—and two brothers whose fates are forever intertwined. – from product description, Knopf, c2009

The History of Love, by Nicole Krauss: A long-lost book reappears, mysteriously connecting an old man searching for his son and a girl seeking a cure for her widowed mother's loneliness. Leo Gursky is just about surviving, tapping his radiator each evening to let his upstairs neighbor know he's still alive. But life wasn't always like this: sixty years ago, in the Polish village where he was born, Leo fell in love and wrote a book. And though Leo doesn't know it, that book survived, inspiring fabulous circumstances, even love. Fourteen-year-old Alma was named after a character in that very book. And although she has her hands full-keeping track of her brother, Bird (who thinks he might be the Messiah), and taking copious notes on How to Survive in the Wild-she undertakes an adventure to find her namesake and save her family. - from product description W. W. Norton & Company, c2005

Zeitoun, by Dave Eggers: When Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans, Abdulrahman Zeitoun, a prosperous Syrian-American and father of four, chose to stay through the storm to protect his house and contracting business. In the days after, he traveled the flooded streets in a secondhand canoe, passing on supplies and helping those he could. But, on September 6, 2005, Zeitoun abruptly disappeared. Eggers's riveting nonfiction book, three years in the making, explores Zeitoun's roots in Syria, his marriage to Kathy—an American who converted to Islam—and their children, and the surreal atmosphere (in New Orleans and the United States generally) in which what happened to Abdulrahman Zeitoun became possible. – from product description McSweeney's c2009.

In January the public was asked to nominate books for the program, resulting in a list of 125 titles. A selection committee made up of 15 community readers worked for two months to pare down the list to three finalists. The community is now being asked to vote for the book it wants as the featured title for the 2011 One Book – One Lincoln Community Reading Program. Ballots are available at all Lincoln City Libraries locations or online at www.lincolnlibraries.org. The community can vote between June 1 and July 31, with the announcement of the winning title scheduled for September 6th.

Copies of the finalists are available at Lincoln City Libraries and local bookstores. All titles are available in both print and non-print formats.

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NOTICE OF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

TO: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Mayor, City Council, City Clerk, Media
FROM: Lynn Johnson, Director, Lincoln Parks & Recreation Department
MEETING DATE: June 9, 2011
LOCATION: **Room 113 - County-City Building**
TIME: 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
CHAIRMAN: Joe Tidball

A G E N D A

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Recognition of 'Open Meetings Act'**
3. **Approval of Minutes:** * May 12, 2011, meeting
4. **Comments from the Public for Items not Listed on the Agenda**
5. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Fees & Facilities Committee - Susan Deitchler (Chair) - 488-4224**
 - * Recommendation re: approving development of ADA accessible fishing piers and walkway at Bowling Lake Park
 - * Recommendation re: declaring about 2.5 acres in the northeast corner of Belmont Park at No. 14th & Manatt Streets as surplus.
 - * Recommendation re: establishment of an operating agreement with the Willard Community Center building located at So. Folsom and West B Streets.
 - B. **Futures Committee - Bob Ripley (Chair) 471-0419 or 488-5131**
 - * Recommendation re: amendments to Lincoln Municipal Code 12.08.270 regarding serving and consumption of alcoholic liquor in designated park areas and related rules and regulations.
 - * Recommendation re: acceptance of donation of a painting entitled "Red Cloud" by artist Neil Unterseher.
 - C. **Golf Report**
 - Rounds and revenue report
 - D. **Executive Committee - Joe Tidball (Chair) - 730-5638**
 - No report
7. **Staff Report:**
 - Update on 'Zorbing' proposal.
8. **Announcements:**
 - Rededication of Hazel Abel Park, located at South 18th & "E" Streets, 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 7, 2011.
 - Joint meeting of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Lincoln Parks Foundation Board of Directors, 4:00-6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 14, 2011

* Denotes Action Items

MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Room 113, City-County Bldg..

Thursday, May 12, 2011

Members Present:

Andrew Barry	Keelan Chapman	Jonathan Cook	Curt Donaldson
Todd Fitzgerald	Karen Hand	Ann Pagel	Jane Raybould
Bob Ripley	Susan Rodenburg	Dennis Scheer	Jeff Schwebke
Joe Tidball			

Members Absent:

Molly Brommond	Justin Carlson	Susan Deitchler
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Others Present:

Zorbing presenter	Jocelyn Golden
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Recognition of 'Open Meetings Act': As per law, Chairperson Joe Tidball announced that the Board follows the regulations of this Act, as posted.

*** APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *It was moved (Hand) and seconded (Rodenburg) to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2011, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board meeting as mailed. Motion carried by unanimous vote of members present.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS (other than those listed on the current Agenda): None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fees & Facilities Committee - Susan Deitchler, Chair - 488-4224

*** Recommendation re: enter into an agreement to allow operation of a "zorbing operation" at a Parks facility:** Lynn Johnson introduced Ryan Stohr who briefed the Board on his desire to sponsor a zorbing operation on the west side of Holmes Dam in Holmes Park. Zorbing consists of having a person enclose themselves inside a large (9 ft.) air cushioned ball that would proceed down the dam propelled by the person inside the ball. Several issues including the liability issue, what type of insurance would be needed, and what the injury statistics are were discussed. Anyone using the zorbing ball would be required to sign a waiver. Ryan said the idea would be to have the Holmes Dam site be adult only and possibly have one for younger kids at Pioneers Park. If the Board recommends approval of this activity, it would also have to be approved by the Corps of Engineers. Ryan responded to questions asked by the Board members. ***After lengthy discussion, it was moved (Donaldson) and seconded (Raybould) to recommend approval for the Parks & Recreation Department to enter into an agreement to allow operation of a zorbing operation at a Parks facility. Motion carried by unanimous vote of members present.***

The next step will be to get the Corps of Engineers approval and have a License Agreement drawn up stating, among other things, that a percentage of the money charged (for rides) would be required to go to the Parks Department. The Board also requested a report regarding zorbing in other communities.

Futures Committee - Bob Ripley (Chair) 471-0419 or 488-5131

- No report

Golf Committee

- Lynn Johnson updated the Board on the status of the golf program and the proposed new clubhouse at Holmes Golf Course. As of September the golf fund owed the general fund approximately \$200,000 so over the last several months the Golf Division has been looking at various operation options for the golf courses to come up with some type of sustainability for the program.

The current clubhouse at Holmes Golf Course was built in 1967 and has dealt with a reoccurring water damaged roof for many years. The building is in dire need of replacement to make it handicap accessible and hopefully provide another banquet facility for golf events or for the general public's use. The replacement facility would be approximately 7,000 square feet that would include a banquet facility. Hopefully the new clubhouse can be built at a cost of between \$1.5 and 1.7 million. The Department is proposing that a city-wide CIP fee be charged for each round of golf played which would help fund this new facility. Staff responded to questions asked by the Board members.

No formal action is required from the Board at this time on this agenda item.

Executive Committee - Joe Tidball (Chair) - 730-5638

- No report

Announcements:

- "Wake up the Beds" volunteer planting event at Sunken Gardens beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 14th.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action Item Fact Sheet

Meeting Date: June 9, 2011

Request: Recommendation regarding approval of development of proposed ADA accessible fishing piers at Bowling Lake.

Discussion: The purpose of this proposal is to increase fishing accessibility at a local lake to those with mobility limitations by constructing two wooden fishing pier structures specifically designed for enhanced accessibility on the existing earthen "bridge" to the island. The full master plan for the project consists of hard surface parking and walkway improvements, the addition of a pre-manufactured restroom building and the possibility of an additional hard surface walkway from the proposed fishing piers to an existing park shelter located on the island.

Proposed funding for the project will be generated from donations gathered by a user group comprised of retired Nebraska Game & Parks Commission employees. They anticipate construction of the master plan will need to be completed in phases as fund raising allows with the priority project being the fishing pier structures themselves.

Conformance with Adopted Plans and Guidelines: Configuration and materials of the proposed pier, per the conceptual design completed to date, are consistent with LPR design practices for accessibility, durability and sustainability. The pier should enhance the recently improved fishing resources at this location.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Committee Discussion and Recommendation: Approval

Committee: Fees & Facilities

Chair: Susan Deitchler, 402-488-4224

Date: June 9, 2011

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action:

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action Item Fact Sheet

Meeting Date: June 9, 2011

Request: Recommendation re: declaring 2.5 acres in the northeast corner of Belmont Park at North 14th and Manatt Streets as surplus.

Discussion: Educare is a nationwide initiative to provide innovation and intensive pre-school education to at-risk infants, toddlers and pre-schoolers. There are currently 10 Educare facilities in operation, including two in Omaha. The next phase of development on nine Educare facilities includes a new facility in Lincoln. The Educare model places the facilities adjacent to elementary schools. A number of elementary school sites in established areas of Lincoln were evaluated and the Belmont Elementary School site was selected.

The Lincoln Educare building will be about 30,000 square feet in size with accompanying outdoor play and learning areas. The proposed location is immediately north of the Belmont Elementary School building located at North 14th & Judson Streets. The Educare building will displace four portable classrooms, the school playground, and school parking lot. The portable classrooms will be replaced with a new school classroom wing. The playground and parking lot will be relocated.

The City has been requested to consider surplusing about 2.5 acres of land in the northeast area of Belmont Park, southwest of the intersection of No. 14th & Manatt Streets. (Please see the attached map). This area would be used to develop a new parking lot to serve the new Lincoln Educare facility and Belmont Elementary School.

A neighborhood meeting was held at Belmont Elementary School on the evening of Thursday, May 26th to share information regarding the proposed Lincoln Educare facility and related changes to the Belmont Elementary School facility, as well as the request to sell land in the northeast corner of Belmont Park for development of a new parking lot.

Conformance with Adopted Plans and Guidelines: Belmont Park is classified as a neighborhood park. Presently, the park is about 14.1 acres in size. The size and configuration of the park is adequate to accommodate the typical facilities of a neighborhood park, as well as the Belmont Recreation Center, Belmont Pool and related parking for both facilities. Surplusing of the 2.5 acre area in the northeast corner of the park will not affect access to outdoor recreation facilities on the site.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Committee Discussion and Recommendation: Approval

Committee: Fees & Facilities

Chair: Susan Deitchler, 402-488-4224

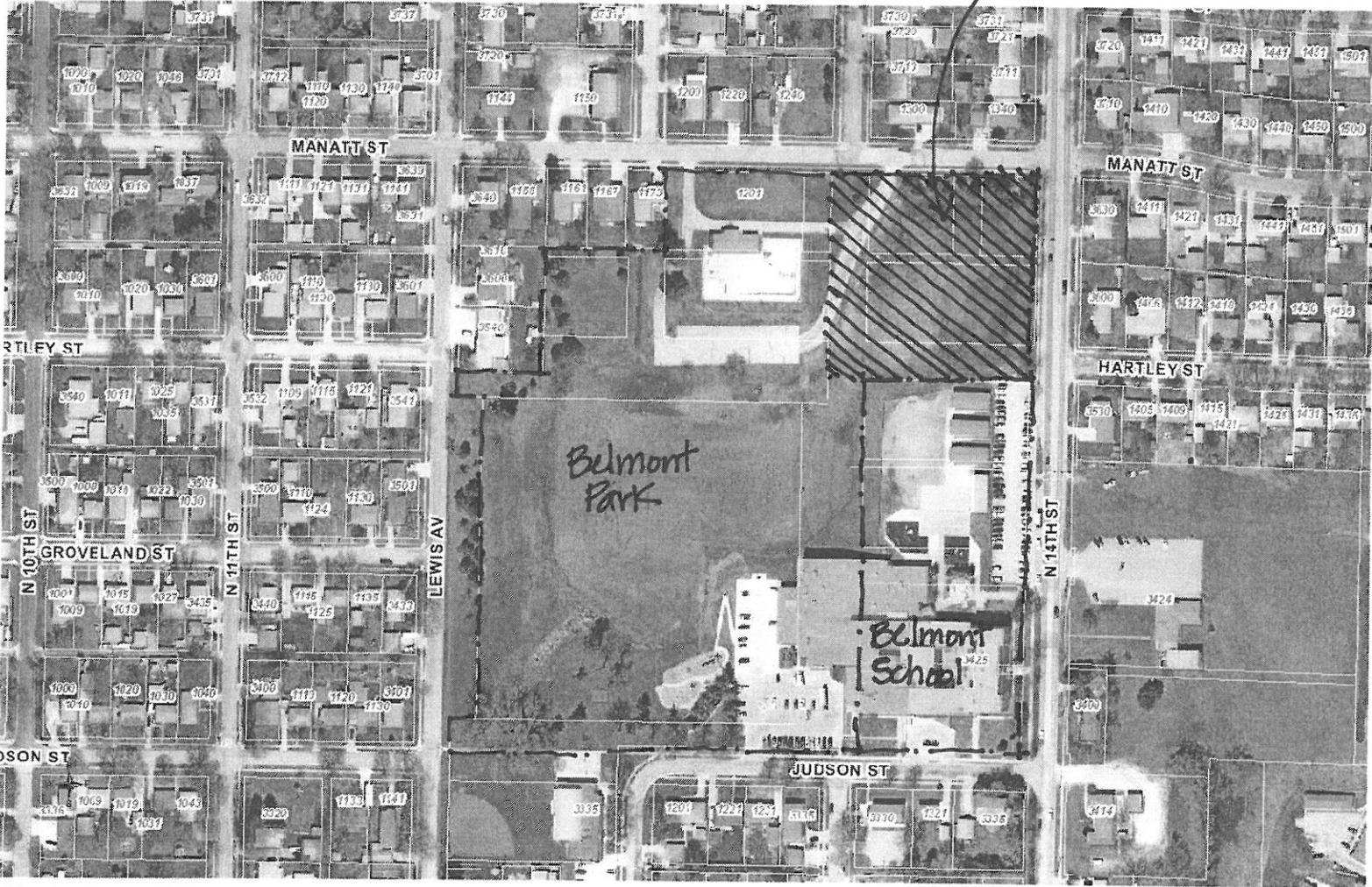
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Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action:

City of Lincoln/Lancaster County GIS Map

Belmont Park / School Campus

Subject Area



Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action Item Fact Sheet

Meeting Date: June 9, 2011

Request: Recommendation re: establishment of an operating agreement with the Willard Community Center organization for the Willard Community Center building located at So. Folsom & West "B" Streets.

Discussion: The City acquired a former school building from Lincoln Public Schools in the 1970's. Subsequently, the Parks and Recreation Department operated the building as a recreation center for a few years until budget restrictions forced closing of the program. The Willard Community Center (WCC), a private organization, then took over provision of programming in the building. The WCC also provides school-age programming at Roper Elementary School and Lakeview Elementary School.

For about 30 years, the City has been funding utility costs as well as a majority of building maintenance and repair expenses. Due to the current budget restrictions, this level of funding support is being discontinued. A new operating agreement between the WCC and the City is being proposed. The following provides an overview of this proposed agreement:

- The agreement will be for a ten-year period from September 1, 2011, through August 31, 2021.
- The WCC will be responsible for all costs associated with maintenance and improvements to the building. Proposed major maintenance activities or improvements to the building are to be approved by the City.
- The WCC will place five percent (5%) of gross operating revenues into a building maintenance fund for the purpose of making repairs and improvements to the building.
- The WCC will be responsible for all utility expenses, and general building operating expenses.
- The WCC will have access to the parking lot located south of the building at no cost.
- Fees for WCC programs are to be reviewed and approved by the Parks and Recreation Director.
- The WCC will indemnify the City, and will provide public liability insurance listing the City of Lincoln as additionally insured.
- The WCC will comply with standard City of Lincoln contract provisions including use of the Federal immigration verification system for employees, fair employment and labor standards, and living wage standards.

Conformance with Adopted Plans and Guidelines: The proposed operating agreement is similar to agreements associated with the Lincoln Children's Museum building and the Woods Park Tennis Center.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Committee Discussion and Recommendation: Approval

Committee: Fees & Facilities

Chair: Susan Deitchler, 402-488-4224

Date: June 9, 2011

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action:

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action Item Fact Sheet

Meeting Date: June 9, 2011

Request: Recommendation re: amendments to Lincoln Municipal Code Section 12.08.270 regarding serving and consumption of alcoholic liquor in designated park areas, and related rules and regulations.

Discussion: In December, 2006, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board recommended amending City regulations regarding serving and consumption of alcoholic liquor in park areas as follows. (Previous recent amendment to these regulations authorized serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the four 18-hole City golf courses.)

- allow serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages at designated park areas in conjunction with fund raising activities benefiting parks and recreation facilities or programs;
- allow serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with facility rental of Auld Pavilion; and
- allow serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with performances at Pinewood Bowl.

In August, 2008, the City Council approved amending regulations regarding serving and consumption of alcoholic liquor in park areas to allow beverages to be served and consumed in designated park areas (Hazel Abel Park, Stransky Park, Antelope Park Rose Garden, and Pioneers Park Nature Center) in conjunction with fund raising activities benefiting parks and recreation facilities or programs.

The proposed revisions to regulations regarding serving and consumption of alcoholic liquor in park areas are summarized as follows:

- replace the list of designated park areas where alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed during fund raising activities benefiting parks and recreation facilities and programs with a provision allowing the Mayor to designate park areas, by executive order, where alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed during fund raising activities. Broaden the types of fund raising activities to include those supporting programs and facilities of other City departments.
- allow serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with facility rental of Auld Pavilion; and
- allow serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with performances at Pinewood Bowl.

A copy of the proposed rules and regulations associated with Lincoln Municipal Code Section 12.08.270 regarding service and consumption of alcoholic liquor in designated park areas is attached.

Conformance with Adopted Plans and Guidelines: The proposed amendments to the Lincoln Municipal Code are consistent with the policy direction established by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board in December, 2006.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Committee Discussion and Recommendation: Approval

Committee: Futures

Chair: Bob Ripley, 402-488-5131

Date: June 9, 2011

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action:

Rules and Regulations Related to Serving and Consumption of Alcoholic Liquor in Parks and Recreation Facilities Pursuant to LMC 12.08.270

Discussion Draft – May 31, 2011

Prepared by Lynn Johnson

Rental of Pioneers Park Nature Center Prairie Building or ~~and~~ Auld Pavilion

A permit for serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages may be issued in conjunction with rental of Pioneers Park Nature Center Prairie Building or ~~and~~ Auld Pavilion. There is an additional charge for this permit. The Parks and Recreation Department will solicit proposals from caterers holding an appropriate liquor license and who are interested in having their business included in a list of approved caterers who are authorized to serve alcoholic beverages during rental activities at Pioneers Park Nature Center Prairie Building and Auld Pavilion. The list of approved caterers will be reviewed and updated annually. A caterer who is involved in an event where rules and regulations regarding serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages at Pioneers Park Nature Center Prairie Building or ~~and~~ Auld Pavilion are violated will be immediately removed from the list of approved caterers. Depending on the severity of the violation, a caterer may be excluded from being included in the list of approved caterers for a period of up to five years as determined by the Parks and Recreation Director. The list of approved caterers will be provided to patrons interested in renting the facility for an event where alcoholic beverages are anticipated to be served. Alcoholic beverages may only be served and consumed inside of the building. The caterer is responsible for monitoring of individual consumption of alcoholic beverages, enforcing age restrictions, and for enforcing consumption inside of the building. Caterers are encouraged to recycle materials and supplies used during the rental event.

Pinewood Bowl

Upon approval of the Parks and Recreation Director, alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed within the fenced premises of Pinewood Bowl during a public event or performance. The Pinewood Bowl premises are defined as the area within the perimeter fencing of the outdoor amphitheater. Due to the unique nature of managing large public outdoor events involving consumption of alcoholic beverages, one or more licensed caterers with demonstrated experience in monitoring and managing large public events where alcoholic beverages are served will be selected by the Parks and Recreation Department as the designated caterer(s) for Pinewood Bowl. An event producer wishing to include alcoholic beverage sales will be required to use a designated caterer. The designated caterer is responsible for monitoring of individual consumption of alcoholic beverages, enforcing age restrictions, and for enforcing consumption inside of the Pinewood Bowl premises. It is anticipated that off-duty law officers will be involved in monitoring the crowd and in enforcing consumption of alcoholic beverages within the premises.

Fundraising Events and Activities Benefitting Parks and Recreation Programs and Facilities

Pursuant to LMC 12.08.270(c), alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed on the premises of ~~Hazel Abel Park, Stransky Park, Sunken Gardens, Antelope Park Rose Garden and Pioneers Park Nature Center~~ a park approved by executive order of the Mayor-during

fundraising activities specifically organized for the benefit of Parks and Recreation Department Programs and Facilities or other City Department. Alcoholic beverages may only be served by a licensed caterer. The caterer is responsible for monitoring of individual consumption of alcoholic beverages, enforcing age restrictions, and for enforcing consumption within the designated premises.

Fundraising Events and Activities Benefitting Folsom Children's Zoo and Lincoln Children's Museum

Pursuant to LMC 12.08.270(b), alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed on the premises of Folsom Children's Zoo and Lincoln Children's Museum during fundraising activities specifically organized for the benefit those facilities. Alcoholic beverages may only be served by a licensed caterer. The caterer is responsible for monitoring of individual consumption of alcoholic beverages, enforcing age restrictions, and for enforcing consumption within the designated premises.

18-Hole City Golf Courses

Pursuant to LMC 12.08.270(a), alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed in the clubhouses and on the outdoor areas of the four City owned 18-hole golf courses. The City contracts for management of clubhouse operations and for food and beverage service. The contracted golf professional at each of the courses is responsible for securing and maintaining liquor licenses. The contracted golf professional is responsible for compliance with liquor license provisions including monitoring of individual consumption of alcoholic beverages, enforcing age restrictions, and for enforcing consumption within the designated premises

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action Item Fact Sheet

Meeting Date: June 9, 2011

Request: Recommendation re: acceptance of donation of painting titled "Red Cloud" by artist Neil Unterseher.

Discussion: Carole Smith, on behalf of her brother Neil Unterseher, is offering donation of a painting by Mr. Unterseher titled "Red Cloud". The oil painting is about 28" x 40" in size and is a depiction of the "Smoke Signal" sculpture in Pioneers Park. (Please see attached photograph of the painting).

Ms. Smith provided the following information about Neil Unterseher. *"Neil Unterseher always loved Pioneers Park and it's preeminent statue of Chief Red Cloud, "The Smoke Signal". He left Lincoln in 1958 to attend the University of Texas and eventually made his home in New Orleans and the Gulf Coast. He now returns to Lincoln with a gift for the Parks and Recreation Department - an oil painting depicting "The Smoke Signal". At age 71, he looks back on a career in oil painting portraying the right culture, people and landscapes of New Orleans. His other career as a professional musician has put him at Preservation Hall and other French Quarter venues, playing banjo and guitar in traditional jazz and Mississippi Delta blues bands. He continues to perform with a band that make annual tours of Japan.*

A graduate of Lincoln High School, Neil became a winning tennis tournament player throughout Nebraska and the Midwest. He was also a member of the Lincoln High state championship basketball team of 1958".

Parks and Recreation Department staff are recommending that the painting be displayed in a Parks and Recreation building in a location that is visible to the public.

Conformance with Adopted Plans and Guidelines: The guidelines for acceptance of artwork state that it should be contextually appropriate for the proposed display location, that the theme and image should be consistent with community values, that it be durable, and that it not pose a public safety concern. The subject painting is consistent with these guidelines.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

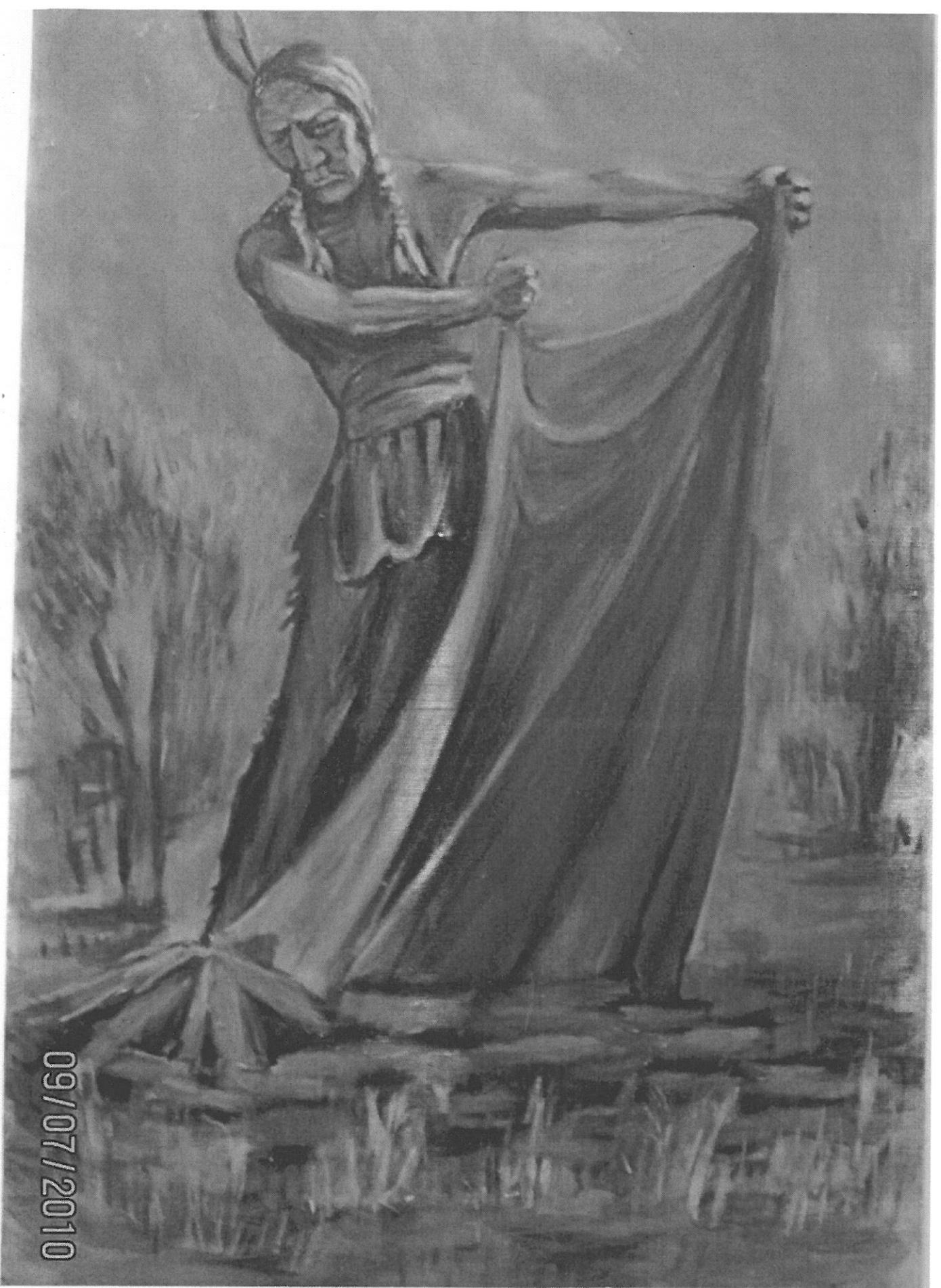
Committee Discussion and Recommendation: Approval

Committee: Approval

Chair: Bob Ripley, 402-488-5131

Date: June 9, 2011

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action:



09/07/2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor's Capital Improvements Advisory Committee
Mayor Chris Beutler
Rick Hoppe, Trish Owen
Marvin Krout, Nicole Fleck-Tooze, David Cary
Don Herz, Steve Hubka
Greg MacLean

FROM: Jean Preister, Planning 

DATE: May 31, 2011

SUBJECT: FY 2011/12 - 2016/17 Capital Improvements Program
FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program

cc: City Council
Mike Brienzo, Planning
Rod Confer, City Attorney
Don Thomas, County Engineer

I hereby respectfully submit for your information the Minutes of the Special Public Hearing held by the Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Commission on May 25, 2011, on the ***FY 2011/12 - 2016/17 City of Lincoln Capital Improvements Program*** and the ***FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program***.

The letter submitted by Russell Miller during his testimony on the Streets and Highways CIP is also attached for your information.

On May 25, 2011, the Planning Commission agreed with the staff recommendations and voted 8-0 to find both the CIP and TIP in full or general conformance with the Comprehensive Plan (Commissioner Partington absent).

These minutes will be approved by the Planning Commission at their regular meeting on June 15, 2011.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me at 441-6365.

Q:\pc\minutes\2011\CIP and TIP Minutes to CIAC

MEETING RECORD

NAME OF GROUP: PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING: Wednesday, May 25, 2011, 1:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, First Floor, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Leirion Gaylor Baird, Michael Cornelius, Dick Esseks, Wendy Francis, Roger Larson, Jeanelle Lust, Lynn Sunderman and Tommy Taylor (Jim Partington absent); David Cary, Michael Brienzo, Sara Hartzell and Jean Preister of the Planning Department; other Departmental representatives; media and interested citizens.

STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING: Special Public Hearing on the City of Lincoln's draft six year Capital Improvements Program (CIP) for FY 2011/2012 - 2016/2017 and the draft FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Lincoln and Lancaster County area (Lincoln MPO)

Chair Lynn Sunderman called the meeting to order and acknowledged the posting of the Open Meetings Act in the back of the room.

This is a special public hearing on the City's six-year Capital Improvements Program and FY2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program for the Lincoln Metropolitan Area (MPO).

**THE PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW EDITION
OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN
DRAFT SIX YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP)
FOR FY 2011/12 - 2016/17.
PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE PLANNING COMMISSION:**

May 25, 2011

Members present: Larson, Esseks, Cornelius, Taylor, Francis, Gaylor Baird, Lust and Sunderman (Partington absent).

Ex parte communications: None.

Staff presentation: **David Cary of Planning staff** provided a brief overview. The Capital Improvements Program (CIP), provides a multi-year list of proposed capital expenditures for the City and is one of the most important responsibilities of municipal government. This program attempts to set funding strategies not only for the next fiscal budget year, but also to project future needs for major construction projects and land

acquisition. The City constantly looks ahead to consider how we will improve major items such as roads, utilities, police facilities, fire facilities, parks, libraries and other community buildings for the people of Lincoln. Capital expenditures are viewed not only in the context of how much the new project will cost, but also what impact the project will have on the City's operating budget. Capital improvements are projects that generally have a useful life of fifteen or more years that maintain, upgrade or replace public infrastructure and public service providing facilities.

The CIP is not intended to be an all-inclusive inventory of the City of Lincoln's capital needs for the upcoming six years. It is a document that outlines planned capital improvements given available financial resources.

The Lincoln City Charter assigns responsibility for assembling the City's annual six-year CIP to the City's Planning Department. This process involves coordinating the assessment of the City's capital needs across more than a dozen different departments and agencies. Each City department assesses its capital needs and creates an improvement program for a six-year period. The individual capital project requests are submitted to the Planning Department and assembled into a single document that becomes the CIP. Each program is evaluated for conformity with the City-County Comprehensive Plan along with the most recent funding projections and revenue calculations.

Lincoln's six-year CIP is updated annually, beginning in the winter, when City departments prepare their proposed capital improvement program. The Mayor's Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC) guides the development of the document. A great deal of effort and work is done by dozens of staff members across city departments to develop this program and their efforts are appreciated.

Per the City Charter, the CIP is reviewed for conformity with the 2030 City-County Comprehensive Plan by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission makes a recommendation as to conformance with the Comprehensive Plan and this recommendation, along with public testimony, is passed on to the Mayor and City Council for consideration in budget discussions over the summer. Year one of the CIP becomes the Capital Budget for fiscal year 2011/12.

Cary then proceeded to provide a brief overview for each department as follows, and department representatives were available to answer questions.

FINANCE: Communications

The proposed Communications/911 CIP includes two projects designed to enhance operations over the six-year period, including a 800 MHz Trunked Radio System upgrade and a mobile Communications Command Post to provide support in the field. The radio upgrade project is part of a proposed Public Safety Bond Issue planned to go

before voters in FY 12/13, and the mobile command post is part of a proposed Public Safety Bond Issue scheduled in FY 16/17.

There was no other public testimony.

FINANCE: Pershing Auditorium

Pershing Auditorium's proposed capital improvements program includes General Revenue funds for the continued minimal maintenance of the Auditorium during the first three years of the program. A bond issue was approved by the voters of the community in May 2010, to build a new arena facility in the Haymarket area. With this approval, the long-term use of the Pershing Center is up for discussion, but in the near-term, Pershing Auditorium will still need to be operational as an arena venue and maintained in a safe and operable condition for several years before the new arena is available for use.

There was no other public testimony.

FIRE & RESCUE

Lincoln Fire and Rescue Department's proposed CIP submittal includes four projects. These projects involve one new fire station, a relocated fire station, a replaced third station, and a general use fire station modifications and repairs project. All projects are proposed to be part of Public Safety Bond Issues planned to go before voters in FY 14/15 and FY 16/17 respectively.

Esseks stated that he would like the audience and the viewing public to know that the Planning Commission did receive a briefing on various parts of the CIP last week, at which time the Commissioners were able to ask questions. This would explain the reason for there being a lack of questions from the Planning Commissioners during this hearing.

LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES

The Lincoln City Libraries program includes six projects in the six-year CIP. The largest single project is the proposed replacement of the Bennett Martin Library in FY 2016/17. This project is proposed for a combination of a general obligation (GO) bond issue and other financing likely to include private fund-raising. Using General Revenue funding, needed heating/cooling and HVAC projects in Bennett Martin Library are slated for FY 12/13, as is a geothermal conversion project at Gere Library. Anderson Branch Library is slated for new HVAC improvements in FY 13/14 using General Revenue funds. Bethany Branch Library is slated for a roof replacement in 14/15, also using General Revenue.

Taylor wondered whether the plan is that the current Bennett Martin Library would be relocated to the Pershing Auditorium. Cary stated that there is ongoing discussion and there will be a study specifically about that topic. There has been consideration of Pershing Auditorium but no decision has been made on that location.

Gaylor Baird sought confirmation that the expenses projected for 2011/12 to renovate Bennett Martin are actually necessary to maintain the building prior to a potential sale. Cary indicated that they are very much needed projects to gain efficiencies for the building over the longer term, regardless of who is owning the building or the use. If sold, the improvements would be required to be done before the sale.

There was no other public testimony.

LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM

The Lincoln Electric System's proposed \$292.7 million capital program embodies a substantial investment in electrical power supply and distribution for the community over the six-year period. The program plans for 11,000 new customers and an addition of 47 megawatts of power over the six-year period. Underground distribution, with the majority going to new residential and commercial development, new transformers and meters, and power supply, including LES's investment in the Laramie River Station and new base load generation startup costs for a future plant, account for the largest portions of the program.

There was no other public testimony.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The proposed capital program for the Police Department involves five projects – relocation of the LPD K9 Training Facility, a study for a new Team Assembly Station in south Lincoln and construction of that facility, and a master plan for a new LPD Garage-Maintenance & Repair Facility and construction of that facility. The first project is shown in FY 11/12 using Other Financing to relocate the existing K-9 facility. The LPD Garage-Maintenance & Repair Facility Phase I and II is slated to be part of a Public Safety Bond Issue in FY 14/15. The LPD Team Assembly Station Phase I and II is slated to be part of a Public Safety Bond Issue in FY 16/17.

Esseks inquired about the "other financing" category. Cary explained that that has been a carryover for many years to continue to identify the need for a new canine training facility. The "other financing" is intended to be in grant form – when that funding is made available that project would move forward.

There was no other public testimony.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT

The Urban Development Department's proposed CIP includes twelve projects totaling over \$18.5 million over the six-year period. The funding for the program consists of Community Improvement Financing (or Tax Increment Financing), Community Development Block Grants, Revenue Bonds, City General Revenue funds, Service Charges, and Other Financing in the form of private financing. Public parking program projects, which were formerly part of the Public Works and Utilities CIP, are a major portion of Urban Development's CIP.

Notable projects included in the Urban Development CIP are the Civic Plaza project at 13th and P Streets, the Centennial Mall reconstruction project, a Wayfinding Signage project, and a Parking Meters replacement project.

Gaylor Baird inquired about the recommendation for the credit card meters as opposed to leaving them as they are today. **David Landis**, Director of Urban Development, stated that there is a need to move from our existing meters to one of two options which are upgrades making use of technology. One is something that looks like what we have now but is capable of being swiped with a credit card. The other alternative is a multi-space meter, in which there would be a module in two or three places in a block that will cover six, eight or ten stalls. The parker would get a sticker from the module and put it on their car window. Both options have advantages, but they are distinctly different from a cost perspective, i.e. \$4,600 versus \$6,000 to \$8,000. We are moving to a cashless society and lots of people use credit cards – it is convenient and quick. The use of the credit card technology improves the amount that the consumer is likely to buy. For that reason the payback on these mechanisms are relatively quick. One of the downsides is that it requires that you pay the service fee necessary to use the credit card. In either capacity we will have fewer parking meters than what we have now – at least visually – and secondly, we should have greater convenience for people using downtown parking. Of the two options, Landis prefers the single stall option.

There was continued discussion about the costs and the maintenance of the parking meters. The installation costs are factored into the cost of the meter.

Larson inquired as to the number of parking meters in the downtown. **Ken Smith**, Parking Manager, stated that there are currently 3800 meters. The approach is to look at replacing the meters in a phased approach.

Lust inquired about the source of energy for the parking meters. Smith stated that the meters operate on solar power with battery backup.

Larson believes that the typical parker will buy more time if they can use a credit card, but wondered about credit for anytime that is not used. Landis indicated that there are options available at a higher cost. With the multi-space meter, that situation does not apply because you get a sticker that you put on your window. If you leave that stall with

time left, you have an hour of downtown parking and you can park someplace else with that same sticker.

Smith added that there is an option to acquire occupancy sensors that provide information for operations, which would allow the opportunity to do a study and status to understand the management of the system. If there is sufficient money, the intent would be to acquire the occupancy sensors.

Larson asked about the revenue from parking meters. Smith advised that the revenue from the parking meters and off-street facilities all goes to the parking fund with a contribution back to the general fund. Landis further explained that Urban Development gets a significant amount of the parking meter revenue to help pay for the parking system, as well as revenue from parking garages and parking meters to pay off bond issues. That is different than parking tickets, where the money goes to the general fund and it goes to the schools. There is a difference between the revenue from parking meters and from parking tickets.

Landis then suggested that the city is underselling its parking and it has a system that is the opposite of the rational approach of parking theorists who would tell you how to operate. The theorists would tell you to make the highest price for that which is most convenient because people will pay for convenience. Thus, we are selling the most convenient parking for the lowest possible price. Whether we did parking meter changes or not, there is a structural imbalance in the way we are handling parking in the city. If you were to do a rational approach of charging for value, you would have the garages cheaper than on-street parking. Landis believes it would be rational to make that change whether we purchase new parking meters or not.

Francis inquired as to the cost to maintain the current parking meters and their life expectancy and repair time. Smith stated that a lot of the services have been recently consolidated and they are still in the early stages of analyzing that information. We are working through those numbers to establish the cost to write a ticket.

There was no other public testimony.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Proposed capital improvements to the City's parks and recreation system are projected to cost \$50 million over the six-year period. Athletic fees, General Obligation (GO) bonds, general revenue, Keno funds, Transportation Enhancement funds, impact fees, tennis fees, and the Parks & Rec repair/replacement fund account for the majority of funds programmed for the CIP. Funds from private sources are also being shown for a substantial portion of the six-year improvement program. A general obligation (GO) "Quality of Life Bond Issue" request amounting to \$19.9 million is planned for FY 14/15 for various improvements to the Parks & Recreation system.

There was no other public testimony.

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES

StarTran

StarTran's six-year, \$9.1 million proposed capital improvement program is funded largely through Federal transportation funding with \$7.6 million in funds, with the balance coming from City general revenue funds and special reserves. The largest single capital item is the accumulation of funds for replacement of 20 buses in FY 15/16. No General Revenue funds are programmed in the first year of this year's CIP.

There was no other public testimony.

Streets and Highways

The Streets and Highways capital program proposed by Public Works & Utilities identifies a program totaling \$150.4 million over the six-year programming period, a decrease of approximately \$5 million from last year's CIP. These projects range from resurfacing projects to pedestrian facilities to system management programs to the construction of major new roadway facilities.

With the adoption of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan in November of 2006, a list and map of specific street projects were included as part of the Plan. The "Streets and Highways" CIP submittal has been closely coordinated with the 2030 Comprehensive Plan which was used in determining Comprehensive Plan conformity. The 2040 update of the Comprehensive Plan, and with it the Long Range Transportation Plan, is underway. Changes in the priorities of the transportation plan are likely. These changes, once formally adopted into the new 2040 Comprehensive Plan, will need to be acknowledged in the capital programming beginning with the 2012/2013 CIP next year.

A variety of Federal, State and City revenues are utilized to fund the Streets and Highways program, including impact fees that began in 2003, City Wheel Tax revenues, and Federal transportation funds. The Public Works & Utilities Department anticipates a decrease in Highway Allocation Funding (State gas tax revenues) over the next six years that will ultimately reduce the City's ability to meet the needs of the transportation system.

At this time, some of the on-going traffic signal, arterial and residential street rehabilitation, new street, trail rehabilitation, new trail, and sidewalk rehabilitation projects are not being funded to their full need in all 6 years. In particular, the referenced goal in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan to fund the sidewalk rehabilitation program annually to meet the stated goals of the Pedestrian Facilities ADA Transition Plan is not being met in the proposed CIP.

The notable projects in the first year of the program include arterial and residential street rehabilitation, the Southwest 40th Viaduct project, North 14th Street widening from Superior to Alvo, Traffic Optimization and Management Program projects, Safety and Operation Improvement Program projects, Sidewalk Maintenance and Repair Program projects, and impact fee funding for various arterial street projects within impact fee districts.

Esseks began to discuss the sidewalk maintenance program. How will the \$500,000 in the first year be spent – will it be on an as needed basis, whole blocks, problem areas? Cary stated that there is a full blown program employed by Public Works to manage the needs for repair of sidewalks. As part of the update of the Comprehensive Plan, there are many needs beyond the \$500,000. There is a program set up to identify the specific areas and where to concentrate their efforts, and based on the age of the sidewalks, in general. Where there are sidewalks that are dangerous with children and elderly people walking on them who face some real risks and dangers, Esseks is hopeful that Public Works will go in there and fix those dangerous situations. Cary pointed out that part of that program is on a complaint basis as well and Public Works will assess the condition of the sidewalk segment. **Thomas Shafer**, Manager of Design and Construction, confirmed that they do work off a complaint basis first; then known places of disrepair; and then curb ramps for the ADA transition plan. If we have money left over, we identify neighborhoods for more concentrated efforts.

Cornelius reiterated that the amount specified in the CIP is insufficient to meet the needs of the community. Yet the Comprehensive Plan is pretty specific about sidewalks being a priority, stating that they should receive consistent maintenance. This amount is the same as last year – consistent in under-funding. Cornelius indicated that every year, he tends toward wanting to find that the Comprehensive Plan is not in conformance with the budget, but that is not something that you can address when you try to build this budget using the amount allocated. The Comprehensive Plan is put together through a public process, and to a great extent, the community dictates what we put in the Plan. In the case of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan, regular and consistent maintenance of sidewalks is specified and we consistently fail to meet that. Cornelius is unsure how to reflect that in the findings on the CIP. It seems like there is a disconnect in what we want and ask for and what we are willing to pay for. He is hopeful that the 2040 Comprehensive Plan finds a way to make that more consistent and reconnect.

Lust agreed with Cornelius. It is a real concern that we are out of compliance with ADA. Secondly, at the briefing, a program was mentioned where a private landowner could contribute or arrange for repair of their sidewalks. How would someone go about doing that? Shafer suggested that Public Works should be contacted or go to the Web site and use "sidewalk" as the keyword. There is a pamphlet which provides information on this program. A contact would be made with Public Works. Public Works would inspect the location, make sure the sidewalk is a public sidewalk, determine that the

sidewalk does have disrepair, and then would be willing to accept the fixed cost assigned. The City generally gets a majority of the cost but not 100%, depending on the contracting and who does the work. We do have that capped.

Larson pointed out that available revenue must be factored in when these budgets are prepared. He assumes that involves some guesswork. Cary stated that it is much less guesswork for the first year than for the future years. We are working on a more refined listing in the new Plan.

Larson wondered whether a volunteer to pay for their own sidewalk could be a block long association of homeowners. Shafer did not know why that couldn't be done, but he does not believe that has been experienced. They usually work with individual property owners. There have been situations where two property owners have each individually requested reimbursement and then found one contractor.

Gaylor Baird noted that the funding goes down in 2014/15. Shafer explained that the gas tax is looking very flat or even declining. Street maintenance costs continue to go up. Something has to give. It is not just sidewalks that goes down. There are other programs such as signal replacement that go down. Our arterial and residential street maintenance is as underfunded as sidewalks, and that program goes down, too.

Sunderman asked Shafer to discuss sidewalk and street maintenance dollars that are available. Shafer stated that increasing costs – price of oil, labor costs – continue to increase. The cost of doing business is going up and revenues are staying very flat, e.g. we are not under any federal transportation bill right now. That is an unknown that takes away from the ability to do projects.

Public Testimony

1. **Russell Miller**, 341 S. 52nd, referred to the street portion of the proposed CIP budget starting in September 2011. The money for residential street rehabilitation (code 0183) in the amount of \$1.154 million comes from the wheel tax. Under the least costly circumstance, it costs \$105,000/mile to rehab a residential street. But if curb and gutters need to be replaced, the cost can be \$160,000 - \$170,000/mile. Thus Lincoln can only rehab approximately 10 miles per year. When you realistically consider the necessity of replacing curbs and gutters, we would only be able to rehab 7 miles per year. Approximately 170 miles of Lincoln's streets are rated poor or fair, which means they should be rehabilitated or replaced very soon. Miller recommended that the City rehab a minimum of 15 miles of residential streets per year. This could be funded by reapportioning the wheel tax. The money removed from the wheel tax construction fund and residual fund could be made up by increasing impact fees, which have not been adjusted for inflation since 2007. We need to spend more money on rehabilitating our streets by increasing impact fees.

Esseks asked how Miller came up with the 15 miles/year. Miller stated that he just doubled what is being done now. If we have 100 miles of streets that need to be repaired today, 10 miles or 7 miles is not going to work. 15 miles won't do it either but we'll get closer. We need to do a minimum of 10-15 miles per year.

Francis inquired why Miller targeted raising the impact fees as opposed to property taxes. Miller's response was that traditionally, streets have come out of wheel tax and gas tax. A lot of the wheel tax money is going toward new road construction, which is the consequence of Lincoln's growth. Lincoln's growth should pay for more of it. Most of the wheel tax money comes from people that live in the non-fringe area. In his opinion it is reasonable to expect that money to be used to repair our streets.

Gaylor Baird observed that Miller's concerns are shared by a number of people in the community and this group, along with a number of citizens serving on the LPlan 2040 Advisory Committee (LPAC) who have been looking at the issue of maintenance costs and roads. There is an interest in starting a shift towards funding maintenance at greater levels.

2. Terry Schwimmer, 3724 NW 57th, in Green Prairie Heights, discussed NW 48th Street, the future widening of which he understands is again being re-prioritized and delayed or funded to a much lesser degree. NW 48th has many different subdivisions utilizing it – Arnold Heights, Olympic Heights, Oak Hills, Green Prairie Heights, Ashley Heights, Hub Hall Heights, Cardinal Heights, Hartland Northwest, View Pointe West and Hidden Acres. The area has been growing. These developments have been paying impact fees and property taxes. NW 48th also serves Duncan Aviation, Kawasaki, and many other factories in the area. Schwimmer moved to Lincoln in 1992, and ever since then he has heard about NW 48th being widened. Yet every year it is a moving target.

Esseks asked what part of NW 48th Street needs to be improved. Schwimmer suggested at the very least, the area from West Adams Street down to just north of the Interstate. When you come off the Interstate and go north you have two lanes that abruptly go into one lane and it becomes pretty constricted. And that is an area where there is more of the development. You could go all the way to Hwy 34.

Larson inquired whether NW 48th eventually turns into a four-lane thoroughfare. Schwimmer stated that it is only four-lane down near the Interstate. We keep hearing about four-lane, but it doesn't happen.

Cary clarified that in this proposed CIP, there is a new program that has been identified this year in advance of the new LRTP, i.e. the LRTP Priority Project Program. In that program, the NW 48th project description does point from O Street to Adams for widening to four lanes. We would have enough funding for that project in years five and six. It has been identified as a need. In addition, in the current work on the new Comprehensive Plan, that segment is a very highly prioritized project. Cary assured

that it has not been forgotten. The funding is the trick, but at this point in time we still have a place-holder in years five and six of the six-year program.

Francis expressed appreciation to Schwimmer for coming and testifying about this street. She is familiar with that area and there has been a lot of growth in the last 10 years and a lot of business growth in the last couple years.

At this point in the meeting, the **FY 2012-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)** was called.

Mike Brienzo of the Planning Department and staff for the MPO element presented the proposed TIP. The TIP is a programming document that lists projects for the purpose of funding with federal program funds. The TIP covers any project within Lancaster County that is seeking federal funding and is developed cooperatively with any transit agency or organization seeking funds for a project, including NDOR, Lancaster County, City, StarTran and federal transit administration programs. It also includes the Airport Authority and a listing of transportation enhancement projects by various organizations, including the City, NRD, Game and Parks, and one project for the City of Hickman.

The TIP is a four-year document that schedules projects in terms of their priority. They are all fiscally constrained and it is an effort to obligate those federal funds to these projects. Any major changes would require an amendment to this document. The TIP is a listing of projects that come from the 2030 Comprehensive Plan, which includes the current Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The TIP must go through public review and is recommended to the Planning Commission. This year's TIP comes with a staff recommendation of general conformance with the transportation plan in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan. From here, the recommendation and findings will go to the MPO Officials Committee and then to the state to be appropriated with the state program.

There was no other public testimony.

The discussion then returned to David Cary on the Public Works and Utilities CIP.

Watershed Management

The proposed Watershed Management CIP contains approximately \$34.5 million in improvements over the six year period. The passage of three general obligation (GO) bond issues (in FY 2012/13, FY 2014/15, and FY 2016/17) would constitute the bulk of the funding for these improvements. The remaining watershed management projects are proposed to be funded through State/Federal Funds and Other Financing. These projects include water quality projects, stream rehabilitation on Parks property, floodplain/floodprone engineering and projects, urban storm drainage projects, implementation of Watershed Master Plan projects, and the continued development of Comprehensive Watershed Master Plans.

There was no other public testimony.

Street Maintenance Operations

The Street Maintenance Operations proposed CIP includes a New Salt Storage Shed at 3200 Baldwin Ave. using General Revenue in FY 2012/13, and the Southeast District Shop Addition project using Lease Purchase Financing in FY 2016/17.

Sunderman noted that the Southeast District Shop Addition continues to be carried over due to lack of funding.

There was no other public testimony.

Water Supply and Distribution

The proposed Lincoln Water System CIP contains approximately \$61.3 million in water supply, treatment, storage and distribution improvements over the six-year period. This is a lower total amount compared to last year's CIP. Included in this year's submittal are projects intended to enhance water services to the existing City, while others will serve developing areas of Lincoln. The CIP has been prepared based upon information and recommendations contained in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan and Lincoln Water System Facilities Master Plan. Funding sources for projects include community improvement financing (TIF), revenue bonds, utility revenues, and impact fees. This proposed CIP assumes a 5% revenue increase in water utility revenues in FY 2011/2012. It should be noted that a comprehensive rate study of the City's utilities is underway and the findings of that study will be discussed later this year.

Continued in this year's program is general programming of projects intended to serve growth in the community. Specific programming of funding for these projects will be identified as planning and need become more apparent in future years. At this time, \$4.5 million in Impact Fees, Utility Revenue, and Revenue Bond funding has been programmed for a list of potential projects that total \$27.8 million in costs. To help meet the continuing growing need to replace the aging water main system, the Selected Main Replacement program is funded in FY 11/12 at \$4.86 million and at \$23.32 million over the 6 years of the program. Similarly, the Infrastructure Rehab program that funds needed maintenance of Water System facilities is funded at \$2.14 million in the first year and \$8.18 over the 6 years of the program. Specific developer commitments are funded in the program per annexation agreement requirements.

There was no other public testimony.

Wastewater

The proposed Lincoln Wastewater CIP contains approximately \$61.7 million in projects, encompassing both the Theresa Street and Northeast Treatment Plants, construction of new sanitary sewer mains, and the selective replacement of existing mains over the six-year period. This amount is lower than last year's program by about \$5 million. The CIP

has been prepared based on information and recommendations contained in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan and the adopted Lincoln Wastewater Facilities Master Plan. Funding sources for projects include community improvement financing (TIF), revenue bonds, utility revenues, and impact fees. This proposed CIP assumes a 5% revenue increase in wastewater utility revenues in FY 2011/2012. It should be noted that a comprehensive rate study of the City's utilities is underway and the findings of that study will be discussed later this year.

Continued in this year's program is more general programming of projects intended to serve growth in the community. Specific funding for projects will be identified as planning and need become more apparent in future years. At this time, \$3 million in impact fees and utility revenues have been programmed for a list of potential projects that total \$27.4 million in costs. To help meet the continuing growing need to replace and repair the aging wastewater equipment, facilities, and collectors, the Selected Repair/Replacement of Wastewater Facilities/Collectors program is funded at \$14.4 million over the 6 years of the program. Of note is the funding of construction of Phase III and Phase IV of the Stevens Creek trunk sewer down to 98th and O Street in the first 3 years of the program. Also, specific developer commitments are funded in the program per annexation agreement requirements.

There was no other public testimony.

Solid Waste Operations

Proposed capital improvements for the Solid Waste Operations program include projects related to the Bluff Road Sanitary Landfill, the North 48th Street Landfill and Transfer Station, and the Solid Waste Management System. The CIP totals approximately \$25 million over the six-year period which is a decrease from last year.

Notable projects include liner and leachate collection systems for new phases and final caps for older phases of the Bluff Road landfill, development of a landfill gas collection and utilization system, expansion of recycling facilities, consideration for park development for the N 48th Street landfill after closure, and closure of the North 48th Street landfill.

Esseks inquired about the landfill gas utilization system being "voluntarily" constructed. **Gary Brandt** of Solid Waste Operations, explained that the word "voluntary" is used because it is not imposed by a regulatory requirement. We are proceeding forward with a collection system and utilization system to utilize the gas in advance as opposed to being forced regulatorily to do that. The utilization would be either through looking in the community for those that could do a direct use of that gas, or look at the possibility of a use by an entity or the city or someone else for generation of electricity. There is some wasting of energy in that regard if it is not fully utilized.

There was no other public testimony.

**CITY OF LINCOLN'S DRAFT SIX-YEAR
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FOR
FY2011/12 - 2016/17.**

ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION:

May 25, 2011

Taylor moved to find the draft CIP to be in full or general conformance with the 2030 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, seconded by Francis.

Cornelius thanked the members of city staff for being here today and expressed appreciation for the availability of information at the briefing last week. It was very helpful in getting through this. He reiterated his concern that while it seems that each of the items that were presented is in full or general compliance, in the abstract, it seems as though we have a gulf between the goals of the Comprehensive Plan and the funding to achieve those goals in all cases.

Sunderman agreed. The Comprehensive Plan is a community based document with public input. But the budget is also a public based type document. The City Council is looking for all sorts of input in various ways from the public on how to pay for these programs. There is definitely a disconnect in what we want and what we can pay for. We somehow need to narrow that gap.

Larson agreed with Sunderman. As the gentleman promoting NW 48th Street pointed out, projects just seem to be moving targets as we delay and defer. Somehow or another, society needs to look at these things differently and somehow close that gap that is restricting our desires or increasing our willingness to pay. It is a serious problem here as well as in our whole country. Also, Larson wonders how much of our funds are being expended for duplication of approvals, etc., and how to go about eliminating any duplication.

Gaylor Baird observed that costs are very crucial to these discussions. She does not want to maintain the thought that people can't adapt to changes. She is confident in our community and thinks people can and will adapt to change.

Motion for a finding of full or general conformance with the Comprehensive Plan carried 8-0: Esseks, Francis, Cornelius, Gaylor Baird, Taylor, Larson, Lust and Sunderman voting 'yes'; Partington absent.

DRAFT FY2012-2015
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM
FOR THE LINCOLN AND LANCASTER COUNTY AREA
(LINCOLN MPO).

ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION:

May 25, 2011

Francis moved a finding of general conformance with the Comprehensive Plan, seconded by Taylor and carried 8-0: Esseks, Francis, Cornelius, Gaylor Baird, Taylor, Larson, Lust and Sunderman voting 'yes'; Partington absent.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

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From : Russell Miller
341 S. 52
Lincoln, NE 68510

To : City/County Planning Commission

Hello,

I wish to speak specifically about the Street portion of the proposed CIP budget starting September 2011.

The money for residential street rehab (code 0183) of \$1.154 million comes from Lincoln's Wheel Tax. Under the least costly circumstances it costs approximately \$105,000 per mile to rehab a residential street. But if curb and gutters need to be replaced the cost can be 160-170,000 dollars per mile.

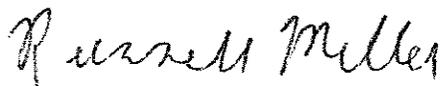
Assuming the best circumstances of no curb and gutter replacement Lincoln can only rehab approximately 10 miles per year. When you realistically consider the necessity of replacing of curbs and gutters we might be able to rehab 7 miles per year. According to Public Works Pavement Management website (<http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/projects/pavement/pdf/map.pdf>) approximately 170 miles of Lincoln's streets are rated poor or fair which means they should be rehab or replaced very soon.

Obviously the money does not exist using the current method of dividing the Wheel Tax money. In January 2010 the Residential portion of the Wheel Tax was lowered to 9.26% from 10.2% and the new Construction portion was raised from 42.86 to 48.15%.

I suggest that this body recommends that the City rehabs a minimum of 15 miles of residential streets per year which could be funded by re-apportioning the Wheel Tax. The money removed from the Wheel Tax Construction Fund and Residual Fund could be made up by increasing the Impact Fees (which have not even been adjusted or raised for inflation since 2007).

We must not forget the pothole disaster of the spring of 2010 which was the consequence of not maintaining our current street infrastructure.

Thank you,
Russell Miller



***** ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION *****
June 1, 2011

NOTICE: The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 1, 2011, at 1:00 p.m., in the City Council Hearing Room, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska, on the following items. For more information, call the Planning Department, (402) 441-7491.

The LPlan Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, June 1, 2011, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., in Room 113 of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

****PLEASE NOTE:** The Planning Commission action is final action on any item with a notation of “FINAL ACTION”. Any aggrieved person may appeal Final Action of the Planning Commission to the City Council by filing a Notice of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days following the action of the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission action on all other items is a recommendation to the City Council or County Board.

AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2011

[All members present]

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held May 18, 2011. ****APPROVED, 9-0****

1. CONSENT AGENDA
(Public Hearing and Administrative Action):

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

Page 01 1.1 Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 11005, to review as to conformance with the 2030 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, the proposed creation of the Havelock Business Improvement District for the provision of maintenance of a streetscape project and certain public amenities in the area of Havelock Avenue, from 64th Street east to Cornhusker Highway, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

Staff recommendation: Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan

Staff Planner: Tom Cajka, 441-5662, tcajka@lincoln.ne.gov

Planning Commission recommendation: A FINDING OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, 9-0.

Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 27, 2011, 5:30 p.m.

CHANGE OF ZONE:

Page 15 1.2 Change of Zone No. 11015, from R-1 Residential District to R-3 Residential District, on property generally located at S. 27th Street and Tierra Drive.
Staff recommendation: Approval
Staff Planner: Christy Eichorn, 441-7603, ceichorn@lincoln.ne.gov
Planning Commission recommendation: APPROVAL, 9-0.
Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2011, 3:00 p.m.

Page 21 1.3 Change of Zone No. 11016, from R-6 Residential District to B-3 Commercial District, on property generally located at S. 27th Street and N Street.
Staff recommendation: Approval
Staff Planner: Christy Eichorn, 441-7603, ceichorn@lincoln.ne.gov
Removed from Consent Agenda and had separate public hearing.
Planning Commission recommendation: APPROVAL, 8-1 (Gaylor Baird dissenting).
Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2011, 3:00 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Page 29 1.4 Street & Alley Vacation No. 11006, to vacate a portion of the old Pine Lake Road right-of-way, generally located southeast of the intersection of S. 84th Street and Pine Lake Road.
Staff recommendation: Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Planning Commission recommendation: A FINDING OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, 9-0.
Public Hearing before City Council will be scheduled when the provisions of Chapter 14.20 have been satisfied.

Page 37 1.5 Miscellaneous No. 11003, to review the proposed determination that the area of the "Yolande Avenue Redevelopment Area Blight and Substandard Determination Study" be declared a blighted and substandard area as defined in the Nebraska Community Development Law. The study area consists of an estimated 96.6 acres comprised predominantly of commercial and industrial land uses, generally located between Cornhusker Highway and Salt Creek, from approximately North 14th Street at the west boundary to approximately North 24th Street at the east boundary.
Staff recommendation: Finding that there is a reasonable presence of substandard and blighted conditions
Staff Planner: Tom Cajka, 441-5662, tcajka@lincoln.ne.gov
Planning Commission recommendation: A FINDING OF SUBSTANDARD AND BLIGHTED CONDITIONS, 9-0.
Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 27, 2011, 5:30 p.m.

2. **REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL: (See Items 4.2 and 5.1a&b below)**

3. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA (See Item No. 1.3)**

4. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:**

CHANGE OF ZONE:

Page 49 4.1a Change of Zone No. 11018, amending Chapter 27.41 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to the H-2 Highway Business District by amending Section 27.41.020 to delete the square footage restriction on stores or shops for the sale of goods at retail not otherwise permitted in this chapter; amending Section 27.41.030 to add assembly facilities, including but not limited to the assembly of equipment, instruments, and appliances such as computers and musical instruments, as a permitted conditional use in the H-2 District, and repealing Sections 27.41.020 and 27.41.030 of the Lincoln Municipal Code as hitherto existing.

Staff recommendation: Approval

Staff Planner: Tom Cajka, 441-5662, tcajka@lincoln.ne.gov

Had public hearing.

Planning Commission recommendation: APPROVAL, 9-0.

Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2011, 3:00 p.m.

Page 63 4.1b Change of Zone No. 11017, from B-1 Local Business District to H-2 Highway Business District, on property generally located at North 45th Street and Vine Street.

Staff recommendation: Approval

Staff Planner: Tom Cajka, 441-5662, tcajka@lincoln.ne.gov

Had public hearing.

Planning Commission recommendation: APPROVAL, subject to a conditional zoning agreement, 9-0.

Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2011, 3:00 p.m.

Page 71 4.2 Change of Zone No. 11019, amending Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, the Zoning Code, by amending Chapter 27.03 to add the definition of "Entertainment Restaurant" as Section 27.03.218 and to renumber existing Section 27.03.218 (Existing Urban Area) as Section 27.03.219; amending Sections 27.31.040, 27.33.030, and 27.37.025 to allow entertainment restaurants as a conditional use in the B-2, B-3, and B-5 zoning districts, respectively; amending Section 27.47.020 to prohibit an entertainment restaurant as a permitted use in the I-1 Industrial District; and repealing Sections 27.03.218, 27.31.040, 27.33.030, 27.37.025, and 27.47.020 of the Lincoln Municipal Code as hitherto existing.
Staff recommendation: Approval
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Applicant's request for four-week deferral granted, with CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION scheduled for Wednesday, June 29, 2011, 1:00 p.m.

PERMITS:

Page 101 4.3 Special Permit No. 11010, for authority to operate a limited landfill on property generally located at U.S. Highway 34 and NW 48th Street (6707 NW 48th Street). ***** FINAL ACTION *****
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: Mike DeKalb, 441-6370, mdekalb@lincoln.ne.gov
Had public hearing.
Planning Commission 'final action': CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the staff report dated May 16, 2011, 9-0.
Resolution No. PC-01232.

5. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:

CHANGE OF ZONE WITH RELATED ITEMS:

Page 117 5.1a Change of Zone No. 11009, amending Section 27.63.500 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to Zoning Code Special Permits for Scrap Processing Operations, Salvage Yards, and Enclosed Disassembly Operations, to allow outdoor salvage material to be located closer than 500 feet from certain entrance corridors if land forms or screening completely obstructs the view by the traveling public of the salvage material, and to authorize the City Council to decrease the 500-foot setback under limited circumstances; and repealing Section 27.63.500 of the Lincoln Municipal Code as hitherto existing.
Staff recommendation: Approval
Staff Planner: Christy Eichorn, 441-7603, ceichorn@lincoln.ne.gov
Applicant's request for two-week deferral granted, with CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2011, 1:00 p.m.

5.1b Special Permit No. 11006, for a scrap processing operation and to allow salvage material kept outside a building to be located closer than the 500 feet to the West "O" Street entrance corridor, on property generally located at West O Street and Sun Valley Boulevard (545 West "O" Street).

Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval

Staff Planner: Christy Eichorn, 441-7603, ceichorn@lincoln.ne.gov

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**AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM
NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO**

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PENDING LIST: *None*

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**The Planning Commission meeting
which is broadcast live at 1:00 p.m. every other Wednesday
will be rebroadcast on Sundays at 1:00 p.m. on 5 City TV, Cable Channel 5.**

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**The Planning Commission agenda may be accessed on the Internet at
<http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/pcagenda/index.htm>**

**PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION**

TO : Mayor Chris Beutler
Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Preister, Planning

DATE : June 2, 2011

RE : Notice of final action by Planning Commission: June 1, 2011

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This is final action unless appealed to the City Council within 14 days of the action by the Planning Commission.

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Gene M. Hanlon
Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 11:39 AM
To: Council Packet
Cc: Karla M. Welding; Gary C. Brandt; Scott E. Holmes; Greg S. MacLean; Miki Esposito; Rick D. Hoppe
Subject: Proposed Ordinance Change on Garbage Service for Renters (Item Number 11-60)
Attachments: Illegally dumping Havelock.jpg; Illegally dumping East High.jpg

I am writing in support of the proposed ordinance change to LMC 8.32 requiring garbage service for every dwelling. Solid Waste Operations manages 21 multi-material recycling drop-off sites in the City of Lincoln. These recycling centers have signage identifying the types of materials accepted at the sites and that depositing household waste, yard waste and non-recyclables is not allowed.

However, since these sites are unstaffed, illegal dumping of waste is a problem that we must manage. It has become such a problem that we have placed 2 cubic yard dumpsters at most of the sites for illegally dumped material in order to help keep the sites clean. Attached are two photos I took Thursday, May 26 at about 5 pm. The first photo was taken at the Havelock Recycling site, 63rd and Platte Avenue and the second was taken at the East High Recycling Site. The 2 cubic yard containers at the recycling sites are emptied 3 times week (M, W, and F) and some of the sites often look like these photos.

Approval of the proposed ordinance change will reduce the amount of waste dumped illegally at the recycling drop-off sites because it is my belief that a major portion of this waste comes from renters. I also believe that it will help me in recruiting property owners to donate space to host future recycling drop-off sites. That's because two of the major concerns property owners have regarding the recycling centers are their appearance and what residents might dump at the site.

I urge you to approve this ordinance change. Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Gene Hanlon

Recycling Coordinator

2400 Theresa Street

Lincoln, NE 68521

(402)441-7043

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NO Construction Debris,
Yard Waste, Oil, Paint, Tires
or Household Trash!

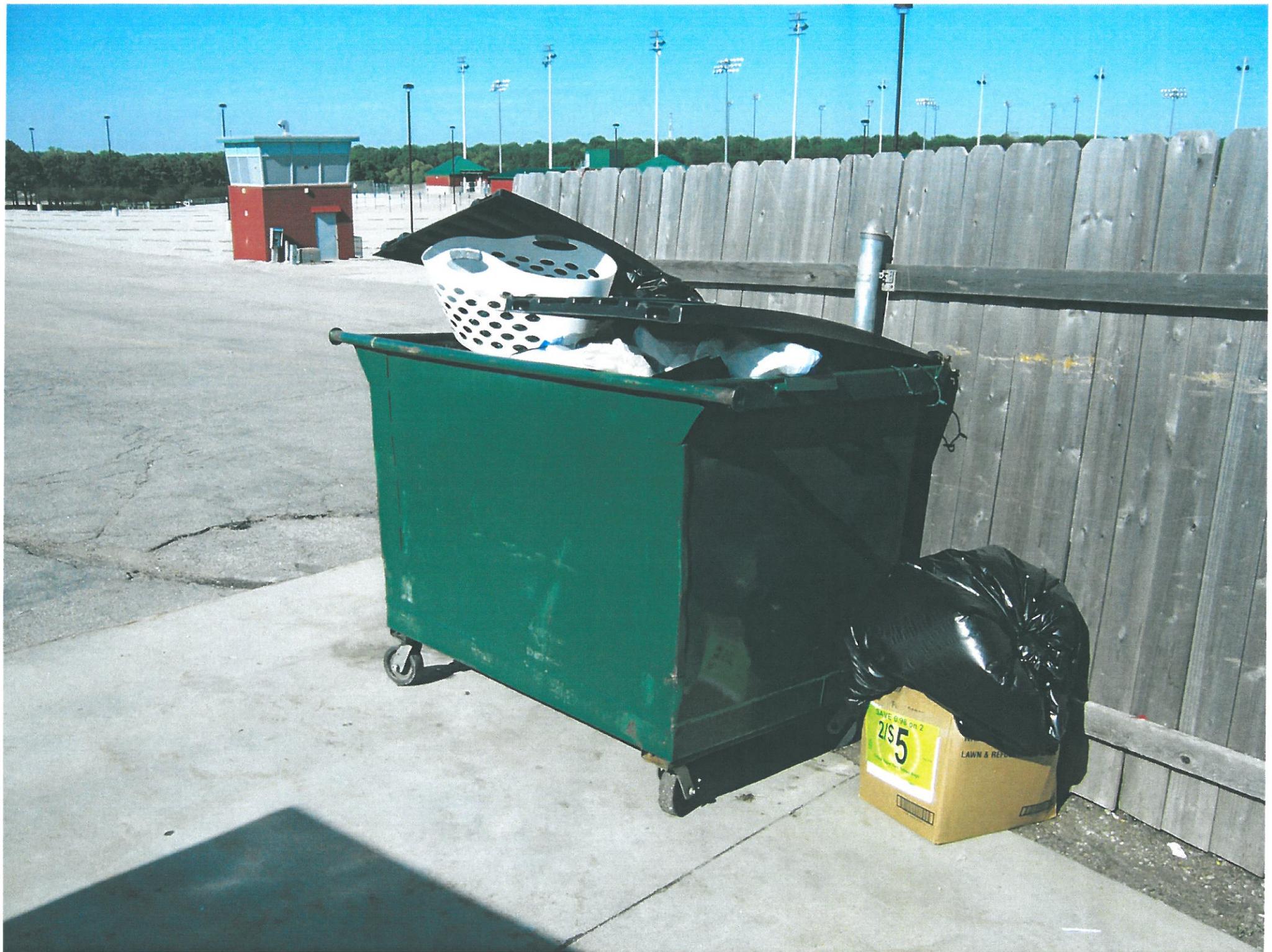
Violators will be Prosecuted!

Penalty up to \$500 fine and 6 months

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Combined Weed Program

City of Lincoln

May 2011 Monthly Report

www.lancaster.ne.gov/weeds

Japanese Knotweed (*bad news / good news*)

First the bad news.... Last month I reported that we had NOT found any new infestations of Japanese Knotweed. We were not so lucky in May. Knotweed plantings between the sidewalk and the street were discovered at



over a dozen locations in downtown Lincoln. The Downtown Lincoln Association was aware of the

locations and will remove the plants and begin chemical treatment of any new growth.

Now the good news..... Five of the six locations that we previously knew about are



having some type of control work being done, either chemical or mechanical. I have been working with the final landowner's grounds keeper on having his knotweed removed and it should be coming out this month.

Weed Abatement

Our office received 327 complaints in May. 58 complaints were on properties that had already received a prior complaint. We are receiving between 20 and 30 complaints each day via our web site, the Mayor's Action Center and phone complaints. We have been able to complete the 1st inspection usually on the next working day following the complaint. In most cases if the landowner of record does not comply, the contract to mow is issued within about 12 to 13 days after receiving the initial complaint.

Our inspectors completed 587 inspections in May. 443 were 1st inspections, 129 were 2nd inspections and 15 were 3rd inspections.

We have sent out 79 letters and 238 legal notices requiring landowners to mow. 22 contracts have been issued to our contractors to mow properties within the city limits.

Noxious Weeds within City Limits

Our inspectors have completed 308 inspections on noxious weeds within the city limits. 281 of those are 1st inspections with 27 follow up inspections. They include 205 sites with Musk thistle, 2 sites with Plumeless thistle, 18 sites with Japanese Knotweed, and 56 sites with Leafy Spurge.

Noxious Weed Control Act Q & A

Q: (a) Who is responsible for the cost of the control activities of the control authority? (b) This cost is considered what? (c) Beginning at what date?

A: (a) The cost of any such control shall be at the expense of the owner. (b) A lien on the property upon which the control measures were taken as a special assessment (c) on the date of control.

June Planned Activities

9	Management Team Meeting
10	Invasive Species Council
16	NWCA Region meeting @ Lancaster Co.
21	LPWMA Meeting
30	Problem Resolution Team
30	Monthly activity report

Mary M. Meyer

From: Jonathan A. Cook
Sent: Monday, May 30, 2011 9:44 PM
To: Pamela Rowland
Cc: Mayor; Carl B. Eskridge; Doug Emery; Eugene W. Carroll; Jon Camp; Adam A. Hornung; Jayne L. Snyder; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Re: Request for help

Ms. Rowland,

Thank you for writing. I have forwarded your message to the Health Dept Director, Judy Halstead, to find out what can be done.

Jonathan Cook

On May 30, 2011, at 4:42 PM, Pamela Rowland wrote:

Dear Mr. Cook
Southwest - District 3 Council Member

This is an extremely difficult letter to write; I have started it numerous times and stopped because of my caring for all animals. I have always felt bad dogs are produced by bad people, but at some point even I must realize there can be a bad dog.

We live on a "horseshoe" loop in an area known as Wilderness Ridge Townhome Association; there are 70 homes of which about half own dogs. The majority of these people obey the leash law and all other courtesies animal owners should adhere to. Of course there is always that ONE person who feels he does not to.

Mr. Donald Erway (2335 Stone Creek Loop S) moved here from Firethorn either in December 2007 or January 2008. Don has a black male Lab mix named Buddy. Since Buddy wears an electric collar for control, Don does not think it necessary to have him on a leash when he and the dog are outside.

On June 9, 2008, I was walking my neighbor's Pug, Otis around 7:00 a.m. We were on the inside sidewalk across the street from the Erway home when the garage door opened. Buddy had Otis by the neck and in the air within seconds. Don came running. I was on the grass trying to hold Otis so he was not suspended, Don was trying to open Buddy's mouth. After what seemed hours, a neighbor came outside, Don yelled for him to get the remote control from the kitchen bar (of course he first came back with the TV remote and had to return for the collar remote). After several hits from that remote, Buddy dropped Otis and backed away. To our horror, Don had lost the tip of an inner finger; it was never found. Some how Otis and I got back home, we went to Clock Tower Vet who put butterfly bandages around Otis's neck and kept him overnight until his owners Chuck and Sheree Bacus (2215 Stone Creek Loop S) came home. I was told that Pug's have a fat roll around their necks and this had kept Otis alive. I went to the Life Pointe emergency room; I had pulled leg muscles and needed a walker for over a week. Don was very concerned and called me several times during the week. He paid for all the expenses.

I called Animal Control, but because I was not Otis's owner, I was told they could not take a report, and besides Mr. Erway had paid all the bills. Mr Erway talked to Mr. Bacus when they got home, Mr. Bacus decided not to make a report.

On September 7, 2010, Dwight Winger's (2315 Stone Creek Loop S) step-daughter was walking her Boston Terrier, Bella. Again from nowhere came Buddy, the Terrier ended up with bite marks and swelling to the head and the eleven year old had rope burns and minor lacerations on her hands because she was trying to pull her dog away from Buddy. Mr. Erway had been outside, had the remote and used it to make his dog back off.

Animal Control was contacted, this time they did come out and talked with Mr. Winger, but were reluctant to issue a citation. Mr. Winger e-mailed a letter to Mayor Beutler asking for his help. Within a week, I was contacted by an Animal Control investigator who took my report regarding the June 2008 incident. Mr. Erway I believe received a citation and fine.

On May 11, 2011, Janet Bingham (2309 Stone Creek Loop N) was walking her poodle mix. She had passed the Erway home by several hundred feet, but when she heard "no Buddy come", she knew what was next, she pulled her dog down next to her and she yelled "no,no,back,back" and kicked at the dog. Buddy backed away (Don was outside and I'm sure had the remote), but Buddy had bitten the Bingham's dog's foot. Janet took the dog to the Vet at NE. Animal Medical Center. Again Mr. Erway paid the bill. Janet called Animal Control, but was told because her dog did not have a Lincoln dog license, they could not take a report unless she paid a fine of \$144 OR they would send her an application for the dog license; she has since licensed her dog.

I know two wrongs do not make a right; Janet should have had a license for her dog. But we are talking about a dog that has shown such aggression towards other dogs that come close to his property that we now have two different approaches here on our loop. Most of the dog owners DO NOT take their dogs around the loop. Then we have neighbors who are carrying objects (base ball bats, flash lights, re-bar pieces) when they walk their dogs around the loop. One neighbor said to me "this is a tragedy waiting to happen" and the reason this letter is being written.

Mr. Erway truly loves his dog. His automobile license reads "dog car". He takes the dog almost every day to the dog park. Mr. Erway is in his 70's and I don't feel can control his dog with just a leash, thus the electric collar and not the leash. This dog needs a big back yard with a fence. Our town homes have greenbelts behind the houses and no fences are allowed. Some day we will have a hurt child, a dead pet or have an injury to someone.

Is there anything you can suggest that might make Mr. Erway understand that this is serious and he needs to change his ways? I would appreciate your reply.

Pamela Rowland
2214 Stone Creek Loop S
Lincoln, NE. 68512 (402) 261-3193

I have E-mailed the Mayor's office plus each Council Member. This problem can't just be "our" problem in the City of Lincoln.

Mary M. Meyer

Subject: FW: Request for help

From: Lin Quenzer

Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2011 10:54 AM

To: 'Pamela Rowland'; Mayor; Jonathan A. Cook; Carl B. Eskridge; Doug Emery; Eugene W. Carroll; Jon Camp; Adam A. Hornung; Jayne L. Snyder; Mary M. Meyer

Cc: Judy A. Halstead; Steve R. Beal; John C. McQuinn

Subject: RE: Request for help

Dear Ms. Rowland:

Thanks for writing Mayor Beutler about problems you are having with a neighborhood dog not being under the control of its owner and attacking smaller animals. I see that Councilman Cook has already forwarded your inquiry to the Health Department. However, I am also forwarding this to the department and will be investigating their response.

I will let you know what I find as soon as I am able to do so. If you have other questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me here at the Mayor's office at 402.441.7511 or by email at lquenzer@lincoln.ne.gov. Your time in bringing your concerns to the attention of the Mayor's office is very much appreciated. I will be in touch.

Sincerely,

Lin Quenzer

Ombudsman

Office of the Mayor

City of Lincoln, Nebraska

555 South 10th Street, Suite 208

Lincoln, NE 68508

lquenzer@lincoln.ne.gov

402.441.7511

Mary M. Meyer

From: Steve R. Beal
Sent: Wednesday, June 01, 2011 3:35 PM
To: Jonathan A. Cook; Carl B. Eskridge; Doug Emery; Eugene W. Carroll; Jon Camp; Adam A. Hornung; Jayne L. Snyder; Mayor; Mary M. Meyer
Cc: Judy A. Halstead; Lin Quenzer; John C. McQuinn
Subject: FW: Ms Rowland 2214 Stone Creek Loop S

Dear Councilman Cook.

I have reviewed Ms Rowland's email and appreciate the chance to address the circumstances pertaining to the 3 incidents she mentions. I have also reviewed all the files we have on Mr. Erway and his dog, "Buddy".

1. According to Ms. Rowland on June 9, 2008 she was walking Mr. Bacus's dog "Otis" when Otis was bit by Mr. Erway's dog, Buddy. After reviewing the records I have found out that Mr. Bacus did not want to make a report. Animal Control dispatch did however make a note in Mr. Erway's file of the June 2008 dog bite. Ms Rowland indicated in her email that we would not "take a report". Mr. Bacus as owner of the victim dog and Mr. Erway as owner of the alleged biter dog would be the two primary individuals that we would need statements from. In a report written by Animal Control Officer Scott Lowry taken from Ms Rowland regarding the June 2008 incident, Officer Lowry noted, " I asked Ms Rowland if she reported the attack/bite to Animal Control? She stated that she did and that she reported the incident about a week after the incident occurred. She stated that she talked to a female dispatcher. I asked her if she ever spoke to and Animal Control officer about the incident and she "no". I asked her if the Animal Control dispatcher asked her if she would like to file a bite or attack report? Rowland stated that the dispatcher did ask her this but she (Rowland) declined because "the Bacus's didn't want to make waves about the incident".

2. On September 7, 2010 Mr. Winger's step-daughter was walking her Boston Terrier, "Bella". Bella was bitten by Mr. Erway's dog Buddy. This incident resulted in 2 citations being written on that same day (9/7/10). One for "dog running at large" and one for "destroying the property of others". I also declared Buddy a Potentially Dangerous Dog in a letter to Mr. Erway on September 18, 2010. Mr. Erway is current on all the Potentially Dangerous Dog requirements.

3. On May 11, 2011 Janet Bingham's dog a poodle mix was bitten on the foot by Mr. Erway's dog, Buddy. Ms Bingham was told that we would not take a report. We would always take a report from the owner of the victim dog when they request one. During the time Ms Bingham and the AC dispatcher were discussing the incident on the phone the dispatcher noted that Ms Bingham's dog was not current on license, however that would NOT have had any bearing on our taking a report of a bite/attack incident. I have since talked to the office manager in charge of dispatch to clarify any matter regarding taking a report even when there are other possible violations that not directly relate to the incident. Ms Bingham still has the option of filing a report and she could call me directly if she wants to discuss that more.

These are the facts as I know them and I would be happy to further discuss any of these in more detail if requested.

Steve Beal
Animal Control Manager
402-441-8080

5-11-11

Dear City Councilman Doug Emery.

I am writing to ask that the implementation of the Smart Meters in Lincoln be banned.

There has not been enough of the information (research) available to the public to inform

them of the possible negative effects nor have the people had any say in the amount of taxpayer money being spent to implement

a plan with so many questionable attributes.

This smacks of intrusion into private property and freedom of choice.

I wonder if this project is even constitutional.

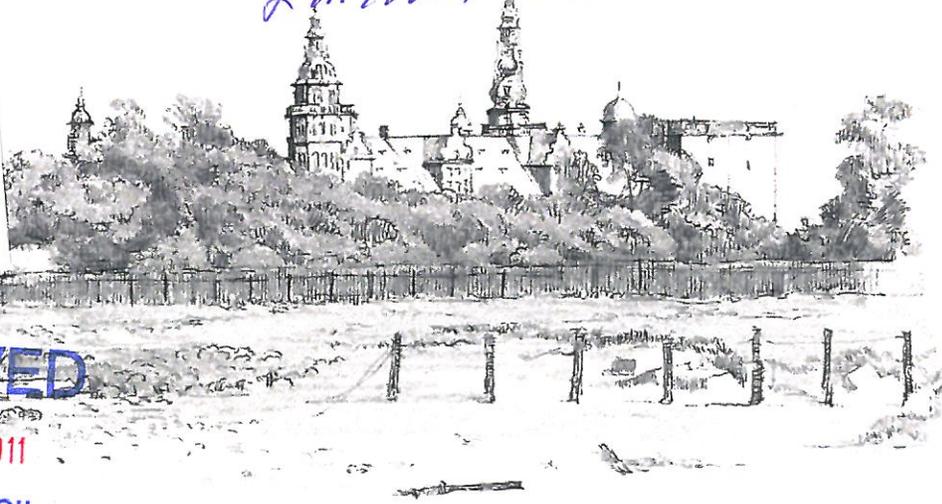
Sincerely
John R. Bauer
Lincoln, NE 68505

John R. Bauer
124 Townsend Way
Lincoln, NE 68505

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For more info, check out
www.stop smart meters.org.
Thanks!

May 10, 2011

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Dear Councilman Eskridge,

Recently the issue of the LES Agenda
of bringing smart meters ^{to Lincoln} has come
to my attention. People in Texas
and California have already had
them installed & they are causing
problems of serious health concerns,
privacy issues & higher rates.

We don't need to have the problems
here in Lincoln that have been
incurred in other parts of the country.

Please seriously consider a
city-wide ordinance
& ban on smart
meters.

Thank you.

Annie Clark
1850 Morton
Lincoln NE

68521

P.S. excuse the stationary please!



5/10/2011

Dear Councilman Estridge,

Congratulations on your election. As a citizen, I have a request of the council - to ban smart meters. (stop smart meters.org)

They are dangerous to our health + are invasive to our private lives, with 2 way control. California communities are

banning them - 42 of them so far.

Please ban them. The private market makes

remote thermostat control available so CES does not need to set up this grid -

Ban them now.

Mike + Charlotte Ralston

Lincoln, NE

12105 W. O.
Lincoln NE

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Media Release

Community Health Endowment of Lincoln



To: Media
CC: Mayor's Office, Lincoln City Council
From: Lori Vrtiska Seibel, President/CEO, 402-436-5516
Date: 05/26/11
Re: Funding Awards

Community Health Endowment of Lincoln Announces Funding Awards

Following an extensive review of 61 applications, the Board of Trustees of the Community Health Endowment (CHE) is pleased to announce the funding of 25 projects, representing \$704,244 in funding over the next year, and \$1,692,536 in total funding over the next three years. With this announcement, CHE will have provided \$1.75 million in grant awards in FY2010-11.

Ed Wimes, Chair of the CHE Board of Trustees, says of this year's funding awards, *"This year's funding package represents an excellent range of important and innovative ideas. We were especially pleased that so many applicants submitted ideas to our new Transformation Fund. This fund challenges us to think about tough community health issues in new ways. Overall, this year's funding awards represent CHE's core values and we believe they have the potential to significantly improve the health of our community."*

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- **Provide mental health peer specialists to assist adults served by the BryanLGH emergency room, adult/senior psychiatric units, and Lincoln Police Department.** (Mental Health Association of Nebraska: \$128,879 in year 1; \$131,890 in year 2; and \$134,982 in year 3)
 - **Transform the paper-based patient records of CenterPointe, Cornhusker Place, Houses of Hope, and St. Monica's to electronic patient records for purposes of health information exchange.** (electronic Behavioral Health Information Network (eBHIN): \$129,926 in year 1; \$188,917 in year 2; and \$38,060 in year 3)
 - **Utilize the current City TV Channel 10 as a health, fitness, and wellness channel.** (City of Lincoln: \$50,000 in year 1; \$45,000 in year 2; and \$40,000 in year 3)
 - **Convert a current model that serves high-risk pregnant mothers/infants to a national model (Healthy Families America) through training, goal-setting, assessment and curriculum purchase.** (Lincoln/Lancaster County Health Department: \$42,820)

- **Continue support for the North Lincoln Fitness and Nutrition Program, providing free exercise and nutrition classes in North and Central Lincoln. (Reach Out Christian Center: \$27,460)**
- **Provide trainings/education for safety net providers and clients regarding the impact and provisions of federal health care reform. (Nebraska Appleseed Center for Law in the Public Interest: \$16,000)**
- **Increase the level of pre-shelter services available to women and children on the Friendship Home waiting list. (Friendship Home: \$44,535 in year 1; \$44,999 in year 2; and \$45,000 in year 3)**
- **Establish a comprehensive wellness program for the youth served by out-of-home and juvenile justice programs. (CEDARS Youth Services: \$44,500 in year 1; \$44,500 in year 2; and \$44,500 in year 3)**
- **Provide funding to increase the availability of nursing services in the Lincoln clinic. (Family Health Services, Inc.: \$32,222 in year 1; \$32,222 in year 2; and \$32,222 in year 3)**
- **Provide specialty care medical services to clients who are uninsured and do not qualify for governmental assistance. (Lancaster County Medical Society: \$25,000 in year 1; \$25,000 in year 2; and \$25,000 in year 3)**
- **Provide counseling services to young adults, ages 16-24, with behavioral and/or emotional issues. (The HUB: \$13,000 in year 1; \$28,000 in year 2; and \$28,000 in year 3)**
- **Achieve cost savings through improving the energy efficiency in buildings owned and occupied by non-profit agencies. (Cleaner Greener Lincoln – City of Lincoln: \$50,000)**
- **Provide funding for a Wellness Coordinator in the Lincoln Public Schools. (Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln: \$15,313 in year 1; \$15,000 in year 2; and \$15,000 in year 3)**
- **Provide general operational support to the Young Families Program that assists women who are pregnant/parenting (and their families) in achieving sustainability. (Lincoln Medical Education Partnership: \$15,000 in year 1; \$15,000 in year 2; and \$15,000 in year 3)**
- **Provide partial funding for the construction of Prescott Park and Outdoor Classroom. (Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools (fiscal agent)/Prescott Community Park and Gathering Space: \$10,000)**
- **Provide sustaining funds for the Latino Bike Tour, an exercise and community integration project. (El Centro de las Americas: \$10,000)**
- **Increase operational funding to MilkWorks, Inc. for breastfeeding support and outreach in response to Nebraska Medicaid cuts. (MilkWorks, Inc.: \$4,000)**
- **Conduct a feasibility study related to the need for and services of an Acquired Brain Injury Community Center of Nebraska. (Brain Injury Association of Nebraska: \$15,000)**
- **Purchase dental equipment and supplies needed to expand the scope of pediatric dental services at the People's Health Center. (People's Health Center: \$14,951)**
- **Purchase FCC-mandated equipment that provides emergency alerts and warnings to the listening audience of public radio (KZUM). (Sunrise Communications/KZUM Radio: \$4,138)**
- **Continue the Health360/Medical Transportation Project to provide transportation for homeless and near homeless individuals to health related appointments while providing meaningful employment to the consumers of Midtown Center. (Community Mental Health Center/Midtown Center: up to \$6,000)**
- **Provide specialized training on self-care and stress management for CASA volunteers to address volunteer burnout. (CASA for Lancaster County: \$2,500)**

- **Provide funding for 54321Go! curriculum training for child care providers, parents, and children. (Teach a Kid to Fish: \$1,500)**
- **Provide partial sponsorship of a national speaker to present at the National Case Management Conference in Nebraska. (Region V Systems: \$1,000)**
- **Purchase health and fitness related equipment for the People First & People First Jr. Programs, self-advocacy groups for people who experience intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. (The ARC of Lincoln/Lancaster Country: \$500)**

The Community Health Endowment of Lincoln was established in 1998 and has granted more than \$14 million to help make Lincoln the healthiest city in the nation. Information about a new cycle of SPARK! applications is now available at www.chelincoln.org.

For clarification or additional information:

Lori Vrtiska Seibel, President/CEO

Office: 402.436.5516

Fax: 402.436.4128

EMAIL: lori.seibel@chelincoln.org

Mary M. Meyer

From: WebForm [none@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Saturday, May 28, 2011 8:02 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
General Council

Name: Mark Elsener
Address: 3742 H Street
City: Lincoln, NE 68510

Phone: 4023279010
Fax:
Email: mark.elsener@gmail.com

Comment or Question:

I read in the paper this morning the libraries may have to cut hours and reduce staff because of a 485,000 dollar budget shortfall. Later in the paper the mayor proposes the start of a new bureaucracy. The cost of his salary and staffing the new position is prohibitive. If the three departments have trouble working together maybe we need different heads for those three departments, not hiring the man who had been head of one of the departments who seems could not work out a cooperative relationship before.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Melanie Brewer [mb2007bw@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, May 28, 2011 9:11 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Hello My name is Melanie Brewer,

I filed a claim against the City of Lincoln on or about April 15th, 2011, When a large tree branch fell on the top of my car. My car was parked on 4300 block of Judson Street on the southwest corner of 44th and Judson. The tree belongs to the City and it was not windy nor was it Storming,raining anything it was a nice day. The Police were called to file a report the officer was the one who pulled the 30ft tree branch from the street to the yard of 4360 Judson and also took pictures. This large tree branch and all its branches that broke off caused alittle over \$2,000.00 in damages to my 4door silver 1999 Nissan Maxima. I am asking the City to take responsibility for the damages. I feel that it happend on a City street with a City tree i dont think the tree being healthy has anything to do with it. If it were a tree on my property and a branch fell on someones car i would be responsible no matter what. I would expect the same city or not. I have neighbors who heard the crash and also seen it fall on our car and told us to file a claim against the City. What if somebody would have been hurt? Would the City take responsibilty then?.. This could have happend to anyone and their car. It's a legal parking area and i didnt know i was to inspect every City tree before parking under them. I guess i just thought the City workers got paid to do that and there may not have been a complaint prior about this tree but again i dont see how this wouldnt be the Citys responsibility. I dont have full coverage insurance but if i did i'd still have a \$500.00 or more deductable and i dont believe that is fair to me. I hope you take time to consider my claim and rule in my favor. I will continue to advocate for myself if you deny this claim. Thank You for your time and consideration.

Thanks again,
Melanie Brewer
402-420-5798
1226 Furnas Street
Lincoln, Ne 68521
mb2007bw@yahoo.com

Mary M. Meyer

From: Christopher Nollett [miloklancy@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 01, 2011 12:07 PM
To: Mayor; Council Packet
Subject: Elimination of Vets Hospital Star Tran Route

I'm writing to express my absolute opposition to the elimination of the Vets Hospital Star Tran route. I have utilized this bus route on almost every weekday since its inception a few yeas back. While I know the route is not perfect, I strongly dispute the notion that has the smallest ridership and fear this could possibly deliberate deception. I have always perceived this route as having a fairly high and consistent ridership and I respectfully ask the Mayor and the City Council to took another look at possible flaws in whatever study determined the Vets Hospital route had the lowest ridership. This route runs through the heart of the city and its elimination would admittedly have a profound personal impact, but would also be a disservice to the many I know who utilize this route.

Thank you for considering what I have said.

Sincerely

Christopher Nollett

*Note for the City Engineer Plan!
Keep our traffic moving safely.*

I am very disappointed that the City Council put the Old Cheney Road widening project on indefinite hold. In addition to the 8-10 people (who knew when they planted the trees and put in their swimming pool that the road was going to be widened), I also pay my taxes as well as the thousands of folks in south Lincoln who need this road widened to accommodate the traffic. I am against the center turn lane, it would not work on 80th street (nor & 77th, but I will speak to 80th as that is where I reside). During rush hour many, many times there are cars going both directions who want to turn left on to the very busy 80th street (especially north of Old Cheney, although a lot of cars also turn south). I can see this being very hazardous using a center turn lane. Has anyone on the Council observed the center turn land on 48th (across from Parkway Bowling Alley, The Pantry Restaurant, Hobby Lobby shopping area, etc)? I have seen cars having to back up to allow an oncoming car to turn left. Also on 70th and Van Dorn, by Valentino's, this center lane becomes jammed up, not all the time, but mainly during rush hour. If the substitution of a center turning lane is planned in order to save money, the city will spend much, much more money in the future adapting the widened road to the needs of increased traffic flow, resulting in higher taxes. Why would the City side with 8-10 neighbors, instead of listening to the very knowledgeable engineers who have done research and know what they are talking about?

I am afraid this Old Cheney project will go away just like the South Beltway, the money will be spent on something else and the road will remain a very narrow, busy street with cars going into the ditches in order to pass cars turning left off of this street, this happens very, very frequently.

Tax paying resident
Virginia E. Carter
5624 So. 80th
Lincoln, NE
68516

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CITY COUNCIL
OFFICE

Dear City Council Members.

June 1st, 2011
3810 So. 15th

I happen to know the things people in office are telling me are not true. Ben and Barb Waline tried to buy up a lot of the older houses on 15th Street and they also bought a lovely home (3834) that Dick Stitz had built for himself. They did not take care of the property. I came home from church one Sunday & there were five wrecked cars across the front lots of the property. They & others had sightless junk all over. Sometimes if you know the right people you can get something done. My brother Gary said don't worry sis, Dale and I will be out in the morning and we'll get rid of all the cars & junk & leave violation tickets. I had to appear at the city council meeting. I said so as not to hurt the young fellow "I admire his ambition but he just chose the wrong location. No one has lived in that house for 5 or 6 years. It's falling down; the porch is gone & the mail carrier still goes there and leaves their mail for 6 months they lived there they threw all their garbage, dog feces & sawn-stairs into the basement. You could smell it before you got to the over

door. They asked the garbage carrier what he'd charge to haul it away and he said "I wouldn't touch that for 600⁰⁰". They borrowed a truck and each night after dark they'd fill it up and go dump it. I would urinate in some county ditches. Deena Winters spent an afternoon with us + as we walked up the street Ben came speeding towards us + skidded to a stop just short of hitting us. Since I worked for Don Nolte in the register of deeds + tried to talk to the mayor Lynn said he didn't take calls + that's true because all the neighbors were calling + he would speak to none of them. I wrote a letter to him + received no response. Lynn looked on the screen and said "Oh, that old blue van has been sitting there for five years that I know of. That was the only time she said "I will call the police and have those vehicles removed. She did nothing. Brenda Miller at the police dept. got Bens cracked car moved. They had a motor home in the back yard covered with plastic - "our dear former fire chief called the right persons to do away with that + a wrecker came out at 11 pm and hauled a trucker away that had sat on the street for 8 yrs. no license, no motor and no transmission, (that's one block from Hwy Patrol + the police went by here almost daily. Why are all the officials telling me there's nothing they can do? Where did our laws suddenly go? We have lost a lot of good neighbors + renters are moving in.

2.

This winter a truck like Swingles pulled up in front of 3824. I thought they were getting a load of stone. It was dead animals that have got into the house & froze to death. They are going in under the roof wherever the smaller ones fit.

The Walrus have appeared before a judge to be fined but each time he goes to court he hobbles in on his crutches. He doesn't need crutches to haul it in. He & she carried two refrigerators out together in the house at 3827. They covered them with plastic in back of the pink house on 14th.

My husband came home from the war with colon cancer. Before we knew what was wrong he & I (17 yrs old) bought this 65 yr old basement house & proceeded to build what ever we could afford. thru many years of sickness and losing our little 3 yr old son, we worked hard & it took us 12 yrs to finish it. It has many good memories for me and each

day as I look out my front door + see the mess, I wonder why no one acts. I remember when someone wanted "Johnny Austin Cash" to clean up his mess + he didn't so the city did it for him and since he couldn't pay for it he spent a year in jail.

I'm 87 yrs old. I'm afraid I will never get to look out my door and see a clean neighborhood. If I wrote all, I'd have to put a lock cover on it!

Very very sincerely,

Mrs. Jean Skerwood Frischknecht

P.S. My friend Jeanne Walker in the governors office suggest I write to you,



Ms. Jean Frischknecht
3810 S. 15th St
Lincoln, NE 68502-5411

**DIRECTORS' AGENDA
ADDENDUM
MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2011**

I. CITY CLERK

II. CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE MAYOR & DIRECTORS

MAYOR

1. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for the week of June 4th through June 10, 2011.

III. DIRECTORS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE. Lincoln and Lancaster County Environmental Leadership Awards.

LINCOLN LIBRARIES

1. Letter to Council Chair Carroll informing Council of an upcoming Library Board vacancy, and the application process.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

DOUG EMERY

1. Letter from Robert Bechtolt with suggestion to cut the budget.

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS TO COUNCIL

1. Letter from Nicole Jensen, Executive Vice President, Realtors® Association, in opposition of the proposed garbage ordinance. Responsibility of garbage collection should remain between the owner/landlord and tenant.
2. Letter from Michael Dennis, President, Real Estate Owners and Managers Association, stating their organization requests the proposed garbage ordinance be held for 60 days. Listed reasons why the final wording should be negotiated.

VI. INVITATIONS

See invitation list.

Date: June 3, 2011

Contact: Dave Norris, Citizen Information Center, 441-7547

Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule
Week of June 4 through 10, 2011
Schedule subject to change

Monday, June 6

- Public Works and Utilities' "Crew at the Zoo" week-long event kickoff, remarks - 10 a.m., Folsom Children's Zoo, 1222 S. 27th St. (near entrance)

Tuesday, June 7

- Superhero "Go Green" video premiere, remarks - 5:45 p.m., Sheldon Art Gallery Auditorium, 12th and "R" streets
- Jazz in June, remarks - 6:45 p.m., Sheldon Garden, 12th and "R" streets

Wednesday, June 8

- "Innovation Celebration" - noon, 4-H building (west side), Nebraska Innovation Campus (State Fair Park)
- Mayor's Arts Awards, remarks and award presentations - 7:15 p.m., Lied Center, 301 N. 12th St.

Thursday, June 9

- Lincoln Solid Waste Management Association 61st annual spring party - 5:30 p.m., Isles Pub & Pizza, 6232 Havelock Ave.



NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER



LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
3140 N Street, Lincoln NE 68510 • Phone: 441-8000
Fax: 441-6229

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 2, 2011
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Renae Rief 402- 441-4602

LINCOLN & LANCASTER COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Environmental Leadership Awards will be held on Friday, June 3, at the Nebraska Champions Club. The ceremony will recognize businesses, organizations and individuals who have demonstrated environmental stewardship and dedication to sustainable practices that improve our air, land, and water quality while protecting public health.

The award presentations are intended to inspire others to follow the models and examples set by these 2011 Environmental Leadership Award recipients. Award winners this year include:

- ***Business and Industry – ServiceMaster Professional Maintenance of Lincoln***

Angela and John Paolini, owners of ServiceMaster, did not just want to talk “Green”, they wanted to prove they were “Green”, and reduce their business’s environmental impact. They began the process of green certification in their cleaning services in 2008, and became the only cleaning service in Nebraska to obtain GS-42 certification in 2009. That is the Green Seal Environmental Standard for Commercial and Institutional Cleaning Services. GS-42 establishes requirements for cleaning service providers of commercial, public, and institutional buildings to create a green cleaning program that protects human health and the environment.

- ***Education – Bob Kuzelka***

Bob Kuzelka is a professor that has inspired hundreds of students to pursue environmental careers. Bob’s dedication to educating students, his past work as the University of Nebraska Lincoln’s Environmental Studies Director, and his personal commitment to protecting and preserving our environment has led to him being a recipient of the 2011 Environmental Leadership Award for education.

- ***Community Organization – Marcia Mueting, Pharm., R.P. – Nebraska Medication Education Disposal Strategies Committee***

Dr. Marcia Mueting, with the Nebraska Pharmacists Association, has developed the Nebraska Medication Education and Disposal Strategies Committee, also known as the Nebraska MEDS

project. She spent significant time seeking stakeholders, learning the issues, and reviewing the state and federal laws and regulations. Under Marcia's leadership, they designed and created ten panels for public display and distributed 30,000 bookmarks, and 600 informational brochures. Materials were sent out to 466 pharmacies throughout the state. With Marcia's vision, creativity, and boundless energy, the Nebraska MEDS project is making a difference in helping to protect public health and our groundwater.

- ***Government – Nebraska Environmental Trust***

The Nebraska Environmental Trust has provided exceptional leadership, and coordinated efforts to identify and fund strong environmental conservation and educational projects in Lancaster County and across Nebraska. The impact of the Trust in Lincoln and Lancaster County alone includes 139 projects and approximately \$15 million of funding to date. This funding allowed for the restoration and management of Holmes Lake watershed and the Saline Wetlands north of town, along with community-treasured projects at the Lincoln Children's Zoo and Pioneers Park Nature Center. From supporting threatened and endangered species to improving local water quality, the Nebraska Environmental Trust has had a tremendous impact.

- ***Agriculture – Walt Bagley – Prairie Pines***

Over the last six decades Walt Bagley has worked quietly to improve our environment. For over 30 years he taught for University of Nebraska - Lincoln and conducted research related to agricultural tree windbreaks. In 1965 he and his wife, Virginia, planted "Prairie Pines," Nebraska's first Christmas tree farm. In 1982, Prairie Pines became the first property with a conservation easement in Nebraska.

- ***Individual Citizen – Adam Hintz – Meadowlark Coffee & Espresso***

Adam Hintz, local coffee shop owner of Meadowlark Coffee and Espresso exemplifies a sustainable approach to work and to life. His shop serves local and organic food and drinks, and the participatory business structure offers a positive work environment for the staff. Hintz is a leader in a number of local environmental organizations and initiatives, and a role model for green, simple living at his home and in his garden.

- ***Individual Citizen – Marilyn McNabb***

Marilyn McNabb has done extensive work advocating for environmental sustainability in Lincoln. She personally has transformed her yard into a vast array of native plants and recently installed solar panels on her home. Marilyn has been an integral part of various committees the past 20 years establishing policies and working to protect our environment.

Mayor Chris Beutler and Lancaster County Board of Commissioners Chair Deb Schorr will be providing opening and closing comments. Rod Fowler from Channel 8 KLKN TV will serve as Master of Ceremonies, and presentations will highlight the accomplishments of each of the award recipients.

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**CITY OF LINCOLN
NEBRASKA**

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

lincoln.ne.gov

Lincoln City Libraries

Pat Leach, Director

136 South 14th Street

Lincoln, Nebraska 68508-1899

402-441-8500

library@lincolnlibraries.org

lincolnlibraries.org

June 3, 2011

Eugene Carroll, Chair
Lincoln City Council
City of Lincoln
555 So. 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Mr. Carroll:

As of September 1, 2011, a vacancy will exist on the Library Board due to the completion of the seven year term of Jim O'Hanlon.

I am writing to ask if the City Council would like the Library Board to continue the past practice of collecting information and making recommendations to fill the upcoming vacancy on the Library Board.

The City Council is responsible for the appointment of Library Board members. In the past, the Council has asked the Library Board to collect and review the resumes of interested individuals. All submissions are then forwarded to the Council with any recommendations the Library Board may have of candidates whose qualifications and experience best meets the needs of the Library Board at this time.

The Library Board, an administrative board, strives to include diversity in occupations and experience, geography within the city, age, and other aspects. Board members must also be residents of Lincoln.

Please let me know if you wish us to begin the application process following our previous procedures.

Sincerely,

Pat Leach
Library Director

cc: April Stevenson, Library Board President
Mayor's Office

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CITY COUNCIL
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Mr. Robert D. Bechtolt
3710 Doral Ln.
Lincoln, NE 68507-2049

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Doug Emery.

I see in the paper the Mayor is looking for suggestions on where to cut the Budget, Here is one.

STOP MANICURING the BALL Fields, I walk MAHONEY PARK 6 days a week AND there is ALWAYS somebody doing something to the fields with late model tractors, AND why irrigate AFTER it has rained on the fields.

I played BALL on a field that was ^{mowed} twice a year, my children went to Lincoln school AND it was ^{not} much better. Are we competing with the MLB?

Robert D Bechtolt



REALTORS® ASSOCIATION OF LINCOLN

June 3, 2011

Lincoln City Council
555 So. 10th Street, Room 111
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

Dear Council Members:

I am writing on behalf of the REALTORS® Association of Lincoln to voice concerns regarding the proposed garbage ordinance. The Association's Board of Directors recognizes the importance of stronger, safer neighborhoods; however, the proposed ordinance, as currently written, will not reduce garbage related issues for the following reasons:

Statements in support of the proposed ordinance cite the extensive time and money currently being spent responding to garbage complaints. How will the proposed ordinance change enforcement? Single-family and duplex rental properties are not licensed. Therefore, how will the Health Department audit and identify which owners of rental properties are failing to provide service? Compliance will remain voluntary and enforcement will remain complaint based.

How many of the over 600 complaints received each year are on properties to which the owner already provides garbage collection and some other factor is causing the issue? How many of the complaints were on repeat offenders? The data on which decisions are being based needs to be more comprehensive and conclusive.

Any mandatory cost to landlords will undoubtedly be passed directly to tenants. Increase in rents to cover the mandatory service could make a lease unaffordable to lower income tenants. The owners in current long term leases may not have the ability to modify the lease to include the cost of garbage collection. These landlords will be forced to absorb the affiliated cost until the terms of the lease expire.

Lincoln enjoys the benefits of being an extremely diverse community. Individuals from all different cultures and backgrounds have various levels of understanding when it comes to public expectations surrounding the cleanliness of property exteriors. Some offenders simply may not be aware of the expectation for them to obtain garbage collection. Education, not an ordinance, should be the resource used to combat problem properties.

The requirement forcing an owner to provide garbage collection to each property does not ensure the garbage will be deposited in the receptacle provided. Nor does it ensure the receptacle will be appropriately made available to the collector on the day of collection. Owners of rental properties have limited control over the human behaviors and habits of their tenants. Again, education, not an ordinance, would be more appropriate to reduce garbage related problems.

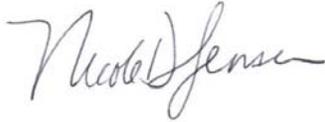
The General Fact Sheet prepared by Scott Holmes with the Health Department states:

“Currently, due to how the existing ordinance is written, Health staff must educate and enforce against an ever-changing/transient population, including students, new immigrants, people coming from communities with different garbage systems, and low income residents who are choosing between the garbage bill and other needs.”

It is the community’s responsibility, including the Health Department and landlords, to educate all citizens regardless of their demographic, on the social expectations concerning garbage collection and disposal. He goes on to say, “Clearly putting the responsibility for garbage service upon property owners who are easier to identify, contact, work with and change much less frequently will simplify enforcement...” Just because an ordinance may be an easier and simpler solution does not necessarily make it the appropriate answer to the issue.

We would like to respectfully go on record as being in opposition of the proposed garbage ordinance. The decision regarding responsibility of garbage collection should remain between the owner/landlord and tenant.

With regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nicole D. Jensen".

Nicole D. Jensen
Executive Vice President
REALTORS® Association



2913 North 51st Street
Lincoln, Nebr. 68504
(402) 466-3028

June 3, 2011
Lincoln, NE

Honorable Adam Hornung and
Fellow Council Members:

The Real Estate Owners and Managers Association (REOMA) respectfully requests that the proposed "garbage" ordinance be held for 60 days before a final vote is taken so that the groups that have an interest in this, such as our group, the Lincoln Board of Realtors, and various neighborhood groups can reach agreement on the final wording.

We participated in meetings discussing this ordinance for over a year. Then suddenly a final draft was presented and sent to public hearing before we could convene a general membership meeting to determine whether we support the ordinance as worded. Since that time a vote has been taken and our members overwhelmingly oppose the ordinance as written.

There are many problems with the draft ordinance. First of all many problems related to garbage left standing in alleys is due to trash haulers who simply drive by and on occasion, even though the trash is left where it is supposed to be, simply do not pick it up. However, the proposed ordinance contains no penalties for garbage haulers. Secondly, the ordinance does not exempt existing leases where the tenant assumed the cost of the garbage service as a part of the lease agreement. Owners with existing leases may be forced to pick up the cost without a corresponding increase in rent.

Of great concern is the fact that the proposed ordinance contains a provision that the landlord must remove any refuse left by the tenant within 48 hours of the tenant vacating the premises. If a property receives once a week garbage service and the tenant moves out on the day after pickup six days can go by before the next pickup. If the property has twice a week service 3 or 4 days may elapse before the next pickup. So even if the landlord is paying for garbage service the 48 hour rule can easily be broken.

One final concern is that landlords are not permitted to haul garbage from properties they own. While not many would wish to haul the trash landlords are being treated differently from home owners without just cause for doing so.

We believe with a few changes in wording our group could support this ordinance. Since we believe our due process rights were violated in the manner this ordinance was brought to hearing we request that the vote be delayed for 60 days while compromise wording can be negotiated.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Dennis,
President

**MINUTES
DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2011**

Present: Gene Carroll, Chair; Adam Hornung, Vice Chair; Jon Camp (2:03 p.m.); Jonathan Cook; Carl Eskridge; and Jayne Snyder

Absent: Doug Emery

Others: Teresa Meier, Deputy City Clerk; Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff; Steve Henderson, Chief Information Officer; Judy Halstead, Health Department Director; Greg MacLean, Public Works and Utilities Director; John Huff, Fire Chief; Rod Confer, City Attorney; and Mary Meyer, City Council Secretary

Chair Carroll called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I. CITY CLERK

Deputy City Clerk Meier announced the items to be called together under liquor resolutions. Item 22 has a request to postpone public hearing until June 20th. Item 23 has a Motion to Amend, and Item 34 refers to the LPS lease. Carroll commented on Item 34, we will take earlier, as No. 25. Meier added on Item 35 she has distributed a Motion to Amend.

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference on May 27th, at the County-City Building, Room 303, at 9:00 a.m., to discuss public safety issues.
 2. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler appoints Police Chief Tom Casady as the new Public Safety Director.
 3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for May 28th through June 3, 2011.
 4. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference on Tuesday, May 31st, 10:00 a.m. at 555 S. 10th Street to release a prioritized list of all 245 City programs, including a cost estimate for each.
 5. NEWS RELEASE. New list of City programs includes estimated costs. Public urged to view prioritized list on City website and comment.
 6. Fiscal Impact statement for Public Works.
- No comments.

III. DIRECTORS

Hoppe stated the City and Lincoln Public Schools has had numerous interactions after their tragedy as the City of Lincoln has tried to help them through a difficult challenge.

Henderson stated the I. T. Community in Lincoln responded. A week ago had conversations with the CIO's for LPS, for the University system, and the State of Nebraska, all interested in helping LPS in their restoration of information technology. Partially because of the education affiliation and as Weir has experienced working through a fire inundated center in the past, he was at the front. Moving closer to getting LPS into space, the City is working on details in the Experian Building for their operation.

Halstead stated the Health Department was called by LFR to respond to monitor the smoke. With the fire there were winds which quit Tuesday morning. We were most concerned about Eastmont Towers. Our Environmental Health Team went there and monitored for the smoke. Concerned over residents who may have been compromised because of their health. Very pleased the readings were 25% of the outside and Eastmont continues to monitor their residents. Also worked with the Petite Academy, and with Gateway. We would have worked with these facilities to make changes had the smoke continued.

Halstead added under a contract with the State they provide home visitation for infants and toddlers with disabilities, providing services coordination, with LPS mandated to provide special education for eligible children. While LPS's legal documents are unavailable electronically we do have case notes which we share. Also made available to LPS our conference room, #1226, where the home based staff can stop in between home visits.

MacLean stated Public Works' involvement started in support of Lincoln Fire and Rescue. When LFR arrived and started pumping there were concerns on area pressure and supply. They hooked up into a 6" main. They called the Lincoln Water System, who helped hook up to fire hydrants on the north side of O Street. A 12" main solved the supply and pressure concerns. There is a separate fire service for the building, maybe hooked into a hose system inside, but it was not utilized. Then LFR was notified to close down O Street and secure the area. Traffic operations went and set up the message board, with all routing and traffic signals. Signals were adjusted based on the detour routes, for the morning traffic flow.

MacLean stated they have a contact with LPS for leasing space at the Municipal Service Center. We gave them a facility tour and the space they were most interested in is the second story of the 949 Building. On this space we had taken bids to renovate for Engineering Service, but those plans were shelved. LPS expressed interest as everything is set and they could move in. We looked at appropriate costs and they wanted a rent price to include utilities. We settled on \$12.50 per square foot, which includes everything but their phone bill. This made them interested in more space. From their original request for the second floor it has expanded to the basement IT room, 7,000 sq. feet, which they would use for a print shop. There is space on the 2nd floor of the 901 Building, which they maybe interested in. Originally set a higher price but decided \$12.50 was the most appropriate, and LPS was appreciative. This will create revenue but also hardship for Engineering Services who will wait another 24 months to move.

Snyder heard the pressure was not appropriate? MacLean replied it's an issue of supply with a smaller main. The water pressure is the same in both mains, but the smaller can't get as much water out, and starts to lose pressure as it can't keep up. Usually with a commercial area like this it is more than adequate. Snyder asked if this pressure is monitored? Huff stated in fire fighting operations as the fire intensity grows, we start drawing more water from a main line. We chose mains having cross connections with greater volumes, and do monitor during the operation.

MacLean added also at Ashland there was nothing noted, no records indication that anything occurred. This is a good indication of the overall system operation and storage, to fight this large of an event without any reduction issue.

MacLean stated Lincoln has neighbors who also go through challenging times. Plattsmouth is having issues with flooding along the Missouri. We were contacted by the Public Works Director, and the City Manager, with a request for help, as their wastewater plant is at risk of being flooded out. They have a

certain amount of pumping capacity but not enough for an event this size. We loaned them a large portable pump, with an agreement. We will not charge for the use, but for breakage, wear and tear, or if we have an emergency would need it back immediately.

Carroll asked on the LPS lease, was there one signed? Confer stated not the one linked but one was distributed last Friday. Snyder added the first one didn't have the total square footage.

FINANCE/BUDGET

1. May sales tax reports reflecting March activity:
 - a) Actual compared to Projected Sales Tax Collections;
 - b) Gross Sales Tax Collections (with refunds added back in) 2005-2006 through 2010-2011;
 - c) Sales Tax Refunds 2005-2006 through 2010-2011; and
 - d) Net Sales Tax Collections 2005-2006 through 2010-2011.

No comments.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE. Health Advisory - LPS Fire. People with heart and lung disease warned to stay inside.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Location change for June's household hazardous waste collection.

No comments.

LINCOLN LIBRARIES

1. NEWS RELEASE. Library Bookmobile at the Zoo, with summer service scheduled.
2. 2011 One Book - One Lincoln finalists announced. Voting begins June 1st.

No comments.

LINCOLN PARKS AND RECREATION

1. Advisory Board meeting agenda for June 9, 2011 with minutes of meeting of May 12, 2011.

No comments.

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Minutes of Special Public Hearing of May 25, 2011 on the FY 2011/12 - 2016/17 City of Lincoln Capital Improvements Program and the FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program.
2. Action by Planning Commission, June 1, 2011.
3. Planning Commission Final Action, June 2, 2011. Resolution No. PC-01232, approving Special Permit No. 11010.

No comments.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES/RECYCLING

1. Correspondence from Gene Hanlon, Recycling Coordinator, in support of the proposed ordinance requiring garbage service for every dwelling, reducing the amount of waste dumped illegally at recycling drop-off sites.
 - a) Photos of illegal dumping even though the recycling sites are emptied three times a week.

No comments.

WEED AUTHORITY

1. Combined Weed Program, City of Lincoln, May 2011 monthly report.
No comments.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JAYNE SNYDER

Asked if LPS would be looking at other space, after the 30,0000 and the print shop? MacLean replied any additional space LPS would need would be the same rate, unless they wanted space for storage. She asked if they are responsible for phones and computers? Henderson stated basically there is a connection within the Experian Building. What they need to do with existing infrastructure we can help provide.

JONATHAN COOK

1. Letter from Pamela Rowland stating concerns regarding her neighbor's aggressive dog.
2. Response from Lin Quenzer, Ombudsman, to Pamela Rowland.
3. Correspondence from Steve Beal, Animal Control Manager, regarding the incidents mentioned by Pamela Rowland.

No comments.

DOUG EMERY

1. Letter from JoAnn Bauer asking that the implementation of Smart Meters in Lincoln be banned.
No comments.

CARL ESKRIDGE

1. Letter from Annie Clark. Consider a city-wide ordinance of banning Smart Meters.
2. Letter from Mike and Charlotte Ralston requesting the Council to ban Smart Meters.

No comments.

Eskridge stated everything covered except telephone, is their IT system through the telephone? Henderson understands LPS runs on the VOIP system and assume there was enough system resiliency that they could run elsewhere from the district office. Not confirmed.

ADAM HORNUNG

He heard there were different lease prices discussed? MacLean answered around the \$14 range. Hornung stated we gave them a price of \$12.50? Hoppe added one consideration was the fact we felt it is taxpayer money and wanted to be as accommodating as possible and not seen as taking advantage of LPS, and why we came in as low as we possibly could still justify. Hornung asked if there were lessons, good or bad, learned from the fire? Huff replied always with a significant loss we do a lessons learned. It takes time to assemble all records and come to conclusions, and working on the process now. The investigative efforts are still underway. Hornung asked for brief explanation on hoses not long enough. Huff stated all engine companies carry pre-connected hose lines, 3/4", two pre-connects. Typically on ordinary structure fires 250' hose lines will get into the house, downstairs, and into the back yard. This fire was atypical. He added buildings of this era do not have some fire protection systems found in other structures. This structure had stand pipes, which most people would see as a cabinet with a fire hose. Huff added LFR has specific plans, but not for all structures in the city.

JON CAMP

Asked regarding the Experian Building will LPS have adequate insurance in case of any challenge? Confer stated it is a lease requirement. Camp asked if there would be other challenges, such as security measures? MacLean replied currently Experian has their own security system. They occupy the first floor common space and segregated from the rest of the building. There may be a learning curve getting use to a larger volume. Experian does have a person posted and no one enters their space. Camp asked with LPS moving in and us paying the ongoing utilities and building maintenance, do we have other up front costs? MacLean replied LPS will take care of items like hooking to the fiber.

V. MISCELLANEOUS - None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

1. Community Health Endowment of Lincoln announces funding awards.
2. InterLinc correspondence from Mark Elsener. With the city libraries having to cut hours and reduce staff it is not the time to start a new bureaucracy. Salary and staffing the new position is prohibitive.
3. Email from Melanie Brewer regarding her claim against the city.
4. Email from Christopher Nollette expressing his absolute opposition to the elimination of the Vets Hospital StarTran route.
5. Letter from Virginia Carter. Very disappointed the Council put the Old Cheney Road widening project on indefinite hold. Vote for accepting the City Engineer's plan and keep traffic moving safely.
6. Letter from Jean Frischknecht regarding neighborhood properties. (Sent to two Problem Resolution Team members)

No comments.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Carroll adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.