

DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2013
555 S. 10TH STREET, ROOM 113
2:00 P.M.

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. City infrastructure improvements reach across the community.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Libraries to host "Drums of the World" performances.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor's statement on death of Roger Larson.

III. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY

1. The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) public meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 17th has been canceled.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department September, 2013 department report.
2. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department meeting minutes of September 10, 2013.

PARKS AND RECREATION

1. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting minutes of September 12, 2013.
2. Parks and Recreation 2013 Swimming Pool Operations report.

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Planning Commission public hearing and action on Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 13007, an amendment to the Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan adding the "21st and N Redevelopment Project: The Exchange at Antelope Valley".
2. Change of Zone No. 05026C, Apple's Way PUD. Letter in opposition submitted at the public hearing on October 2, 2013.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1. Administrative approvals by the Planning Director from October 1, 2013 through October 7, 2013.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 7, 2013

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CITY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS
REACH ACROSS COMMUNITY

Mayor Chris Beutler today said the improvements in the Havelock area over the last few years are an example of the positive impact City projects are having across the community. The Mayor and City Councilman Doug Emery officially welcomed the new electric Historic Havelock sign at Havelock Avenue and Cornhusker Highway at a news conference today. Other recent redevelopment projects in the area include:

- Street resurfacing on Havelock Avenue (scheduled to be completed by Oct. 12)
- Water main replacement
- As part of the Havelock Facade Program, 22 properties have completed facade improvements, and seven are under way. The program has improved energy efficiency in the buildings and been a catalyst for private and public investment in nearly 85 percent of eligible properties in the Havelock Avenue Historic Landmark District.
- Streetscaping has included ornamental lighting, the replacement of plantings and signage featuring a railroad motif.

“While much of the recent focus has been on downtown and the West Haymarket, the City has continued to improve streets, parks and other public infrastructure across the City,” said Mayor Beutler. “Our City departments – including Urban Development, Public Works and Utilities and Parks and Recreation – have worked closely with neighborhoods to resurface streets, reduce flooding, update parks, promote home ownership and help small businesses. These are the kinds of projects that most directly improve the quality of life in our community.”

Mayor Beutler said other examples of neighborhood improvements are projects in the 34th and Holdrege area and along 11th Street:

- Two three-story buildings are under construction south of Holdrege between 34th and Idylwild Blvd. The east building will include a new Valentino’s to replace the original restaurant at that location. A second floor extended-stay hotel to serve campus visitors is being developed in conjunction with UNL, and the third floor will house apartments. A master plan has been developed in cooperation with East Campus neighborhood residents for the park at Idylwild Drive and Apple Street.

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The entire project includes private investment of more than \$13 million, \$1.26 million in tax-increment financing and \$60,000 in CDBG funds for park improvements. A \$135,000 endowment for maintenance of the park and Idylwild Blvd. median has been created with donations from Valentino's.

- The first phase of a sustainable streetscaping project on 11th Street from "A" to "J" streets will be completed this month and includes stormwater quality and drainage improvements, a traffic circle at 11th and "D", bicycle lanes and sidewalk and curb improvements.

Phase two to be completed next spring includes native plantings, LED pedestrian lighting, new signs and banners and street furniture. The City received design assistance for the project from the EPA's "Greening America's Capitals Project." Lincoln was one of just five cities to receive the assistance and was the first to start a project. Everett neighborhood residents, agencies and businesses were also involved in the planning.

The City also has completed more than \$1 million in sidewalk repairs over the last 18 months, including repairs to sidewalks in the Arnold Heights and Irvingdale neighborhoods and along StarTran routes. Other recent improvements to streets, the stormwater system, parks and trails are listed below. More information on City projects is available at lincoln.ne.gov.

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The Citywide Street Rehabilitation project this year include resurfacing and ADA ramp reconstruction on several major streets, including:

- Capitol Parkway from 21st to 33rd
- Cotner from Fairfax to Adams
- S. 17th from Van Dorn to "A"
- S. 40th from South to "A"
- S. 40th from Pinewood to Old Cheney
- S. 13th from Calvert to High
- S 56th from Highway 2 to Edgewood and Vavak to Spruce (to be completed this fall)
- Rosa Parks Way from 1st to Highway 77
- N. 45th from "R" to Vine

Other street projects include the rehabilitation of S. 56th from "A" to Randolph and Prescott from 47th to 48th as well as the repair of the N. 27th Street viaduct over the railroad tracks. A five-mile stretch of N. 27th will become the City's first adaptive signal control technology corridor. The Nebraska Department of Roads also plans to invest over \$3.1 million in the State highways within the City limits this year and next.

Recent stormwater improvements include the following:

- The 2012 stormwater bond issue is funding downtown inlet repairs as well as projects in many areas, including 11th and Harrison; 8th and Park; 53rd and "J"; 56th and Colfax; 56th and Wilshire; 49th and Rentworth; 7th and Old Cheney; and S.W. 17th and West "A."
- Water quality improvement projects in Antelope Park are being funded by the City, the

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) and the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District (LPSNRD).

- Water quality landscaping projects in mostly residential areas include rain gardens; reseeded lawns with more native and drought-tolerant grasses; soil restoration; and redirecting downspouts away from driveways and other impervious surfaces. These projects are managed by the City and funded by NDEQ and property owners.
- Efforts are under way to obtain a federal grant to reduce open channel flooding in the 57th and Morton area, stream stability projects in Stevens Creek and other projects. These are funded by the City, and most also have funding from the LPSNRD
- The City and LPSNRD are funding a master plan study in Haines Branch, Middle Creek and other tributaries to Salt Creek in southern Lincoln.

Recent park and trail improvements include major renovations at Sherman Field at Sampson Park, a new Bison Trail Bridge and the following projects:

- University Place Park at 48th and Garland – A new playground has been installed and a drinking fountain will soon be added.
- Sunburst Park between Sunburst Lane and Ridgeway Road - The 40th and “A” Street Neighborhood Association helped the City develop a master plan for improvements including a walkways, play equipment, benches and trees.
- Mendoza Park along the Billy Wolff Trail south of Old Cheney Road – A playground and play court were developed with an initial donation from Philip E. Mendoza family and support from the Vintage Heights Homeowners Association. A new park shelter was dedicated in June, and a new drinking fountain will be installed this fall.
- Phares Park at Glynoaks Drive and South 80th - A new drinking fountain will be installed this fall serving the recently developed neighborhood park and the Billy Wolff Trail.
- Peter Pan Park, 33rd and “W” just south of City Impact - A new master plan was developed for the park in 2012, and improvements include a new playground, walkways and trees. A new outdoor rental picnic area will be completed this fall.
- Belmont Park at N. 14th and Judson - A master plan, developed with partner organizations and neighborhood residents, calls for outdoor play features and nature areas, including a wetland boardwalk and overlook area. The Belmont Pool parking lot will be replaced next year using “green” technology.
- Filbert Park at Schoolhouse Lane and Clearview Boulevard - New accessible surfacing will be installed at the playground.
- Antelope Park at “A” and Memorial Drive - The surfacing for the accessible playground will be replaced.
- Boosalis Trail along Highway 2 - The trail is being widened from eight to ten feet to accommodate increased participation in the annual Lincoln Marathon.
- Roberts Park at 56th and Sumner - Improvements include tree replacement, the establishment of native grasslands and redevelopment of the drainage channel.
- Pioneers Park - Pathway renovation work is currently under way.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 7, 2013

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LIBRARIES TO HOST “DRUMS OF THE WORLD” PERFORMANCES

Lincoln City Libraries invites the public to two performances by drummer Michael Fitzsimmons during fall break for the Lincoln Public Schools. “Drums of the World” performances are scheduled for Monday, October 14 at two locations:

- Walt Branch Library, 6701 S. 14th St., at 10:30 a.m.
- Eiseley Branch Library, 1530 Superior St., at 2:30 p.m.

“Drums of the World” features a rare instrument from Switzerland called the Hang, which is reminiscent of the steel drums of Trinidad. Fitzsimmons is a percussionist, an award-winning composer and a performance and recording artist with *Dancing Man Music*. He is a solo artist with the Nebraska Arts Council’s Touring Program and a master teaching artist with UNL’s Arts Are Basic program. His website is dancingmanmusic.com.

The program is made possible through funding from Woods Aitken and the Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries.

More information on Lincoln City Libraries can be found at lincolnlibraries.org.

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MAYOR'S STATEMENT ON DEATH OF ROGER LARSON

“With today’s passing of Roger Larson, Lincoln has lost a true pillar of the community, a trusted voice and a real gentleman. Roger is one of the individuals who laid the groundwork for the great success we are now experiencing in Lincoln. He had a real love and pride for our City and worked tirelessly as a public servant, businessman, volunteer and board member for many community organizations.

“Many important projects in this City would not have become a reality without Roger’s determination and persuasive abilities. His integrity, commitment and warmth made it very difficult to say no to him! He took on the tough projects and gave them his all.

“In the summer of 2012, we dedicated the new downtown Larson Building in his honor, and it will remind many future generations of the enormous impact that one person can have on a community.

“Roger was a great friend, great civic leader and great family man. I extend my sympathy to Roger’s wife of 63 years, Shirley, his entire family, and his many friends and colleagues.”

DEPARTMENT REPORT SEPTEMBER, 2013

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

- The Health Director attended the Health Insurance Enrollment Forums and News Conference sponsored by the Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Counties and the Lancaster County Medical Society. Information was provided on the upcoming enrollment for the Affordable Care Act.
- Dr. Michelle Petersen has been appointed to serve on the Board of Health. Her appointment was approved by the Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Board of Commissioners. Dr. Peterson represents the Lancaster County Medical Society. The Health Director provided Dr. Petersen a brief orientation and tour of the Health Department. Welcome Dr. Petersen!
- The Health Director is serving on the Capital Humane Society Fundraising Committee for their Annual Tails and Trails Dinner on October 18, 2013.
- The Health Director was invited to attend the State Board of Health quarterly meeting. She provided a presentation on the Health Department highlighting activities, services and new initiatives the Department is involved in.
- The Health Director, Division Managers and Board of Health members Stark, Emery, and Lester attended the Site Visit and Tour of the UNL Veterinary Diagnostic Center on September 17th. Drs. Doster and Brodersen provided a very informative tour and overview of the Laboratory and the services they provide.
- The Health Director attended and helped facilitate the Friends of Public Health Legislative Retreat on September 26th. The group will be previewing legislation for the upcoming Legislative session.
- LB 692 and LB 1060 Annual Reports were submitted to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. The Department received \$784,038.00 for these programs in 2012.
- The Department will participate in the Combined Campaign for United Way and Community Health Charities. The Campaign runs from October 1 - November 1, 2013. The Administrative Aide serves as the City-Wide Coordinator and Department Coordinator for the Campaign.
- Employee of the Month - Raju Kakarlapudi - Health Data & Evaluation Division

ANIMAL CONTROL

	Sep 10 -Aug 11	Sep 11- Aug 12	Sep 12- Aug 13
Pet Licenses Sold	60996	61396	61707
Cases Dispatched	22534	24241	23704
Investigation	24666	26247	25536
Animals Impounded			
Dogs	1915	1657	1496
Cats	1629	1370	1133
Court Citations Issued			
Warnings/Defects Issued	450	246	351
	12615	14384	15056
Bite Cases Reported			
Attack Cases Reported	500	485	469
	81	63	47
Dogs Declared (PPD, DD,V)			
	153	85	90
Animal Neglect Investigations			
Injured Animal Rescue	822	724	788
Wildlife Removal	760	863	725
Dead Animal Pickup	564	550	470
	1964	2239	1994
Lost and Found Reports			
Phone Calls	2335	2425	2443
Average Response Time (in mins)	48990	49461	50491
	30	21	22

- Animal Control staff will be updating our local emergency preparedness plan for animals. Three staff will attend a training session on October 2, 2013. The training should provide valuable information and will include a table top exercise. We know from previous disasters in other locations, that sheltering pets and keeping people and their pets together or close by is important. Many of our response efforts would follow the Lancaster County Emergency Response Plan and we would work out of a Unified Command structure.
- Animal Control officers responded to 267 calls to remove or pick up Bats in August 2013. That compares to 286 bat calls in 2012 and 256 bat calls in August 2011. August is a very busy month and we have seen more bat calls in the past two years.
- Bite and attack cases have been decreasing slightly over the past three years.

- Animal Control staff were out in the community more and attended staff meetings at area businesses (Black Hills Energy and LES) to talk about bite prevention techniques.
- Fewer dogs and cats are being impounded at the shelter, which, in part is attributed to fewer dogs and cats running at large and hopefully increased pet owner responsibility.
- The pet licensing campaign continues and the feedback on the PSAs has been positive. We ended the fiscal year at 61,707 licenses sold. This is up from the previous two years but still below our goal of a 3% increase from the previous year.
- Plans continue for the educational event on October 26th at UN-L East Campus. Animal Control was invited to staff two booths, one on animal safety and bite prevention and one on general pet ownership and what we do in the community. We will partner with Capital Humane Society to assist with a micro chip clinic that will be managed by local veterinarians and UN-L veterinary students. The community is invited and there will be many activities for children including a pet/person costume contest. All pictures will be posted on the UN-L site.
- In FY 2012-2013, Animal Control had 50,491 calls into the office. This is up about 1,000 calls from last year and 3,500 calls from the FY 2010-2011. 23,704 of the total calls for FY 2012-2013 involved dispatching an officer. The call volume is high and because of all the contact we have with the public it is important to periodically assess customer service. We are in the process of trying to engage a few techniques that will give use some valid customer feedback. We currently have a short online survey that takes about 2 minutes to complete on our website. More will be done in the next few months.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

Baby Behavior

- On September 12th, Maternal-Child Health Services staff attended a training provided the Nebraska WIC Association (NEWA) entitled “Baby Behavior”. Baby behavior messages have been successful in improving infant feeding practices by addressing common “trigger” behaviors for overfeeding such as infant crying and waking. Participant objectives included; 1) describe the relationship between infant behavior and inappropriate infant feeding practices, 2) demonstrate practical knowledge of normal infant behavior, including infant states, sleep patterns, and crying, and 3) deliver behavior messages/training to parents we serve in our Healthy Families America program.

Supports For Poor & Uninsured Adults With Diabetes

- Over the past 3 years, safety-net providers in Lincoln have been working together to fill a significant gap in primary care and needed supplies for poor & uninsured adults with diabetes. Partners include; Bryan Health, Community Health Endowment of Lincoln, Creighton University, Clinic with a Heart, Health Promotion & Outreach/Living Well, Lancaster County General Assistance, Lancaster County Medical Society, Lincoln ED Connections, Lincoln Fire & Rescue, People's Health Center, Saint Elizabeth's Regional Medical Center, & Wagey Drug.
- In our previous funding from the Community Health Endowment, our goal was to connect patients in the target population to a regular source of care with a diabetes professional and provide them with free or low cost diabetic supplies. Approximately 70% of our patients were connected to a medical home. We were not as successful linking 3 specific populations to care; 1) uninsured admissions to hospitals who are newly diagnosed, 2) people who access care at Clinic with a Heart who have a new or existing diagnoses, and 3) people who use the emergency room or 911 inappropriately.
- Kelly Schmeits, BSW, was hired this month with public health prevention dollars to address chronic disease appropriated by the NE Legislature. Working with the safety-net providers, anticipated outcomes for this project include:
 - 1) Medical Home: 85% of patients will be connected to a regular source of care by a diabetes professional (e.g. physician, mid-level practitioner, certified diabetes educator, community outreach worker). The current percentage is 70%.
 - 2) Glucose Testing: 75% of patients will adhere to the blood glucose testing recommendation of the diabetes professional.
 - 3) Medication Knowledge: 75% of patients, who receive medication reconciliation services from Creighton University/College of Pharmacy students, will report an improvement in their ability to identify their medications, store them properly, and understand the effects and side effects of their medication. All prescriptions and over-the-counter medications are reviewed by the students/faculty and any opportunity for error or duplication of efforts are identified and reconciled by contacting all prescribers involved and adjusting prescriptions. The majority of our patients have at least one additional chronic disease other than diabetes.
 - 4) Self-Management: 50% of patients, who participate in Living Well groups, will report an increase in their confidence to perform self-management behaviors (e.g. healthier diet, exercise, stress management/relaxation, use of community resources, and improved communication with a diabetes professional).

Early Childhood Literacy Training

- Vicki Wood/Youth Services Supervisor of Lincoln City Libraries, presented information to CHS staff on how to promote readiness to read among high-risk families we serve in our Immunization Clinic and Maternal-Child Health Services. The Libraries and LLCHD

have similar goals to promote lifelong well-being and success by intervening at the earliest age.

- Six-skills were introduced to staff; print awareness, letter knowledge, phonological awareness, vocabulary, narrative skills, and print motivation can be promoted to care givers of young children in non-jargon language; **Talking, Singing, Reading Together, Writing and Playing**. **Talking** with children helps them learn oral language, one of the most critical early literacy skills. The experience of self-expression also stimulates brain development, which underlies all learning. **Singing**, which includes rhyming, increases children's awareness of and sensitivity to the sounds in words. This helps prepare children to decode written language. **Reading Together** remains the single most effective way to help children become proficient readers and helps caregivers and children bond emotionally. **Writing** helps children learn that letters and words stand for sounds and that print has meaning. **Play** is one of the primary ways young children learn about the world. General knowledge is an important literacy skill that helps children understand books and stories once they begin to read.
- Lincoln City Libraries provides donated children's books in LLCHD's patient waiting room. Our partnership with the Libraries is also working toward; securing volunteers who will read to children in our waiting room, seeking funds for age-appropriate books to give to children receiving vaccines and home visiting services, and helping caregivers apply for library cards for their children. Services provided to individuals and families of low economic means and services/reading material available in diverse languages was also discussed.

Flu Vaccine

- CHS will offer flu vaccine through our Immunization Clinic to the general public starting Monday, September 30, 2013. As in the past, flu vaccine at LLCHD is available for two populations: 1) children ages 6 months through 18 years of age who are on Medicaid, uninsured or underinsured, and 2) poor & uninsured adults ages 19 and over ($\leq 185\%$ Federal Poverty Level and no private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, military, government nor any other type of health insurance). Flu vaccine for children is provided by the Vaccine for Children federal program. Adult vaccines are provided in the clinic and through specialized outreach to homeless and near homeless populations.

DENTAL HEALTH & NUTRITION SERVICES

WIC

- The National WIC Association is forming a [task force](#) to explore and develop a plan for extending WIC nutrition and breastfeeding education and support services to non-WIC clients and promoting WIC sites as the "go-to" nutrition and breastfeeding centers for all

US pregnant and post-partum mothers and young children. This plan will provide a framework for how WIC agencies could administer critical nutrition and breastfeeding services through WIC, Medicaid, private insurance, and out-of-pocket payments. The Task Force is charged with:

Developing service delivery models

Developing payment models

Developing outreach and communications strategies

Describing the service delivery models, payment models, and communications strategies in a written Implementation Plan

Identifying potential pilot sites

Identifying next steps before piloting

Background

- WIC currently does not serve all eligible low-income mothers and young children. In calendar year 2010, WIC served, overall, only an estimated 62.2% of eligible mothers and young children; 84.8% infants; 52.4% children. 70.8% pregnant women and 80.6% breastfeeding and non-breastfeeding postpartum women. This rate has remained relatively static over time. Eligible families do not participate for various reasons. But, what if WIC was known as “the place” for all women to go to for critical breastfeeding and nutrition services when they get pregnant, just like the doctor is the place one goes to when sick and the gym is here one goes to exercise? No confusion about eligibility and enrollment? No stigma?

- Additionally, while the challenges of eating healthy and breastfeeding babies until at least 6 months are significant for low-income mothers, many middle and upper income mothers also face these same hurdles. There is generally no “go-to” place for comprehensive nutrition and breastfeeding services by credentialed professionals for non-WIC moms. What if they could go to WIC sites? To successfully promote WIC sites as the “go-to” places for nutrition and breastfeeding services for clients at all income levels, NWA has identified a need to create a new brand identity, service design strategy, and implementation plan before testing the expansion of these services. With the re-branding, we hope to promote WIC’s nutrition and breastfeeding services, remove any stigma associated with WIC, and attract all those who are currently unwilling or unable to participate in the WIC Program.

- With the Affordable Care Act requiring insurers to pay for breastfeeding and other

preventive services, we feel this project is feasible.

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Dental Health Services

- The month of August brought to close a very busy month and year-end with staff providing over 900 patient visits for 574 clients during August with an overall total of 3,509 clients for 10,587 patient visits during FY 2012-2013. Fifty-six percent (56%) of the clients served during the month of August were children, as many were presenting for back to school dental check-ups. For the fiscal year end, 53% of the clients served were children (1858 children) resulting in a 3% increase of children served compared to FY 2011-2012 (1727 children).
- For the month of August, 57% of the clients served were Medicaid enrolled compared to 52% for the fiscal year end of 2012-2013.
- Dental community partners (College of Dentistry, People's Health Center, Clinic with a Heart, City Mission, LLCHD, and volunteer dentists) received a Community Health Endowment grant to build capacity for dental homes among local providers to serve the uninsured. The grant began July 1, with a 3 month planning process, with implementation of the grant to begin October 1. Recently, a Community Dental Coordinator, Melissa Karel, was hired through the grant to work cooperatively among community partners to assist in the recruitment of local providers and assist clients in the referral and navigation for accessing dental homes. The local providers will be reimbursed using the Medicaid fee structure with clients paying approximately 25% of the Medicaid fees for service. The Lancaster County Medical Society will serve as the fiscal agency with LLCHD providing the supervision for the Dental Coordinator and the facilitation and coordination of the grant roles and responsibilities of the community partners. The grant funded program, Smile from the Heart, will be modeled after the Lancaster County Medical Society Health 360 program.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

Indoor Air Quality

Goals (Purpose): Protect human health by responding to complaints on indoor air quality and making recommendations or taking actions to prevent illness and disease.

Methods/Strategies (What we do):

- receive complaints and requests for service from the public
- provide phone consultation if no immediate health risk
- conduct investigations when necessary to protect health

- provide guidance on remediation of mold and other IAQ problems
- collaborate with B&S on enforcement

Indicator

Maintain capacity to respond to the public’s request for indoor air investigations and complaints that could result in a negative impact on human health.

Funding/Source

City General Fund (63%); County General Fund (37%)

Indoor Air Complaints:

FY 09	FY 10	FY11	FY12	FY13
114	228	186	185	119

Of the 119 complaints, 117 (98%) were from people living in residential properties. Of the 117 residential complaints, 82 (70%) were from people living in rental properties.

Comparison

- The percent of complaints from various types of residential setting remains similar to past years. The number of complaints was significantly lower in FY13.

Description

- If immediate health risks are not reported, complaints from people living in rental properties are responded to by sending an Official Notice letter to the landlord informing them of the complaint and asking them to action to address the problem. Such letters resulted in acceptable action the majority of the time; however, on-site investigations had to be performed in 41 cases. Hundreds of complaints and requests for assistance on poor indoor air quality are received each year, the majority of which are handled via phone. The Health Department is mandated to assess conditions that may pose health risks in apartments and hotels regulated under LMC 5.38, but none of the revenue generated by LMC 5.38 comes to the Health Department. Staff responds to complaints of poor IAQ; provide phone consultation on IAQ; conduct onsite inspections; provide consultation on HVAC issues to improve IAQ; coordinate with B&S on health aspects of housing code compliance, especially in apartments; coordinate enforcement actions; monitor IAQ with specialized equipment; and receive referrals from physicians.

Partnerships & Efficiencies

- All complaints and requests for service are screened and prioritized by professional staff. Only the most serious situations result in immediate onsite investigations. Health works closely with B&S to resolve issues and assure enforcement actions are taken when necessary to protect human health. Health encourages private parties to use licensed contractors trained in IAQ for remediation or HVAC modifications.

HEALTH DATA & EVALUATION

- There have now been four confirmed cases of West Nile virus (WNV) reported in Lancaster County this year. These individuals had symptoms (fever, fatigue, neurological conditions) that caused them to seek medical attention.
- WNV is generally transmitted by mosquitoes. Most people (perhaps 70 to 80 percent) who are bitten by a mosquito don't develop a fever or major symptoms, so they may not even know they have been infected. As evidence, in addition to the four cases with fevers or more severe symptoms, we also have reports of two blood donors who were asymptomatic, but who were found to have been infected with the virus. In recent years there have been only a few cases of WNV, as opposed to 2003 when we had 129 cases. In recent years other Nebraska counties and states have had higher numbers of cases; especially Texas, which last year had thousands of cases and hundreds of deaths from WNV.
- Since there is no vaccine against WNV, the best prevention is to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes. Suggested ways to reduce the chances of being bitten include:
 - a. wearing long sleeves and using a repellent containing DEET, Picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus;
 - b. avoiding being out at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active; and
 - c. draining any standing water such as dumping bird baths and pet dishes to reduce the potential breeding grounds for mosquitoes.
- Hopefully, with the end of hot weather, the number of cases of WNV and exposures to bats (potentially rabid) will end. However, with the start of fall comes an increase in flu activity. This is a reminder that the best prevention against the flu is to get vaccinated. Seasonal flu immunizations in various formulations (shots or nasal sprays as well as number of flu strains in the vaccine) are available in the community now and it is the right time to get immunized. Once again this year, it's a recommendation from the CDC that everyone six months of age or older get immunized against the flu. The Department begins giving flu immunization to eligible clients and staff on September 30th.
- HDE has recently received the 2012 death data, so a Vital Records (birth and death data) dashboard is being developed and it will soon be available on our website. As reported last month, the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) dashboard on the HDE webpage now includes data from the 2012 BRFSS survey. To navigate there, in the Search box on InterLinc (www.lincoln.ne.gov) type "data" and then click on the Behavioral Risk Surveillance Portal to find the survey data results about adult behaviors and other conditions affecting health in the county. The direct link is <http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/health/data/brfss/index.htm>. The Vital Statistics portal will have its own link when the dashboard is posted.

HEALTH PROMOTION & OUTREACH

Injury Prevention

- Staff conducted two child passenger safety check-up events in September. Thirty seats were checked at an event at Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center where nine seats were provided to families in need, purchased from funds donated by Aidan's Animals. Ten seats were checked at the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska event with four seats provided to families through the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety mini-grant. Essential to these events are the volunteer certified child safety technicians that spend up to 45 minutes with each car seat and vehicle, and, of course, with the parents/guardians of the infants and children that will ride in those seats. Each technician has received certification by completing a three day hands-on course on proper installation of child passenger seats and maintaining this certification. The certification comes from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Safe Kids Worldwide Buckle Up program. The typical check-up event utilizes 6 to 8 of these volunteer technicians who spend 3 to 4 hours at an event. Technicians usually volunteer for four to six child passenger safety events each year. Currently, there are approximately 50 certified technicians in Lincoln and Lancaster County. Staff coordinates on average eighteen events each year in Lincoln and Lancaster County to ensure the proper installation of more than 400 child safety seats.

Tobacco Prevention

- Staff coordinated a tobacco retail compliance check with the Lincoln Police Department and 4 youth volunteers. Four sales out of 44 attempts to purchase were made for a 91% compliance rate (9% non-compliance). Year to date compliance rate is 88%. The goal continues to be a compliance rate of greater than 90% to be an effective deterrent to youth tobacco use.
- The Tobacco Free Lancaster County coalition is utilizing task forces for efficiency and to expand its reach throughout Lincoln and Lancaster County. These task forces include staff, partners, and individuals and have four topic areas: Smoke-free Housing, Youth, Tobacco Free Parks, and Business/School Tobacco Free Campus. On September 19, the Smoke-free Housing Task Force recognized 65 local landlords for establishing a smoke-free policy for their residential rental properties. The recognition event was held at LLCHD and included brief remarks from Judy Halstead, Health Director; Rick Campos, Fire Inspector; Lynn Fisher, Great Place Properties, Doug Marthaler, Lincoln Housing Authority; and Dick Patterson, Chair Tobacco Free Lancaster County. Smoke-free policies eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke and are proven to help motivate people to quit smoking. By implementing smoke-free policies, these landlords are contributing significantly to the public's health. Currently, 2,832 units are listed on the Lancaster County Smoke Free Housing Registry. The Smoke-free Housing recognition was recorded and is being aired on Channel 5 and on Channel 10 Health.

INFORMATION & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- HIPAA policy and the Department Notice of Privacy are currently being updated.
- Information Management staff continue to work with Community Health Services and Health Data staff to refine the reporting for the Home Visitation grant and program.
- Information Management and Fiscal Operations are working with the electronic health record vendor to set up electronic billing for Medicaid reimbursable services. This should reduce errors and improve timeliness of reimbursement.
- Division Manager has analyzed updated salary projections for FY 2014 to assure that as we enter the second year of the two year budget cycle, there are no unanticipated shortages or issues due to changes that may have occurred since the budget was adopted in August 2012.

LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health
September 10, 2013

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:00 PM by Jacquelyn Miller at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members Present: Roma Amundson, Alan Doster, Marcia White, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Jacquelyn Miller. Doug Emery arrived at 5:04 PM

Members Absent: Karla Lester, Heidi Stark and Trish Owen (ex-officio).

Staff Present: Judy Halstead, Charlotte Burke, Steve Frederick, Kathy Cook, Gwendy Meginnis, Steve Beal, Scott Holmes, Andrea Haberman, Joyce Jensen, Gina Egenberger, Renae Rief, Raju Kakarlapudi and Elaine Severe.

Others Present: Nancy Hicks, Craig Strong, Jack Strong, Spencer Reimann.

Ms. White publicly thanked and commended Steve Beal and the Animal Control staff for their good work when her dog was bitten by a neighbor dog on July 31, 2013. She stated the dispatcher was very calm and helpful to her in assuring she received veterinary care for the animal. Officer Dodd was also very helpful in the investigation. She appreciated the good work the Animal Control Division does.

Ms. Amundson introduced Boy Scout Leader Mr. Strong and his members. The Boy Scouts are attending a government meeting as a requirement to receive their government badge.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Motion: Moved by Ms. Amundson that the Agenda be approved as mailed. Second by Ms. White. Motion carried by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Motion: Moved by Ms. White that the August 13, 2013 Minutes be approved as mailed. Second by Dr. Doster. Motion carried by acclamation.

III. PUBLIC SESSION

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Health Director Update

Ms. Halstead stated the Lancaster County Medical Society has nominated Dr. Michelle Petersen as their representative to the Board of Health. Her appointment has been forwarded to the Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Commissioners for formal approval.

Ms. White announced she has accepted the Program Manager position with the Community Health Endowment and will resign her position on the Board of Health. She stated she appreciated the opportunity to serve on the Board of Health. Ms. Halstead stated the Mayor's Office will select replacements for Dr. Schneider and Ms. White and those will be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Commissioners in the near future.

The Department is working on several legislative initiatives for introduction in the 2014 Legislative Session. The Session begins on January 8, 2014.

Ms. Halstead stated Department management staff have done a good job on revamping personnel evaluations and providing feedback to staff. The City began the 2nd year of the two year budget cycle. Staff will begin work on the 2014-2016 budget in the near future. Ms. Halstead thanked the Mayor's Office for approving the grant funded increase in the Assistant Epidemiologist from .75 to 1.0 FTE. Tommy George will continue to assist Health Data & Evaluation and Community Health Services.

IV. CURRENT BUSINESS (Action items)

- A. Proposed Revisions to LMC 6.02.300 - Hobby Kennel or Cattery; LMC 6.04.050 - Sanitary Conditions; LMC 6.04.150 - Shelter Fee, Release From Shelter; LMC 6.10.090 - Confiscation; LMC 6.10.100 - Bites Unlawful; LMC 6.12.045 - Limit on Number of Cats Owned; LMC 6.12.130 0 - Hobby kennel or Cattery Permit; LMC 6.12.132 - Multi-Cat Household, Permit; LMC 6.12.136 - Multi-Cat Household, Hobby Kennel or Cattery Permit, Non-Conforming; LMC 6.12.140 - Minimum Standards of Sanitation, Care and Adequate Housing of Cats in Hobby Kennel or Cattery or Multi-Cat Household; and LMC 6.12.145 - Hobby Kennel or Cattery or Multi-Cat Household - Cats Running At Large

Mr. Beal stated staff are proposing revisions to the Lincoln Municipal Code - Animal Control ordinances. He reviewed the proposed revisions including deleting the term of Hobby Kennel and using the term Cattery, changing the maximum amount of square footage from 7500 to 750 for animal or fowl pens, enclosures or shelters, increasing the fee for impoundment per animal from \$35.00 to \$40.00, and deleting the reference to unlawful in 6.10.090, allowing staff to address irresponsible owner issues directly with the owner and cite the owner accordingly. The Animal Control Advisory Committee reviewed and approved the proposed revisions on September 6, 2013. Mr. Sieh proposed one additional change - Cattery definition - More than 1, less than 16 cats.

Motion: Moved by Ms. White that the Board of Health approve the revisions to

LMC 6.02.300, 6.04.050, 6.04, 150, 6.10.090, 6.10.100, 6.12.045m 6.12.130, 6.12.132, 6.12.136, 6.12.140, 6.,12.145 and forward them to the Lincoln City Council for review and approval. Second by Ms. Amundson. Motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.

V. CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)

A. Child Care Health and Safety Consultation Presentation

Ms. Rief and Ms. Egenberger provided a presentation on the Child Care Health and Safety Consultation Program. Ms. Rief provided background information regarding communicable disease outbreaks and the Program's efforts to increase best practices, policies and safety training for child care staff. Ms. Egenberger stated staff focus on child care centers and feel they have made an impact on the decreased disease outbreaks due to their training efforts. Ms. Egenberger provides consultation to the centers, visits each center personally and works with them on emergency response plans, waste reduction and illness prevention. Board members had the opportunity to participate in the actual training session.

B. Chlamydia Infection and Re-Infection Update

Ms. Haberman and Mr. Kakarlapudi provided a presentation on Chlamydia Infection and Re-Infection Rates. She stated Chlamydia is caused by a bacteria and is the most frequently reported sexually transmitted infectious disease. Mr. Kakarlapudi reviewed the data analysis from 2009-2012. They noted our rates are comparable with rates in the State and across the country. Ms. Haberman stated patients are tested and if positive, treated. A staff nurse follows up to assure compliance with treatment. Staff encourage annual testing for those 25 years of age and younger, outreach and treatment of partners and education.

C. Responsible Beverage Server Training (RBST) Update

Ms. Jensen provided an update on the Responsible Beverage Server Training Program. The program began in October, 2012. Individuals were able to obtain their permits at no cost until April, 2013. To date, nearly 10,000 individuals have obtained their responsible beverage server permit. Ms. Halstead complimented Ms. Jensen on a good job with the program.

VI. FUTURE BUSINESS

Health Department response to E Cigarettes and the Mayor's Community Health Challenge.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting - October 8, 2013 - 5:00 PM

UNL Veterinary Diagnostic Center site visit - Tuesday, September 17, 2013 - 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM. Dr. Doster's office and Ms. Severe will provide additional details about the site visit.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Elaine Severe
Recording Secretary

Jacquelyn Miller
Vice-President

MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Parks & Recreation Conference Room
Thursday, September 12, 2013 ~ 4:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Justin Carlson	Jonathan Cook	Jim Crook	Susan Deitchler
Todd Fitzgerald	Larry Hudkins	Peter Levitov	Kelly O'Hanlon
Anne Pagel	Bob Ripley	Jeff Schwebke	Joe Tidball

Members Absent:

Molly Brummond	Cleo Mullison	Vacant Position
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Staff Members Present:

Lynn Johnson, Director
Nicole Fleck-Tooze, Special Projects Administrator
Dale Hardy, Golf Administrator
Angela Chesnut, Executive Secretary
Jocelyn Golden, Assistant City Attorney

Recognition of 'Open Meetings Act': As per law, Chairperson Anne Pagel announced that the Board follows the regulations of the Open Meetings Act, and called the meeting to order.

Anne introduced and welcomed new Board member Kathi Wieskamp.

* **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Jim Crook and seconded by Justin Carlson to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2013 meeting, with the correction of the meeting location which was held at Parks & Recreation. ***Motion was approved by unanimous vote of members present.*** Peter Levitov abstained due to absence from the previous meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS (other than those listed on the current Agenda):

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

* **Fees & Facilities Committee – Susan Deitchler (Chair) 488-4224**

Susan brought forward a proposed lease agreement to allow the property owner at 6800 Normal Boulevard to lease a portion of Holmes Lake Park, on the north side of Normal Boulevard (maps attached to minutes). The proposed lease is consistent with the lease for parking that was approved in April, 2012, with the property adjacent. The proposed lease period is for nine years ending on April 30, 2022, with an option to renew for two additional 10-year terms. The rental rate calculation is based on a percentage of the assessed valuation of adjoining private land. Nicole Fleck-Tooze also noted that there will be a couple of trees to be removed, followed by a replanting that will screen the parking lot. The new lease area would be approximately 4,500 square feet.

A motion was made by Susan Deitchler and seconded by Larry Hudkins to approve the lease agreement as proposed. ***Motion was approved by unanimous vote of members present.***

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

No Report.

Golf Report – Golf Administrator Dale Hardy

Dale Hardy provided a graph indicating preliminary numbers for the 2012-13 fiscal year, showing revenue versus expenses, plus rounds. Play was down approximately 12%, and revenue down 6%. The Holmes clubhouse landscaping project was completed, with approximately 40 volunteers and Parks & Recreation staff. The Golf Committee will hold a public meeting on October 2nd, with the location and time to be determined. Lynn Johnson encouraged the PRAB members to attend if possible. He also explained that the three working sub-committees of the Golf Advisory Committee are working to provide a more detailed analysis of the NGF recommended models. The subcommittees will provide a review to the full Golf Advisory Committee, who will then bring a recommendation to the PRAB, who in turn will provide a review and recommendation to the Mayor and City Council. Peter Levitov asked what the effect would be on current staffing if the recommendation would be to implement a management company. Lynn responded that ultimately positions would be eliminated following any bumping rights, with the additional possibility that staff could be hired by the management company. A contract administrator would also be necessary to be staffed by the Parks & Recreation Department.

Executive Committee – Anne Pagel (Chair) 540-9194

Anne discussed the working subcommittees and the need for two additional PRAB members to serve on the Golf Advisory Committee. Lynn also noted that there is also one vacancy on the PRAB.

STAFF REPORT:

Lynn informed that the presentation by Susan Larsen Rodenburg and Danielle Conrad regarding the organization and implementation of fundraising campaigns would be tabled until the October Board meeting. He also encouraged all to attend the September 28th Party in the Parks, which will include a volunteer appreciation event, as well as the presentation of a Rising Star award for Union Plaza by the Nebraskaland Foundation at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Bob Ripley and seconded by Justin Carlson to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. ***Motion was approved by unanimous vote of members present.***

2013 Swimming Pool Operations Report

Attendance	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Difference 12-13	as percent of last year
Arnold Heights	11,392	9,969	9,950	11,499	12,303	9,682	(2,621)	79%
Ballard	13,029	9,168	15,539	14,370	17,675	13,688	(3,987)	77%
Belmont	13,574	9,905	12,039	10,685	11,167	10,485	(682)	94%
Eden	22,875	21,362	19,463	25,662	23,885	18,470	(5,415)	77%
Highlands	36,763	29,638	30,211	28,811	28,427	21,142	(7,285)	74%
Irvingdale	17,704	17,274	19,016	21,462	22,833	20,513	(2,320)	90%
Meadow Heights	11,616	9,064						
SCS	71,527	59,257	68,351	65,184	70,426	52,307	(18,119)	74%
UNI	34,813	23,627	31,266	29,431	32,711	22,679	(10,032)	69%
Woods	33,351	42,070	47,132	40,938	48,970	39,985	(8,985)	82%
Total	266,644	231,334	252,967	248,042	268,397	208,951	(59,446)	78%

Subsidized Swims

(of the above listed total swims, these were provided at a reduced or free rate)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Attendance	13,216	10,935	11,547	10,456	12,138	10,988	5.3% of total swims
\$ Value of Subsidy	\$21,410	\$21,354	\$21,669	\$21,120	\$27,140	\$25,411	

Admission Fees

	2009 and 2010			2011 and 2012			2013		
	Neigh Pools	Aquatic Pks	SCS	Neigh Pools	Aquatic Pks	SCS	Neigh Pools	Aquatic Pks	SCS
0-2	free	free	free	free	free	free	free	free	free
3-17	3.00	3.50	3.75	3.25	3.75	4.00	3.50	4.00	4.25
18+	4.25	4.75	5.00	4.50	5.00	5.25	4.75	5.25	5.50

Gate Revenue

Pool	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Difference 12-13	as percent of last year
Aquatic Office	35,973	21,344	20,594	13,304	21,675	23,642	1,967	109%
Arnold Heights	21,435	19,068	19,042	22,864	26,989	21,430	(5,559)	79%
Ballard	20,991	18,954	27,002	32,414	33,477	28,254	(5,223)	84%
Belmont	19,855	18,967	21,112	23,481	23,158	18,153	(5,005)	78%
Eden	40,612	34,225	34,672	40,425	41,085	36,820	(4,265)	90%
Highlands	75,045	72,892	70,666	83,506	83,224	78,134	(5,090)	94%
Irvingdale	33,844	26,268	36,595	38,051	50,433	46,162	(4,271)	92%
Meadow Heights	15,417	14,154	2,218					
SCS	209,950	190,212	209,277	210,397	237,307	200,769	(36,538)	85%
UNI	73,010	58,260	66,758	70,950	79,421	68,670	(10,751)	86%
Woods	67,150	80,336	91,341	99,459	102,233	94,041	(8,192)	92%
Total	613,282	554,680	599,277	634,851	699,002	616,075	(82,927)	88%

Concession Revenue

Pool	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Difference 12-13	as percent of last year
Highlands	13,320	11,501	15,094	11,612	11,171	9,082	(2,089)	81%
SCS	57,950	43,854	49,454	48,108	50,538	37,753	(12,785)	75%
UNI	14,576	9,968	11,506	11,545	13,933	9,518	(4,415)	68%
Woods	16,053	18,004	24,065	22,465	24,495	17,945	(6,550)	73%
Other Pools and Adm	8,893	5,832	5,374	5,985	5,815	1,260	(4,555)	22%
Total	110,792	89,159	105,493	99,715	105,952	75,558	(30,394)	71%

Expenses to Revenues

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total Revenue	\$643,839	\$704,770	\$734,566	\$804,954	\$691,633
Total Recreation Expenses	\$1,012,636	\$1,008,034	\$1,001,477	\$980,848	\$974,089
% of Expenses Recovered	64%	70%	73%	82%	71%

Safety Statistics

Rescue/Saves	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	88	69	92	80	76	67

44(66%) were swimming saves; 16(24%) were wading saves and 7 (10%) were reaching
15 (22%) swim saves covered a distance of at least 15 ft

10/3/13 End of Season 36 (54%) of the saves involved a child 2 to 6 years old

Average age of victim was 7.55 years old

Most common reasons for saves were water too deep (54), water slide incident (6), fear (7)

Pools with the most saves were SCS (26), Woods (15), Ballard (8)

1 Save for every 3,119 visits

There were 6-911 calls:

5 Transported: 3 child hit head (fall on cement, swam into wall, diving board); adult strained back; staff fainted

1 Refused Transport: Staff dizziness/ill

Pool Closings	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Weather (# days)						
Closed early	11	23	7	9	7	8
Closed all day	1	2	1	0	2	3
Other						
*Mech./Chemical	23	3	0	1	1	4
**Fecal Accidents	31	24	37	47	35	19
* these closures ranged from a few hours to a full day						
** these closures ranged from 30 minutes to a full day						

Special Programming

Night Splash 9 locations: 1,117 participants
 Swim Lesson Registrations 657 total P & R (608), Nebraska Aquatics (49)
 Daycare Water Safety Training 23 Daycare Groups (222 staff and 560 children)
 Swim/Dive Team Registrations 711 for Swim Team and 124 for Dive Team
 Competitive Swim/Dive Team 6 clubs w/5,750 attendances
 practice at Woods Pool
 Family Night Swims 86 offered, 941 families, 3,994 patrons, 6 pools
 Junoir Lifeguard Class Eden-10 youth; Belmont 7 youth

Rentals	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	182	182	171	170	178	166

Pools with most rentals: Eden (32), Irving (31), UNI (25)

Admission Reimbursed

Reduced or Free rate offered to groups	1,510 youth	Salvation Army, Malone, Elliott CLC, Culler CLC
	273 adults	Cedars at Carol Youkum Center
	<u>1,783 total</u>	\$3,643 value

Swims exchanged with the YMCA	1,476 youth	
	343 adults	
	<u>1,819 total</u>	\$4,742 value (\$3,742 pd, \$1,000 credit)

Lincoln Cares Scholarship Program \$3,960 204 swim lesson scholarships, 10 swim/dive team scholarships
 387 free Malone Center pool admissions

Admission Donated

CPIN Free Swim Program	1,034 youth	
	311 adults	
	<u>1,345 total</u>	\$5,096 value

Coupons Given to Agency/Program \$311 Prescott event, Union Plaza Celebration
 Malone Center waived admissions \$400

Value of Donated Admissions \$5,807

Aquatics Staff	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total # Staff	285	255	236	225	235	242

61% returning staff

Cost Per Swim	Gate Revenue	Concession Revenue	Total Revenue	Net Expense	Net Cost (Profit)	Attendance	Cost (Profit) Per Swim
Arnold Heights	21,430	128	21,558	68,548	46,990	9,682	4.85
Ballard	28,254	477	28,731	55,718	26,987	13,688	1.97
Belmont	18,153	144	18,297	56,494	38,197	10,485	3.64
Eden	36,820	236	37,056	65,376	28,320	18,470	1.53
Highlands	78,134	9,082	87,216	101,871	14,655	21,142	0.69
Irvingdale	46,162	275	46,437	71,346	24,909	20,513	1.21
SCS	200,769	37,753	238,522	199,624	(38,898)	52,307	(0.74)
UNI	68,670	9,518	78,188	128,055	49,867	22,679	2.20
Woods	94,041	17,945	111,986	168,401	56,415	39,985	1.41
Total	592,433	75,558	667,991	915,433	247,442	208,951	1.18

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Jean Preister, Planning 

SUBJECT: Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 13007, amendment to the Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan, Bill #13R-236

DATE: October 8, 2013

cc: Mayor Chris Beutler
David Landis, Urban Development
Wynn Hjermstad, Urban Development
Tom Huston, Attorney for Hoppe Brothers

Attached please find minutes of the Planning Commission public hearing and action on Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 13007, an amendment to the Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan adding the "21st and N Redevelopment Project: The Exchange at Antelope Valley".

These minutes were not yet available when the Factsheet for Bill #13R-236 was prepared and should accompany the Factsheet. These minutes will not be formally approved by the Planning Commission until October 16, 2013.

Bill #13R-236 is scheduled for public hearing before the City Council on Monday, October 14, 2013.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 402-441-6365 or plan@lincoln.ne.gov.

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**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CONFORMANCE NO. 13007,
AN AMENDMENT TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
REDEVELOPMENT PLAN
TO ADD THE “21ST AND N REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT:
THE EXCHANGE AT ANTELOPE VALLEY**

PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE PLANNING COMMISSION:

October 2, 2013

Members present: Corr, Beecham, Weber, Scheer, Hove, Sunderman, Cornelius and Lust.

Staff recommendation: A finding of conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

There were no ex parte communications disclosed.

Staff presentation: **David Landis, Urban Development Director**, appeared as the applicant. This is an amendment to the existing Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan, describing a project to move forward with a development agreement. Urban Development is thinking of taking 5 acres of land, selling it to a developer, and having 52,000 sq. ft. of retail, including a 40,000 sq. ft. grocery store, and about 63-67 units of row housing and 28 units of apartments. We had hoped at one time to be able to increase the amount of land sold to include property owned by the NRD and Windstream, but Windstream does not want to part with their land. The developer, Hoppe Brothers, is proceeding with a PUD application. A street vacation is also anticipated as part of this project. This is consistent with a large number of the specifications in the Downtown Master Plan and the Comprehensive Plan.

The original boundaries have been amended to include the N Street Bike Path.

The redevelopment plan will spend the TIF money on the sale price of the land, the N Street bike path, moving the Parks and Recreation buildings to new locations, and cleaning up a gas spill that has occurred in the area.

Landis pointed out that when the community invested in Antelope Valley, we did it for flood purposes; we did it because there were 800 residences and 200 businesses in this area; and we also said it is important to unlock redevelopment in an area with almost no redevelopment. By adding this 30 million dollar project to the 60 million dollar Assurity project, there will be about 100 million dollars of investment in the Antelope Valley, which, over time, vindicates the planners' perspective of long term thinking into the future and adjusting the city to meet long term goals. This is an important chapter of what started as the Antelope Valley saga more than a decade ago.

Beecham wondered about the historic Parks building on the site. Landis stated that that building is not in this project area. It is a bath house associated with Muni Pool and the site of a historic incident with respect to race relations in the 1950's. It is an occupied building by Parks and will continue to be an occupied building. It will not be sold and it is not included in this project area.

Beecham wondered whether there are any other buildings with historic significance that are involved in this project. Landis did not know of any with historical significance and none with an architectural reason to exist. They are good storage and that's about it, and we can do better than that.

Support

1. **Tom Huston**, 233 S. 13th Street, Suite 1900, appeared on behalf of **Hoppe Brothers**, the redeveloper. The issue today is conformity of this project with the Comprehensive Plan. The staff report does a good job of describing all of the reasons it complies with the Comprehensive Plan. It is a new type of urban residential development that we have not seen to date, and he believes it will be well-accepted by the market place. The project does include the enticement of a grocery store downtown, which is so needed. The redevelopment agreement is being finalized. The developer will be back before the Planning Commission in about six weeks with the PUD showing more details and elevation drawings for this primarily residential development. This project is very consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

Elliott School is to the northeast on the other side of the Antelope channel. Beecham encouraged the developer to meet with LPS in terms of traffic flow, drop-off and pick-up times. Huston stated that this project is walkable to Elliott School and part of the PUD will show a new trail to connect this site to the trail system.

There was no testimony in opposition.

ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION:

October 2, 2013

Cornelius moved to approve the staff recommendation of a finding of conformance with the Comprehensive Plan, seconded by Hove.

Cornelius believes this is a tremendous opportunity to create a project which exemplifies the principles created during the Comprehensive Plan process. It sounds like it will be a really nice place of benefit to the community and set an example of what we can do within the framework we have created in the Comprehensive Plan.

Lust commented that it is always great to see great redevelopment projects within the city core.

Corr believes this to be a great mixed-use development, creating housing and utilizing the land more efficiently. She is excited about having a grocery store in the downtown area and walkability will be an awesome improvement, too.

Motion for a finding of conformance with the Comprehensive Plan carried 8-0: Corr, Beecham, Weber, Scheer, Hove, Sunderman, Cornelius and Lust voting 'yes'. This is a recommendation to the City Council.

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Jean Preister, Planning 

SUBJECT: Change of Zone No. 05026C, Apple's Way PUD, Bill #13-125

DATE: October 9, 2013

cc: Mayor Chris Beutler
City Clerk
Will Carter
Mark Hunzeker

Attached for your information is a letter in opposition to Change of Zone No. 05026C which was submitted at the public hearing before the Planning Commission on October 2, 2013. This letter should have accompanied the Factsheet.

Change of Zone No. 05026C is Bill #13-125, scheduled for 1st reading on Monday, October 14, 2013, Item No. 31.

I apologize for this oversight.

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6617 Almira Ln
Lincoln, NE 68516
October 2, 2013

Lincoln/Lancaster County Planing Commission
555 S 10th St, Ste 213
Lincoln, NE, 68508 USA

To the Planning Commissioners:

I am a resident of the Country Meadows neighborhood just east of the Apple's Way Shopping Center, and I am opposed to the application for change of zone CZ05026C. I did not live in the neighborhood when the Home Depot store went in, but I have been told by neighbors that the city promised that there would be no more big boxes after that one. Then a few years ago, a developer wanted to put in Lowe's on the other side of us. I remember that Don Wesley, by then a private citizen, testified in opposition at the City Council meeting, saying that he thought promises made by the city should be kept, even with changes in the administration. Our homeowners association was quite concerned about the impact on property values and quality of life that would result from us being surrounded by big box hardware stores. We hired an attorney (Rob Otte, now a District Court Judge) and through him we negotiated building and environmental standards that were added as notes to the zoning. In return for the developer agreeing to these restrictions, the Country Meadows Homeowners Association dropped its opposition to the Apple's Way Development. Because of the history of the agreement on this zoning restriction, and because it should be followed, I am adamantly opposed to the change of zoning application.

Now we have a developer and a store owner who want to change the agreement. The question is simple. Do promises made by the city mean anything, or are they just a method to get homeowners to give in on an issue because the city will just quietly renege on the promises as soon as it is convenient? The Planning Commission has a chance here to send a powerful message. On the one hand you can send the message that negotiated settlements actually settle the matter, and the word of the city can be trusted. Or you can send the message that the word of the city only means something until some other powerful interest comes along and wants a different deal. The consequences of that choice will be that the people and homeowners of Lincoln will learn that the promises the city made yesterday are not honored today, and the promises of today mean nothing because they will be broken tomorrow. Do you really want to damage the credibility of the Planning Commission, and the City of Lincoln?

Sincerely,



Alan C. Christensen



Memorandum

Date: ♦ October 8, 2013
To: ♦ City Clerk
From: ♦ Teresa McKinstry, Planning Dept.
Re: ♦ Administrative Approvals
cc: ♦ Jean Preister

This is a list of the administrative approvals by the Planning Director from October 1, 2013 through October 7, 2013:

Administrative Amendment No. 13066 to Special Permit No. 1832, Mechling's Wilderness Park Estates, approved by the Planning Director on October 1, 2013, requested by Alan McHargue, to adjust the front yard setback on Lots 2 and 3, Block 1, from 30 feet to 20 feet, on property generally located at S. 14th St. and Mockingbird Lane.

Administrative Amendment No. 13070 to Special Permit No. 1762D, Vintage Heights Community Unit Plan, approved by the Planning Director on October 2, 2013, requested by Tuscan Townhomes, LLC, to adjust the rear setback to 15 feet for buildings and to 9 feet for covered, unenclosed decks for Lots 21-30, Block 30, on property generally located near S. 84th St. and Foxtail Dr.

Administrative Amendment No. 13067 to Special Permit No. 1959, Prairie Village Community Unit Plan, approved by the Planning Director on October 7, 2013, requested by Pedcor Investments, LLC, to revise the layout of the apartment complex, on property generally located at N. 84th St. and Leighton Ave.

DIRECTORS' AGENDA
ADDENDUM
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2013

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR & DIRECTORS' CORRESPONDENCE

MAYOR

1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for the week of October 12, 2013 through October 18, 2013.
2. Fiscal Impact Statement. Urban Development, allocated WIA funds.

III. DIRECTORS

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1. Historic Preservation Commission meeting agenda for October 17, 2013.

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/ENGINEERING

1. ADVISORY. Citywide Arterial Street Rehabilitation. South 56th Street; Nebraska Highway 2 - Spruce Street. State Project No. LCLC-5228(4), Control No. 13138, City Project No. 540022.
2. ADVISORY. Harrison Avenue; 11th Street - 14th Street. Storm Drainage Project No. 705323D.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JONATHAN COOK

1. Reply from Randy Hoskins, Assistant City Engineer, to Valarie Jones regarding the crosswalk at 9th and O Streets. Ms. Jones request attached.

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

1. LES Administrative Board meeting agenda for Friday, October 18, 2013.
2. Letter from Becky Kramer regarding the recommendation of denial on her claim for windshield replacement, and explaining the occurrence, and steps taken following the occurrence.
 - a) Invoice from Binswanger Glass for windshield replacement.
 - b) Letter from Assistant City Attorney Marcee Brownlee recommending the City Council deny the claim.

Date: October 11, 2013

Contact: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831

Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule
Week of October 12 through 18, 2013
Schedule subject to change

No public events scheduled

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Urban Development/WIA

DATE: 09-25-13

NEED When the 2013/2014 budget was done, the allocated WIA funds and carryin funds were not known at that time (estimates were used). Fiscal Impact Statement is being done to adjust figures to actual allotted amounts for the FY plus actual carryin amounts from the previous WIA FY. The only impact beyond the current fiscal year that these changes will make will be in the amount of carryin from WIA FY 2013 into WIA FY 2014.			
FUTURE IMPACT:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Limited Projected Completion Date _____	
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"/>
IMPACT		Current Fiscal Year	Next Fiscal Year Annualized
PERSONNEL (full time equivalents)No impact			
PERSONNEL (cost)			
277512.5021 Reducing regular salaries		(12,937)	
277512.5041 Reducing longevity pay		(554)	
277512.5081 Reducing Health Insurance		(2,218)	
277512.5085 Reducing Pension		(1,479)	
277512.5086 Reducing FICA		(1,109)	
277512.5091 Reducing PEHP		(184)	
277012.5021 Reducing regular salaries		(8,320)	
277012.5086 Reducing FICA		(636)	
277012.5956 Reducing Support Services		(8,666)	
277012.5961 Reducing Education and Training		(30,726)	
277112.5021 Reducing regular salaries		(16,977)	
277112.5041 Reducing longevity pay		(472)	
277112.5081 Reducing Health Insurance		(2,594)	
277112.5082 Reducing Dental Insurance		(236)	
277112.5085 Reducing Pension		(1,651)	
277112.5086 Reducing FICA		(1,415)	
277112.5091 Reducing PEHP		(234)	
277612.5956 Adding Support Services		5,000	
277612.5961 Adding Education and Training		57,500	

277212.5021 Reducing Regular Salaries	(5,368)	
277212.5041 Reducing Longevity Pay	(70)	
277212.5081 Reducing Health Ins.	(627)	
277212.5082 Reducing Dental Ins.	(70)	
277212.5085 Reducing Pension	(349)	
277212.5086 Reducing FICA	(418)	
277212.5091 Reducing PEHP	(69)	
277212.5961 Reducing Education and Training	(119,282)	
SUPPLIES business unit: object code description		
OTHER SERVICES & CHARGES business unit: object code description		
EQUIPMENT business unit: object code description		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	(154,161)	
SOURCE OF REVENUES <u>WIA Federal Funds</u>		

DIRECTOR *David Landis*

DATE _____

FINANCE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS	Availability of Appropriations: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> BUDGET OFFICER <u>Steve Walker</u> <hr/> PURCHASING AGENT _____
FINANCE DIRECTOR <u>Steve Walker</u> DATE <u>9/30/13</u>	

APPROVED: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	MAYOR <u>[Signature]</u> DATE <u>10/10/13</u>
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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 fte's 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.

Sherry:

09-26-13

Note to Fiscal Impact Statement

The WIA Program received an approximate 22% cut in funding effective 07-01-13. This Fiscal Impact Statement reflects these reductions.

We received an additional \$62,500 in Dislocated Worker Rapid Response funds . Thus the addition of the \$5,000 in Support Services and \$57,500 in Education and Training. Both of these object codes are for participant expenses.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

Sherry

Did Steve
get a copy of
this? NG

Historic Preservation Commission

The City of Lincoln Historic Preservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday, **October 17, 2013**. The meeting will convene at **1:30 p.m.** in Room 214 in Development Services Center, 2nd floor, **County-City Building**, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, to consider the following agenda. For more information, contact the Planning Department at (402) 441-7491.

AGENDA October 17, 2013

1. Approval of meeting record of HPC meeting of September 19, 2013.
2. Opportunity for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission.

HEARING AND ACTION

3. Application for a special permit for historic preservation and for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at the Lewis-Syford House, 700 N. 16th Street.
4. Application for a special permit for historic preservation and for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at the Little-Atwood House, 740 South 17th Street.
5. Application by John Bruner for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 727 R Street and adjacent rowhouses of "Option 13", in the Haymarket Landmark District.
6. Application by Nebraska Neon Sign Co. for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at the Candy Factory, 201 N. 8th Street in the Haymarket Landmark District.
7. Application by Nebraska Neon Sign Co. for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at the Lincoln Fixture Building, 826 P Street in the Haymarket Landmark District.
8. Application by "Sweep Left" for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at the Pepperberg Building, 815 O Street in the Haymarket Landmark District.

DISCUSSION

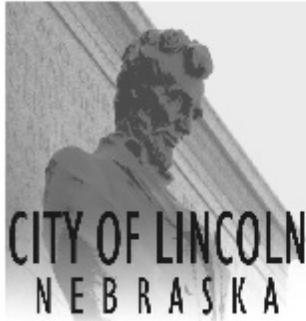
9. Staff Report & Misc.

The Historic Preservation Commission agenda may be accessed on the Internet at

<http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/boards/hpc/hpc.htm>

For further information on Historic Preservation in Lincoln, visit

<http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/long/hp/hp.htm>



PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

lincoln.ne.gov

October 10, 2013

**Citywide Arterial Street Rehabilitation
South 56th Street; Nebraska Highway 2 - Spruce Street
State Project No. LCLC-5228(4) Control No. 13138
City Project No. 540022**

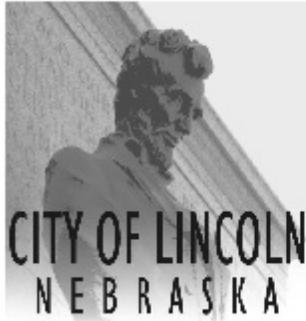
The City of Lincoln proposes to mill and overlay South 56th Street from Nebraska Highway 2 to Spruce Street beginning the week of October 21, 2013, weather permitting. The existing asphalt pavement will be milled off and overlaid with new asphalt and pavement markings. Pedestrian curb ramps at Shady Creek Road, Edgewood Drive, La Salle Street, and Spruce Street will be reconstructed to meet ADA standards.

Pavers Inc. will be the contractor. They propose to perform the work under lane closures. Access to side streets and driveways will be limited for short durations during the milling and asphalt operations. Pavers and the City will work with businesses and residents regarding access during construction.

Information on the Lincoln Citywide Street Rehabilitation Project is available on the City's website at www.lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: projects). If you have questions or comments, please contact one of the following people:

Zach Becker, Project Manager
City of Lincoln- Engineering Services
(402) 613-3763
zbecker@lincoln.ne.gov

Mike Tidball, Project Manager
Pavers Inc.
(402) 875-1469



PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

lincoln.ne.gov

October 14, 2013

Harrison Avenue; 11th Street - 14th Street Storm Drainage Project No. 705323D

The City of Lincoln proposes to install a new 54” storm drainage system in Harrison Street from 11th Street to 14th Street beginning October 21, 2013.

K2 Construction will be the contractor. They will perform the work under a total street closure. The installation of the new drainage system will require the removal of the north half of Harrison Street and the removal of drive approaches on the north side of Harrison Street. This project will also include the installation of new ADA approved walk ramps on the north side of Harrison from 11th Street to 14th Street.

Information on this project is available on the City’s website at www.lincoln.ne.gov (key word: projects). If you have questions or comments, please contact one of the following people:

Ron Edson, Project Manager
City of Lincoln – Engineering Services
(402) 525-9294
redson@lincoln.ne.gov

Charlie Heng
K2 Construction
(402) 467-2355

Mary M. Meyer

From: Council Packet
Subject: FW: Crosswalk at 9th And O Streets

From: Randy W. Hoskins
Sent: Friday, October 11, 2013 11:21 AM
To: Lin Quenzer; Jonathan A. Cook; Miki Esposito
Cc: Melissa M. Ramos-Lammler; Karen K. Sieckmeyer
Subject: RE: Crosswalk at 9th And O Streets

Here is a response I just sent to Leirion regarding a similar request from a different person (the one whose bag was brushed). The person that wrote to Leirion was asking for a button that when pushed would not allow traffic to turn across the crosswalk.

What she is asking for is not something we would be able to do here. I'm not aware that we have anything like what she is asking anywhere in town. We might have locations where we prohibit right turns on red when the pushbutton is activated, but not that prohibits turns for traffic that is facing a green light. With the high volumes of pedestrians crossing at that location during the morning and evening peaks, turning traffic on O Street would never get to go.

While the pedestrians clearly have the right-of-way in the situations described, we all know that vehicles sometimes are totally inobservant of pedestrians or just don't care. That is why we always preach that the pedestrian has to take the extra precautions to ensure that vehicles are stopping/yielding to them, because when the two meet in the street, the pedestrian always "loses" the crash.

We acknowledge that crossing on the south leg of 9th & O can be difficult, because there are three lanes of traffic that can be turning across it (two right turns and a left turn). We have recommended to people in the past that crossing at 9th & N is much safer. Granted that is a two block walk, but it comes down to how much people value their safety and how dangerous they think the 9th & O intersection really is. If we were to do a safety study of the intersection and we found a number of pedestrian crashes, the recommendation may well be to close the south crosswalk, but I question how effective that would be, as people would likely continue to cross there anyway.

I can 100% guarantee you no one from Engineering Services ever told anyone that we were waiting for someone to get killed before we would do anything. We are often asked how many people must be killed before we will do something, but that is not the way we work. We generally have solid reasons for doing or not doing things that people ask of us, but those reasons do not fare well in the face of emotional situations.

I'm not aware that we've been having any major issues with people crossing at that intersection. We can study it, but as noted, I don't know that people would like the answer they might get. RH

From: Jonathan A. Cook
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2013 12:38 PM
To: Lin Quenzer; Miki Esposito
Subject: Fwd: Crosswalk at 9th And O Streets

Lin, Miki,
Can you follow-up on this e-mail from Ms. Jones? I do not know if any other council members received it too.
Thanks very much.

Jonathan

From: Valarie Jones <nebrval@gmail.com>
Subject: Crosswalk at 9th And O Streets
Date: October 10, 2013 11:50:35 AM CDT

To: <jcook@lincoln.ne.gov>

Dear Mr. Cook

My name is Valarie Jones. I work in downtown Lincoln and park in the parking garage at 9th & O Street. I have to then cross 9th street to get to my place of employment.

My concern, and I might add, the concern of everyone that has to cross at that crosswalk, is the traffic turning into the crosswalk.

EVERY morning someone in my place of employment, and I'm sure several others that we're not aware of, almost get hit crossing the street. One of our co-workers was hit there the other day by a dumptruck. Thrown into the air and hurt badly. The driver of the dumptruck said he was turning right on red. My co-worker that was hit would NEVER cross that street on a red light. We ALL know what the traffic is like! This morning, another co-worker came so close to being hit- that the car grazed her handbag when driving by her.

We've called everywhere we can think of to complain about this problem and come upon deaf ears. We've even been told that someone would have to DIE there before they could do anything about it.

Now....I'm sure if one of the city councils family members were crossing in that crosswalk on a daily basis, taking their life in their own hands, something would certainly be done in a hurry.

I am PLEADING with you as a city council memeber, Please, before someone does die in that crosswalk, please do something!

It would be so easy to just put in lights that prohibit turning into the crosswalk when the pedestrians are crossing. Easy solution to avoid a senseless death!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Valarie Jones

nebrval@gmail.com

Val



1040 O Street, P.O. Box 80869
Lincoln, NE 68501-0869

AGENDA
LES ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD
Friday, October 18, 2013 – 9:30 A.M.
LES Board Room
1040 “O” Street

9:30 A.M.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the September 20, 2013 Regular Meeting of the LES Administrative Board**
- 3. Comments from Customers**
- 4. Committee Reports**
 - A. Budget & Rates Committee
 - B. Finance & Audit Committee
 - C. District Energy Corporation Report
- 5. Administrator & CEO Reports**
 - A. Comments from the Public on the 2014 Budget and Rate Adjustment
 - *1. Consideration and Approval of 2014 LES Operating and Capital Budget – LES Resolution 2013-8
 - *2. Approval of 2014 Rate Adjustment – LES Resolution 2013-9
 - B. Third Quarter 2013 Financial Review and Forecast
- 6. Chief Operating Officer’s Reports**
 - A. 2013 Third Quarter Key Performance Indicators
 - B. Renewable Energy Program Survey
 - C. Quarterly Power Supply Report
- 7. Other Business**
 - A. Monthly Financial and Power Supply Reports
 - B. Miscellaneous Information

8. Adjournment

*** Denotes Action Items**

Next Regular Administrative Board meeting Friday, November 15, 2013.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Becky & Drew Kramer [thekramers@inebraska.com]
Sent: Sunday, October 13, 2013 10:46 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: October 14 Meeting Agenda Item
Attachments: Binswanger Glass Invoice For Sienna.pdf; Letter from City Attorney Office.pdf

Dear Council Members,

I am unable to attend the Lincoln City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, October 14, 2013 at 3pm. I am writing concerning my request for expense reimbursement of \$215 for the replacement of the windshield on my vehicle. The Assistant City Attorney, Ms. Brownlee, has written in a letter dated October 8th, that she will recommend that the Lincoln City Council deny my request for expense reimbursement. I am imploring you to reimburse my expenses totaling \$215 incurred from a golf ball that struck and damaged my windshield from the Mahoney City Golf Course on April 28, 2013.

As I drove east on Adams Street a golf ball struck the driver's side of my windshield. I drove directly to the main building at the golf course to report the incident. Upon entering the golf course building, I explained the situation and requested to speak to a manager. The staff told me there was not a manager on duty at that time. I requested an incident report and asked one of the staff members to accompany me outside to take a picture of the damage to my vehicle. I was told the incident report would be filed the Parks and Recreation department.

I called the director of the golf division at Parks and Rec, Dale Hardy, to follow up on the incident the following day. Mr. Hardy mentioned that golfers generally take ownership for badly hit balls on the golf course. He then instructed me to send a letter explaining the incident and the receipt for repairs to the city attorney's office.

On Thursday, October 10th, I received the letter from Ms. Brownlee stating that she would recommend the city council denies my claim for the reimbursement costs for my windshield replacement. I am asking that you please consider the validity of my request.

First, to address the claim in Ms. Brownlee's letter that the City or the employees were not negligent, I would disagree. At no time did anyone working at the golf course tell me that I personally needed to locate the golfer responsible for the damage to my car. No one working at the golf course assisted me in locating the golfer nor did any staff attempt to locate the golfer in my presence. As previously stated, I asked for a manager and an incident report to fill out. There was never conversation about determining exactly which golfer had damaged my car.

Second, although Mr. Hardy did mention that golfers usually take full responsibility for their actions, he did not offer to assist me in finding the golfer responsible. His suggestion to me was that I should write a letter explaining the incident and send in the repair receipt to the city attorney's office.

Third, Ms. Brownlee states in her letter that the City has taken steps to prevent balls from leaving the Mahoney City Golf Course. On the contrary, the City has erected large nets along Adams Street to the east of the building at Mahoney City Golf Course but there are no such nets located on the west end of the property along Adams Street. My windshield was damaged from a ball leaving the actual golf course on the west end of the property. Ms. Brownlee's letter also states that the management of Mahoney Golf City Golf Course is not aware of any other instances of golf balls escaping this location and causing property damage. This statement is false. I spoke with Scott, the manager of Mahoney City Golf Course after receiving Ms. Brownlee's letter. The manager stated that similar incidents involving escaped golf balls from the course happen eight or nine times a year.

I can assure you that had I been made aware of the fact that I personally needed to physically go onto the golf course and locate the golfer responsible for damaging my vehicle, I would have done so on the day of the incident. If I had been offered any assistance locating the golfer through golf course records, I could have pursued the matter individually. I was directed to write a simple letter explaining the incident with a copy of my repairs receipt and send it to the city attorney's office and that is exactly what I have done.

I was able to maintain control of my vehicle after my windshield was damaged by the golf ball. Another driver may not be so lucky. I would encourage the City to reassess the safety provided to people passing the golf course along Adams Street.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. I have attached the invoice from Binswanger glass and Ms. Brownlee's letter. If you have any questions or need clarification, please do not hesitate to email or call me at 402-464-1618.

Respectfully,

Becky Kramer

2721 N. 81 Street

Lincoln, NE 68507

BINSWANGER GLASS #579
2740 NORTH 27TH STREET
LINCOLN, NE 68521

Customer

WO# W579073355

PH:(402) 467-2596 FAX:(402) 467-2598

Federal Tax ID: 45 2494902

Remit To: PO BOX 95354, GRAPEVINE, TX 76099-9733

P/O#:
Taken By: HSoukup
Installer: 16204

Cust State Tax ID:
Cust Fed Tax ID:
Ship Via:

Cash Sale: C579026084

Date: 4/30/2013
Time: 10:52 AM

SalesRep:

Adv. Code:PR

Reprint # 1

Bill To: 57999999

Sold To: 57999999

BECKY KRAMER
2721 N 81ST ST
LINCOLN, NE 68521

BECKY KRAMER
2721 N 81ST ST
LINCOLN, NE 68521

(402) 464-1618

Vehicle Information

Make: Toyota
Odometer:

Model Style: Sienna Mini Van
VIN: 5TDZA23C45S324773

Year: 2005
License:

Qty	Part Number	Description	List	Disc%	Sell	Total
1	FW02395GBNNGEN	Windshield-(Heated,Heated Wiper Park Area,Solar)	\$237.35	67	\$78.04	\$78.04
1	40F	\$40 FLAT LABOR (Flat Rate)	\$40.00	0	\$40.00	\$40.00
1	HAH000004	Adhesive-(2.0,Urethane,Dam,Primer)	\$20.00	0	\$20.00	\$20.00
1	WFS F2395	Moulding-(Reveal)	\$62.89	0	\$62.89	\$62.89

Thank You for your patronage.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT BINSWANGERGLASS.COM OR "LIKE" US AT FACEBOOK.COM/BINSWANGERGLASS FOR OUR MONTHLY SPECIAL DEALS AND MORE FROM YOUR PLACE FOR GLASS SINCE 1872, BINSWANGER GLASS!

A Payment has been made on this order: VISA (\$215.00).

Sub Total: \$200.93

Tax: \$14.07

Customer's Signature: _____

VISA: \$215.00



LAW DEPARTMENT

555 South 10th Street Suite 300 Lincoln, NE 68508
402-441-7281
lincoln.ne.gov

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John C. McQuinn II, Chief Prosecutor Tonya L. Peters, Police Legal Advisor

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Timothy S. Sieh
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Connor L. Reuter
Rob E. Caples
Jessica A. Kerkhofs

October 8, 2013

Becky Kramer
2721 N. 81st Street
Lincoln, NE 68505

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Ms. Kramer:

This office is in receipt of your claim of July 10, 2013, regarding damage to your vehicle from a golf ball. I have had an opportunity to review your claim and additional information provided to me from the staff at the Mahoney Golf Course.

Although it does appear that the golf ball did come from the Mahoney Golf Course, the mere fact that the golf ball came from a public course does not determine whether the City of Lincoln is liable for your damage. In these cases, the City is only liable for damages when the damage is caused by the negligence of the City or its employees. The City cannot assume any liability for the negligence of the golfer who hit the golf ball, but only if the City's negligence contributed to your damages. In this particular case, it does appear that the City has taken steps to prevent any balls from leaving the course unless the circumstances of the golf shot are extremely unusual. In addition, the Mahoney Golf Course management is not aware of any other instances of golf balls escaping at this location and causing damage to passing vehicles.

Because I cannot determine that the negligence of the City or its employees was the cause of the damage to your vehicle, I am referring this matter to the City Council with a recommendation that they deny your claim.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on October 14, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by emailing the City Council, at council@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,

Marcee A. Brownlee
(clarskb)

Marcee A. Brownlee
Assistant City Attorney

MAB/skb

MINUTES
DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2013

Present: Carl Eskridge, Chair; Doug Emery, Vice Chair; Roy Christensen; Trent Fellers; and Leirion Gaylor Baird

Absent: Jon Camp and Jonathan Cook

Others: Teresa Meier, City Clerk; Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff; Rod Confer, City Attorney; and Mary Meyer, Council Secretary

Chair Eskridge opened the meeting at 2:06 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I. CITY CLERK

In review of the formal agenda Meier stated Item 1 was introduced by Camp and Item 2 introduced by Christensen. Christensen stated he would moved Item 1 also as Camp is absent. Meier stated under Public Hearing - Liquor Resolutions would call Items 8 and 9 together. Meier then stated under Ordinances, 2nd Reading would call Items 11 through 19 together, all Health Department requests. Eskridge asked if any objections? None

Meier distributed a new resolution to Council, on Item 20, for 1744 South 25th. Emery questioned if a replacement resolution? Meier replied no. Then, under Item 21 Council should have an email from Becky Kramer regarding her claim. Eskridge referred to Attorney Confer who stated he was curious as he hadn't seen the email. Meier will send. Confer stated he would have the email after this meeting and discuss with Council.

Meier added under Ordinances, 1st Reading on Item 35 the applicant has requested to delay the Public Hearing until November 4th as both he and his attorney will be out of town. Could call Items 23, 24, and 25 together, all Department of Health related. Confer thought the same as the resolutions. Council agreed on calling together.

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. City infrastructure improvements reach across the community.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Libraries to host "Drums of the World" performances.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor's statement on death of Roger Larson.

No comment

Hoppe stated there was no review from the Mayor's office for the meeting today.

III. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY

1. The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) public meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 17th has been canceled.

No comment

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department September, 2013 department report.
2. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department meeting minutes of September 10, 2013.

No comment

PARKS AND RECREATION

1. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting minutes of September 12, 2013.
2. Parks and Recreation 2013 Swimming Pool Operations report.

No comment

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Planning Commission public hearing and action on Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 13007, an amendment to the Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan adding the "21st and N Redevelopment Project: The Exchange at Antelope Valley".
2. Change of Zone No. 05026C, Apple's Way PUD. Letter in opposition submitted at the public hearing on October 2, 2013.

No comment

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1. Administrative approvals by the Planning Director from October 1, 2013 through October 7, 2013.

No comment

After short break to meet with Directors meeting resumed at 2:19 p.m.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chair Eskridge stated on today's addendum was a reply from Randy Hoskins, Assistant City Engineer, to Valarie Jones regarding the crosswalk at 9th and O. Everyone should have received. Emery commented he sent a copy to Director Esposito, Public Works and Utilities, and possibly they could come up with a solution. Also, reference made to another person at the same intersection.

Gaylor Baird stated as Hoskins was looking for solutions she did contact Chief Peschong. Chief Peschong mentioned he would send officers to do periodic traffic selectives, basically monitoring the cars not yielding to pedestrians in the crosswalk. Gaylor Baird stated the Chief had said probably not during peak hours of operation, when this incident occurred, but thought perhaps it would have a chilling effect with a police presence and result in a positive impact for the intersection.

Fellers asked if there is a camera installed at the intersection? No one knew for sure. Fellers thought it might be something to look into.

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

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