

**IN LIEU OF
DIRECTORS' MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2012**

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler presents January Award of Excellence to Jeff Janda, a StarTran Bus Operator.
2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference on Tuesday, February 14th, 1:30 p.m. at 555 S. 10th Street on property tax relief and supporting nonprofit community organizations.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler urges passage of sales tax bill.
 - a) Property Taxes as % of Personal Income.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Lincoln Community Foundation announces first Give to Lincoln Day, Thursday, May 17, 2012.
5. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler and the design and construction team for Pinnacle Bank Arena will hold a news conference Thursday, February 16, 10:00 a.m., at 555 S. 10th Street, to give an update on the rebar issue.
6. NEWS RELEASE. Engineers design solution to arena rebar issue.

III. DIRECTORS

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1. Commission on Human Rights meeting agenda for Thursday, February 23, 2012.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE. February 19 - 25 is Through with Chew Week.
2. Health Department Report, January, 2012.
3. Board of Health meeting minutes of January 10, 2012.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Disappointing Compliance Rate for 2011.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Make appointments early for March Household Hazardous Waste Collection.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1. Planning Department's new Data Bank posted at <http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/databank/index.htm>.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

DIANNA SCHIMEK

1. Councilwoman Schimek's reply to Jim Yeggy on his email regarding the roof ice barrier. (Mr. Yeggy's email attached)

V. MISCELLANEOUS

VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

1. Email from Bob Grant requesting a no vote on the ice guard shields with new roofing. (Council received before February 13th meeting)
2. InterLinc correspondence from a Concerned Citizen in opposition to Occupy Lincoln on Centennial Mall giving reasons. Occupy needs to leave by the eviction date.

3. Email from Randy Harre stating reasons to stop government expansion and let people have rights.
4. Telephone messages from William Matchett and Alexandra Svoboda in support of Occupy Lincoln.
5. InterLinc correspondence from Larry Pfeil. Thank you for attention given to the rezoning of a lot located at Pioneers Blvd. And S. 80th Street.
6. Email from Bob Mersed wanting to see an ordinance prohibiting motor vehicles in residential front yards.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 13, 2012

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

MAYOR PRESENTS JANUARY AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Mayor Chris Beutler today presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence for January to Jeff Janda, a StarTran Bus Operator in the Public Works and Utilities Department. The monthly award recognizes City employees who consistently provide exemplary service and work that demonstrates personal commitment to the City. The award was presented at the beginning of today's City Council meeting.

Janda has worked for the City since December 2009. Co-worker Toni Kent nominated him in the category of valor for his quick action December 11 to help a bus patron needing medical attention. Janda noticed a man who had boarded his bus had difficulty running his boarding pass through the fare box. Janda asked him twice if he was all right, but the man did not respond. He then collapsed and began to have a seizure. Janda immediately called the dispatcher and requested medical assistance. When the seizure ended about 20 seconds later, Janda confirmed that the man did have a pulse.

While waiting for Lincoln Fire and Rescue (LF&R), he placed the unconscious and unresponsive man on the sidewalk and laid him on his side. After one to two minutes, the man regained consciousness and became combative, but Janda was able to keep him calm until medical help arrived. Jeff helped LF&R assess the man's condition and remained with the passenger until he was transported to the hospital. Janda has no medical training, but he said it just made sense to take the action he did. Kent said Janda went above and beyond his duty to take these potentially life-saving actions.

The other categories in which employees can be nominated are productivity, customer relations, loss prevention and safety. Consideration also may be given to nominations that demonstrate self-initiated accomplishments or those completed outside of the nominee's job description. All City employees are eligible for the Mayor's Award of Excellence except for elected and appointed officials. Individuals or teams can be nominated by supervisors, peers, subordinates and the general public. Nomination forms are available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: personnel) or from department heads, employee bulletin boards or the Personnel Department, which oversees the awards program.

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

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Mayor Chris Beutler will have a news conference at **1:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 14** in the **Mayor's Conference Room, third floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street.**

The Mayor will discuss two topics – property tax relief and a new project to support nonprofit organizations in the community.

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BEUTLER URGES PASSAGE OF SALES TAX BILL

Mayor Chris Beutler today said he would reduce the City's property tax levy by three cents or more if voters approve a half-cent sales tax increase, an election that would be allowed by LB 956 now being debated by the Legislature. Beutler said recent state and federal action have resulted in the need for higher property taxes to fund local government, and passage of the bill would be a step in the right direction.

"The trend of passing the buck to local governments to solve national and state budget challenges has shifted the burden of taxation away from non-essential services to one of the most essential living expenses to any family – the roof over your head," Beutler said. "Sales taxes shift the tax burden from savings and investment to consumption, better rewarding those who work hard and make responsible choices. But the best feature of allowing people to choose the sales tax as a local taxing option is property tax relief."

LB 956 requires that the ballot language to increase the sales tax inform voters precisely how the new funds will be spent, and Beutler said that gives people greater control on local government spending without tying the hands of local officials. The Legislature's Revenue Committee is scheduled to hold a public hearing on LB 956 Thursday. A three-cent reduction in the property tax levy would be a 10-percent reduction in the City levy and would reduce the City's portion of the property tax bill by about \$45 a year for the owner of a home valued at \$150,000.

Beutler said State action last year that resulted in greater reliance on property taxes includes the elimination of State aid to municipalities and restriction on the ability of cities to apply the telecommunications tax. Those actions, he said, led to the City increasing its property tax levy from 28.8 to 31.6 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

In the current legislative session, proposed bills would eliminate the inheritance tax which goes to counties and require a vote for any occupation tax imposed or increased after the effective date of the bill. Beutler said that would require Lincoln to have expensive elections on raising occupation taxes that generate a few thousand dollars. "The expense and complication of holding elections for every minor occupation tax would be clearly unreasonable and will simply force a shift to, and a greater reliance on property taxes," he said.

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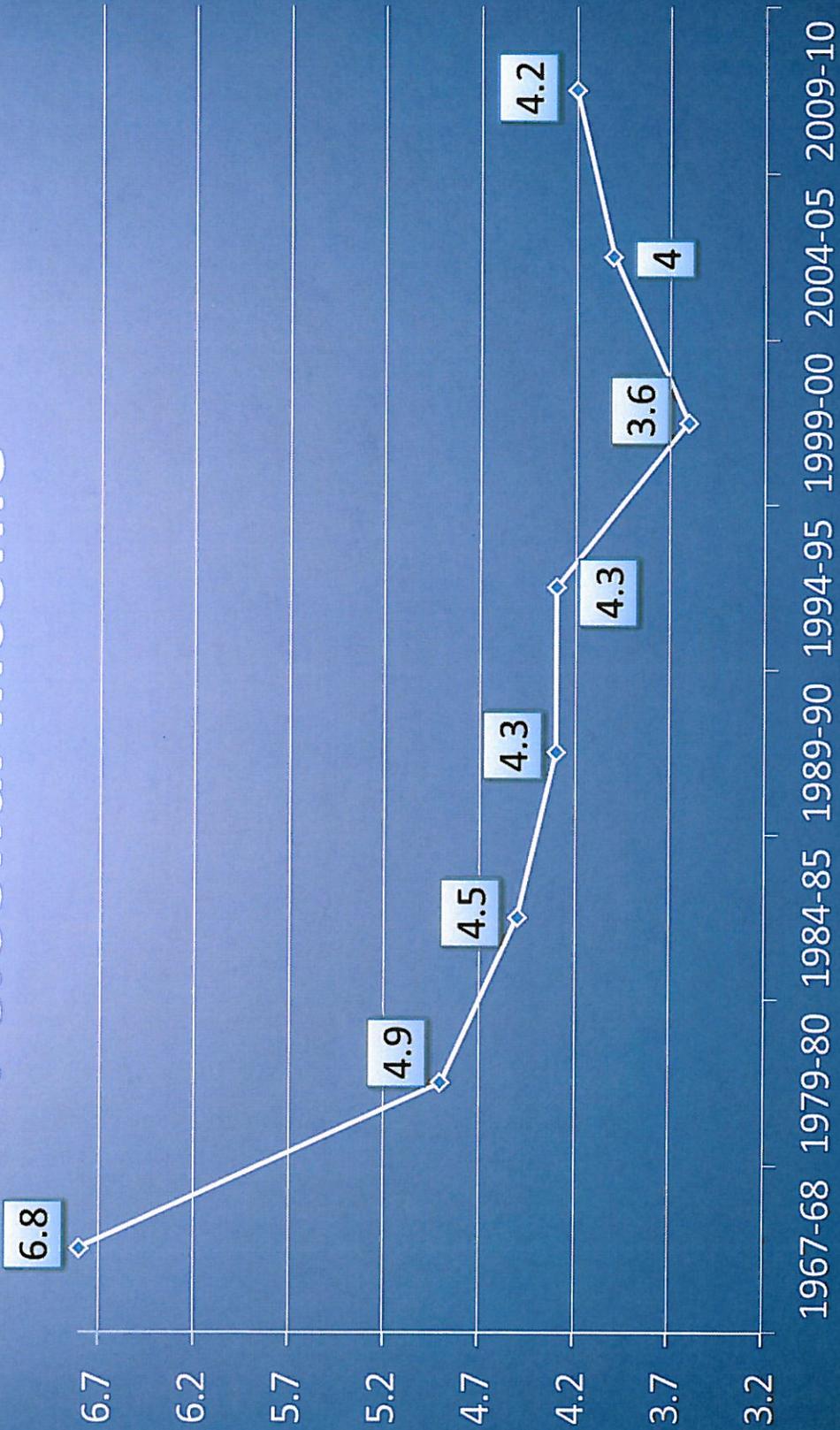
The federal government, Beutler said, has caused pressure on property taxes by sharply reducing the Community Development Block Grant and HOME programs to improve housing and revitalize neighborhoods and business districts.

Beutler said Lincoln has cut about \$5.5 million in personnel spending, cutting the non-public safety workforce by 9 percent or about 132 jobs over five years. The City cut police officers in schools, bus routes, parks maintenance, library hours, senior centers and the retirement match for new employees.

“They were tough choices, but choices that had to be made for the survival of other key public services,” Beutler said. “We did it because we strongly believe that a fiscally conservative approach was the right strategy in these times. And our reward for our fiscal prudence? A brick by brick dismantling of the property tax relief that was so carefully constructed by state leaders of the past.

“We need a better solution for local government than the increased property tax approach being advocated by recent state and federal revenue shifts,” he said. “We need the fairer solution to the challenge of funding police, fire, roads and other critical local services represented in LB 956.”

Property Taxes as % of Personal Income



Source: Legislative Fiscal Office 2-3-2011

NEWS RELEASE

February 14, 2011

FOR RELEASE: Immediately

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**LINCOLN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES
FIRST GIVE TO LINCOLN DAY**

\$200K AVAILABLE IN MATCHING FUNDS FOR NONPROFITS ON MAY 17

Lincoln, Neb. – Today, the Lincoln Community Foundation and Lincoln Mayor Chris Beutler announced the first-ever Give to Lincoln Day to be held on Thursday, May 17. They encourage all Lincoln and Lancaster County residents to contribute to local nonprofits on that day. The need for funding has never been greater as our nonprofits are stretched to meet current needs and carry out their work.

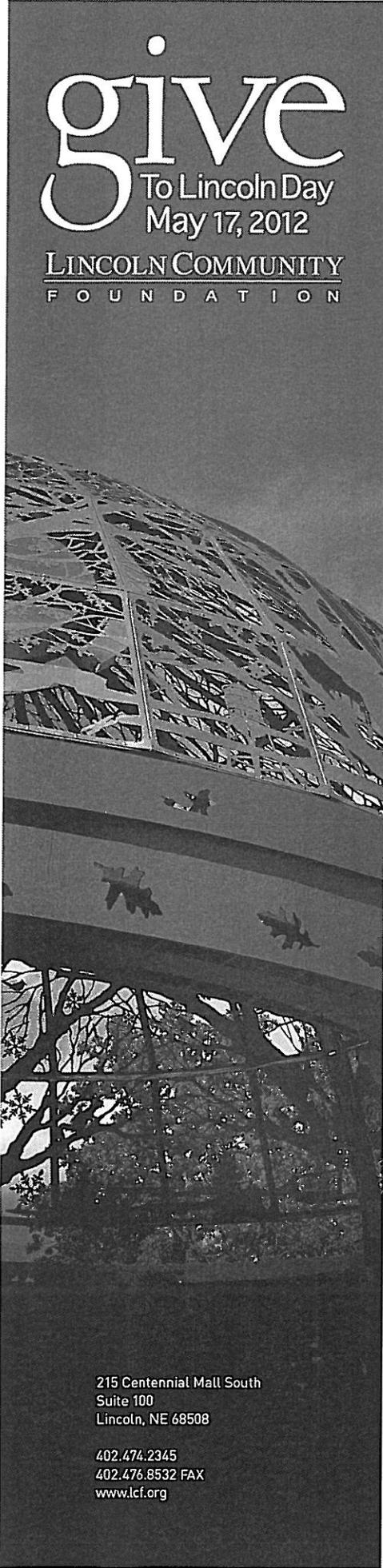
The Lincoln Community Foundation will offer an incentive for gifts made on Give to Lincoln Day—a challenge match with additional funds of \$200,000. Every nonprofit will receive a proportional share based upon their percentage of dollars raised on May 17.

“Lincoln is a community that has always rallied behind the causes we love,” shared Barbara Bartle, President of Lincoln Community Foundation. “Give to Lincoln Day allows us to stretch our dollars even further through the challenge match.”

Designed to promote philanthropy in the city of Lincoln and Lancaster County, Give to Lincoln Day will be 24 hours of online giving that will offer donors exposure to more than 100 local nonprofits. This day allows nonprofits to share their stories, attract new donors and raise substantial funds that will improve the community.

“Give to Lincoln Day offers nonprofits a remarkable platform to inspire and attract donors to support their causes,” Mayor Chris Beutler said. “I urge our local agencies to get involved and share their stories with the community, I am confident this day will show the pride and compassion our residents have for our city and the nonprofits that enrich it.”

All local nonprofits are encouraged to register for Give to Lincoln Day participation at www.GiveToLincoln.com. Nonprofits will receive help to create online giving pages for their organization and will receive training and tools to help publicize the event.



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To Lincoln Day
May 17, 2012

LINCOLN COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

What is Give To Lincoln Day?

Give to Lincoln Day will be a 24 hour day of giving on Thursday, May 17. It is one special day when everyone in Lincoln is asked to make a donation and show support for our local nonprofit organizations that contribute so much to our great city. Together, we have the power to raise thousands of dollars and have a real impact on the future of Lincoln.

Every donation made on May 17 will help our nonprofits even more because they will also receive a proportional share of a \$200,000 challenge match pool.

Why is Lincoln Community Foundation Sponsoring this Event?

The need for funding has never been greater as our nonprofits are stretched to meet current needs and carry out their work. The mission of the Lincoln Community Foundation is to encourage philanthropy, which is a vital component of a strong city, and to grant funds to improve our community.

The purpose of Give To Lincoln Day is to raise awareness of the current philanthropic needs and opportunities in our community, increase public awareness of local nonprofit organizations, build the capacity of local nonprofits and inspire donors to support the causes that mean the most to them.

Who Can Participate?

All nonprofit organizations recognized as 501 (c) (3) public charities that serve people in Lincoln and Lancaster County are welcome to participate in this event. This will include health and human service organizations, arts and culture, children and families, education, animals, parks and many more Lincoln nonprofit groups. Organizations that exist primarily for religious purposes or political activities are excluded.

Nonprofits need to register online at www.GiveToLincoln.com to participate and create their online giving page.

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Partner Sponsors

The generous support from partner sponsors has provided \$100,000 toward Give To Lincoln Day.



Lincoln Community Foundation Funds:

Bea and Glenn Bonacker Fund

Darrin and Lisa Jameson Fund

Joe and Ruth Seacrest Foundation Fund

Mark H. Tallman Fund

W.K. Kellogg Foundation/Cynthia Milligan

Mary S. Wobig Fund

Donna W. Woods Fund

Michael and Nancy Young Fund

How Will People Participate?

Donations to participating nonprofit organizations will be made online at www.GiveToLincoln.com. The event is for 24 hours on Thursday, May 17, beginning at 12:00 am and ending at 11:59 pm. Donations must be made during this time to qualify for the matching funds.

The Lincoln Community Foundation will also receive gifts from individuals who prefer to make their gifts in person, instead of online. People can come to the Foundation office at 215 Centennial Mall South between the hours of 8:00 and 5:00. Minimum donation is \$10.

What is the Challenge Match Fund?

The Lincoln Community Foundation will contribute a challenge match fund of \$200,000. At the end of the event, every agency will receive a proportional share of this fund, based upon their percentage of the total dollars raised.

For example, if an agency receives 5% of the total donations raised during the event, the agency will receive an additional \$10,000 from the Challenge Match Fund.

Additional Prizes and Grants

The purpose of **Give To Lincoln Day** is to encourage philanthropy. The Lincoln Community Foundation will provide three bonus grants to the three nonprofits that have the most donors making gifts during **Give To Lincoln Day**. \$2,500 will be awarded for first place, \$1,500 for second and \$1,000 for third.

Donors are also eligible for bonus grant prizes. Ten times during the day, a donor will be selected at random and an additional bonus grant of \$200 will be added to the donation that donor made to their nonprofit organization.

A leader board will be updated in real time during the event and can be viewed on www.GiveToLincoln.com. Nonprofits and the community will be able to see current dollars raised and the number of donors for each nonprofit, as well as prizes that have been awarded.

Questions?

Lincoln Community Foundation staff will answer questions.

Call 402 474-2345 or visit www.GiveToLincoln.com for more information.

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DATE: February 15, 2012

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Mayor Chris Beutler and the design and construction team for Pinnacle Bank Arena will have an update on the rebar issue at a news conference at **10 a.m. Thursday, February 16 in Room 303 of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street.**

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ENGINEERS DESIGN SOLUTION TO ARENA REBAR ISSUE

Improperly bent rebar leads to corrective work on pile caps

Mayor Chris Beutler, Chair of the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA), today announced that corrective action will continue over the next two months on about half of the 52 pile caps that have been built for the new Pinnacle Bank Arena. Structural engineers have completed designs for that corrective work following the discovery in December of improperly fabricated reinforcing steel or “rebar” being used in the construction.

“The corrective work has begun and will take place over the next two months, concurrent with the overall construction schedule,” Mayor Beutler said. “We also have an enhanced rebar inspection process in place that will ensure that this problem will not reoccur. The team is back on track to complete the project on time in September of 2013.”

The Pinnacle Bank Arena is being built by Mortenson Construction-Hampton Enterprises. Construction was suspended by Mortenson-Hampton December 20 when a several bars supplied by Drake-Williams of Omaha broke during installation. After close inspection of all the rebar material on site, the design and construction team determined that some bars were improperly bent in the fabrication shop. Extensive laboratory testing determined that the quality of rebar material itself met all of the specifications, and the issue was limited to improper bending of the bars. Work resumed December 27 when replacement rebar was delivered.

Pile caps are large concrete bases that are constructed above the deep pile foundations and transfer the load of the structure above to the piles. The structural engineering team of DLR and Buro Happold has determined that a number of the pile caps that had been constructed with the improperly bent rebar needed corrective work.

“We’ve utilized a conservative approach to engineering analysis, analyzing each component, and we’ve determined that corrective work is required on 26 of the 52 pile caps already constructed at the time the issue was discovered,” said Matt Farber, Structural Engineer at DLR Group.

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“As a design and construction team, we’ve taken every step possible to ensure that we found the root cause of the issue and we’ve worked with the design team and experts to develop a conservative approach that will result in no compromise to the arena structure and no repeat of the problem,” said Derek Cunz, Vice President of Mortenson’s Sports Group. “This issue will not delay the completion of the arena or cause any increase in the value of our contract with the JPA.”

The rebar inspection process has been enhanced to include the measuring of bend diameters to ensure that rebar has been bent in accordance with design specifications. This practice is not normally used on construction sites. Both Mortenson and Terracon, the JPA’s Special Inspector, use a special template when inspecting rebar. In addition, rebar also is marked with spray paint at different intervals of the overall inspection process to insure that only inspected rebar is used on the site.

CITY OF LINCOLN
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
Thursday, February 23, 2012, 4:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street

AGENDA

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes of January 26, 2012 Commission Meeting
- III. Approval of Agenda for February 23, 2012 Commission Meeting
- IV. Case Dispositions
 - A. Reasonable Cause/No Reasonable Cause
 - 1. LCHR No.: 11-0518-021-E-R
 - B. Pre-Determination Settlements
 - 1. LCHR No.: 12-0106-001-E-R
 - 2. LCHR No.: 12-0106-001-H
- V. Administrative Closures
 - A. Respondent Out of Business
 - 1. LCHR No.: 11-0613-028-E-R
 - B. Failure to Cooperate
 - 1. LCHR No.: 11-0908-033-E-R
 - C. Lack of Jurisdiction
 - 1. LCHR No.: 11-1108-038-E
 - D. Withdrawal
 - 1. LCHR No.: 12-0201-004-E-R
- VI. Old Business
 - A. New Director of Equity & Diversity
Kimberley Taylor-Riley
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Public Comment**
- IX. Adjournment

**Public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person. Members of the public may address any item of interest to the LCHR during this open session with the exception of LCHR cases. Also, no member of the public who wishes to address the Commission will be allowed to examine any individual Commissioner or staff member on any item/question before the Commission unless invited to do so by the Chairperson.



NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER



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February 19-25 is Through with Chew Week

Not all tobacco is smoked, and the week of February 19-25 – national Through with Chew Week – is an excellent time to call attention to smokeless tobacco use in Nebraska.

“Smokeless tobacco is not a safe alternative to smoking and is even more habit forming because it contains a higher concentration of nicotine than cigarettes,” said Dick Patterson, with the Tobacco Free Lancaster County coalition.

According to the 2010 Nebraska Youth Risk Behavior Survey of 9th – 12th graders, 10% of Nebraska high school males used smokeless tobacco within the past 30 days. Nebraska’s combined total (male and female) is 6%.

“Smokeless tobacco use is more common in Nebraska than the nation as a whole,” said Patterson. “Young adults who try smokeless tobacco for the first time are often drawn by the flavors: mint, vanilla, or apple and milder tastes.”

“Smokeless tobacco can cause oral cancer, especially in the cheeks, gums, and throat,” said Susan Christensen, DDS of Eastview Family Dental Clinic. “The use of smokeless tobacco can also lead to other oral problems such as mouth sores, gum recessions, tooth decay, bad breath, and permanently discolored teeth.”

For Nebraskans who are ready to quit using smokeless tobacco, free Quit Spit Kits are available by texting IMREADY to 39649 (standard texting rates apply). Also, MyLastDip.com features free Web-based programs to help chewers quit. One program targets 14 – 25 year olds, the other targets those 26+. Chewers can also call the free and confidential Nebraska Tobacco Quitline at 1-800-784-8669, or visit QuitNow.ne.gov for resources and information.

Tobacco Free Lancaster County is a collaborative effort that focuses on keeping youth from starting to use tobacco, reducing access to tobacco products, and increasing awareness about the dangers of secondhand smoke. It’s funded by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services/Tobacco Free Nebraska Program as a result of the tobacco master settlement agreement.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

January, 2012

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

- Budget preparations continue for the FY2012-2014 budget. The biennial budget request will be submitted to the City Finance Department on March 9, 2012.
- The Health Management Association's (HMA) preliminary recommendations on physical and mental health services in the community was released on January 25, 2012. The Executive Summary will be presented to the Board of Health on February 14, 2012.
- The Health Director and Division Managers met with Lincoln Fire and Rescue Fire Chiefs in an effort to enhance collaboration between the two departments. The meetings will be held every other month.
- The Health Director participated in a grant planning meeting with HMA, the CEO of Community Health Endowment and Board Chair in Chicago to work on system design for the federal grant application for funds.
- The Health Director is meeting with the Jail Renovation architects to review space needs for employee wellness.
- The Department hosted ICS 300 training in January. The Health Director will complete ICS 400 training in Auburn, NE in February.
- Employee of the Month - Becky Hansen - Community Health Services Division

ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control Feb Stats

	Sep 09-Sep 10-Jan Jan 10	Sep 10-Jan 11	Sep 11- Jan 12
Pet Licenses Sold	23,316	24,066	24,043
Cases Dispatched	6030	6940	8907
Investigation	7238	7770	9675
Animals Impounded			
Dogs	763	732	**
Cats	635	769	**
Court Citations Issued	79	227	80
Warnings/Defects Issued	1183	2274	4954

Bite Cases Reported	141	171	186
Attack Cases Reported	34	31	16
Dogs Declared (PPD, DD, V)	40	60	30
Animal Neglect Investigations	244	265	207
Injured Animal Rescue	237	229	300
Wildlife Removal	141	140	150
Dead Animal Pickup	532	620	905
Lost and Found Reports	n/a	880	918
Phone Calls	13,793	16,353	18,200
Average Response Time (in mins)	34	17	19

** shelter report not received as of 2/3/12

- Animal Control preliminary budget reports were prepared and reviewed with the Division Manager, Fiscal Manager and the Health Director. Performance goals were reviewed with Animal Control staff and ideas for possible fiscal and staffing efficiencies for fiscal years 2012-2014 were discussed at the January staff meeting.
- The Field Supervisor and the Division Manager are working with the police garage to get the best mileage, most efficient use and fiscal savings from our used vehicles and the purchase of any new vehicles. Animal Control will be using one of the Ford transit vehicles in the next vehicle rotation. This vehicle is estimated to get over 25 mpg and is several thousand dollars cheaper than a full size van or truck.
- Staff has continue to work with the National Animal Control Association to host a one week training for about 15 officers from a multi state area. The training will be February 13-17 at the Health Department.
- Animal Control’s success continues with follow up efforts to get owners of dangerous dogs to be in compliance with the requirements of owning a dangerous dog. One fourth of the owners were not compliant and now are. We assigned the responsibility to an ACO II and he is accountable to the Field Supervisor and Division Manager for weekly progress updates. Because of the success with dangerous dog owners, staff will begin a similar process with owners of potentially dangerous dogs.
- The Division Manager continues to work with the Assistant City Attorney Tim Sieh on animal control ordinance issues and some of the more complicated bite and attack investigations and prosecutions.
- A summary of animal control statistics will soon be posted to the new Animal Control

website. These statistics will be more detailed and include shelter information. The Animal Control Advisory Committee conducted a preliminary review of the website and statistics and has offered useful feedback and recommendations. The number of hits to the Animal Control website and the number of individuals staying on the site has exceeded expectations and the Division Manager will work to the website coordinator to begin reporting the actual numbers.

- The Capital Humane Society Director and the Division Manager will meet with the Executive Committee of the Emergency Veterinarian Clinic on February 10th to discuss a program that would hopefully increase the number of low and limited income people that would get their pets spayed or neutered.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

Immunizations are Not Just for Kids! LLCHD Community Outreach--Vaccinations

- You never outgrow the need for vaccines. In recent years, the CDC has continued to expand their recommendations for adult vaccination as more is learned about how long vaccine protection lasts and as it has become more common for grandparents to care for very young infants who are not fully protected/not fully immunized. CDC recommendations for adult vaccination include protection against disease such as; flu, tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, shingles, pneumococcal, and HPV. Most adults are not vaccinated as recommended, leaving them vulnerable to illness and possible disability and death. Vaccine-preventable diseases, such as influenza, are expensive. An uncomplicated influenza illness can last up to 15 days, with restricted activity for five to six days, including three or four days of bed rest. To expand protection in our community among adults, LLCHD partnered with several local agencies and set up vaccination outstations at their sites in late 2011. Going to the agency site was an opportunity for clients to receive services from their local agency (such as holiday food baskets), plus receive services from LLCHD nurses. Many of these clients would not receive vaccinations otherwise. Partner agencies included the Project Homeless Connect-Lincoln event, Center for People in Need, Gathering Place, and Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach. Public health nurses coordinated numerous vaccination outstations as soon as the flu vaccine was received. Since October 2011, Public Health Nurses have administered the following vaccinations at outstations: 500 flu shots, 109 TwinRix shots, 92 Tdap shots, and 39 pneumonia shots.

The Maternal Child Health program at LLCHD started a Facebook pilot page. We would like to invite you to join our fan page. In the search box on Facebook, type: “LLCHD Maternal Child Health” and click “LIKE”.



The purpose of this page is to help bring families up to date information on parenting, health, growth, and development. We would appreciate any feedback on what topics interest you. Feel free to contact us at: llchdmaternalchildhealth@gmail.com

DENTAL HEALTH & NUTRITION SERVICES

WIC

WIC Participation Rates

LLCHD comparison data is in **Bold**

Washington, DC, December 19, 2011 – USDA released the “WIC Program and Participant Characteristics 2010” report. According to the report, there has been a 5% increase in WIC enrollment since 2008. **(For LLCHD participation data see the chart below.)** Additionally, nationally about 50% of all participants are children **(LLCHD - 54%)**, about 25% are infants **(LLCHD -22%)**, and about 25% are women **(LLCHD - 24%)**. More than 66% of WIC participants live at or below the federal poverty line **(LLCHD – 74%)**. **And, nationally the average income of families of participants decreased 0.5% from 2008 to \$16,449 annually, the first decrease in average income since collection of PC data began in 1992. (Specifics on household income is not available for LLCHD clients) Breastfeeding rates nationally are on the rise as 63.1% (LLCHD -76.7%) of infants aged 6-13 months are currently breastfed or were breastfed at some point. This is a national increase of 21.6 percentage points since 1998.** For more details, [click here](#) to read the full report.

LLCHD WIC Participation – Annual growth rate is shown below in the chart.

From 2005 to 2011 the LLCHD WIC program has experienced relatively steady growth **at or above county, state and national rates.**

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Dental Health

- During the month of December, dental staff provided 478 patients with 746 patient visits. Of the patients served, 47% were enrolled in Medicaid, 6% were enrolled in General Assistance, 37% fell at or below 100% of poverty receiving services at a minimum fee for services, and 10% fell in the range of 125%-200 % of poverty, receiving services on a sliding fee scale. Of the clients served, approximately 64% were of racial and ethnic minorities.

- Outreach activities for the month included the Fluoride Varnish Program which served 46 children at the Early Head Start Center with fluoride varnish applications, education, and tooth paste for families.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

HazMat Emergency Response

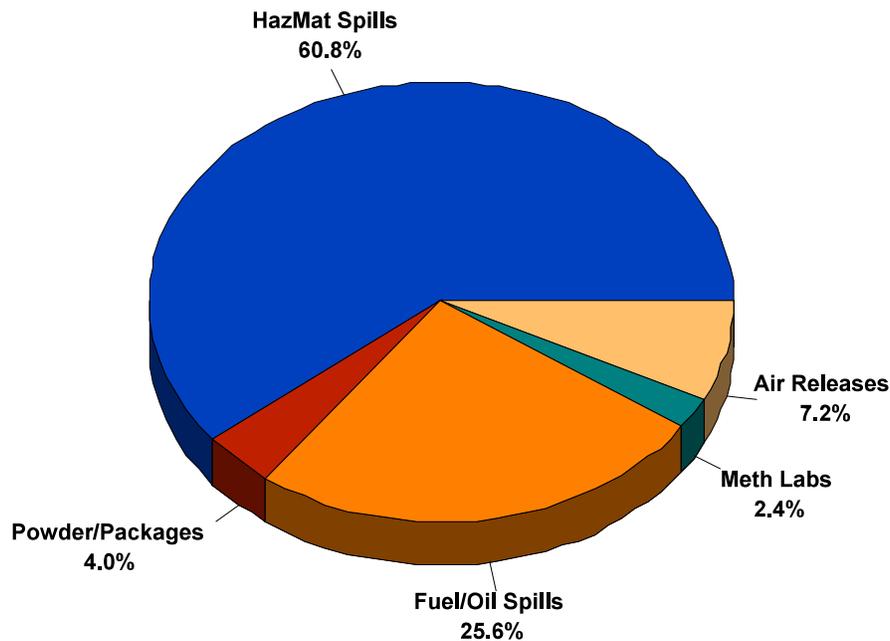
The Health Department fulfills certain roles in emergency response, including:

1. Assessing immediate health and environmental risks, and advising responding agencies, medical facilities, and the public
2. Taking actions to protect responders, the public and the environment from imminent risks and delayed impacts, including contracting for remediation efforts
3. Coordinating environmental sampling and assuring that samples are handled, packaged,

- labeled, transported, and stored correctly/legally
- 4. Guiding timely and safe cleanup and disposal
- 5. Identifying responsible parties, conducting investigations, and taking enforcement action in coordination with NDEQ, EPA, OSHA and DOT.

Hazardous Materials Responses FY 2011

Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department



Source: LLCHD (1/12) - 125 total HazMat responses

- These roles differ from Lincoln Fire and Rescue (LFR), which focuses on immediately assessing hazards, containing spills, controlling the site, establishing incident command, coordinating responding agencies, and assessing medical needs, transporting affected people, and decontaminating victims. LLCHD is a resource to LFR and assists them in assuring public health and environmental protection.
- It is critical for LLCHD to be on-site at emergency situations involving hazardous materials and to participate as early as possible in the decision making process. Actions taken in the first few minutes can have major impacts on health and environmental impacts, clean up costs, what regulations must be followed, and on the ability to gather evidence for enforcement action.
- In FY10-11, EPH staff responded to 125 hazardous materials incidents. Of these, about 75% were HazMat spills (i.e. illegal dumping or spills of chemicals, biohazards,

paints/solvents, pesticides), 20% were fuel/oil spills, 2% were meth labs, and 2% were powders/packages.

- LLCHD devoted 1.7 FTE of staff time to HazMat response. This includes .75 FTE of our HazMat Coordinator and portions of 6 other Waste Management and Water Quality staff that serve on the HazMat Emergency Response Team. Total direct costs, including all staff time, training, supplies, contractual work, and supervision were about \$197,000.

On the Horizon/News

- Waste Management staff submitted a grant to the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality for funding portions of our Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Education efforts.

HEALTH DATA & EVALUATION

- Health Data and Evaluation (HDE) staff members and the Information and Fiscal Management (IFM) Manager have been working with staff from Public Health Association of Nebraska (PHAN), the Office of Public Health from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (NDHHS) and several of the local health departments to determine the data to be displayed on the dashboard that the PHAN will be launching soon. At this time it appears that everyone is in agreement about the data and data definitions. As for the website, PHAN has made arrangements with a web-hosting company, purchased a license for LogiXML© (the software vendor for the LLCHD dashboards) and they are making final arrangements for purchasing a server.
- The data for our prototype PHAN dashboard has been updated to include data for 2010. The updates include both newer information as well as the changes in the district boundaries for the local health departments. If everything goes OK, the PHAN website with local data displayed on dashboards will be available by the end of February or early in March. At first, the dashboard layout will be static (or fixed in place) rather than customizable and each local public health department will post a link to the PHAN server from their department's home page.
- Influenza (flu) activity locally remains low, but it is beginning to pick up. More suspected cases of flu are being confirmed by the state laboratory, indicating that the positive rapid flu test results from physicians' offices are accurate. The good news is that most flu cases are not severe and are apparently mild as the number of influenza-like illness (ILI) office visits and hospital admissions remain low. Also, national flu activity is low except in a few states and there has only been one pediatric death this flu season. In comparison, there were 122 pediatric flu deaths in 2010-2011, and 282 pediatric deaths in 2009-2010. We are not out of the woods yet, as flu activity often peaks in February and the flu season typically lasts until May.

- Whileflu cases have been low until recently, we are hearing complaints about colds and other respiratory illnesses. Although not uncommonly high for this time of year, recent data shows that local case numbers of respiratory syncytial (sin-SISH-uhl) virus, or RSV, are also increasing along with the recent uptick in flu activity. RSV is a respiratory virus that infects the lungs and breathing passages. Most otherwise healthy people recover from RSV infection in 1 to 2 weeks. However, infection can be severe in some people, such as certain infants, young children, and older adults. In fact, RSV is the most common cause of bronchiolitis (inflammation of the small airways in the lung) and pneumonia in children under 1 year of age in the United States. In addition, RSV is more often being recognized as an important cause of respiratory illness in older adults. For more information about RSV, see <http://www.cdc.gov/rsv/about/index.html>.

HEALTH PROMOTION & OUTREACH

Worksite Health

- Keerun Kamble, the LLCHD staff primarily responsible for coordinating the City Wellness Program, has met with the Mayor and Department Directors to introduce herself and discuss the importance of a wellness program that is tailored to the health needs of employees. She is meeting with each director individually to learn more about the departments including how best to promote the Health Risk Appraisal to ensure strong participation among employees.

Injury Prevention

- Staff met with Dr. Ian Newman and chairpersons from the Bike/Pedestrian Safety, Child Passenger Safety, and Youth Sports Injury Prevention Task Forces. Dr. Newman will be conducting an evaluation of each of these task forces to assess the effectiveness of their work in preventing injury among children.
- Media: Staff was featured on the Channel 8 Midday Forum to discuss the danger of lithium coin batteries for children with emphasis on the danger for children under the age of 4 years. These batteries can pose a choking risk, but the primary risk is related to the internal damage caused as the battery starts to degrade when it is swallowed.

Physical Activity

- Staff, along with representatives from Planning, Parks and Recreation, and Public Works, completed and submitted a "Walk Friendly Community" application to the Department of Transportation-Federal Highway Administration. There are currently only 32 communities in the country that have received Walk Friendly Community status. Omaha received an honorable mention recognition in 2011. Communities will be notified of the

results of their applications in March.

Tobacco Prevention

- Interest among employers regarding procedures to implement tobacco free campuses continues to gain momentum. All three campuses of SECC, the Nebraska Safety Council, and Sensory Effects (produces Kashi cereal products) are on track to implement campuses that are completely tobacco free.
- An initial meeting of the Parks and Recreation and Board of Health sub-committee was held to begin the process of learning about the experiences of other communities in implementing smokefree parks. There are a number of communities in Iowa and Minnesota that have implemented smokefree park policies, and the coordinators of the efforts have indicated much interest in providing the sub-group summaries of their experiences. Among the roles of the sub-committee is to provide guidance in obtaining community input on the concept of smokefree parks.

INFORMATION & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- We are pleased to report the Division is once again at full staffing. Jeffrey Chambers began employment on January 12, 2012 as the Fiscal Office Supervisor. Brent Pavel began employment on January 26, 2012 as the Systems Specialist who will be working with Environmental Health and Dashboard Development.
- The Health Director, IFM Division Manager and Fiscal Office Supervisor met with each of the Division Managers to review issues, goals for the FY 13 and FY 14 budgets. Instructions were received from the Budget Office and the Mayor with deadlines in February and March.
- Training has begun for staff on use of the new Time and Leave Reporting and Activity tracking system developed by our staff. Initial roll out is scheduled for March 1st.

LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health
January 10, 2012

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:06 PM by Karla Lester at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members present: Doug Emery, Ed Schneider, Deb Schorr, David Smith, Heidi Stark, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Trish Owen (ex-officio), Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Karla Lester.

Members Absent: Tony Messineo, Jacquelyn Miller, and Lisa Peterson.

Staff Present: Judy Halstead, Scott Holmes, Steve Beal, Steve Frederick, Kathy Cook, Charlotte Burke, Jessica Loesch and Elaine Severe.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Motion: Moved by Dr. Schneider that the Agenda be approved as mailed. Second by Dr. Stark. Motion carried by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Motion: Moved by Dr. Smith that the December 13, 2011 Minutes be approved as mailed. Second by Ms. Schorr. Motion carried by acclamation.

Ms. Burke introduced Ms. Loesch. Ms. Loesch is a UNL Dietetic Intern in the Health Promotion & Outreach Division.

PUBLIC SESSION

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Health Director Update

The Legislative session began on January 4, 2012. Staff are monitoring legislation for the Department and the City of Lincoln. Ms. Halstead will provide a legislative update at the February 14, 2012 Board of Health meeting. Preliminary budget preparations are underway and Ms. Halstead and Ms. Cook will meet with each

Division Manager to discuss budget requests beginning next week. The Department's biennial budget request will be submitted to the City Finance Department on March 9, 2012. She announced Jeff Chambers has been hired as the new Fiscal Office Manager.

Ms. Halstead reported the Health Management Association's (HMA) preliminary recommendations will be released on January 25, 2012. An Executive Summary will be presented to the Board of Health in February. HMA was hired by the Community Health Endowment to review physical and mental health services in the community. She stated the Lincoln Medical Education Partnership is applying for a federal grant with other agencies in the community to look at innovative ways to enhance and improve health outcomes in the community.

The joint Board of Health & Parks & Recreation Advisory Board member committee will meet on January 12th to continue discussing smoke free play areas for children in City parks. Dr. Peterson and Dr. Miller will continue to meet with the Advisory Board members.

Mr. Schneider thanked staff for their work on the LPlan 2040 goals. He requested information on the Smoke Free Entrances Resource Guide. The information will be presented at the February Board of Health meeting.

VI. CURRENT BUSINESS (Action Items)

A. Proposed Revisions to LMC 6.08.040 - Issuance of License (Dog); LMC 6.10.090 - Confiscation; and LMC 6.12.050 - Information Required; Receipt; Tag (Cat)

Mr. Beal presented revisions of LMC 6.10.090 - Confiscation as requested by the Board of Health at the December meeting. The revisions further clarify when the Director "shall" confiscate a dangerous dog and when a dangerous dog "may" be confiscated. The amendments refer directly to where in the ordinances "shall" would apply and where "may" would apply. He stated staff are also proposing revisions to LMC 6.08.40 and LMC 6.12.050 pertaining to the licensure of dogs and cats.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Schneider that the Board of Health approve the revisions to LMC 6.08.040, 6.10.090 and 6.12.050 and forward them to the Lincoln City Council for consideration and approval. Second by Ms. Schorr. Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

VII. CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)

A. Ten Essential Services for Public Health Overview

Ms. Halstead reviewed the Ten Essential Public Health Services - Assessment, Policy Development and Assurance. She stated one Essential Service will be presented at each meeting Board of Health meeting in 2012. The February meeting will highlight Essential Service #1 - Monitor health status to identify community

health problems.

B. Health Promotion & Outreach Division Update

Ms. Burke provided an update on the Health Promotion & Outreach Division. She previewed the Division's website, reviewed the Division's mission and program areas and goals for each of the program areas. Program areas include Tobacco, Injury Prevention, Chronic Disease and the Early Development Network. She reviewed the tobacco use indicators, tobacco prevention and education indicators, SafeKids of Lincoln-Lancaster County initiatives, chronic disease program goals, and the goals and partnerships of the Early Development Network.

C. Board of Health Member Pairings

Ms. Halstead stated Board of Health members have been paired with a Division of the Department. She asked members to state their preferences for pairings with the various divisions. Pairings include: Dr. Lester & Dr. Schneider -Community Health Services; Dr. Smith - Animal Control and Health Data & Evaluation; Dr. Stark - Dental Health Services & Health Promotion & Outreach; and Mr. Emery - Director's Office. Mr. Messineo, Dr. Peterson and Dr. Miller will be contacted to find out their preferences.

An updated list will be provided at the February meeting.

D. Health Priority Determination

Mr. Frederick provided an update on the Mobilizing for Action Planning Process (MAPP) and the Steering Committee's response to determining health priorities in the community. Members scored 72 health issues using criteria from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. In the coming year, the top priorities will be used to create a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP).

VIII. FUTURE BUSINESS

Items for the February 14, 2012 Board of Health agenda include: 1) Essential Service #1 Presentation; 2) Health Management Associates Executive Summary of Recommendations; 3) Smoke Free Entrances Resource Guide; 4) 2012 Legislation Update and 5) Environmental Public Health Division Update.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting is February 14, 2012 - 5:00 PM.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Elaine Severe
Recording Secretary

Heidi Stark
Vice-President



NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 15, 2012
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Brian Baker, 402-441-8046
Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department;
Captain Joy Citta, 402-441-7239
Lincoln Police Department

Disappointing Compliance Rate For 2011

In 2011, the Lincoln Police Department, the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, and volunteer youth made 370 attempts to purchase tobacco products (some businesses were checked more than once). Fifty-three of these attempts by minors resulted in a business making a tobacco sale resulting in a 14% sale rate. The following five locations had more than one sale of tobacco to a minor during 2011: Casey's, 2500 NW 12th Street; C-Station, 1120 S. Coddington; Discount Depot, 3301 O Street; Letty's Misc, 1301 S. 11th Street; and Russ's Market, 4400 S. 33rd Street. In 2010, the sale rate was only 9%. National research indicates when communities consistently conduct compliance checks and keep the sale rate below 10%, children in those communities are less likely to use tobacco products.

A tobacco compliance check is one strategy as part of a multi-strategy comprehensive plan to keep youth from starting to use tobacco products. The number of Lancaster County youth using tobacco products continues a downward trend. According to the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, youth who smoked cigarettes in the last 30 days decreased from 17.6% in 2009, to 16.4% in 2011. Even though youth tobacco use is on a downward trend, the goal is that all youth avoid tobacco use.

To support all tobacco retailers and help employees avoid selling tobacco to minors, a free Tobacco Retailer ID Training is offered on a quarterly basis. The training provides information about State and local tobacco laws, Nebraska State IDs, how to refuse a tobacco sale, and why compliance checks are conducted. Many people who have been ticketed for selling tobacco to a minor attend the class to help them prevent future sales. Retailers may also require all new hires and existing employees to attend to ensure the law is followed.

If you are concerned about youth smoking and would like to provide input and/or help in other local tobacco prevention efforts, please call 402-441-6225.

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Youth Volunteers Needed

Youth who participate can meet volunteer hour requirements for high school graduation and other social or church organizations. Some are looking at careers in law enforcement, and this activity can become part of their resume. For each compliance check in which a youth participates, he/she will generally receive a credit of four (4) volunteer hours. Youth between the ages of 14-17 who are interested in this community service project may call 402-441-6224 for more information.

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Tobacco Free Lancaster County is a joint effort that focuses on keeping youth from starting to use tobacco, reducing access to tobacco products, and eliminating exposure to secondhand smoke. It is funded by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services/Tobacco Free Nebraska Program as a result of the tobacco master settlement agreement.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 17, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Dan King, HHW Coordinator, 402-441-8084

MAKE APPOINTMENTS EARLY FOR MARCH HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

On Friday, March 2, the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department will offer county residents an early opportunity to dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW). This *appointment-only* collection is for households only, and will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in northeast Lincoln. Appointments are limited, so call 402-441-8021 *as soon as possible* to reserve a time. Callers will be asked to identify the types and approximate quantity of waste they plan to bring.

Items accepted at the HHW collections include 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, CFLs, grease removers, and brake or power steering fluids.

Items not accepted at HHW collections include latex paint, motor oil, gas grill cylinders, pharmaceutical waste, electronics, and batteries. For information on recycling materials not accepted, check the “Guide to Recycling” at www.lincoln.ne.gov (*keyword: recycling*).

The next HHW collection will take place April 28. A complete 2012 HHW schedule is available at www.lincoln.ne.gov (*keyword: household*).

The HHW program is partially funded by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality.

Jean Preister

From: Michele M. Abendroth
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 10:55 AM
Subject: Planning Department Data Bank

Please visit the Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department's new Data Bank at <http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/databank/index.htm>. There you will find a wide range of new, updated, and archived demographic and land use data including 2010 Census data and maps, population and employment projections, demographic reports and summaries, building permit data, the residential land inventory for new growth areas, and a list for major apartment projects. The Planning Department continues to monitor and update these lists and will continue to add more information to the Data Bank over time. Please feel free to contact Brandon Garrett at 402-441-6373 or bgarrett@lincoln.ne.gov if you have any questions.

Michele Abendroth

Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department
555 South 10th Street, Suite 213
Lincoln, NE 68508
402-441-6164

Mary M. Meyer

From: DiAnna R. Schimek
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2012 10:42 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Re: Roof Ice barrier: Request consideration for 2 additional exceptions

Jim: As you know by now, the council did vote to include the ice guard. We were told that the FHA has been requiring these for about forty years and that insurance would not cover water damage without the ice guard. Additionally, there were builders who supported it. It is always a tough call when there is conflicting information. Thank you for the contact. Sincerely, DiAnna

Sent from my iPad

On Feb 13, 2012, at 8:29 AM, "Council Packet" <CouncilPacket@Lincoln.ne.gov> wrote:

FYI.

From: rjaege@aol.com [<mailto:rjaege@aol.com>]
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 7:51 AM
To: Council Packet; "CouncilPacket@Lincoln.ne.gov"
Subject: Roof Ice barrier: Request consideration for 2 additional exceptions

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to request 2 additional exceptions be added to the existing ice barrier exceptions for existing homes:

- (1) Exempt roofs with steeper pitches (I am not sure of the exact number, but a builder or the housing codes folks should be able to address this, and
- (2) Exempt roofs with eaves not exceeding some distance; e.g., eaves not exceeding 2 ft. (Again I am not an expert, builders/city code folks are better qualified to set the spec).

Homes with low pitch roofs, large eave overhangs and poor attic insulation are susceptible to ice dam caused water damage. The code as written will not necessarily address these problem homes. Ice damage is not common place because most home/roof designs are adequate to prevent it without additional barriers being in place. This ice barrier requirement as written will not prevent the problem on many problem homes and will waste money on non-problem homes.

My home has a steep pitch, which makes it very resistant to ice or other roof damage issues. Requiring an ice barrier would be a waste of resources.

I believe most of the vulnerable homes have certain common attributes. In my experience 2 types of homes have commonly had problems:

- (1) Older homes with moderate pitches, poor attic insulation, and eave overhangs that are 2 ft or more. Many older 2 story homes in Lincoln have these attributes. The heat escaping through the attic melts the snow on the roof, it runs down and freezes when it gets to the eave, which is cold.
- (2) In the 1960's there were ranch-style homes built with very low pitch roofs and large eave overhangs (the eave was used to form a porch roof in the front or back of the home). These homes were initially built with an asphalt/gravel roof. When these roofs needed replacement, asphalt shingles were allowed and typically installed. Because there is no heat under the eave, snow and ice builds up there after it melts from top of the roof. The low pitch angle exacerbates the problem.

The current ice barrier language under consideration would require the barrier extending 3 ft up from the bottom of the roof. If the home has a 3 or 4 ft eave, a 3 ft barrier is insufficient.

My opinion: if you are going to allow asphalt shingle replacement on these very low pitch homes then use the barrier on the whole roof; better yet install a steel roof, new designs that appear shingle-like are aesthetically acceptable.

Thank you for considering my input.

Jim Yeggy
6842 Dudley St
402/202-0272

Mary M. Meyer

From: bob grant [bobgrant55@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 1:26 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: ice guard shields

Dear council members

My name is Bob Grant, a homeowner and I would like to go on record as strongly opposed to the “ soon-to-be-voted-on” proposed code of requiring installation of Ice Guard Shields when new roofing is required.

It is irrelevant that I have owned and lived in my present residence for over 35 yrs and never experienced roof Ice dams.

What is relevant is that 90% of Ice damage is of the minor nature.

It is relevant that 99% of homes do not experience ice damage.

It is relevant that, no matter how low the percentage chances are, the day may come that I will have damage from Ice buildup damage and I will need to absorb the minimal repair cost. It is mind boggling to think that several hundred low-income seniors and other homeowners should have to fork over needless \$\$\$\$\$\$ simply because I experience a minor problem.

I recently (approx 3 yrs ago) installed 40 yr life shingles. With this proposed ordinance, should I decide to sell my home, the long life shingles will be of no selling point because the lack of full Ice Guard Shields will become a purely needless & political buying or selling point.

This proposed code must not be approved.

VOTE NO

Thank you
Bob Grant

Mary M. Meyer

From: WebForm [none@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 2:09 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
General Council

Name: Concerned Citizen
Address: Lincoln
City: Lincoln, NE, 68516

Phone:
Fax:
Email:

Comment or Question:

Dear City Council Members. My office overlooks Centennial Mall so I know first hand what has been taking place there. Empty, unused tents littering up the space. Signs are posted into the ground - against city statute. Seeing someone actually holding a sign is very rare. Other communities have passed laws which closed loopholes such as ours while tents were still in place. Honolulu passed a law in which Private Property could not be stored on Public property for over 24 hours. It really is time for Occupy to leave. They are an eyesore which has taken sole possession of that section of the mall. They say that they should not leave because they have more to accomplish yet. What can they not accomplish by moving the tents? They do not truly live there. We have strict laws when it comes to campgrounds to ensure proper sanitation - etc. This is a campground with no oversight. Occupy needs to leave by the eviction date. No compromises should be made. I apologize for not leaving my name, but I feel making my name known may bring on the wrath of this group. The mayor has been far too lenient and this should have been taken care of a long time ago. The courts have ruled several times that tents have nothing to do with first amendment rights. The court rulings are contrary to what OCCUPY would want you to believe. Thank you.

Mary M. Meyer

From: randy [randy@schwisow.com]
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 4:05 PM
To: Council Packet
Cc: Coby Mach - LIBA
Subject: ice guards

I think masonry makes a home last much longer than vinyl siding, shouldn't we require all homes to be masonry or steel sided so the next owner has a better home. Will LED lighting, home sprinklers, better windows, on and on, all be required by code to protect us from ourselves? I think the buyer can make the decision! Stop the expansion of government and let the people have rights!



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Message from William Matchett
February 14, 2012

Called in support of Occupy Lincoln's location at Centennial Mall. Need this group to address political problems.

Message from Alexandra Svoboda
February 14, 2012

Called in support of Occupy Lincoln.

Mary M. Meyer

From: WebForm [none@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 10:58 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
General Council

Name: Larry Pfeil
Address: 7820 Viburnum Dr.
City: Lincoln, NE 68516

Phone: 402.770.9971
Fax:
Email: lpfeil@neb.rr.com

Comment or Question:

Thank you all for your time and attention on the matter of the rezoning of a lot located at the corner of Pioneers Blvd and S. 80th Street along with a proposed easement on this lot. Your granting two weeks to allow us to attempt to hammer out a solution with the proponents is appreciated.

I and other residents will have our first meeting with the proponents on February 16.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Notorious B.O.B [bob2u2@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 4:16 PM
To: Eugene W. Carroll; Adam A. Hornung; DiAnna R. Schimek; Council Packet
Subject: Eyesore.

Dear City Council Members,

Now that you have passed the mandate to install ice guards when replacing your roof or building a new home, I would like to see a ordinance that prohibits parking motor vehicles in front yards of residential homes that don't have a slab of concrete. I feel this is an eyesore in the same way as placing a couch or sofa on your porch.

Lincoln is a beautiful city, as I travel about the city I see this happening with more frequency.

I am not in favor of government telling me what I can and can not do to my private home, but since you are taking upon yourselves with the above ordinances I would support this action.

Thanks, Bob Mersed.