DIRECTORS’ MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2006  
11:00 A.M.  
COUNTY/CITY BUILDING  
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MAYOR  
*1. Letter to Hugh Bullock re: Update between Public Works Department and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln on drainage ditch near Bullock home.  
*2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Seng and City Council representatives new conference on conceal carry law, Wednesday, July 26, 2006 at 2:30 p.m.  
*3. NEWS RELEASE. Council Members and Mayor Collaborate on Proposals Related to Concealed Weapons.  

Received Week of August 7, 2006  
**1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Seng to announce new development for Northeast Lincoln on Wednesday, August 2, 2006 at 10:30 a.m. at the County-City Building.  
**2. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor announces supermarket development for Northeast Lincoln.  
**3. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Seng’s new conference on water conservation scheduled for Thursday, August 3, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.  
**4. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor issues outdoor water usage warning.  
**5. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor urges caution in hot weather.  
**6. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor urges public to support agencies providing heat relief for the homeless.  

8. NEWS RELEASE - RE: City To Continue Voluntary Water Restrictions-Water officials will continue to monitor usage and Platte River flows.

9. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: News Conference on 8/09/06 at 3:30 p.m.- Mayor Seng will comment on the City Council's Action on Proposed 2006-2007 City Budget.

10. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Mayor Calls Council Action On Budget Short-Sighted.


II. DIRECTORS

CITY ATTORNEY  
BUILDING AND SAFETY
*1. Email from Chuck Zimmerman as response to July 24, 2006 Council testimony on Planning Department fees.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
*1. Email to, and response from, Commissioner Workman re: 44th Street and Cornhusker Property. (Distributed to Council Members in packets of 07/27/06)

FINANCE/BUDGET
*1. July Sales Tax Reports:
   a) Actual Compared to Projected Sales Tax Collections.
*2. Response to Robin Eschliman from Don Herz, Finance Director, re: Proposed budget cuts to 911 Center.

HEALTH
*1. Letter from Community Health Endowment of Lincoln Executive Director regarding Board of Trustees with terms expiring on August 31, 2006.
**2. NEWS RELEASE. West Nile Virus Cases reported in Lancaster County.
**3. Physician Advisory. Health Department has received reports of two confirmed cases of Shigella Sonnei (Shigellosis) in Lincoln.
5. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Preventing Swimming Pool-Related Drowning.

LIBRARY
**1. Letter from the Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries re: Thanks to Council for recognizing the widespread community impact the Lincoln City Libraries have on citizens of Lincoln.
**2. Letter from the Library Board of Trustees re: Encourage Council to accept budget as presented for the libraries of Lincoln.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
**1. Recommendations on budget for maintenance of Parks and Recreation Facilities.

PLANNING
2. Letter from Tom Cajka to Michael Johnson, Olsson Associates - RE: Pinecrest 3rd Addition Final Plat #06044-Generally located at N. 14th St. & Dublin Rd.

4. Letter from Jean Walker to Tracy Lines, 40th & A Neighborhood Association - RE: Change of Zone #06040 - Downzone (40th to 48th Streets, Randolph to “A” Streets)

PLANNING COMMISSION
**1. Memorandum from Marvin Krout, Planning Director, re: Proposed Planner I Budget cut.
**2. Amendment to the proposed FY 2006 - 2012 Capital Improvements Program.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION
*Change of Zone:
  1) Change of Zone No. 06021.
*Permits:
  1) Special Permit No. 04020A.
  2) County Special Permit No. 05058.
*Requests for Deferral:
  1) Change of Zone No. 06042.
  2) Change of Zone No. 06043.
*Public Hearing and Action, Miscellaneous:
  1) Street & Alley Vacation No. 06004.
  2) Street & Alley Vacation No. 06005.
*Other Items:
  1) Change of Zone No. 06040.
*Pending List:
  1) Change of Zone No. 3321.
  2) Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. 03009.
  3) Street & Alley Vacation No. 04013.
  4) Change of Zone no. 06040.
  5) County Preliminary Plat No. 06008.
  6) County Special Permit No. 06038.
*2. Change of Zone No. 06040 - Downzone. (40th to 48th Streets, Randolph to “A” Streets)
*3. Memo from Marvin Krout regarding fee increases. (Bill No’s 113, 06-114, 06-115 and 06R-146)
*4. Annexation by Ordinance No.18735 map.
*5. Annexation by Ordinance No.18755 map.
*6. Annexation by Ordinance No.18737 map.

PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION ..... 
*1. Special Permit No. 04020A (Limited Landfill - S.W. 28th Street and West “O” Street) Resolution No. PC-01006.

2. Special Permit #1940A, an amendment to the Cardinal Heights Community Unit Plan (N.W. 56th Street & Partridge Lane) Resolution No. PC-01007.
3. Special Permit #06042 (N. 61st Street & Morrill Street) Resolution No. PC-01008.

4. Special Permit #06043 (2nd & K Streets) Resolution No. PC-01009.

5. Special Permit #06044, Grandale Community Unit Plan (Northeast of S. 40th Street & Rokeby Road) Resolution No. PC-01011.


7. Preliminary Plat #06009 - Grandale Addition (Northeast of South 40th Street & Rokeby Road) Resolution No. PC-01012.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION (Received week of August 7, 2006)

**1. Action by Planning Commission.

POLICE


PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES

*1. ADVISORY. Water Distribution Main at Fletcher and Highway 34; 14th to Northwest 12th. Project #803202, 803203, 803204.

**2. ADVISORY. Storm sewer rehabilitation project # 701679a. 6th and “J” Street.

**3. Map of project # 701679a.


5. ADVISORY - RE: Storm Sewer Bond Issue Project to Start - Project #702194.

6. ADVISORY - RE: Curb Ramp and Sidewalk Repair - Project #702170.

7. ADVISORY - RE: Sidewalk Repair Advisory - Project #702168.

III. CITY CLERK

*1. Hand out, Single Family Permits, January - June 2006, at formal Council meeting on 07/24/06 relating to Items:

   11) 06-113 Change of Zone 06023 -
   12) 06-114 Misc. 06005 -
   13) 06-115
   14) 06R-146

*2. Motion to Amend No. 1. Move to amend Bill No. 06-122.
IV. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE

JON CAMP
Constituent Email/Correspondence Against Proposal to Ban Conceal Carry
*1. Email from Darren and Bonita Kinney.
*2. Email from Joseph L. Behringer.
*3. Email from Roger Tracy.
*4. Email from Dean E. Taylor.
*5. Email from Neal Bloomquist.
*6. Email from Stan Litty.

Other Constituent Email/Correspondence to Councilman Camp
*1. Email from Gerhardt L. Jacobs supporting vote on concealed carry.
*2. Email, and response to Susan Larson Rodenburg re: bike lanes and traffic engineer.
*3. Email from Keith McGill re: Congratulations on upholding state law on conceal carry.
*4. Email from Daniel Walz re: Thanks for defeating conceal carry ban.
*5. Email from Tom Spann re: Thanks for leadership on LB 454, conceal carry.
*6. Email from Andrew Lighthall re: Thanks for not banning RTC in Lincoln.
*7. Email from, and response to, Tom McCormick re: Council should provide public hearing on conceal carry.
*8. Email from Ellen Dubas re: Against not having public hearing on concealed weapons.
*9. Email from Dennis LaPage re: Glad Council stood up for citizens of Lincoln.
*10. Email from Ron Moore re: Appreciation for job and killing the concealed carry ban and statements on budget.
*11. Email from Janis Strautkalns re: Thank you for actions regarding concealed weapons.
*12. Email from Martin Grgurich re: Thank you for voting down concealed weapons ban.
*13. Email from Fritz Grothe re: Thank you for upholding state law.

14. E-Mail from Angie Andersen - RE: Please DO NOT approve the Mayor’s Budget!

Received Week of August 7, 2006
**1. Email from Jim Adams re: Thanks for action on the concealed carry ban.
**2. Email from Pam James re: Article and information on public transit trends.
**3. Email from LeRoy Penlerick re: Proposed city gun regulations, understand concerns for safety but realize citizens have rights under the constitution, bill of rights and state law.
**4. Email from Marilyn Fitch re: Consider taking full $3 million in cuts instead of placing the burden on the property owner.

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN
*1. Memorandum from Chief of Police Tom Casady re: Cuts to Police Budget.
2. E-Mail from Buck Kiechel - RE: Property taxes.
3. E-Mail from Linda Carlson - RE: Real Estate Taxes in Lancaster County.
**Received Week of August 7, 2006**

**1. Email from Roger Yant re: Against tax increase, Mayor and Council need to follow through and make cuts.**

**DAN MARVIN**

*1. Letter from Mr. Hasselberger re: Against eliminating position at the Bennett Martin Library.*

**PATTE NEWMAN**

*1. Response to RFI #39 - Graffiti and Use of Video Tape Equipment from Dana W. Roper, City Attorney.*

2. Request to Larry Worth, StarTran/Karl Fredrickson, Public Works/Steve Hubka, Budget Officer - RE: City bus drivers (RFI#40 - 8/09/06)


**KEN SVOBODA**

*1. Email from Scott Voichoskie with comments from Anne Boyle re: Public transit system.*

**V. MISCELLANEOUS**

*1. Email from Betty Bates re: Opposed to cuts in Urban Development and Human Rights Commission.*

*2. Email from Peggi Ammon re: Disappointed with budget cuts not accomplished.*

*3. Email from Mary A. Kuhlmann re: Opposed to cuts in Urban Development or the Human Rights Commission.*

*4. Letter from David A. Riley re: Tax cuts in the Lincoln City budget. (Letter distributed to Council members on July 21, 2006)*

*5. Email from Jason Albers re: Support of downtown bike lanes.*

*6. Email from Kasey Rigg re: Staffing cuts, tightening belts.*

*7. Email from Laura Barton re: Animal control needs more employees, not fewer.*

*8. Email from Terese re: City cannot cut jobs from Animal Control or the City.*

*9. Email from Paul Haith re: Budget process.*

*10. Email from LaDonna VanArsdall and Christina Chambers re: Cannot cut jobs and staff from the Animal Control existing staff.*

*11. Email from Heather Critchfield re: Do not cut funding for Animal Control Officers.*

*12. Email from Joyce Hasselbalch re: Rethink position on cuts regarding Animal Control.*

*13. Email from Sian Maxwell re: Budget disappointment.*

*14. Email from Nancy Johnson re: Disgusted with process on conceal carry.*

*15. Email from David Schoenmaker re: Reconsider public speaking on conceal carry.*

*16. Email from Bill Boyd re: Motorsports facility in Lancaster County.*

*17. Email from Don Kohtz re: Retention of Randy Hoskins.*
*18. Email from Stanley Oswald re: Appalled at decision of no public speaking on conceal carry.
*19. Email from Darren and Bonita Kinney, re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*20. Email from Larry Mitchell re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*21. Email from Steve Shoff re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*22. Email from Ed Utterback re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*23. Email from Jim Shook re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*24. Email from Adams re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*25. Email from Gould re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*26. Email from Alan Britton re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*27. Email from Bergerac re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*28. Email from William and Louise Stone re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*29. Email from William T. Brockley re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*30. Email from John Rohan re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*31. Email from Rick Kunze re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*32. Email from David A. Crandall re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*33. Email from Neil Bickley re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*34. Email from Jerry B. Hutchison re: Opposed to conceal carry ban.
*36. Email from R. Scott Sandquist re: Thanks for leadership on conceal carry.
*37. Email from David Oenbring re: True leadership on conceal carry.
*38. Three (3) phone messages received from Mike McConnell, Don Patton, and Phil Cox.
*39. Email from Sharon Eilers re: Not happy with conceal gun approval.
*40. Email from Larry Sims re: Bicycles downtown should be required to pay fee.
*41. Letter from John Bussey, Capital Rentals, re: South Central Lincoln neighborhood and police budget cuts. (Letter distributed to Council Members in packet of 07/27/06)
*42. Message from Gary N. Powell re: Compliment on handling the conceal carry issue.
*43. Email from Marva Wasser re: Response to concealed weapons action.
*44. Email from William R. Stone, Jr. re: Budget and tax request, and testimony.
*45. Email from Paul Hughes re: No problems with concealed carry permits.
*46. Email from Tom Hardesty re: Tax cuts suggestions and ‘great job’ on concealed carry issue.
*47. Email from David Hansen re: Thank you on concealed carry vote.
*48. Email from Mary Lemon re: Find cuts in budget so 2006 taxes will not increase dramatically.
*49. Letter received from Lela Shanks re: Disappointed with vote on concealed weapons.
*50. Letter received from Anne Vidaver re: Does not support Nebraska law allowing carrying of concealed weapons.

Miscellaneous Received Week of August 7, 2006
**1. Email from Patrick J. Henry re: Concealed carry best left to the State through the Legislature.
**2.** Email through InterLinc, from Paul Janssen, re: Ban of concealed weapons in Lincoln city limits. People of Nebraska have spoken.

**3.** Email from Ron Jonas, through InterLinc, re: Roundabouts at city street intersections.

**4.** Email from David Fletcher re: Do not support the Mayor’s proposal to ban concealed weapons.

**5.** Email from Troy Kochner re: In favor of right to carry concealed weapons.

**6.** Email from Jean Sanders re: Cook and Marvin-Thank you on vote on concealed weapons. Rest of Council-Shame on the handling of concealed weapons issue.

**7.** Email from Jan Pitsch re: Re-examining ambulances to see if they meet original specs.

**8.** Email from Phil Harris re: Stop the ban requested by the Mayor and Police Chief on concealed weapons.

**9.** Email from Virginia Baldwin re: Alarming to cancel weapons ban hearing.

**10.** Email from Bill and Juanita Dawes re: Stop tax increases.

**11.** Email from Carol Johnson re: Do not raise our property taxes again.

**12.** Email from Dennis and Lu Wilson re: Protesting increase in Lincoln’s property taxes.

**13.** Email from Pete Beau re: Lower the mill levy. Make necessary cuts in the budget.

**14.** Email from Ross Teske re: Need to cut taxes for property, not raise taxes.

**15.** Email from William and Louise Stone re: Thank you for voting to drop discussion on concealed weapons from the calendar.

**16.** Email from Sitaram Jaswal re: Lincoln Human Rights Commission Budget. Disappointed with elimination of office manager at LHRC.

**17.** Email from Ron and Becky Herms re: Be cautious about property tax increase and concentrate on funding areas to enhance revenue generation.

**18.** Email from Stacey Lima re: Cannot grasp sane reasoning for allowing people to carry concealed weapons.

**19.** Email from Dan Haase re: Let the public be heard on conceal carry issue to comply with law and community choice.

**20.** Email from James Nyman re: Concealed handguns have no legitimate place in a well governed urban area.

**21.** Email from Klanghut re: Give back to the public. School bond funding from the bond which raised taxes is above the budget for the next year.

**22.** Email from R. Weigel re: Cut budgets until sales taxes increase, property taxes are not the answer.

**23.** Email from Fred Wegelin re: Thanks for voting to withdraw the Mayor’s proposal to ban concealed handguns within Lincoln’s city limits.

**24.** Email from Dorothy Mapes re: Fire Department misuse of vehicles.

**25.** Email from Pamela Schmidt re: Do not take advantage of recent revaluations in order to increase taxes.

**26.** Email from Carol Witforth re: Shortsighted action when denying money to properly take care of animals in our community.

**27.** Email of Sandra Lab re: Find a way to cut the budget without jeopardizing Animal Control.

**28.** Email of David Holler re: Nebraska 2nd amendment rights.
**29.** Email from Boyce re: Limit budget increase to inflation instead of taking advantage of increase in valuations.

**30.** Email re: Property tax increase protested. Find ways to save money.

**31.** Email from Cathy Beecham re: Please do not cut Urban Development positions.

**32.** Email from Wendy Francis re: Human Right Commission cuts information.

**33.** Email from Cathy Beecham re: Do not cut two positions from Urban Development Department.

**34.** Email from Jeanine Jewell re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**35.** Email from David W. Scheffler re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**36.** Email from Yvonne Norton Leung re: Do not cut positions from the Urban Development Department.

**37.** Email from Ruben Spretz re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**38.** Email from Andy Beecham re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**39.** Email from Blake and Laura Edwards re: Do not cut positions from the Urban Development Department.

**40.** Email from Melissa Landis re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**41.** Email from Mary Ann and Phil Bede re: Do not cut positions from the Urban Development Department.

**42.** Email from Keith Dubas re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**43.** Email from Michael B. Edwards re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**44.** Email from Robert and Phyllis Narveson re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**45.** Email from Michelle Weiand re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**46.** Email from Judy Gibson re: Find ways to support, maintain, and expand our really good library system.

**47.** Email from Starlene Hubbard re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**48.** Email from Shawn Ryba re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**49.** Email from Paul Rowe re: Budget. Time to cut spending, do not spend just because property values have increased unreasonably.

**50.** Email from Virginia McCormick re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**51.** Email from Sue Wilson re: Do not eliminate two positions from Urban Development.
**52. Email from Mona McKenzie re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**53. Email from Jeffrey P. Baker re: Opposition to ban on concealed weapons.
**54. Email from Sarah Bauman re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**55. Email from Janee Gagner-Wilcox re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**56. Email from Carol Greenwald re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**57. Email from Jennifer L. Meier-Bassen re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**58. Email from Olivia Thoene re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**59. Email from R. David Wilcox re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**60. Email from Judy A. Miller-Weiand re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**61. Email from Evy Olson re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**62. Email from Bob and Sue Semerena re: Refrain from passing any local ordinances until after hearings held and regulations have been adopted.
**63. Email from Dwayne Wilson re: Consideration of bicycle lanes in Lincoln, and specifically residential areas.
**64. Email from Susan larson re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**65. Email from Christy Aggens re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**66. Email from Amy Gagner re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**67. Email from Wilbur Dasenbrock re: Council action in area of concealed weapons needs additional attention.
**68. Email from Bonnie A. Schwartz re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**69. Email from David Fikar re: Support Lincoln Commission on Human Rights.
**70. Email from Anne Hobbs re: Cannot substitute what Lincoln Commission on Human Rights accomplishes for the City of Lincoln.
**71. Email from Jodi Delozier re: City budget for 1006-2007.
**72. Email from Travis Wingate re: Suggestion for synthetic turf in medians of Lincoln.
**73. Email from Ryan Wilcox re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.
**74. Fax received from Roger Carmichael re: Keep Mr. Hoskins on the traffic team.
**75. Letter received from the Lincoln City Employees Association re: City employees established benefit package.
**76.** Email from Jeanne Kern re: Remove the Southwest Sewage Plant Site Option Purchase from the 2006 - 2012 Capital Improvement Program budget.

**77.** Email from M. J. Callahan re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

**78.** Letter received from the Center for People in Need re: Stunned by action to remove from consideration a proposal to provide for a ban on concealed weapons. (Distributed to Council Members in packet of 08/03/06)

**79.** Letter from Reverend Karla Cooper re: Reasons listing importance of the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights to the Lincoln community.

**80.** Email from John Heineman re: Do not eliminate two positions from the Urban Development Department.

Adamantly disagree with the Lincoln City Council looking to cut jobs and staff from the Animal Control existing staff.

Emails received from:
**81.** Shirley Ostendorf.
**82.** Angie Edgren.
**83.** Angie Wassenberg.
**84.** Joyce Porter.
**85.** Trisha Anderson.
**86.** Ericka Barry.
**87.** Shawn Barry.
**88.** Ben Tetschner.
**89.** Gene Creamer.
**90.** Michael Barry.
**91.** David Bristol.
**92.** Meridee Bickford.
**93.** Patti Witters.
**94.** Joyce Porter.
**95.** Email from Melvin Jenkins re: Funding for, and importance of, the Lincoln Human Rights Commission maintain full staff.

**96.** Email from Mary Arth re: Budget unacceptable and will ruin our beautiful Lincoln parks.

**97.** Email from Lori Jacoby re: Concerned with proposed cut of two Animal Control employees and weekend services.

**98.** Letter received from Lowell Vestal re: Suggestions to cut the Mayor’s budget request. (Letter distributed to Council members in packets of 08/03/06)

**99.** Letter received from Steve Erwin, U. S. Bank, re: Limit City budget increase needed to keep up with inflation. (Letter distributed to Council members in packets of 08/03/06)

**100.** Email from Kathryn Gabig re: Sewage treatment plant.

**101.** Letter from Louise W. Lorenz, Regional Executive Council on Civil Rights, re: Opposition to elimination of local civil rights commissions.

**102.** Lincoln Electric System Statement re: Additional suggestions to lower energy bills.
**103.** Letter from Tim R. Knott re: Look at economics of a third sewage treatment plant to serve Southwest Lincoln and Lancaster County.

104. E-Mail from Alan Dorland - RE: Concealed Carry.


106. E-Mail from Al Abbott - RE: City Council action.


109. Letter from Devin - RE: Judge awards custody to sex-slave girl with warrant out for her arrest.


111. E-Mail from Wilbur Dasenbrock - RE: Traffic Engineer.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

*HELD OVER FROM JULY 31, 2006.*

**HELD OVER FROM AUGUST 7, 2006.*
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7511, fax 441-7120

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 7, 2006  
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831  
Jerry Obrist, Lincoln Water System, 441-7571  
John Miriovsky, Lincoln Water System, 441-5932

CITY TO CONTINUE VOLUNTARY WATER RESTRICTIONS  
Water officials will continue to monitor usage and Platte River flows

Mayor Coleen J. Seng announced today that the City will not implement mandatory outdoor watering restrictions at this time. She thanked business and residential water customers for following the voluntary outdoor watering restrictions and strongly urged the community to continue practicing water conservation.

Property owners with street addresses ending in even numbers (including zero) are asked to limit outdoor water use to Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Those with addresses ending in odd numbers are asked to limit outdoor watering to Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Mondays are “no watering” days. Gardening experts advise that watering lawns once per week is generally adequate.

Mayor Seng said mandatory restrictions are not needed at this time for several reasons. Rain in the area over the weekend led to increased flows and recharge in the Platte River, where Lincoln’s wells are located. The rain, cooler temperatures and voluntary compliance with the restrictions resulted in a drop in water usage from about 70 million gallons on August 3 to about 50 million gallons August 5.

“I am very pleased that we do not need to impose mandatory restrictions at this time,” said Mayor Seng. “We appreciate the cooperation of all those customers who are following the designated day schedule. We will continue to monitor Platte River levels and daily usage and will provide the public with plenty of advance notice if the situation changes.”

The public can track daily water usage on the City Web site at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: water). The site also includes suggestions for water conservation, the City’s Water Management Plan and water rates. LWS water rates are structured to encourage conservation -- those who use more water are charged a higher rate.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7511, fax 441-7120

DATE: August 9, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Coleen J. Seng will comment on the City Council’s action on the proposed 2006-2007 City budget at a briefing at 3:30 p.m. TODAY, Wednesday, August 9 in the Mayor’s Conference Room, 555 South 10th Street.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 9, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

MAYOR CALLS COUNCIL ACTION ON BUDGET SHORT-SIGHTED

“The actions taken by the City Council this morning are short-sighted and will have long-term negative consequences for the future of this City,” said Mayor Coleen J. Seng. “The proposed changes will defer problems to later years and ensure that this community will face cuts in public services or additional tax increases after this year.

“At Monday’s public hearing, the majority of citizens advocated either restoring or not cutting public services. The most vocal proponent of cutting services was LIBA. Unfortunately, members of the Council seem more concerned with appeasing this special interest group than all the citizens who showed up to testify that they want services maintained. As elected public officials, our responsibility is to look at what is good for this City. Many of the actions the Council took this morning were budget gimmicks that use one-time funding sources instead of reducing costs.

“Let’s look at just a couple of examples. The first is using carry-over funds from previous budgets for the future operating budget. The cut of one-time carryover funds is a smoke screen and is not a real spending cut. The Council is seeking short-term gratification to say they made cuts, but is ignoring the long-term consequence that may cost the City more money in the long-term. These are unused funds that the Departments have accumulated – sometimes over many years – from creating efficiencies. The funds have only been authorized to be spent for one-time expenditures that do not increase the operating budget. This is a system that has been in place since the early 1990s. The savings from this process pay for many items that would otherwise require more taxpayer dollars. By taking those carry-over funds and using them for general fund expenses for just one year, the Council will destroy a financially responsible system that has done an outstanding job of encouraging efficiencies. The Council action will return us to a very inefficient ‘spend it or lose it’ process.

“Eliminating the traffic engineer, a community development position, animal control officers and a City planner will reduce efficiency and City services. The public will see more traffic congestion, decreased safety and fewer resources for economic growth.

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“It is an insult to the ‘strong Mayor’ form of government and to City directors to suggest that we did not prioritize and that we did not make difficult cuts. At my direction, the City Directors already cut $8 million from requested spending. Of course, we all want to pay the lowest tax rate possible. But in a growing City that values its high quality of life, you cannot maintain services, expand to new areas, absorb increased expenses like fuel costs and continue to cut funding every year.

“The fact is that the City property tax rate has dropped 42 percent over the last 12 years. The City tax rate here is only about 30 cents compared to Omaha’s tax rate of 49 cents when you include their bus service. What do we get in return? Police and fire protection, streets and sewers, parks, trails, recreation centers, libraries, health and aging services and much more. In short, Lincoln City government is efficient and effective in providing a safe, clean, livable community.

“The Lincoln Police Department has the lowest ratio of police officers to population of any comparable City in Nebraska and surrounding states. Our Planning Department is serving a community that has grown 40 percent over the past 20 years with 22 percent fewer employees. While the amount of park land has increased 64 percent in the last 15 years, the number of Parks and Rec employees has decreased. Over the past 16 years, the City’s population has increased nearly 25 percent, and the City’s square miles have increased 34 percent. Over that same time period, the number of full-time civilian employees has increased only 4.2 percent. These are just a few examples of examples of how City employees continue to do more with less.

“In short, the Council’s actions this morning reflect a lack of long-term vision. The citizens of this community deserve more. I said last year that the next two to three years of budgets would be difficult. This one has been difficult, and the Council’s actions will make the next budget extremely difficult. I am not against lowering the tax levy. But I am against a one-year tax levy that will lead to massive tax increases in the future.”
CONGRESS

Senate fails to end debate on minimum wage/estate tax measure, joins House in long summer recess. Senate Republican leadership failed in their attempt to secure the 60 votes needed to end a filibuster of legislation to raise the minimum wage and repeal the estate tax, the last item on the agenda before Senators left Washington for their annual August break. The House adjourned last week, and both chambers are expected to return on September 5.

Faced with mounting pressure from both Democrats and moderate Republicans to vote on a measure to raise the minimum wage before the November elections, House Republican leaders hatched the idea last week of combining that measure with a bill near and dear to their hearts but which has been stalled in the Senate – repeal of the estate tax. After easily passing the House, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN) pressed hard for a Senate vote on the package, but was thwarted by Democratic solidarity on the issue. Helping the cause of opponents of the plan were claims that as drafted, the minimum wage language would preempt laws in seven states that require tip earners to receive the full minimum wage.

Frist also kept his Senate colleagues in Washington a week longer than the House in order to approve pension reform legislation, which was cleared late this week, and the FY 2007 Defense Department appropriations bill, which was not completed.

Upon their return to Washington after Labor Day, Members will likely have only a handful of days to approve “must-pass” legislation before leaving town again to campaign – by some indications as early as September 29. That would appear to put FY 2007 appropriations bills on the front burner, and with the Senate having approved only one (Homeland Security) of their 11 spending measures, the ball is clearly in their court. Most believe that the Senate delay will result in Congress having to return to Washington following the elections to complete the FY 2007 budget in a “lame duck” session. Such a session would likely include an Omnibus appropriations package, where a number of spending measures are rolled into one bill to ease their passage.

Other items of interest to local governments that could be considered in September include telecommunications legislation in the Senate, and depending on how much pressure Members are feeling on the issue, a House-Senate conference committee on immigration reform legislation. House Republican leaders plan to use August to hold a series of “field hearings” on immigration across the country.
HOMELAND SECURITY
House committee clears chemical security legislation. The House Homeland Security Committee approved legislation (HR 5695) late last week that would require the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to develop security guidelines for the nation’s chemical facilities.

The legislation is of concern to local water systems because it would also require chemical facilities to submit vulnerability assessments to DHS. Under legislation approved shortly after the September 11 attacks, local water systems are already required to submit vulnerability assessments to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Local water agencies are considered to be chemical facilities under the legislation because of their use of large amounts of chlorine.

In addition to the costly and duplicative nature of requiring additional vulnerability assessments, organizations representing local water agencies are also concerned about increasing the possibility that such assessments could become public, given that they would be available at two separate agencies.

The committee did approve an amendment to the measure that would allow states and local governments to set stricter standards for chemical facilities than those in the federal legislation.

The Senate Homeland Security Committee approved similar legislation (S 2145) last month, and it does not include any exemption for states or local governments with regard to filing of vulnerability assessments. Both bills are now waiting for floor action.
Local restaurant owner and Lincoln-Lancaster County Board of Health member, Tony Messineo, received national recognition at the Annual Meeting of the National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) in San Antonio, TX on July 27th. Mr. Messineo was the recipient of the 2006 NALBOH Regional Director’s Award and was recognized for his many contributions to improving public health. The award was presented by Larry Hudkins, Past President and Regional Director of NALBOH, who cited these accomplishments:

- Tony represented the Board of Health before the Nebraska Restaurant Association and the Nebraska Retail Grocers Association to promote the 100% Smoke Free Workplace Ordinance.

- High Standards for Food Safety - Tony supported the need to assure that all food handlers receive comprehensive training to prevent foodborne outbreaks, extending the focus to assisted living facilities and long term care facilities.

According to Past Board of Health President, Ed Schneider, “Tony is a strong presence on the Board of Health, he is always involved finding solutions to tough problems and he stays well informed on major public health policy”.

Bruce Dart, Health Director, said, “Mr. Messineo’s enthusiasm for public health is most evident at the monthly Board of Health meetings. He asks the difficult questions and he is sincerely interested in critical and emerging public health issues”.

Outside the Board meetings, Tony invites input from citizens. He has taken an active role and interest in the Department’s work in preventing chronic disease. He has encouraged public and private partnerships that have resulted in grants and inkind support for ActionNow 123, a local diabetes prevention program

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 8, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Brian Baker, Injury Prevention Program, 441-8046
                      Renae Rief, Environmental Health Educator, 441-4602

PREVENTING SWIMMING POOL-RELATED DROWNING

Recent child drowning tragedies in the Omaha metro area are stark reminders that every precaution should be taken to prevent swimming pool-related drownings in our community. You can never do enough to keep children safe. In late summer, it is critical to maintain a strong focus on swimming safety.

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department and Lincoln-Lancaster County Safe Kids provide the following information to help protect children from accidental drowning:

• Never leave a child unsupervised in or near the pool, even for a minute.
• Any swimming pool, regardless of depth, which is not emptied after each use should be completely enclosed by installing a four-sided fence at least four feet high with self-closing and self-latching gates.
• Where an above-ground pool has a deck which attaches to the house, pool access should be restricted by a secondary barrier, such as approved fences, alarms and pool covers.
• Never prop open gates.
• Never leave toys in and around the pool.
• Never completely rely on personal flotation devices or swimming lessons to protect a child. Do not let your child use an air-filled swimming aid as a safety device.
• Learn CPR. Keep rescue equipment (such as a shepherd’s hook or life preserver) and a telephone with emergency number at poolside.
• Never dive into an above-ground pool, and be sure of the water depth in any pool.
• After the children finish swimming, secure the pool (gates closed and locked and pool covered) so they can’t get back into it.
• Clean the edge and inside of the pool regularly to prevent slips.
• Hot tubs should be equipped with an anti-entrapment drain cover, cut-off switch or double drain.
• Warn your children about the dangers of drain entrapment, and teach them to stay away from the drain.

The City of Lincoln requires pool fencing. For more information on the Lincoln pool fence code, see www/lincoln.ne.gov, keyword ‘Safekids’.
August 3, 2006

Michael Johnson
Olsson Associates
1111 Lincoln Mall
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Fallbrook 14th Addition Final Plat #06030 Generally located at N. 1st St. and Fallbrook Blvd.

Dear Michael:

Fallbrook 14th Addition generally located northwest of N. 1st St. and Fallbrook Blvd. was approved by the Planning Director on August 2, 2006. The plat and the subdivision agreement must be recorded in the Register of Deeds. The fee is determined at $.50 per existing lot and per new lot and $20.00 per plat sheet for the plat, and $.50 per new lot and $5.00 per page for associated documents such as the subdivision agreement. If you have a question about the fees, please contact the Register of Deeds. Please make check payable to the Lancaster County Register of Deeds. The Register of Deeds requests a list of all new lots and blocks created by the plat be attached to the subdivision agreement so the agreement can be recorded on each new lot.

Pursuant to § 26.11.060(d) of the Lincoln Municipal Code, this approval may be appealed to the Planning Commission and any decision of the Planning Commission to the City Council by filing a letter of appeal within 14 days of the action being appealed. The plat will be recorded with the Register of Deeds after the appeal period has lapsed (date + 14 days), and the recording fee and signed subdivision agreement have been received.

Sincerely,

Tom Cajka
Planner

CC: Tim Mettenbrink
    City Council
    Dennis Bartels, Public Works & Utilities
    Terry Kathe, Building & Safety
    Sharon Theobald, Lincoln Electric
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August 3, 2006

Michael Johnson
Olsson Associates
1111 Lincoln Mall
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Pinecrest 3rd Addition Final Plat #06044 Generally located at N. 14th St. and Dublin Rd.

Dear Michael:

Pinecrest 3rd Addition generally located northwest of N. 14th St. and Dublin Rd. was approved by the Planning Director on July 31, 2006. The plat and the subdivision agreement must be recorded in the Register of Deeds. The fee is determined at $.50 per existing lot and per new lot and $20.00 per plat sheet for the plat, and $.50 per new lot and $5.00 per page for associated documents such as the subdivision agreement. If you have a question about the fees, please contact the Register of Deeds.

Please make check payable to the Lancaster County Register of Deeds. The Register of Deeds requests a list of all new lots and blocks created by the plat be attached to the subdivision agreement so the agreement can be recorded on each new lot.

Pursuant to § 26.11.060(d) of the Lincoln Municipal Code, this approval may be appealed to the Planning Commission and any decision of the Planning Commission to the City Council by filing a letter of appeal within 14 days of the action being appealed. The plat will be recorded with the Register of Deeds after the appeal period has lapsed (date + 14 days), and the recording fee and signed subdivision agreement have been received.

Sincerely,

Tom Cajka
Planner

CC: Patrick Mooberry
City Council
Dennis Bartels, Public Works & Utilities
Terry Kathe, Building & Safety
Sharon Theobald, Lincoln Electric
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August 3, 2006

Marcia Kinning
ESP
601 Old Cheney Road, STE A
Lincoln, NE 68512


Dear Marcia:

Foreman Ridge 4th Addition generally located S.W. 13th ST. And W. Foreman Drive was approved by the Planning Director on August 3, 2006. The plat and the subdivision agreement have been recorded in the Register of Deeds. The fee is determined at $.50 per existing lot and per new lot and $20.00 per plat sheet for the plat, and $.50 per new lot and $5.00 per page for associated documents such as the subdivision agreement. If you have a question about the fees, please contact the Register of Deeds.

Sincerely,

Christy Eichorn, Planner

CC: Pickering Creative Group, Owner/Subdivider
City Council
Dennis Bartels, Public Works & Utilities
Terry Kathe, Building & Safety
Sharon Theobald, Lincoln Electric
Jean Walker, Planning
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August 3, 2006

Tracy Lines
40th & A Neighborhood Association
1001 S. 37th Street
Lincoln, NE 68510

RE: Change of Zone No. 06040 - Downzone
(40th to 48th Streets, Randolph to "A" Streets)

Dear Tracy:

On August 2, 2006, the Planning Commission voted 7-0 to rescind their previous action deferring this application until November 8, 2006, and scheduled the continued public hearing for Wednesday, August 30, 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information (402-441-6365) or plan@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,

Jean Walker
Administrative Officer

cc: Ray Gobber, 1436 Sunburst Lane, 68506
    Kevin Bernadt, 4140 Washington Street, 68506
    Witherbee Neighborhood Association (1)
    Woods Parks Neighborhood Association (5)
    Mike Fitzgerald, 3794 H Street, 68510
    Howard and Marilyn Cook, 3426 C Street, 68510
    Tim Otto, 4121 S. 44th Street, 68506
    Kathryn L. Stasny, 730 S. 37th Street, 68510
    Marilyn Dorf, 4149 E Street, 68510
    Joel and Helen Sindelar, 2630 Winchester S. Ct., 68512
    Rebecca J. Cast, Trustee, 4831 Mandarin Cir., 68516
    Nye Bond, 859 S. 45th Street, 68510
    Chad Arens, 4300 F Street, 68510
    Rick Peo, Chief Asst. City Attorney
    Patte Newman and Dan Marvin, City Council
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : August 4, 2006

RE : Special Permit No. 1940A, an amendment to the Cardinal Heights
     Community Unit Plan
     (N.W. 56th Street & Partridge Lane)
     Resolution No. PC-01007

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their
regular meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 2006:

Motion made by Taylor, seconded by Strand, to approve Special Permit No.
1940A, an amendment to the Cardinal Heights Community Unit Plan, with
conditions, requested by Hartland Homes, Inc., to waive the required width to
depth ratio, rear yard setback, minimum lot area and average lot width, on
property generally located at N.W. 56th Street and Partridge Lane.

Motion for conditional approval carried 7-0 (Sunderman, Larson, Strand, Taylor, Carroll,
Esseks and Carlson voting 'yes'; Cornelius and Krieser absent).

The Planning Commission's action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter
of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning
Commission.

Attachment

cc: Building & Safety
    Rick Peo, City Attorney
    Public Works
    Marcia Kinning, ESP, 601 Old Cheney Road, Suite A, 68512
    Hartland Homes, Inc., P.O. Box 22787, 68542
    Arnold Heights Neighborhood Association (2)
RESOLUTION NO. PC-01007

SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 1940A

WHEREAS, Jeffrey J. Moetz and Lamie L. Jones and Hartland Homes, Inc.

have submitted an application designated as Special Permit No. 1940A for authority to

amend Cardinal Heights Community Unit Plan to waive the required width to depth ratio,

rear yard setback, minimum lot area, and average lot width, on property generally

located at N.W. 56th Street and Partridge Lane and legally described as:

Lots 1 through 6, Block 1; Lots 1 through 9, Block 2; Lots 1 through 11, Block 3; Lots 1 through 5 and 8, Block 4; Outlots A and B, Hartland’s Cardinal Heights Addition;

Lots 1-9, Block 1; Lots 1-9, Block 2; Lots 1-15, Block 3; Lots 1-10, Block 4; Lots 1 & 2, Block 5; Lots 1-24, Block 6; Hartland’s Cardinal Heights 1st Addition;

Lots 1-4, Block 1; Lots 1-18, Block 2; Lots 1-18, Block 3; Lots 1-6, Block 4; Hartland’s Cardinal Heights 2nd Addition;

Lots 14-28, Block 2; Lots 7-21, Block 3; Lots 1-6, Block 4; Hartland’s Cardinal heights 3rd Addition;

Lots 1 & 2; Hartland’s Cardinal Heights 4th Addition;

Lots 1 & 2; Hartland’s Cardinal Heights 5th Addition;

Lots 1 & 2, Block 1; Lots 1-5, Block 2; Lots 1-9, Block 3; Hartland’s Cardinal Heights 6th Addition;
WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has held a public hearing on said application; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole, the surrounding neighborhood, and the real property adjacent to the area included within the site plan for this amendment to the community unit plan will not be adversely affected by granting such a permit; and

WHEREAS, said site plan together with the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Lincoln and with the intent and purpose of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the application of Jeffrey J. Moetz and Lamie L. Jones and Hartland Homes, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "Permittee", to amend Cardinal Heights Community Unit Plan to waive the required width to depth ratio, rear yard setback, minimum lot area, and average lot width be and the same is hereby granted under the provisions of Section 27.63.320 and Chapter 27.65 of the Lincoln Municipal Code upon condition that construction of said community unit plan be in strict compliance with said application, the site plan, and the following additional express terms, conditions, and requirements:

1. This approval permits 203 dwelling units, with the following waivers:
   a. Width to depth ratio on Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 1;
   b. Rear yard setback to 20 feet on Lots 1 & 2, Block 8;
c. Lot area from 5,000 s.f. to 3,800 s.f. for single family attached lots and from 6,000 s.f. to 4,000 s.f. on single family lots;

d. Lot width from 40 feet to 38 feet for single family attached lots and 50 feet to 41 feet for single family lots.

2. Before a final plat is approved:

   a. The Permittee shall complete the following instructions and submit the documents and plans to the Planning Department office for review and approval.

      i. A revised site plan including 5 copies showing the following revisions:

      ii. Identify which lots are for single-family attached.

      iii. Identify which lots require the waiver to lot area.

      iv. Identify which lots require the waiver to lot width.

   b. Provide documentation from the Register of Deeds that the letter of acceptance as required by the approval of the special permit has been recorded.

3. Before occupying the dwelling units all development and construction is to comply with the approved plans.

4. All privately-owned improvements, including landscaping and recreational facilities, are to be permanently maintained by the owner or an appropriately established homeowners association approved by the City.
5. The site plan accompanying this permit shall be the basis for all interpretations of setbacks, yards, locations of buildings, location of parking and circulation elements, and similar matters.

6. This resolution's terms, conditions, and requirements bind and obligate the Permittee, its successors and assigns.

7. The applicant shall sign and return the letter of acceptance to the City Clerk within 60 days following the approval of the special permit, provided, however, said 60-day period may be extended up to six months by administrative amendment. The City Clerk shall file a copy of the resolution approving the special permit and the letter of acceptance with the Register of Deeds, filing fees therefor to be paid in advance by the applicant.

8. The site plan as approved with this resolution voids and supersedes all previously approved site plans, however all resolutions approving previous permits remain in force unless specifically amended by this resolution.

The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission on this 2nd day of August, 2006.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]
Chief Assistant City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng  
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : August 4, 2006

RE : Special Permit No. 06042  
     (N. 61st Street & Morrill Street)  
     Resolution No. PC-01008

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 2006:

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Strand, to approve Special Permit No. 06042, with conditions, requested by Saint Patrick’s Catholic Church, for authority to construct a dwelling for a religious order (rectory) for up to six (6) residents, on property generally located at the southeast corner of North 61st Street and Morrill Street.

Motion for conditional approval carried 7-0 (Sunderman, Larson, Strand, Taylor, Carroll, Esseks and Carlson voting ‘yes’; Cornelius and Krieser absent).

The Planning Commission’s action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

Attachment

cc: Building & Safety  
    Rick Peo, City Attorney  
    Public Works  
    St. Patrick’s Church, 6126 Morrill, 68507  
    Linda Kay Wilkinson, 6105 Morrill, 68507  
    Richard and Sandra Hosek, 3901 N. 42nd Street, 68504  
    Frontier General Contractors, LLC, 720 Sunset Blvd., Palmyra, NE 68418  
    Rick Albrow, Havelock Neighborhood Assn., 6642 Morrill, 68507

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RESOLUTION NO. PC-01008

SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 06042

WHEREAS, Saint Patrick's Catholic Church has submitted an application designated as Special Permit No. 06042 for authority to construct a dwelling for a religious order (rectory) for up to six residents on property generally located at the southeast corner of North 61st Street and Morrill Street, and legally described as:

Lots 5 and 6, Block 61, Havelock Addition to Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has held a public hearing on said application; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole, the surrounding neighborhood, and the real property adjacent to the area included within the site plan for this construction of a rectory will not be adversely affected by granting such a permit; and

WHEREAS, said site plan together with the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Lincoln and with the intent and purpose of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:
That the application of Saint Patrick's Catholic Church, hereinafter referred to as "Permittee", to construct a rectory for up to six residents on the property described above be and the same is hereby granted under the provisions of Section 27.63.290 of the Lincoln Municipal Code upon condition that construction of said rectory be in strict compliance with said application, the site plan, and the following additional express terms, conditions, and requirements:

1. This permit approves a residence for members of a religious order with up to 9 residents.

2. Before occupying the dwelling, all development and construction must comply with the approved plans.

3. The site plan approved by this permit shall be the basis for all interpretations of setbacks, yards, locations of buildings, location of parking and circulation elements, and similar matters.

4. This resolution's terms, conditions, and requirements bind and obligate the Permittee, its successors and assigns.

5. The Permittee shall sign and return the letter of acceptance to the City Clerk within 60 days following the approval of the special permit, provided, however, said 60-day period may be extended up to six months by administrative amendment. The City Clerk shall file a copy of the resolution approving the special permit and the letter of acceptance with the Register of Deeds, filling fees therefor to be paid in advance by the Permittee.
The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission on this 2nd day of August, 2006.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]
City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : August 4, 2006

RE : Special Permit No. 06043
     (2nd & K Streets)
     Resolution No. PC-01009

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 2006:

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Strand, to approve Special Permit No. 06043, with conditions, requested by Esmeraldo Lopez and Antonia Perez de Lopez, for authority to expand a nonstandard single-family dwelling into the required front and rear yard setbacks to construct an addition to the existing structure, on property located at 2nd and K Streets.

Motion for conditional approval carried 7-0 (Sunderman, Larson, Strand, Taylor, Carroll, Esseks and Carlson voting 'yes'; Cornelius and Krieser absent).

The Planning Commission's action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

Attachment

cc: Building & Safety
    Rick Peo, City Attorney
    Public Works
    Esmeraldo Lopez, 135 K Street, 68508
    Danny Walker, South Salt Creek Community Org., 427 E Street, 68508
    Gary Irvin, South Salt Creek Neighborhood, 645 D Street, 68522

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RESOLUTION NO. PC-01009

SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 06043

WHEREAS, Esmeraldo Lopez and Antonia Perez de Lopez have

submitted an application designated as Special Permit No. 06043 for authority to

expand a nonstandard single-family dwelling into the required front and rear yard

setbacks to construct an addition to the existing structure located at 2nd and K Streets,

and legally described as:

The north 21 feet of Lot D, all of Lot E, McNairs Subdivision
of Lots 1 through 4, Block 110, Lincoln, Lancaster County,
Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has

held a public hearing on said application; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole, the surrounding neighborhood,

and the real property adjacent to the area included within the site plan for this expansion

of a non-standard single-family dwelling will not be adversely affected by granting such

a permit; and

WHEREAS, said site plan together with the terms and conditions

hereinafter set forth are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Lincoln

and with the intent and purpose of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to promote the

public health, safety, and general welfare.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the application of Esmeraldo Lopez and Antonia Perez de Lopez, hereinafter referred to as "Permittee", to expand a nonstandard single-family dwelling into the required front and rear yards to construct an addition to the residence on property described above be and the same is hereby granted under the provisions of Section 27.63.540 of the Lincoln Municipal Code upon condition that construction of said addition be in strict compliance with said application, the site plan, and the following additional express terms, conditions, and requirements:

1. This permit approves the expansion of a nonstandard single-family dwelling into the required front yard setback along "K" Street and the required rear yard, for the purpose of constructing an addition to the dwelling.
2. The expansion shall not extend further into the required front yard along "K" Street or the required rear yard than the furthest extension of the existing structure.
3. The expansion shall meet the height limit of the zoning district, as well as any applicable floodplain regulations.
4. The use of the main structure shall remain a single- or two-family use.
5. The proposed addition shall conform to the Neighborhood Design Standards.
6. Before occupying the addition all development and construction must comply with the approved plans.
7. The site plan approved by this permit shall be the basis for all interpretations of setbacks, yards, locations of buildings, location of parking and circulation elements, and similar matters.

8. This resolution's terms, conditions, and requirements bind and obligate the Permittee, their successors and assigns.

9. The Permittee shall sign and return the letter of acceptance to the City Clerk within 30 days following the approval of the special permit, provided, however, said 30-day period may be extended up to six months by administrative amendment. The clerk shall file a copy of the resolution approving the special permit and the letter of acceptance with the Register of Deeds, filing fees therefor to be paid in advance by the Permittee.

The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission on this 2nd day of August, 2006.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

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Chief Assistant City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : August 4, 2006

RE : Special Permit No. 06044, Grandale Community Unit Plan
     (Northeast of S. 40th Street and Rokeby Road)
     Resolution No. PC-01011

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 2006:

Motion made by Strand, seconded by Sunderman, to approve Special Permit No. 06044, Grandale Community Unit Plan, with conditions, requested by Sundance, LLC and Buckshot Farms, for authority to develop 34 dwelling units, together with requests to waive/modify the design standards to adjust setbacks to zero feet, to allow lot lines not perpendicular to the right-of-way, to allow a nonstandard cul-de-sac, and to allow lots without frontage to a public street or private roadways, on property generally located northeast of the intersection of South 40th Street and Rokeby Road.

Motion for conditional approval carried 7-0 (Sunderman, Larson, Strand, Taylor, Carroll, Esseks and Carlson voting 'yes'; Cornelius and Krieser absent).

The Planning Commission's action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

Attachment

cc: Building & Safety
    Rick Peo, City Attorney
    Public Works
    Tim Gergen, Olsson Associates, 1111 Lincoln Mall, 68508
    Kent Seacrest, 1111 Lincoln Mall, Suite 350, 68508
    Sundance, LLC and Buckshot Farms, 3730 S. 14th Street, 68502
    Southwood Lutheran Church, 5511 S. 27th Street, 68512
    Todd Daringer, Silver Springs, 10630 Cromwell Drive, 68516
    Jim Williamson, 4901 Johnson Rd., 68516
    Jamie Bishop, 5050 New Castle Rd., 68516
    Dennis Bornscheegl, 4800 Johnson Rd., 68516
    Mark Davidson, 10000 Cromwell Drive, 68516
    Don Everett, 3407 Allendale Drive, 68516
    Jon Hempel, 5051 New Castle Rd., 68516

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RESOLUTION NO. PC-1011

SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 06044

WHEREAS, Sundance LLC and Buckshot Farms have submitted an application designated as Special Permit No. 06044 for authority to develop Grandale Community Unit Plan for 34 dwelling units, together with requests to waive/modify the design standards to adjust setbacks to 0', to allow lot lines not perpendicular to the right-of-way, to allow a non-standard cul-de-sac, and to allow lots without frontage to a public street or private roadways, on property generally located northeast of the intersection of South 40th Street and Rokeby Road and legally described as:

A portion of Lots 32 I.T. and 39 I.T., all located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 9 North, Range 7 East of the 6th P.M., Lancaster County, Nebraska, and more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the northwest corner of said Lot 39 I.T., said point being on the east line of South 40th Street right-of-way, said point being 50.00 feet east of the west line of said Southwest Quarter; thence east along the north line of said Lot 39 I.T. on an assumed bearing of north 89 degrees 58 minutes 56 seconds east, a distance of 533.67 feet to the true point of beginning; thence continuing north 89 degrees 58 minutes 56 seconds east along the north line of said Lot 39 I.T., a distance of 633.89 feet to a point; thence south 00 degrees 01 minutes 04 seconds east, a distance of 168.22 feet to a point; thence south 72 degrees 03 minutes 09 seconds west, a distance of 210.08 feet to a point; thence south 00 degrees 00 minutes 01 seconds west, a distance of 179.67 feet to a point; thence south 36 degrees 44 minutes 26 seconds west, a distance of 294.79 feet to a point; thence south 66 degrees 48 minutes 10 seconds west, a distance of 434.38 feet to a point; thence south 75 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds west, a distance of 295.84 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 57
minutes 53 seconds west, a distance fo 105.45 feet to a point of
intersection with the west line of Lot 32 I.T., said point being
the east line of South 40th Street right-of-way, said point being
50.00 feet east of the west line of said Southwest Quarter; thence
north 00 degrees 02 minutes 07 seconds west along the west line
of said Lot 32 I.T., and the west line of Lot 39 I.T., said line being
the east line of said right-of-way, said line being 50.00 feet east of
and parallel with the west line of said Southwest Quarter, a
distance of 761.19 feet to a point; thence north 90 degrees 00
minutes 00 seconds east, a distance of 458.68 feet to a point;
thence north 46 degrees 03 minutes 08 seconds east, a distance
of 28.47 feet to a point of curvature; thence along a curve in a
counter clockwise direction, having a delta angle of 41 degrees 04
minutes 39 seconds, a radius of 180.00 feet, an arc length of
129.05 feet, a chord bearing of north 25 degrees 30 minutes 48
seconds east, and a chord distance of 126.30 feet to the point of
beginning, said tract contains a calculated area of 698,777.80
square feet or 16.04 acres, more or less;

WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has held a
public hearing on said application; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole, the surrounding neighborhood, and the
real property adjacent to the area included within the site plan for this community unit plan will
not be adversely affected by granting such a permit; and

WHEREAS, said site plan together with the terms and conditions hereinafter set
forth are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Lincoln and with the intent and
purpose of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to promote the public health, safety, and
general welfare; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County
Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the application of Sundance LLC and Buckshot Farms, hereinafter referred
to as "Permittee", to develop Grandale Community Unit Plan for 34 single-family dwelling units
be and the same is hereby granted under the provisions of Section 27.63.320 and Chapter
27.65 of the Lincoln Municipal Code upon condition that construction of said dwelling units be in
strict compliance with said application, the site plan, and the following additional express terms, conditions, and requirements:

1. This approval permits 34 dwelling units with waivers/ modifications to design standards to adjust setbacks to 0', to allow lot lines not perpendicular to the right-of-way, to allow a non-standard cul-de-sac, and to allow lots without frontage to a public street or private roadway.

2. The Planning Commission must approve Preliminary Plat 06009.

3. Final plats within the area of this community unit plan must be approved by the City.

If any final plat on all or a portion of the approved community unit plan is submitted five (5) years or more after the approval of the community unit plan, the city may require that a new community unit plan be submitted, pursuant to all the provisions of section 26.31.015. A new community unit plan may be required if the subdivision ordinance, the design standards, or the required improvements have been amended by the city; and as a result, the community unit plan as originally approved does not comply with the amended rules and regulations.

Before the approval of a final plat, the public streets, private roadway improvements, sidewalks, public sanitary sewer system, public water system, drainage facilities, land preparation and grading, sediment and erosion control measures, storm water detention/retention facilities, drainageway improvements, street lights, landscaping screens, street trees, temporary turnaround and barricades, and street name signs, must be completed or provisions (bond, escrow or security agreement) to guarantee completion must be approved by the City Law Department. The improvements must be completed in conformance with adopted design standards and within the time period specified in the Land Subdivision Ordinance.
4. Before a final plat is approved:
   
a. The Permittee shall provide a revised site plan including five copies to the
   Planning Department for review and approval showing the following
   revisions:
   
i. A common access easement instead of a public access easement
   over that portion of the easement between the lots and the private
   roadway.
   
ii. Show the location and detail of the recreation facility.

iii. Revise General Site Note #24 by deleting “ACCEPT AS
   ADJUSTED AND SHOWN BY THIS PERMIT.”

iv. Provide documentation from the Register of Deeds that the letter
   of acceptance as required by the approval of the special permit
   has been recorded.

b. The construction plans comply with the approved plans.

5. Before occupying the dwelling units all development and construction is to
   comply with the approved plans.

6. All privately-owned improvements, including landscaping and recreational
   facilities, are to be permanently maintained by the owner or an appropriately established
   homeowners association approved by the City.

7. The site plan approved by this permit shall be the basis for all interpretations of
   setbacks, yards, locations of buildings, location of parking and circulation elements, and similar
   matters.

8. This resolution’s terms, conditions, and requirements bind and obligate the
   Permittee, its successors and assigns.

9. The applicant shall sign and return the letter of acceptance to the City Clerk
   within 60 days following the approval of the special permit, provided, however, said 60-day
period may be extended up to six months by administrative amendment. The City Clerk shall
file a copy of the resolution approving the special permit and the letter of acceptance with the
Register of Deeds, filling fees therefor to be paid in advance by the applicant.
The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning
Commission on this 2nd day of August, 2006.

ATTEST:

Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

Chief Assistant City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : August 4, 2006

RE : Waiver No. 06007
     (Sidewalks - South Pointe Pavilions - S. 30th & Zermatt Drive)
     Resolution No. PC-01010

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 2006:

Motion made by Taylor, seconded by Carroll, to approve Waiver No. 06007, requested by Jeff Gierhan on behalf of South Pointe Pavilions, to waive the requirements for sidewalks on the west side of S. 30th Street, on property generally located in the vicinity of South Pointe Pavilions at S. 30th Street and Zermatt Drive.

Motion for approval carried 7-0: Sunderman, Larson, Strand, Taylor, Carroll, Esseks and Carlson voting ‘yes’; Krieser and Cornelius absent.

The Planning Commission’s action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

Attachment

cc: Building & Safety
     Rick Peo, City Attorney
     Public Works
     Red Capital Management, LLC, 4717 Central, Kansas City, MO 64112
     Jeff Gierhan, General Manager, South Pointe Pavilions, 2910 Pine Lake Road, Suite Q, 68516
     Paul Berggren, Porter Ridge N.A., 7420 Lambert Place, 68516
     Bob Ludwig, Porter Ridge N.A., 7120 S. 31st Place, 68516
     Phil White, Southern Hills N.A., 2815 Laredo, 68516
RESOLUTION NO. PC-01010

WHEREAS, Jeff Gierhan, on behalf of South Pointe Pavilions, has requested a modification of the Subdivision Ordinance to waive the requirements for sidewalks on the west side of S. 30th Street, on property generally located in the vicinity of South Pointe Pavilions at S. 30th Street and Zermatt Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Director has recommended approval of the requested modification to the Subdivision Requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission finds that the strict application of the installation of sidewalks along S. 30th Street would result in actual difficulties or substantial hardship or injustice to the property owner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the provisions of the Section 26.27.020 of the Subdivision Ordinance which requires the installation of sidewalks along both sides of all streets in a subdivision, is hereby waived along the west side of S. 30th Street on property described as Lot 2, Block 1, South Pointe Pavilions 5th Addition, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission on this 2nd day of August, 2006.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chair
Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]

Chief Assistant City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : August 4, 2006

RE : Preliminary Plat No. 06009 - Grandale Addition
(Northeast of South 40th Street and Rokeby Road)
Resolution No. PC-01012

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 2006:

Motion made by Strand, seconded by Sunderman, to approve Preliminary Plat No. 06009, Grandale Addition, with conditions, including the amendments requested by the applicant and agreed upon by staff, requested by Sundance LLC and Buckshot Farms, for 189 lots together with requests to waive the requirements of the Land Subdivision Ordinance and Design Standards in order to allow lot lines not perpendicular to the right-of-way, to waive the required connection to adjacent street system, to allow non-standard intersection and to waive maximum intersection approach grades, on property generally located northeast of South 40th Street and Rokeby Road.

Motion for approval, with conditions, as amended, carried 7-0 (Sunderman, Larson, Strand, Taylor, Carroll, Esseks and Carlson voting 'yes'; Cornelius and Krieser absent).

The Planning Commission's action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

Attachment
cc: Building & Safety
    Rick Peo, City Attorney
    Public Works
    Tim Gergen, Olsson Associates, 1111 Lincoln Mall, 68508
    Kent Seacrest, 1111 Lincoln Mall, Suite 350, 68508
    Sundance, LLC and Buckshot Farms, 3730 S. 14th Street, 68502
    Southwood Lutheran Church, 5511 S. 27th Street, 68512
    Todd Daringer, Silver Springs, 10630 Cromwell Drive, 68516
    Jim Williamson, 4901 Johnson Rd., 68516
    Jamie Bishop, 5050 New Castle Rd., 68516
    Dennis Bornschegl, 4800 Johnson Rd., 68516
    Mark Davidson, 10000 Cromwell Drive, 68516
    Don Everett, 3407 Allendale Drive, 68516
    Jon Hempel, 5051 New Castle Rd., 68516
RESOLUTION NO. PC-01012

WHEREAS, Sundance LLC and Buckshot Farms have submitted the preliminary plat of Grandale Addition for acceptance and approval together with a request to waive the requirements of the Land Subdivision Ordinance and Design Standards for Land Subdivision Regulations in order to allow lot lines not perpendicular to the right-of-way, to waive the required connection to adjacent street system, to allow non-standard intersection, and to waive maximum intersection approach grades on property generally located northeast of the intersection of South 40th Street and Rokeby Road; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Director has recommended conditional approval of said preliminary plat.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission that the preliminary plat of Grandale Addition, generally located northeast of the intersection of South 40th Street and Rokeby Road, as submitted by Sundance LLC and Buckshot Farms, is hereby accepted and approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. After the subdivider completes the following instructions and submits the documents and plans and 6 copies to the Planning Department, the preliminary plat will be signed by the Chair of the Planning Commission certifying approval: (NOTE: These documents and plans are required by ordinance or design standards.)

   a. Revise the preliminary plat to show:

      i. A street connection (one-half right-of-way) to the east of South 46th Street on the one-half mile line in the northeast corner of the preliminary plat.

      ii. No block length in excess of 1,320' unless the subdivider's waiver request is approved by the City Council.
iii. All intersections meeting Design Standards, unless a specific waiver to the Design Standards is granted by the Director of Public Works & Utilities.

iv. All centerline curve radii meeting Design Standards.

v. All intersection approach grades meeting Design Standards, unless a specific waiver to the Design Standards is granted by the Director of Public Works & Utilities.

vi. 120'/130' of right-of-way dedicated for Rokeby Road.

vii. Rokeby Road aligned to the satisfaction of Public Works and Utilities.

viii. Street intersections along Rokeby Road located to the satisfaction of Public Works and Utilities.

ix. An easement to accommodate the bike trail in a location and of adequate width to the satisfaction of the Parks and Recreation Department.

x. Add a general site note that states “LOTS 16-18, BLOCK 10 AND LOTS 8-14, BLOCK 16 SHALL NOT BE FINAL PLATTED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THEY HAVE FRONTAGE TO A DEDICATED PUBLIC STREET.”

xi. Add a general site note that states “LOT 1, BLOCK 1 AND OUTFLOT J RELINQUISH ACCESS TO WILDERNESS HILLS BLVD UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE FULL-WIDTH STREET IS PLATTED AND ALL REQUIRED RIGHT-OF-WAY IS DEDICATED.”

xii. Street names to the satisfaction of 911 Emergency Communications and the Planning Department.

xiii. A revised fire hydrant layout approved by the Fire Department.

xiv. A note that states “ALL SCREENING AS REQUIRED BY LMC SECTION 26.27.080 TO BE PROVIDED AT THE TIME OF FINAL PLAT.”

xv. Right-of-width along South 40th Street.

xvi. All existing buildings within the boundary of the preliminary plat including the existing church.

xvii. General Site Note #18 revised by deleting “ACCEPT AS ADJUSTED AND SHOWN BY THIS PERMIT.”
xviii. General Site Note #21 revised to state ".......IF THEY HAVE ACCESS TO A PUBLIC ACCESS EASEMENT."

xix. General Site Note #22 deleted.

xx. Revisions as noted by the Public Works Department to their satisfaction.

xxi. A revised grading and drainage plan approved by the Public Works Department.

xxii. Minimum opening elevations for all affected lots.

xxiii. All easements as required by the L.E.S review, and General Site Note #17 deleted.

2. Final Plats will be approved by the Planning Director after:

a. The required improvements are completed or a surety is posted to guarantee the completion of the public streets, private roadway improvements, sidewalks, sanitary sewer system, water system, drainage facilities, land preparation and grading, sediment and erosion control measures, storm water detention/retention facilities, drainageway improvements, street lights, landscaping screens, street trees, temporary turnaround and barricades, and street name signs.

b. The subdivider has signed an agreement that binds the subdivider, its successors and assigns:

i. To complete the street paving of public streets, and temporary turnarounds and barricades located at the temporary dead-end of the streets shown on the final plat within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

ii. To complete the installation of sidewalks along both sides of streets and as shown on the final plat within four (4) years following the approval of this final plat.

iii. To pay the City the amount to complete the installation of sidewalks along South 40th Street and Rokeby Road.

iv. To complete the public water distribution system to serve this plat within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

v. To complete the public wastewater collection system to serve this plat within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

vi. To complete the enclosed public drainage facilities shown on the approved drainage study to serve this plat within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.
vii. To complete the enclosed private drainage facilities shown on the approved drainage study to serve this plat within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

viii. To complete land preparation including storm water detention/retention facilities and open drainageway improvements to serve this plat prior to the installation of utilities and improvements but not more than two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

ix. To complete the installation of public street lights along streets within this plat within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

x. To complete the planting of the street trees within this plat within four (4) years following the approval of this final plat.

xi. To pay the City the amount to plant street tress along South 40th Street and Rokeby Road.

xii. To complete the planting of the landscape screen within this plat within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

xiii. To complete the installation of the street name signs within two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

xiv. To complete the installation of the permanent markers prior to construction on or conveyance of any lot in the plat.

xv. To timely complete any other public or private improvement or facility required by Chapter 26.23 (Development Standards) of the Land Subdivision Ordinance which have not been waived but which inadvertently may have been omitted from the above list of required improvements.

xvi. To submit to the Director of Public Works a plan showing proposed measures to control sedimentation and erosion and the proposed method to temporarily stabilize all graded land for approval.

xvii. To comply with the provisions of the Land Preparation and Grading requirements of the Land Subdivision Ordinance.

xviii. To complete the public and private improvements shown on the preliminary plat.

xix. To maintain the outlots and private improvements on a permanent and continuous basis.
xx. To maintain the plants in the medians and islands on a permanent and continuous basis.

xxi. To maintain the street trees and landscape screens on a permanent and continuous basis.

xxii. To maintain and supervise the private facilities which have common use or benefit on a permanent and continuous basis, and to recognize that there may be additional maintenance issues or costs associated with providing for the proper functioning of storm water detention/retention facilities as they were designed and constructed within the development.

xxiii. To retain ownership of and the right of entry to the outlots in order to perform the above-described maintenance of the outlots and private improvements on a permanent and continuous basis. However, Subdivider may be relieved and discharged of such maintenance obligations upon creating in writing a permanent and continuous association of property owners who would be responsible for said permanent and continuous maintenance subject to the following conditions:

1 Subdivider shall not be relieved of Subdivider’s maintenance obligation for each specific private improvement until a register professional engineer or nurseryman who supervised the installation of said private improvement has certified to the City that the improvement has been installed in accordance with approved plans.

2 The maintenance agreements are incorporated into covenants and restrictions in deeds to the subdivided property and the documents creating the association and the restrictive covenants have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney and filed of record with the Register of Deeds.

xxiv. To submit to the lot buyers and builders a copy of the soil analysis.

xxv. To pay all design, engineering, labor, material, inspection, and other improvement costs.

xxvi. To protect the trees that are indicated to remain during construction and development.

xxvii. To relinquish the right of direct vehicular access from lots adjacent to South 40th Street and Rokeby Road except as shown.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission:

1. That the request to waive the requirement of Lincoln Municipal Code § 26.23.140(c) that side lot lines of any lot shall be at right angles to the street or radial, if the street is curved, is hereby approved for those lots shown on the preliminary plat which do not meet this standard.

2. That the request to waive the requirement of Lincoln Municipal Code § 26.23.130 that block lengths shall not exceed 1,320 feet is hereby denied.

3. That the request to waive the requirement of Lincoln Municipal Code § 26.23.030 that there be a proper projection of streets from the subdivision into adjacent land is hereby denied.

4. That the request to waive the requirement of the Urban Public Street Design Standards regarding alignment of intersections, centerline curve radius and maximum intersection approach grades are hereby denied.

DATED: August 2, 2006.

ATTEST:

/S/ Original signed by Jon Carlson

Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]

Chief Assistant City Attorney
Memorandum

To: Robin Eschliman
CC: City Council Members, Mayor Seng
From: Chief Tom Casady
Date: August 9, 2006
Re: Sex Acts on Centennial Mall

Please find my response below to the following email you forwarded to me.

Hi Robin

I was told of a very disturbing situation downtown. Next to the Children’s museum – at the fountain – is a hangout for transients. What has gotten some people upset is that on at least two occasions there was fornicating going on. It seems that the police chief is uninterested. Is this because it is state property and not under his jurisdiction or is it because he is apathetic about the situation.

Could you send me Jon Camp and Ken Svoboda’s e-mail addresses? Or would you forward this to them.

Thanks

Nothing could be further from the truth. Interestingly, I have received a few hundred hateful emails during the past couple of weeks from people all over the United States who seem to think that I am far too concerned with acts of public indecency and public nudity.

Rest assured, we patrol Centennial Mall frequently, enforce the law vigorously, and do not tolerate public sex acts in violation of the law.

For at least the past 25 years, we have had problems with vagrants on Centennial Mall. We have made scores of arrests this year for things like urinating in public, drinking in public, possession of alcohol in a park, and so forth. We also take a lot of people to the Cornhusker Place detox center from Centennial Mall. This is certainly nothing new, but it has gotten worse in the past several years as our vagrant population has swelled. I believe I briefed the City Council about this phenomenon
last fall, as well as the changes in laws that have contributed to the proliferation of panhandlers. Fourteenth Street between N and R is the most problematic area, primarily because it offers comfortable bench seating, is anchored by public restrooms at Bennett Martin Library and the UNL Student Union, and provides good access to pedestrian traffic for panhandlers. University students are notoriously gracious with handouts.

Centennial Mall is poorly designed from a crime prevention standpoint, and is also in desperate need of rehabilitation. The setback areas and the junipers that line both sides provide too much visual cover for people that are drinking, peeing, and apparently engaging in sex acts. It is quite common for us to encounter transients who have burrowed into the overgrown bushes to curl themselves around a bottle.

The increased use and visibility of Centennial Mall due to the relocation of the UNL School of Journalism and the opening of the Children’s Museum has, perhaps, caused the use of the Mall by transients to be more visible than in past years. Hopefully, if and when the Mall is rehabilitated, the designers will not repeat the mistakes made during the 1960’s, and will follow sound principles of crime prevention through environmental design. In the meantime, we will continue to pay close attention to these kinds of illegal activities.

Capt. Joy Citta and Capt. Bob Kawamoto have both focused projects in this area, and our bicycle patrol officers in particular have dedicated substantial efforts to try to reduce the problems vagrants are causing downtown—within the limits of the law and without violating the Constitutional rights of transients. I have included as evidence of our efforts, this snapshot of Officer Charlie Marti with a group of vagrants lined up receiving their tickets and awaiting transport on 14th Street.

We have been working with the Downtown Lincoln Association to try to develop strategies that will reduce the problems in the 14th and P area. I am including, at the conclusion of this memo, the article I wrote that was published in DLA’s newsletter last summer on this issue. We have also proposed changes to the street furniture along 14th Street that we believe would be helpful (no backs, no armrests), and we
have proposed to DLA a public information campaign discouraging citizens from contributing to the problem by giving money to panhandlers, and rather encouraging them to make donations to the agencies in Lincoln that serve people who are homeless, addicted, or mentally ill.

Although I am aware of episodes where people (not all vagrants) have been apprehended in sexual intercourse on Centennial Mall, none of these have happened in recent months, so I am not quite sure what the constituent who contacted you is referring to, unless these are events that never came to the attention of the police.

I checked our records for 2005 and for 2006 to date, and found only two incidents in the downtown area involving transients engaged in sexual intercourse. The first incident was in some bushes at the eastern edge of the downtown area on May 23, 2005, where we encountered Larry Grant and Leo Wounded Arrow engaged in an act of sexual penetration. The second was in the Alley between 13th and 14th Streets, P and Q, where on June 1, 2006 we found Diane Hawkins and Anthony King engaged in oral sex with one another. All four of these defendants were arrested for Public Indecency. Three were subsequently convicted and the fourth has skipped the jurisdiction and has an active arrest warrant as the result.

Arrest doesn’t necessarily solve such problems, however. It is noteworthy that Mr. Wounded Arrow and Mr. Grant have a combined 470 arrests by the Lincoln Police Department since we computerized our records in 1980.
Increased Numbers in Homeless Downtown

Over the course of the last few months there has been a noticeable increase in the homeless population in the downtown area. A number of factors may account for the increase—the closing of Daywatch, increased waiting lists and caseloads for human service agencies, or simply the change in seasons. Whatever the reasons, DLA and Lincoln Police Chief Tom Casady would like everyone’s help in controlling potential problems.

Report any illegal activities. Panhandling, urinating in public, drinking alcohol in public, trespassing, littering or disturbing the peace should all be reported. Even when no law is violated, a person who does not seem coherent can be placed in civil protective custody if they are unable to care for themselves. If you see any of these situations, please let the police know, and they will respond as soon as their workload allows.

If the situation is not an emergency, dial 441-6000, the non-emergency police dispatch number. For an emergency situation, call 911. According to Chief Casady, “Downtown business owners and employees are our eyes and ears. With a small police force, we are particularly dependent on your assistance to identify problem individuals and get this kind of behavior resolved as quickly as possible.”

Board Adopts 2005-06 B.I.D. Budgets

On June 28, the B.I.D. Association Board unanimously adopted maintenance and management B.I.D. budgets for the fiscal year which begins on September 1. Budgets have been forwarded to the City Council for public hearing on July 18. For a copy of the Proposed B.I.D. budgets, Please call 434-6900 or contact info@downtownlincoln.org.
Memorandum

To: City Council Members
From: Margaret Remmenga
Subject: Solid Waste Revenue Bonds
Date: August 9, 2006
cc: Mayor Coleen Seng, Karl Fredrickson, Don Herz

Competitive bids were received via the internet on Thursday, August 3, 2006, for the sale of the Solid Waste Revenue Bonds in the amount of $4.0 million. Four bids were received. The low bidder was Morgan Stanley DW Inc. with a true interest rate of 4.1468%. This interest rate is lower than the AAA rated bond interest rate was the day of the sale. Four firms bid on the bonds. The term of these bonds is 15 years.

We received an AA+ rating from Standard and Poors and an Aa3 rating from Moodys on this bond issue. The City was able to attain these ratings by including the backing of the General Fund as a backstop in the bond ordinance as approved by the City Council on July 31.
Storm Sewer Bond Issue Project to Start  
Project #702194

Within the next few days, the City of Lincoln Public Works and Utilities Department will be starting a storm sewer project in your area. We are issuing this advisory because your neighborhood will be affected by this construction.

The limits of construction are as follows:
• 38th Street; South Street to Sewell
• Sewell; 36th Street to 38th Street
• 37th Street; Sewell to Lake
• 38th Street; Lake to approximately ½ block north of Van Dorn
• Lake; 38th Street west approximately ½ block

Construction Schedule:
The contractor for this project is Skoda Construction Inc. Their schedule is to begin work on August 18, 2006. Weather permitting and barring unforeseen conditions, they plan to be completed with the entire project on November 1, 2006.

Temporary Inconvenience:
The City of Lincoln realizes this construction project may temporarily inconvenience you. The Contractor will try to maintain access to individual properties but at times may have to close the access during that portion of the project.

Commonly Asked Questions:
Q: Will this project cost me directly?
A: No not directly, but as a taxpayer we all share in the costs of community improvements.

Q: If my driveway or sidewalk is damaged or removed, will it be replaced?
A: Yes.

Q: If my lawn is disturbed by the construction activities, will it be restored to its original condition?
A: Yes, the earthwork will be completed as needed and grass will be seeded in the disturbed area.

Contacts for this project if you have questions:
Skoda Construction Inc.                      City of Lincoln - Engineering Services
Ron Skoda                                    Brian Dittmann, Project Manager
(402) 560-5004                                (402) 525-5646
CURB RAMP AND SIDEWALK REPAIR
Project #702170

The City of Lincoln has awarded a contract for curb access ramp construction and sidewalk repair in various areas of Lincoln. This contract includes construction of curb ramps and/or sidewalk repair adjacent to your property. The contract for this work has been awarded to Constructors Construction Company of Lincoln.

The contractor is expected to start work on this contract within the next week. The repair work will involve removal and replacement of marked sections of sidewalk and grinding or reconstruction of the curb. There will be some inconvenience to residents in this area as sidewalk sections are removed and replaced and sidewalk locations are closed and barricaded to complete this work.

We request the patience and cooperation of residents in this area as the contractor progresses with this work. If you have a sprinkler system, it is advisable that you mark the location of the sprinkler lines and heads. The contractor may be required to relocate sprinkler heads if they are in conflict with the curb ramp construction. In addition, it will require some regrading of the yard adjacent to the sidewalk to slope the sidewalk to the required grades necessary to make the ramp and sidewalk ADA accessible.

This project is funded with funds budgeted in the City’s General Fund Sidewalk Repair Account as well as Street Construction Funds. The Public Works and Utilities Department will administer this contract. You may contact the Sidewalk Section at 441-7541 with any questions. If you have questions for the contractor, their office number is 434-1764.

Harry Kroos
Engineering Services
441-7541

Constructors Construction Co.
434-1764
SIDEWALK REPAIR ADVISORY

Project #702168

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

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

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

This project is funded with funds budgeted in the City’s General Fund. The Public Works and Utilities Department will administer this contract and you may contact the Sidewalk Section at 441-7541 with any questions. The number for Neal’s Construction is 464-8859 if you have any questions of the contractor.

Harry Kroos  
Engineering Services  
441-7541  

Neal’s Construction  
464-8859
-----Original Message-----
From: Angie.Andersen@Kenexa.com
To: jcamp@lincoln.ne.gov
Sent: Mon, 7 Aug 2006 8:26 PM
Subject: Please DO NOT approve the Mayor's Budget!

Good Evening,

I wish I could be there at the Public Hearing this evening but due to my hectic work schedule I am unable to attend. I am a simple home owner here in Lincoln [1757 NW Flader Ct.] and employed in the private sector. I am urging you: Please **DO NOT** approve the Mayor’s budget.

As city taxes increase, more and more residents look at moving to a city with lower taxes (property, licensing, wheel, etc.). It seems simple to me that as taxes increase people have less money to spend therefore sales tax revenue must decrease. Raising taxes/valuations is not the answer. Just within my immediate family 4 people are moving out of the city within the year simply because taxes have gotten out of control. If property valuations/taxes increase at they rate they are proposed I have decided my family and I will put our house on the market and find a more cost efficient place to live. That is sad and not what I want to do but I simply cannot justify living in a city that unreasonably increases property and other taxes.

As budget cuts come along that means that some city employees may lose their jobs. That is unfortunate, nobody wants another Lincolnite to lose their job. In the private sector as companies are unable pay their employees people must be laid off. Why should that be any different in the government? If you can’t pay people you must make cuts...it is that simple. It is also important to make sure that all city jobs are being done as efficiently as possible. Processes must be continually improved to make sure that we don’t have 2 people getting paid to do the work of one. The benefits that city employees are receiving are amazing! I wish I could find 1 company here in Lincoln that is paying anything near what city employees receive. But I suppose companies here in Lincoln can’t do that because it is inefficient and flat out exorbitant.

Allowing Lincoln residents to keep more of their hard earned money will allow them to purchase more goods, build new homes, and improve current homes therefore increasing our sales tax revenue.

Thank you for all your hard work and leadership during these difficult times. It is greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,
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Robin Eschliman

----- Original Message ----- 

From: Buck Kiechel
To: Robin Eschliman
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2006 10:39 AM
Subject: Property taxes

Personally I feel the property valuations will serve to depress the Lincoln housing market, growth and business. The monthly payment on my retail space is set to rise. We are currently looking to sell our house... after we pay realtor and closing cost we will still be about 10,000 short of our appraised value.

For tax valuation the value should be FAIR MARKET VALUE - ie. the amount of money likely to be received by a open market sale (well advertised public auction). This is how the IRS determines estate taxes etc.

I think the most disappointing thing was the voter approved increased funds to the schools earlier this year. Shortly after that vote past they announced the property tax increase.

Buck Kiechel
Robin Eschliman
----- Original Message ----- 
From: LcSELLSlincoln@aol.com
To: robine@neb.rr.com
Sent: Sunday, August 06, 2006 5:41 PM
Subject: Real Estate Taxes in Lancaster County

Lincoln City Council

I have been a real estate broker (with HOME Real Estate) for 21 years. I am very acquainted with all subdivisions and certainly keep current on the prices, locations and new construction development in our capitol city! In this capacity, I work with numerous corporate relocations transferring in and out of eastern Nebraska. Overall, the comment heard most is that the TAXES on real estate are EXTREMELY HIGH! I had mastered the art of supporting the values and the many benefits we receive from those annual expenses...but, at some point there has to be a CEILING! Every whine DOES NOT have to be solved with more funding!

Our educational system is not perfect, but many individuals taxpayers pay for private education or home school their children and don't benefit from the NEW BUILDINGS throughout the city. Raised in Denver, Colorado, I was well educated with EXCELLENT TEACHES in older buildings with larger class sizes made possible through discipline. The emphysis was on learning! Due to weather conditions, classes were not started until after Labor Day and ended prior to Memorial Day for the same, conservative reason.

I have received a HUGE amount of telephone inquiries during this period of SLOW SALE CONDITIONS and increased assessed values, commenting about the desire to sell their home and downsize or move out of the state to accommodate decreasing family incomes, unemployment or retirement. How can the city of Lincoln INCREASE the mill levy and still expect individuals to live within their budget. The new assessed values alone would increase income for the city. How can we increase home values with over 2,300 listings available (PLUS the for sale by owners) that continue to DECREASE asking prices to less than assessed value and still no buyers stepping forward to purchase these bargain priced homes! The mill levy MUST BE DECREASED!!

As independent contractors, we in real estate sales, must provide our own "benefit package". Perhaps others need to do that, as well. Fourth of July celebrations could be enjoyed for a fee or totally eliminated. I think it's time to cut back or move on!

Linda Carlson

Lincoln, NE
Tammy: please put this on the list of correspondence received. Thanks.

----- Original Message ----- 
From: Bryce 
To: Patte Newman 
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 12:55 PM  
Subject: "Attaboy" for Parks and Rec Maintenance 

I walk the trails a lot. Ran into a Parks and Rec maintenance man and mentioned to him that tree limbs hung low over the walking trail in Mahoney Park. Also that there seemed to be something wrong with the water fountain, that it tried to soak your shoes. Within a day or two, they were out there taking care of these things. I use them regularly and I appreciate it. I'm sure their budgets and available time are stretched.

Bryce
August 3, 2006

Dear Council Members,

I know you have a lot to read and do so I’ll try to be succinct. First of all, thank you for your recent efforts to defeat the Mayor’s attempt to ban legalized concealed carry within the city of Lincoln. Please continue to support the rights of Lincoln’s citizens by dismissing the Mayor’s continuing efforts being presented under the guise of protecting our safety by closing legislative “loopholes”.

Civics 101 teaches us that Democracy is earned by the individuals of a state accepting and exercising certain responsibilities such as educating themselves on issues, conveying their opinions to elected officials, and voting. Additionally, Civics teaches us that a good citizen has the responsibility of accepting the will of the majority when a vote doesn’t necessarily go their way. Responsible citizens affect societal change by working through the legislative process, not around it. LB454 was passed because good citizens accepted their responsibilities and got involved in the legislative process. To the best of my knowledge, anyone who wanted to exercise their rights had the opportunity to voice their opinion, pro or con, to the Legislature prior to the passing of LB454. Thus, in my opinion, the criticism being levied against the City Council is unwarranted and unjust.

The Mayor’s current attempts to pass this city ordinance to restrict the rights granted under State Legislation would only be applicable within the city of Lincoln. How in the world do we handle the resulting confusion? Do we post billboards welcoming visitors and informing them that they now have fewer rights than they have in the remainder of the state? Does a Nebraskacitizen who is licensed outside of the city of Lincoln suddenly lose their legislated right to concealed carry once they cross into the city of Lincoln? Can you envision the challenges that would be posed in police enforcement and in our courts?

Our elected officials bemoan that voter turnout continues to decline because people have an
increasing feeling that their individual vote doesn’t count. If the City Council supports the Mayors agenda to enact this changes then our city government is telling us that this is true – our vote really doesn’t count for anything at all. How should we as citizens react when our elected officials preach the importance of exercising our civic responsibilities and then thumb their noses at the results when their personal opinions – which have absolutely no basis in fact - differ from that of the citizenry as a whole?

If there are changes that need to be made to LB454 let’s make them within the framework of the Democratic process by passing legislative amendments as opposed to the nonsense our Mayor is proposing. Each citizen will then have the opportunity to express his or her individual opinion through the legislative process. In so doing we can ensure that areas of concern are addressed by all parties, that the amended legislation is consistent within the entire state and that the integrity of the Democratic process we as a people cherish so dearly remains intact.

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Alan Dorland, LincolnNE
Council Members,

Based upon page 1 of today's LJS, Lincoln property taxes will increase 7.0% based upon the 11% assessment increase and currently proposed levy rates. While the overall City budget may legitimately increase by the cost of living inflation rate plus the annual population increase, it is very difficult for an individual to accept any increases in real estate taxes, sales tax, etc, etc that exceed the rate of inflation. I believe that our current inflation rates are probably about 4+. The short term response to any such excessive tax increases may simply appear to be unhappy taxpayers.

However, the collective long-term results are considerably much more detrimental to our City! Companies, corporations and individuals avoid Lincoln because of the high taxes. Senior citizens move away to avoid the high taxes. Entrepreneurs consider more cost effective locations.

Also please consider that from a purely mathematical perspective, the eventual result of annual tax increases that consistently outpace the rate of inflation is that our taxes would ultimately equal, and then exceed our incomes.

R. Scott Sandquist

scott@sandquistcgi.com

402-466-2041
Randy,
I would like to join Don in wishing you well. The City Council Action was inexcusable. They were offered a chance to reduce the budget and maintain the position but four small minded people decided that they did not want some one around who thought doing the job right was more important than submitting to their personal agendas. The City is not only losing a fine employee and a highly qualified professional, it is losing its credibility. I too am willing to give you a reference if you wish.

Al Abbott
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
   General Council

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City:     Lincoln, NE 68510

Phone:  
Fax:      
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Comment or Question:
I am very disappointed with your budget cuts that you have made this morning. I think that it is very important to keep a traffic engineer on the Lincoln payroll. The traffic in Lincoln has improved in the past few years, however if this position is cut traffic in Lincoln will regress to previous levels. I think that you should reconsider your decisions, otherwise I will not vote for anyone on the council again. Thank you for your time.
Tuesday, August 8, 2006

Patte Newman  
Chairman- City Council  
555 S. 10th  
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Notice of Claim pursuant Nebraska Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act  
Steve Tarr v. City of Lincoln, Nebraska  
Date of Accident: August 15, 2005

Dear Ms. Newman:

Please be advised that I represent Steve Tarr in connection with the above referenced accident.

On or about August 15, 2005, Mr. Tarr was operating his vehicle in an Eastbound direction on W Hughes Street, near the intersection of W Hughes and NW Michaels Street. At the same time and place, William Stanley was operating a bus owned by the City of Lincoln in a Westbound direction on W Hughes Street. At all times, William Stanley was acting within the scope and course of his employment with the City of Lincoln, Nebraska. At this time and place, the bus owned by the City of Lincoln, Nebraska crossed the center line and collided with the Tarr vehicle. As a result of the accident, Mr. Tarr was injured and his vehicle was totaled.

The cause of the accident of August 15, 2005, was the negligence of the employee of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska as follows:

1. Driving his vehicle to the left of the center line;

2. Operating his vehicle at a rate of speed that was excessive for the conditions then existing then;

3. Failure to keep a proper lookout.

Steve Tarr was injured as a result of the accident and his vehicle was totaled. Plaintiff hereby claims $25,000.00 pursuant to the Nebraska Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act.

Yours Very Truly,

[Signature]

Dennis P. Crawford  
injurlaw@inetnebr.com  
Attorney at Law

DPC/ado
-Judge awards custody to sex-slave girl with warrant out for her arrest-

My name is Devin and I am writing because I no longer have faith that the justice system is just, nor is it really concerned with the “best interests” of my son. In fact, the judge’s ruling has put my son in far, far greater danger of physical and/or sexual abuse, due to the circumstances that he is in. As a good father, I will not let my son be a casualty statistic of a broken judicial system that encourages evil and actively punishes good. That’s why I’m writing you; I feel that only by getting the truth out will the system work the way it’s supposed to.

In February of 2003, I awoke at 4:00AM to discover my wife was not in bed. I heard clicking in the next room and found my wife on the computer. I then discovered a secret that forever changed my family’s life- my wife was engaged in a series of Master/Slave sexual relationships with a number of different men. She even wore each of their marks of their “ownership” (of her) to our marital bed.

We went and saw a counselor and afterwards my wife promised to leave this lifestyle, but I later discovered that she had delved even deeper- and into darker things. When I demanded that she stop sexual relations with other men, she filed for divorce. Later she would say to me that she ‘could have sex with every man she met and it still wouldn’t make a difference, she would still get custody’. I thought she was wrong...

I remembered a web site she had casually mentioned to me. There, I found her “adult classifieds” profile- She had posted pictures of every piece of her anatomy and featured were her recently pierced nipples, her “slave collar” and her vagina. She called herself a “slut” and was advertising for men to “torture” her.

Though I provided this evidence of deviant and family-destroying activity to Douglas County Judge Hartigan and had shown in case after case, including a Nebraska State Supreme Court ruling that sexual conduct CAN be used as evidence in the test of “Moral Fitness”, he wouldn’t allow it (into evidence) and rewarded her with custody of my son.

- Miles v. Miles, 231 Neb. 782, 438 N.W.2d 139 (1989)

During the divorce process, there was a time when I asked my wife Cheryl what it was she was looking for in a man; unbelievably, one of her responses was “who will let me do who I want to do”. She told me recently that she found that man. He spent several days and nights in our marital home with my son in the very next room. Cheryl actually told me that he would let her have sex with anyone she wanted, except for me. She is now talking about moving out of state (with my son) to be with one of these guys.

The legal test is “best interests of the child. How is this in my son’s best interests? How is this “Justice”?
August 8, 2006

Mr. Lynn Johnson
Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department
2740 A Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68502

RE: Project #31-00246 – Woods Park Land Conversion Plan – Per Section III of the NG&PC Policies and Procedures

Mr. Johnson,

This letter is written regarding the Woods Park Land Conversion Plan, which outlines the conversion of the sale of one acre of Woods Park to the Lincoln Lancaster Health Department ($317,740) to buy approximately 15 acres of new suburban park land in Lincoln. This land acquisition, in accordance with the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission’s Policies and Procedures, is specifically located in Ashley Heights (.32 acres) and at 6510 So. 56th St. (14.93 acres).

On Page 7 of this plan, the last paragraph states that “Letters and resolutions of support were provided by Lincoln Business Association, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the owners of the neighboring commercial property (B. J. Partnership), the Woods Park Neighborhood Association, and the Lincoln Lancaster County Board of Health.”

The Woods Park Neighborhood Association would like to go on record to say that we did not support any of the alternatives presented to us regarding the expansion of the Health Department Building at this current site, and were given only three options regarding this expansion: the sale and demolition of commercial property, demolition of two existing homes in our neighborhood (eminent domain) or the expansion of the Health Department into Woods Park. We were never presented with any cost/benefit analysis studies that were done regarding the feasibility of moving the Health Department to another location within the city of Lincoln.

The Woods Park Neighborhood Association’s position has always been that the Lincoln Lancaster County Board of Health and its directors did not strategically plan for the future growth of the Health Department to meet the growing needs of the residents of Lincoln/Lancaster County. At this site, with the newly completed addition, the facility is already near capacity.

We strongly support the Lincoln Park and Recreation’s position of maintaining and developing new green space throughout the city of Lincoln, but not at the expense of urban park land being lost or diminished. We are disappointed and saddened that this one acre of Woods Park has been lost forever. Woods Park neighbors will remain vigilant
in our efforts to prevent any future encroachment upon Woods Park by any public or private entity. We believe this is in the best interest of our urban neighborhoods, the taxpayers of the City of Lincoln and Lancaster County, and we believe our commitment in no way conflicts with the stated mission of the Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department.

Sandra Johnson, President
Woods Park Neighborhood Association

cc: Nebraska Games and Parks Commission
    Mayor Colleen Seng
    Lincoln City Council
    Lancaster County Commissioners
    Fred Freytag – Witherbee Neighborhood Association
So what is wrong with the Traffic Engineer? Time to let us know!

Also:

Be responsible with gun legislation in our City!

Wilbur Dasenbrock
24549 Meadow Dale Dr.
Lincoln, NE., 68505

466-2465
ADDENDUM TO DIRECTORS’ AGENDA
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2006

I. MAYOR -

1. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Mayor Seng’s Public Schedule Week of August 12 - 18, 2006-Schedule subject to change.

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: City To Spray For West Nile Virus Carrying Mosquitoes On Monday.

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE

JON CAMP

1. E-Mail from Dan Okelberry with response from Jon Camp - RE: Do Not Agree with the Mayor’s Budget.

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

HEALTH

1. Physician Advisory from Bruce Dart - RE: Shigellosis Update & West Nile Cases.


C. MISCELLANEOUS -

1. E-Mail from Lynn Darling - RE: Third wastewater treatment proposal.

2. E-Mail from Tom Schleich - RE: Real Estate Taxes & City Budget - Thank-You.


4. E-Mail from Rob Savage - RE: Gun Control.

6. E-Mail from Joe Huffman, Jr. - RE: ‘Thank’ each of you who voted to cut the city budget that Mayor Seng proposed.

7. E-Mail from Kent Norby - RE: Gun Control.

8. 2 E-Mail’s from Gary Detweiler; Jason Detweiler; - RE: Gun Control.


10. E-Mail from Patrick Henry - RE: Gun Control.

11. E-Mail from Fred Wegelin - RE: Gun Control.

12. E-Mail from Sarah Bauman - RE: Commendation to you! - South Street.


15. E-Mail Alan Dorland - RE: Vote AGAINST further Concealed Carry Ordinance Proposals.

Date: August 11, 2006
Contact: Dave Norris, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Seng’s Public Schedule
Week of August 12 through August 18
Schedule subject to change

Monday, August 14
• Mayor’s Award of Excellence presentation - 1:30 p.m., City Council Chambers

Tuesday, August 15
• KFOR 1240 AM call-in program with Dale Johnson - 12:30 p.m., Three Eagles Communications, 3800 Cornhusker Hwy.
• Bingo at Haven Manor South, honorary “game-caller” - 1:45 p.m., 4800 S. 48th St.

Wednesday, August 16
• LPS New Teacher Breakfast, remarks - 7:30 a.m., Embassy Suites, 1040 “P” St.
• Antelope Valley elevated roadway opening, remarks and ribbon cutting - 5:30 p.m., location at the top of the elevated structure

Thursday, August 17
• News conference - 10 a.m., location and topic to be determined
LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
3140 “N” Street, Lincoln, NE 68510, 441-8000, fax 441-8323

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 11, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: John Chess, Water Quality Supervisor, 441-8027

CITY TO SPRAY FOR WEST NILE VIRUS CARRYING MOSQUITOES ON MONDAY

Due to concerns about a potential West Nile Virus (WNV) disease outbreak, the City of Lincoln will begin spraying selected areas to kill the adults mosquitoes which may be carrying the WNV. “We have weighed all the factors and believe that mosquito spraying is needed to limit the number of people that will contract WNV this year,” said Dr. Bruce D. Dart, Health Director.

The decision to spray was based on:
- a third human case of West Nile illness in Lancaster County;
- mosquitoes and dead birds testing positive for WNV;
- higher numbers of Culex tarsalis mosquitoes, which transmits WNV to people;
- the recent very hot weather, which activates the virus; and
- the heavy rain on Tuesday, which created new breeding sites for mosquitoes.

“While the number of mosquitoes is not very high today, we believe the recent rains are going to result in large numbers of new mosquitoes. And many of these will be Culex tarsalis, the main carrier of WNV,” said Dart.

WNV can cause severe illness in people and may result in long term hospitalization and even death. In 2003, 129 people in Lancaster County were diagnosed with West Nile Disease, and two died. Many were affected quite severely, and required weeks or months of rehabilitation. Some have not fully recovered from having WNV disease.

The City of Lincoln will spray selected areas to kill adult mosquitoes. Weather permitting, mosquito spraying will begin next week on Monday, August 14 and continue each evening through Thursday the 17th. Spraying will usually be conducted in the evenings when the mosquitoes that carry WNV are most active. The following areas are scheduled to be sprayed:

- Pioneers Blvd. on the north, Pine Lake on the south, 70th St. on the east, and Wilderness Park on the west.
- Cornhusker Highway on the north, O Street on the south, 70th on the east, and 9th Street on the west.

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Spraying will be done by certified pesticide applicators from the Parks and Recreation and Public Works and Utilities Departments using state-of-the-art sprayers mounted on the back of city pick-up trucks. The pesticide being used will be Anvil 2+2, which is one of the safest pesticides available for mosquito control. The active ingredient is Sumrithrin, a synthetic chemical derived from Chrysanthemums.

If people wish to reduce their exposure to the spray they can:

1. Close all windows and doors. Air conditioners can still be operated, but if they have vents to bring in outside air, they should be closed. Vents can be opened 30 minutes after spraying is done.
2. Stay inside their home.
3. Bring pets inside and wait for at least 30 minutes to let them back outside.
4. Bring children’s toys, pet bowls, and clothes inside. (Note: outdoor equipment and toys that are exposed to pesticide can be washed with soap and water.)
5. Not allow children to play in areas that have just been sprayed for at least 30 minutes. For extra safety, don’t let children play on the grass until it is dry to the touch.
6. Wash fruits and vegetables before eating them.

People with extremely sensitive allergies to pyrethroid pesticides or severe asthma may contact the Health Department at 441-8040 and ask that spraying not be done on their property.

Because spraying does not kill all mosquitoes, the public is encouraged to take responsible actions to “Fight the Bite.” These actions include protecting yourself by using effective mosquito repellent (e.g. containing DEET or Picaridin) whenever you are outdoors, avoiding being outside during dawn and dusk, and wearing long sleeved shirts and pants when possible. The directions on the product label should be followed. In addition, the Health Department urges all residents to eliminate breeding sites on their own property by eliminating standing water, dumping containers that are holding water, and changing water in pet bowls and bird baths daily.
Dan:

Thank you for your email. I appreciate the perspective you gave and your personal experiences.

Please stay involved and communicate your views. Contrary to comments by Mayor Seng, you are but one of hundreds who have voiced there concerns over the need for fiscal responsibility and belt tightening.

Thank you,

Jon

Jon Camp
Lincoln City Council
City Council Office: 441-8793

-----Original Message-----
From: dan@shirts101.com
To: jcamp@lincoln.ne.gov
Sent: Mon, 7 Aug 2006 8:28 PM
Subject: Do Not Agree with the Mayor's Budget

I was very disappointed in what I watched Monday night on channel 5. Person after person was giving explanations of why their jobs cannot be eliminated, yet not giving any solutions on how the city of Lincoln can keep from raising our taxes 10%-14% in one year. I would have liked to appear in front of you tonight, but my job would not allow me to. There are three things that I believe have contributed to our city's dilemma.

First, my family is currently leaving Lincoln and the state of Nebraska. My parents have just sold their home because they could not afford to retire in Lincoln. My brother is selling two homes (a rental and his personal home) and will leave as soon as they are sold. They are both relocating to Utah. I have a brother that lives in Logan, Utah and currently owns a home valued at $250,000. The annual property taxes on that home are $800! To license his car, whether it is brand new or twenty years old, it costs under $100. That is why they have made the decision to relocate.

Second, I think a major reason why sales tax revenue is down is because of the impact fees charged to new homes. I am currently building a new home here in Lincoln. I have spent over $100,000 in materials which at 7% sales tax results in $7,000 in revenue (compare that to the $4,500 impact fee). Multiply that by the number of homes that are not being built due to the impact fees and that is a main reason for the lower sales tax revenues. Then there is the money and wages that would have been earned by the subcontractors, and the money they would spend on materials and equipment. It's a vicious circle.

Third, my parents relocated to Lincoln 3 years ago. They were about 3 years from retiring and wanted to live close to my brother and myself. My mother applied for several city of Lincoln jobs due to the benefits. She had 30 years experience as a legal secretary and had worked for some of the most prestigious firms in Omaha and in the country. A few of those were Dixon Blackwell, Sanders, Pepper, and Martin. Firms would literally bid for her to leave and come to work for them. Her salary in the 1990's as a legal secretary was in the $40,000
range. Yet she was turned down for a $10.25/hour “typing” position with the city in which she was 1 of 200 applicants for 5 positions. My point in this is that the city of Lincoln should lower their employees wages and benefits. Once you don’t have enough qualified applicants for a job, then you can look at adding benefits or increasing the pay. But obviously with 200 qualified applicants for 5 positions, something is wrong.

I don’t want to leave Lincoln. I have called Lincoln my home since 1992 when I entered UNL. But, I can’t continue to live here and pay the taxes knowing that I can live in another state where I can save upwards of $5000 a year in taxes. I think there are many more people like myself and now I know why there are more homes on the market than ever before.

Thank You,
Dan Okelberry

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August 10, 2006

To: All Physicians, Administrators and Laboratory Personnel

From: Bruce Dart, PhD, Health Director

Subject: Physician Advisory

SHIGELLOSIS UPDATE

There have been 14 laboratory confirmed cases of Shigella sonnei reported to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department in the past two weeks. Investigative follow-up of these cases yielded over 30 probable cases. At this time, one child care center is the source of all lab confirmed cases, however two other child care centers have had epidemiologic cases. As part of the investigation, all child care centers/child care homes were contacted regarding diarrheal illness among both children and workers and given information on steps to implement related to diarrheal illness.

Symptoms among lab confirmed cases in this community outbreak have varied from mild cases of 1-2 day duration of watery or loose stools and no fever to watery stools for one week with the presence of blood and high fever.

Shigella isolates identified in Lancaster County have been resistant to Ampicillin and Bactrim and sensitive to Ciprofloxacin, Cefepime and Amoxicillin/Clavulanate. If antibiotic therapy is initiated, it is essential that sensitivity data be reviewed and therapy be modified, if indicated.

The LLCHD continues to strongly recommend:

1. Obtain a stool culture for all diarrhea cases which have persisted for more than 48 hours and especially on individuals presenting with a diarrheal illness who are employed as food handlers, health care workers and child care providers.

2. Symptomatic children in child care centers, schools or home day care with lab confirmed cases of Shigellosis, will be excluded until they have been on antibiotic treatment for 48 hours and asymptomatic for 24 hours. If not

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treated, two lab confirmed negative cultures for Shigella will be required before returning to a child care center or school.

3. Those lab confirmed with Shigella and employed as food handlers, health care workers or child care providers should be excluded from work until medication is completed and until two successive fecal samples or rectal swabs (collected at least 24 hours apart, but no sooner than 48 hours after antibiotic therapy is completed), are negative for Shigella.

We continue to urge you to test and treat all individuals who are symptomatic and a contact of a confirmed case of Shigellosis. Please immediately report suspect or confirmed cases of Shigellosis to our Communicable Disease Program at 441-8053, after hours or weekends call 441-8000 and ask for the Communicable Disease Program. Thank you for your help in addressing this effort to reduce transmission of Shigellosis in our community.

**West Nile Cases**

At this time, three cases of acute West Nile virus infections have been reported in Lancaster County. Two of the cases, a 71 year old and a 39 year old presented as west nile fever and a 53 year old presented with meningitis.

The City of Lincoln will begin a spraying program for mosquitoes next week. It will be a joint effort of the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, the City Parks and Recreation Department and Public Works and Utilities Department.

The pesticide Anvil 2+2 will be used. Its two active ingredients are Sumithrin, a man-made version of a natural pesticide found in chrysanthemum flowers, and piperonyl butoxide, which helps Sumithrin work better against mosquitoes. It was chosen because it is effective in killing adult mosquitoes, and it is one of the least toxic pesticides available.

**Physician Advisory Available By E-Mail**

Physicians, Advance Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Health-Care and Laboratory Administrators can receive periodic physician advisories by e-mail. Send an e-mail to ttimmons@ci.lincoln.ne.us with your name, type of practitioner (MD, ARNP, PA-C, Administrator, etc.) and location of practice.

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Joan Anderson, Executive Director, Lancaster County Medical Society
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 10, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Tim Timmons, RN, Supervisor
Communicable Disease Program
441-8056

SHIGELLA OUTBREAK

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department is alerting the community to an outbreak of Shigella in Lancaster County. Since late July, there are 14 lab confirmed cases of Shigella reported to the Department and over 30 probable cases identified. Cases have been reported among both children and adults. Prior to this outbreak, few cases of Shigella had been reported in the past year. Due to the highly contagious nature of this disease, the Department asks that all child care operators, physicians, nursing homes, hospitals, food managers, schools, and summer food program feeding sites be alert to the symptoms and encourage thorough handwashing as a preventive measure.

Shigellosis is a potentially serious bacterial disease which is characterized by diarrhea. Stools may be watery and/or contain blood. The Shigellosis organism is excreted in the stool and is spread by hand to mouth transfer, including transmission by objects such as toys, cups, and diapers. Additional symptoms may include high fever, nausea, and abdominal cramps. This disease is treatable with an antibiotic. If left untreated individuals may be contagious for three to four weeks.

While the reported cases are throughout the community, the Health Department is most concerned with the higher number of cases reported in child care facilities. The recommendations for child care facilities are as follows:
Any child with two or more loose stools in a 24 hour period should be excluded from child care and be seen by a physician. No child should return to child care until they are seen by their physician and have been without symptoms for 24-hours since the last incidence of diarrhea. Due to the highly contagious nature of Shigella, food handlers and child care providers should not return to work until completely free from the disease.

No person or child with diarrhea illness should use any public swimming pools. In addition, do not allow children with diarrhea in home pools.

As for the general public, an individual who has experienced watery or loose stools for at least 24-hours should consult a personal physician and be checked for Shigella infection.

A primary method of preventing Shigellosis is by careful and thorough hand washing. Careful hand washing, especially after using the restroom, changing diapers, or before preparing meals is extremely important. Reminding children of proper hand washing techniques and disinfecting toys are important preventive measures.

OTHER PREVENTIVE MEASURES

- Encourage thorough hand washing with soap and water after using the restroom and before eating or handling food.
- Assure ready access to soap and individual towels in all bathrooms.
- Discourage home prepared food from being distributed at church, school, and other group events. Encourage use of individually wrapped, commercially prepared food.
- Avoid sharing of food.
- Use disposable gloves or a serving spoon when serving food, i.e., if popcorn is being served, an individual with gloves or a serving spoon should put it into individual containers for distribution.
- Continue to be alert to diarrhea illnesses in your family/household.

Questions regarding Shigella can be directed to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, Communicable Disease Program at 441-8053.
I am writing to you all to remind you that the study for the third treatment site was a fraud and this proposal should be dropped now. We have an "elephant" in our city hall city named "corruption". We need and independent investigation on this issue as well as the fire trucks. The corruption is exacerbated by the fact the chamber of commerce, LIBA, and builder developer cartel run this city. You know it to. We want to know who is behind this drive for the third site, who owns the land it is to be built on, and who dropped the ball on an honest study Names please lets get the elephant out of city hall! You all were elected to represent the citizens of Lincoln, ONLY!

Thank you, Lynn Darling
438-5005
City Council Members:

Thank you for working diligently on reducing the amount of the proposed city budget increases. I know there are many difficult decisions that were made including the loss of jobs by certain employees but as a taxpayer and business owner, I appreciate your diligence.

Please consider how you can help make Lincoln more employer friendly so we can attract, recruit and retain badly needed new and existing employers in our community that will help ease the tax burden of many heavily taxed Lincolniters.

Regards,

Tom Schleich
Thank you Jon Camp for advocating performance audits for the agencies and departments of the city. It is long overdue.

As a life long resident of Lincoln, it has been disheartening to see city (and county) government become more cumbersome in many areas.

What a shame it is that we have chosen to penalize incoming business development with impact fees. It is clearly telling them to go elsewhere— and they are. Is that why Jim Fram left? It is impossible to recruit business into a city with high taxes, impact fees, no incentives, and city planning, development, and zoning that takes forever. It makes little difference to a prospective incoming business that we have a lot of parks, green space, bike trails, good roads, or good schools. Economics for them have to add up to more dollars and profits— if they come to Lincoln— as compared to some other location.

Wonder why a number of our local developers are spending the majority of their efforts elsewhere?

Has anyone done a follow-up on the fire trucks now that some are in service? Are they functioning properly?

Regards,
Bill Harder
488-5288

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From: Rob Savage
Sent: Saturday, August 12, 2006 6:38 AM
To: council@lincoln.ne.gov
Subject: Gun Control

Please defeat the two proposals for gun control in Nebraska. These are law abiding citizens who have the right to carry a concealed weapon. In every state that has the right to carry laws, there crime rates have dropped, this is fact not fiction. I'm not a resident of your state, but I send you this E-Mail in support of all the NRA Members and law abiding gun owners. Sincerely; Robbie L. Savage, former USMC.
Dear Council Members,

I for one want to voice my opinion that the comments made recently by the NAGE (and other) unions do **not** represent the feelings of the general public in Lincoln, NE. These union employees work for US (the taxpayer), not the other way around. The wages and benefits our city employees receive, are in many cases, far beyond what they would receive in the normal business world (i.e. 150% match - which is absolutely ridiculous). Please don't let their threats impede your efforts to cut spending and improve efficiency. We need major tax relief.

My wife and I built a new home in 1998 (our dream home to retire in). We've lived in Lincoln for over 30 years. For the tax year 2000 we paid $5,420 in personal property tax on our new home. Our 2007 assessment is approximately $8,000. This represents an increase of 48%. To be blunt......one can't afford to retire in Lincoln.......sad but true. I've heard many retired people make this statement. If it weren't for our grand children here in Lincoln, we would leave. Case in point: We have friends that live in a beautiful home on Table Rock Lake (southern Missouri). Their house taxes are $1,400 per year......yes, $1,400...!!!! (compare that to $8,000). Houses are comparable -- their home is lakefront with boat dock, etc. Then, there is the difference of what they pay to license their automobiles.....crazy. They have nice schools. They have nice roads. Th! ey have good fire departments. **And**, they have a lot more spendable money (to generate sale tax revenue!!!) because they aren't taxed to death.

Concerned citizen,
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Why Wait? Move to EarthLink.
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
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Comment or Question:
Dear City Council,

I wanted to take a moment of my time and thank each of you who voted to cut the city budget that Mayor Seng proposed. It took great political courage to do what you did. I look forward to the next mayoral race. I've met Mayor Seng. She is a very nice lady. I think Mayor Seng's calling in life is to be a wonderful grandmother!

Sincerely,

Joe Huffman, Jr.
Dear Council Members,

Many of you may recall the shocking event above. Here is just one example of why it is so important for free, law-abiding, citizens to be able to defend ourselves. There are countless times where the mere existence of a firearm either protected the innocent, thwarted a violent crime or minimized what could have been a fatal attack. Sadly, the above tragedy could have been avoided or greatly reduced, had one or more been allowed to carry a concealed-carry firearm instead of being slaughtered like sheep. We must be allowed to defend ourselves and/or others from the many predators out there without soul or conscience.

If you don't personally favor carrying firearms for defense, fine. However, please consider the millions of responsible owners who do. There may just be such a thwarter nearby if an above-type incident unfolds in your daily lives, or that of one of your loved one(s). Please consider how society is much safer when violent criminal-types don't know who is carrying a firearm.

Just a thought from someone who was born in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Sincerely,

Kent Norby
To Lincoln City Council Members:

The Concealed Carry Law in Nebraska was written for law abiding citizens not for those that refuse to obey the Law. To feel the need to modify or add to the Nebraska State Law is to say that the people of Lincoln have a greater propensity for criminal behavior than the rest of the good citizens of the State of Nebraska. These proposals stand to create a patchwork system of laws for Concealed Carry in Nebraska instead of a uniform statewide system of Concealed Carry Laws. Please vote against these unwise and unfair proposals. Thank you,

Gary Detweiler
To Lincoln City Council Members:
Please vote against Proposals 06-140 and 06-141. The state law concerning concealed carry is already sufficient for Nebraska citizens. Additional laws will only confuse the issue for law abiding citizens by creating inconsistent laws, without benefit. To argue that additional laws will prevent the unlawful from committing a crime is absurd.

Thank you, Jason Detweiler
I object to the mayor's bills pertaining to the above. These bills if passed favor only the people that have other than law abiding habits. The present world has more than enough of these people at this time. If these bill pass we should find different people to serve on the city council, as well as the mayor.

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Comment or Question:
Due to a prior commitment, I probably will not be able to attend and speak
at you meeting on Monday, August 14. I am very interested in the two firearm
issues on the agenda. Several of you likely recall past contacts when I
expressed my opinions in favor of the concealed carry legislation and my
strong belief that the problem the Mayor, Chief Casady, and a few of you are
concerned with is best addressed in the laws regarding acquisition of guns,
not the laws in respect of having them on a person (concealed or not) or in
a car. Once a person has possession of a gun, if he or she has a nefarious
intent, the laws regarding concealed carry will mean little to him or her.

As I have also expressed, I believe these matters are better addressed by the
Unicameral. If Lincoln sets a bad example by going its own way, the State
could well have a series of different and conflicting laws that would become a
headache for police officers and prosecutors.

I ask that you table the matter in item 06-140 and get together with the
Lincoln/Lancaster Senators to determine what might be done, and work on some
language to accomplish it. Please remember that the term limited Senators are
still sitting and representing us until their successors are sworn in. I am
sure some of them would be willing to help.

Please step back on this emotional issue and see if this does not make sense.

On 06-141, I have no problem banning hand guns from City/County buildings, but
please be careful. I believe they were banned by one county a few years ago and
it created problems for law enforcement officers from other jurisdictions,
including the State Patrol, Secret Service, CIA, and members from other
counties.
Thank you.
Council members: John Camp, Robin Eschliman Annette McRoy, Patte Newman and Ben Svoboda. Shortly after the Council hearing of 7/31/06, Mayor Seng telephoned me asking why, in a Letter to the editor of the Journal-Star, I had said shw was "controlling". I replied that shw WAS controlling in trying to abolish all concealed carry of firearms in Lincoln. She said "I should know her that she was not controlling." I said, Yes I knew her, and yes we were members of the same church, but that did not mean I couldn't feel her actions were controlling. She was trying to control the important aspect of Lincoln's, law abiding citizens by imposing this proposal on them. She had NO right to deprive law abiding, intelligent Lincoln citizens of their right to have concealed carry. NOW on 8/14/06 she proposes 06-140 & 06-141 to restrict the rights of intelligent, law abiding, Lincoln Citizens to have rights. PLEASE dismiss or vote down both of these proposals. SHOW Mayor Seng that she cannot continue to stomp on Lincoln's, law abiding, intelligent Citizens any longer!!!! Thank you.
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Dear Lincoln City Council members:

You are correct, and to quote Jon Cook and Dan Marvin, "arrogant" and "pigheaded" are good terms for the Public works folks.

I just was at a South Street Business Assn. meeting as the representative of The Near South Neighborhood Association this past week. Their insistence that South St. be an "arterial" without slowing down the speed or allowing on street parking in the business area that is being revitalized was most distressing. Yes, arrogant and pig headed are the terms.

Several people voiced the need for bike paths and a bus route as a priority. On the heels of "An Inconvenient Truth" having been in town, one would think that the Public works would be critically re-evaluating our town. When the owners of Zesto protested the schedule of street closure as during their peak season rather than at the start of construction prior to their peak season they were told it was out of the control of Public works. These people had requested this at the initial stages, and they said this would put their "long time Mom and Pop operation out of business". Arrogant, pigheaded, and the citizens and the public do not count.

I might add that I do feel that public transit and pedal transit should be prioritized over multi laned "arterials". I hope that the council will take action in these areas.

Thank you for your hours of work for Lincoln.

Sarah Bauman
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Comment or Question:
Dear Council members,
I'm sending an email because I am unable to attend your meeting today in person. I'd like to add my name to the list as being opposed to the Mayor's proposal 06-140 to amend the law for unlawful possession of firearms. My understanding of why this was introduced is that it was felt violent crime was not adequately defined for the state's concealed carry law. This proposal goes beyond violent crime, so I will ask you not to support it as such.

Also, I'd you to not support proposal 06-141. City and County facilities that feel the need to ban weapons should provide notice by sign, just as private business can. This is completely defined and enforceable through statutory law.

Please do not support these proposals that are merely knee-jerk reactions to the rights we are now allowed as citizens of Nebraska.

Thank you for your time,

Jeff McNear
Good morning: I hope the City Council will reject the Mayor Seng and Chief Casady's proposal to ban people with a misdemeanor from carrying a concealed weapon. The state law says "convicted of a felony". What gives them the right to supercede state law? If they had their way any one that had a parking ticket would be ineligible. Which would be a lot of law abiding citizens. How will that ban the person that done the shooting on north 27th street? Police State? Thanks.....Dennis LaPage
Dear Councilmembers,

In Re today's agenda items 9 and 10,

"Amending Chapter 9.36 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to Weapons by adding a new section numbered 9.36.130 to make it unlawful to possess firearms or dangerous weapons in city and/or county facilities."

How can the city of Lincoln enact restrictions that would be enforceable outside of the City Limits? Like the previous agenda item which lists a series of offenses that would preclude a citizens ability to obtain a concealed carry license, this is another end-run attempt by the Mayor and our Chief of Police to usurp the rights granted under State Legislation.

Failing in her earlier attempt to ban concealed carry altogether, the Mayors focus is now to make the restrictions so onerous and confusing that people will be so confused they simply won’t apply for licensure. Furthermore, upon what basis do we believe that some of the offenses listed in the proposal will lead to strong likelihood of a person committing a gun-related crime? "Public indecency" can include urinating on the side of a highway - which by the way is a very common practice of rural peace officers (and understandably so - but it doesn't mean that it leads to a likelihood of them committing a gun-related crime). The offenses that SHOULD prohibit licensure, such as domestic assault, VPO violations, etcetera, are already prohibited under LB 454 as they are included in 18 U.S.C. 922. They're listed in this ordinance to make you think they're not already in place to sway your opinion of the ordinance as a whole.

How will Lincoln be enforcing a unique set of rules for licensure? Will we be expected to make a second application through the Lincoln Police Department? If so, then I will foresee the Mayor and Chief coming back to institute additional fees, background checks, licensing requirements, and delays in the near future. I strongly doubt that existing budget would handle the additional workload so be prepared for LPD to ask for more money.

Please vote AGAINST these two ordinances. If there are situations that should exclude someone from being able to obtain licensure under LB454, then let's properly address them in the state legislature so that the resulting law is clear and uniform for ALL Nebraskans. These end-run maneuvers need to be stopped.

Thanks.
Alan Dorland, Lincoln NE
The above referenced proposed ordinance contains some very good ideas but could someone please explain or consider exactly how myself as an ordinary business man is supposed to obtain all the information necessary to keep from purchasing vehicles or items from people convicted of theft?? Does this mean each business person has to spend an enormous amount of time searching records and tying up city workers in search of this information??

R. H. Harner
President
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