IN LIEU OF
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
Monday, April 30, 2018

I. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Administrative Approvals April 17, 2018 through April 23, 2018
2. Action dated April 25, 2018
3. Final Action dated April 25, 2018
4. 2017 Planning Commission Annual Report

II. CONSTITUENT CORRESPONDENCE
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2. Proposed JPA, opposition - Duane Polzien
3. Proposed JPA, opposition - Terri Bayne
4. Proposed JPA - Angie Alesio
5. Proposed JPA, opposition - Laurie Montag
6. Proposed JPA - Robert (Zach) Burgin
7. Proposed JPA, opposition - Don & Karen Friesen
8. Proposed JPA, opposition - Jim Frohman
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12. Proposed JPA, opposition - Jim & Deanna McClintick
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20. Proposed JPA, opposition - Clarice Bailey
21. Proposed JPA, opposition - Edward Weniger
22. Proposed JPA, opposition - Dianne C. Mota
23. Proposed JPA, opposition - Alice Brown
24. Proposed JPA, opposition - Stephanie Waite
   Staff response provided by Councilman Camp
25. Spectrum Internet Gig - Jeremiah Blake
26. Proposed JPA, opposition - Douglas Vander Broek
   Staff response provided by Councilman Camp
27. Parking in the proposed Telegraph District - Denise Farley

III. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS
See invitation list.

IV. ADJOURNMENT
Memorandum

Date: ✦ April 24, 2018
To: ✦ City Clerk
From: ✦ Amy Huffman, Planning Dept.
Re: ✦ Administrative Approvals
cc: ✦ Planning Commission
     Geri Rorabaugh, Planning Dept.

This is a list of the administrative approvals by the Planning Director from April 17, 2018 through April 23, 2018:

Administrative Amendment No. 18012, to Change of Zone No. 15028, Shadow Creek PUD, approved by the Planning Director on April 18, 2018, to amend the lot designated for apartments, generally located at S. 90th Street and O Street.
**ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION**

NOTICE: The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska. For more information, call the Planning Department, (402) 441-7491.

The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will meet Wednesday, April 25, 2018, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., in Studio Room 113 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska, to discuss the Community Indicators and Annual Transportation System Performance Report.

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

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

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018

[All Commissioners Present]

Approval of minutes of the special hearing held April 4, 2018. **APPROVED: 7-0; Harris and Hove abstained.**

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held April 11, 2018. **APPROVED: 7-0; Hove and Washington abstained.**

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

PERMITS:

1.1 Special Permit No. 13055B, to amend the special permit regarding alley paving and parking requirements, on property generally located at 1245 South Folsom Street. **FINAL ACTION**

   Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
   Staff Planner: Dessie Redmond, 402-441-6373, dredmond@lincoln.ne.gov
   Planning Commission ‘final action’: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the staff report dated April 17, 2018: 9-0. Resolution No. PC-01598.
1.2 Special Permit No. 16019A, to amend SP16019 to allow for a new asphalt plant, on property generally located at North 84th Street and Fletcher Avenue. **FINAL ACTION**
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: Rachel Jones, 402-441-7603, rjones@lincoln.ne.gov
Planning Commission ‘final action’: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the staff report dated April 17, 2018: 9-0. Resolution No. PC-01599.

1.3. Use Permit No. 121A, to expand the use permit by approximately 2.4 acres for a medical office, with adjustments to setbacks, lighting design standards, and storm water detention, for property generally located at 7545 Pioneers Boulevard.
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Planning Commission recommendation: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL; 9-0, as set forth in the staff report dated April 12, 2018. Public hearing before the City Council is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 14, 2018, 3:00 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1.4. Street and Alley Vacation No. 18001, to vacate an approximate 2.28 acre portion of the former Yankee Hill Road right of way, generally located at South 84th Street and Yankee Hill Road.
Staff recommendation: Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Planning Commission recommendation: Conforms to the Comprehensive Plan: 9-0. Public hearing before the City Council is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 14, 2018, 3:00 p.m.

2. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL - None.

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA- None.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:

SPECIAL PERMIT:

4.1 Special Permit No. 18012, to allow for a Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS) tower to exceed the restricted height of 35 feet with setback reduction, on property generally located at 1844 Washington Street. **FINAL ACTION**
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: George Wesselhoft, 402-441-6366, gwesselhoft@lincoln.ne.gov
AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO

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Adjournment: 1:46 p.m.

PENDING LIST: None
TO: Mayor Chris Beutler  
Lincoln City Council

FROM: Geri Rorabaugh, Planning

DATE: April 25, 2018

RE: Notice of final action by Planning Commission: April 25, 2018

Please be advised that on April 25, 2018, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission adopted the following resolution:

Resolution No. PC-01598, approving SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 13055B, to amend the special permit regarding alley paving and parking requirements, on property legally described as the East 66 feet of Lot C, Ricketts Consolidation of lots in Block 6 Highland Park, and Lots 43-47 and Lot 48, except the East 7 feet thereof, Block 6, Highland Park, located in the SW 1/4 of Section 27-10-6, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at 1245 South Folsom Street;

Resolution No. PC-01599, approving SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 16019A, to amend SP16019 to allow for a new asphalt plant, on property legally described as Lot 2, Rose Equipment Addition, located in the NE 1/4 of Section 3-10-7, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at North 84th Street and Fletcher Avenue; and

Resolution No. PC-01600, approving SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 18012, to allow for a Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS) tower to exceed the restricted height of 35 feet with setback reduction, on property legally described as the south 25 feet of Lot 1 and Lot 2 except the south 33 feet, Block 2, Willams’s Subdivision and Lot 10, Block 1, Hurlbuts Subdivision and the Adjacent Vacated East West Alley, located in the NW 1/4 of Section 36-10-6, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at 1844 Washington Street.

The Planning Commission action on these applications is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a notice of appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the action by the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission Resolution may be accessed on the internet at www.lincoln.ne.gov (Keyword = PATS). Use the “Search Selection” screen and search by application number (i.e. SP113055B, SP16019A, SP18012). The Resolution and Planning Department staff report are in the “Related Documents” under the application number.
On the Cover:
Front row from left: Cristy Joy, Tom Beckius, Dennis Scheer, Tracy Corr
Back row from left: Deane Finnegan, Tracy Edgerton, Säntra Washington, Maja V. Harris, Chris Hove
The summary below provides an indication of the volume and trends in recent applications submitted to the Planning Department over the past six fiscal years. The Planning Commission directly reviewed about half of the applications. The volumes of the past several fiscal years reflect a plateau of increased activity after the rebound of development activity to pre-recession levels. The volume of applications in FY 16-17 was the highest experienced in the past 10 years.

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Some of the more notable applications reviewed by the Planning Commission included the following:

- City-Initiated Annexation Package
- Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) working group and zoning code changes
- FY2017/18 - 2020/21 TIP - Annual Conformance Review Including Updated South Beltway Costs
- Lancaster County 1 & 6 Street Program
- Lancaster County zoning code amendments
- The Dominion at Stevens Creek -- major new subdivision near 105th & O Street
- Wandering Creek -- major new subdivision near 91st and Van Dorn Street
- Iron Ridge -- major new subdivision at 27th and Rokeby Road
- Village West -- major new subdivision at NW 48th and West Holdrege St.
- Terrace Gardens -- new subdivision at N. 35th and Superior
- Covenant Court -- S. 84th & Foxtail
- White Horse -- 91st and A Street
- Continued work on Phase II of the Telegraph District
- City Centre redevelopment at 9th and P
- Several new residential subdivisions
- Several Downtown redevelopment projects
- Processed over 50 new small cell towers
- Alcohol spacing policy public discussion process
- Numerous text amendments to improve City zoning and subdivision ordinance

Planning Commission hearing
REDEVELOPMENT AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACTIVITY

National Register Designation:
- Eastridge Historic District

Local Historic Landmark Designations:
- Lux Art Center/ University Place City Hall
- Burgess House
- Trabert Hall/St. Elizabeth’s Nurses Home
- Theta Xi Fraternity House
- Sidles House

Major/Complex reviews
- Union College entry gates (UDC)
- Farm House Fraternity (HPC)
- New SFDs 33rd & Randolph and 37th & Apple (HPC)
- “Standing Bear” plaza and installation (NCEC)
- Haymarket area streetscapes (HPC & UDC)
- Screening for 8th & N LES substation near Haymarket (UDC)
- Telegraph Flats/21st & N LES substation in Telegraph District (UDC)
- Kindler Hotel & Lincoln Commercial Club mixed use redevelopment at 11th & P (UDC)

Major outreach/technology projects
- Story Map and related upgrades to Planning Department Website:
- “Place Makers of Nebraska: The Architects” website with NE State Historical Society

Union College Entry Gates

City Centre

Eastridge Historic District
In 2017, City Staff completed a review of land adjacent to the Lincoln city limits and eligible for annexation. This included reviewing annexation policies, existing land uses, zoning, costs for infrastructure and services, potential revenues, and government jurisdiction issues. The result of this review was the 2017 Annexation Study and the successful approval of proposed annexation areas. The study identified 8 areas that conform to state statutes and the City’s policies, and were appropriate for annexation.

Prior to processing the formal annexation applications, landowners were contacted and given information regarding issues related to annexation. This contact was made well in advance of the actual annexation approval process so that landowners had time to plan for the transition. Annexation applications were brought to the Planning Commission and City Council for approval in late 2017. Any changes related to property taxes will not take effect until 2018, to be paid in the 2019 tax year, effectively giving residents a “bonus” year of being in the City but not paying City taxes. One area proposed for annexation agreed to enter into a conservation easement on the property as part of annexation approval, and two other residential areas were approved for annexation in 2018 to allow additional time for transition from the Waverly School District into Lincoln Public Schools. This is being done to help ease the transition for newly-annexed residents.
The Planning Commission undertook a review of the zoning provisions in the Title 27 Zoning Ordinance relating to the sale of alcohol. In addition to a State liquor license, a special permit is also required for either the sale of alcohol for consumption on or off the premises. In response to a proposal to amend the special permits to modify the location requirements for the sale of alcohol, the Planning Commission wanted to both learn more about the changing world of alcohol sales as well as any issues there may be involving the current regulations. The intent of the process was not to modify the current alcohol regulations, but rather for the Commission to become more informed and in a better position to evaluate proposed changes in the future. Actions on proposed changes to the regulations are expected in 2018.

Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) have been allowed in Lincoln under very limited circumstances. The City Council directed the Planning Department to explore the idea of a Zoning Ordinance amendment that would provide more options for ADUs in residential districts throughout the city. A working group of neighborhood representatives, architects, and homebuilders was assembled to assist with the update process. The proposal developed as a result of this process allows for more application of this alternative living option and was approved by the Planning Commission and City Council in 2017.

A significant collection of code amendments to the City Zoning Code, Subdivision Ordinance, and Zoning Design Standards were processed by the Planning Commission in 2017. These revisions have been collected by City staff over the past several years, and range from correction of minor errors, to deletion of obsolete provisions, to more substantive changes that improve the approval processes for City staff and the public and eliminates burdensome requirements.

Proposed changes to the format and the minor content changes to the Lancaster County Zoning Regulations were also processed to make the document more user friendly. This set of proposed text amendments ranged from reformatting, adding definitions, clarification of terms, updating terminology and specifying zoning districts for each special permit.
A major improvement to the process of application reviews were changes and enhancements to the layout of staff reports. There also was an effort to enhance the quality of the assembly of electronic factsheets using Adobe Pro. Also developed and implemented in 2017 was a new online public comment form and streamlined public comment distribution process to staff, PC members and applicants.

Internal departmental improvements included staff implementing the use of monthly staff meetings and monthly division head meetings to improve departmental communication and efficiencies. The installation of a prox reader at the main entrance of the department provided improved security. New carpet installation and purging of old equipment, miscellaneous supplies, and files occurred as did the installation and training for new photocopiers.

Looking forward to 2018, implementation of an update to the Project Dox plan review system will occur. The completion of the upgrade of the Lincoln Municipal Code and County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations to digital format using the EnCode digital code product will also occur.

The City of Lincoln applied for and was awarded a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) federal grant in the amount of $600,000 to implement a local bike share program. Local matching funds through private sponsorships were then raised to move forward with implementation. B-Cycle out of Madison, WI was selected as the operator of the system. Phase 1 of the bike share system will host 19 stations throughout Downtown Lincoln, Innovation Campus, and University of Nebraska campuses. The bike share program will launch in April 2018.
Dessi Redmond joined the Development Review section of the Planning Department in November 2017. Dessie previously worked as a planner in Texas, Nevada, and Colorado and has degrees from South Dakota State University and the University of Minnesota. The Development Review planner areas can be found online at [http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/dev/index.htm](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/dev/index.htm).

Collin Christopher joined the Planning Department as a Design Review planner in May 2017. He previously worked in the private sector in the Kansas City area for several years. Collin has a degree in landscape architecture and has experience working as a design planner and as a manager of a planning project team.
The Planning Department said farewell to longtime planner Brandon Garrett. Brandon became the Planning Director for Council Bluffs, Iowa in April! Andrew Thierolf moved from Development Review to the Long Range Division to fill Brandon’s vacated position. The Planning Commission experienced changes as well. Planning Commissioner Ken Weber resigned from the commission in June. He served on the commission since November 2011. We welcomed new commissioner Cristy Joy in September.

- Development and adoption of the new Downtown Master Plan.
- Development and adoption of the 33rd and Cornhusker Subarea Plan and Corridor Plan.
- Development and adoption of the On-Street Bicycle Study.
- Launch of an updated GIS Development Viewer.
- Continued development of the new Historic Preservation story map web site.
- Implementation of the bike share program in Downtown Lincoln working with B-Cycle as the operating vendor.
- Implement a digital municipal code through EnCode.
- Implement an update to the Project Dox digital plan review system.
- Consideration and action on the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Improvement Program.
- Implementation of a more digital agenda process.
- A continued increase of development applications for review and action.
- Regular updates related to Complete Streets projects and their implementation.
- Implementation of priority items identified through the work of the Transportation Coalition.
- Review and action on another set of County Zoning amendments.
- Complete the process of developing the 2018/19-2023/24 Capital Improvement Program for project prioritization and Comprehensive Plan conformity.
The Planning Commission continued to play an important role in the development of Lincoln and Lancaster County over the past year. Commissioners deliberated numerous and sometimes contentious development applications and worked on various improvements to local codes and administrative procedures. We appreciate the opportunity to serve our community in this role and hope that our local elected officials have found our efforts to be helpful.

Dennis Scheer, Chair
From: WebForm <none@lincoln.ne.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2018 12:31 PM
To: Cyndi Lamm; Jon Camp; Jane Raybould; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Roy A. Christensen; Bennie R. Shobe
Subject: InterLinc - Contact

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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City Council - Contact

Date: 4/23/2018 12:31:22 PM

name Larry J. Wagner
address 1531 SW 13th. Street
          Lincoln
state NE
zip 68522
email lnjwagner@windstream.net

comments We do not need a joint JPA for school security. We do not need the Mayor running our schools!

IP: 174.131.240.246
Form: http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/council/contact.htm
User Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/58.0.3029.110 Safari/537.36 Edge/16.16299
Dear Council members,
Today’s mass shooting was at a Nashville waffle restaurant with 4 dead.
I hope it would not occur to any of you to consider using school funds to fund waffle house security.
Neither should schools have to carve out funds from their budgets to pay for measures that attempt to stop school shootings. Guns are the key instrument for mass shootings and gun owners should be the ones that fund efforts that deal with shootings.
Please drop the JPT (or whatever) idea and put an excise tax on guns, ammunition and gun accessories.
Thank you for your attention.

-- Duane Polzien
5000 S. 67th Street
Lincoln, 68516
Angela M. Birkett

From: Terri Bayne <thread1956@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2018 3:27 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: JPA

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Council Members,

I support adding school resource officers, mental health counselors, community learning centers and more to protect our children, and now my grandchildren. However, a JPA is not the right solution.

The joint public agency (JPA) to fund officers, mental health counselors and additional security needs would create more bureaucracy. More self appointed government officials is not the answer.

LPS will receive with the current levy over 29 million new funding from state and commercial tax reevaluations. I believe with these funds, now is a great time to spend this windfall, your money wisely. You will receive more than enough to pay for this on your own, not create the JPA, and create a higher taxation on the citizens.

Just like myself, being a taxpayer and new widow, I have to figure out how I will be able to pay for all of these taxes, both higher revaluations and new taxes. Keep our children safe, pay for the SRO's with the money you have acquired and DO NOT CREATE THE JPA.

It's just not the right answer. Please consider listening to the citizens on this.
I cannot support the JPA.

Sincerely,

Teresa Bayne
7915 Garland
Lincoln, NE 68505
City Council - Contact

Date: 4/24/2018 5:35:20 AM

name Angie Alesio
address 335 Dale Drive
City Lincoln
state NE
zip 68510
email angiealesio@icloud.com
comments City Council Members,

Thank you for all you do to make Lincoln a great community. Lincoln is a wonderful city to raise a family, start a local business and a place to call home.
I’ve lived in Lincoln my whole life. Lincoln is a great city to stay in if you grew up here and a great choice for a place to move to.
My husband, Matt, and I have a first grade son at Eastridge Elementary and a sixth grade daughter at Millard Lefler.
We have only the best to say about Lincoln Public Schools. We have had wonderful experiences.
I ask you to support additional School Resource Officers at Lincoln Public Schools.
SRO’s will do wonders for students and support school safety.
I hope for an increase in mental health resources in addition to more SRO’s.
I thank you for making Lincoln a better place for all of us.

Angie Alesio
School Board Members:

As a citizen of Lincoln and a taxpayer, I am absolutely horrified at the knee - jerk power grab that this proposed JPA constitutes. There is no need for another taxing authority that will carry with it expenses for another bureaucracy.

LPS is already top-heavy in administration. There is no need to install more government. Hire more resource officers and counselors if you feel that will help to prevent an unknown and unpredictable event. Do your jobs.

Mark my vote on the JPA as NO.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Laurie Montag
1021 Mulder Dr
Lincoln, NE 68510
Council member,

There has been much discussion about how to keep our kids safe in light of the recent national tragedies, particularly the recent Parkland Florida school shooting. I appreciate the Mayor and the Council’s attention to the matter.

After hearing the debate and reading the coverage, I strongly support the idea of forming a Joint Public Agency. Of all the ideas discussed, the JPA is the best vehicle for protecting money devoted to school so it can’t be shifted to other areas. It also promotes the kind of intergovernmental cooperation that will lead to better decision-making and the best protection for our kids.

Robert (Zack) Burgin
2045 Harwood St
Lincoln, NE 68502

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Zack Burgin
|Executive Director| |Nebraska Civic Engagement Table|
|He, Him, His|
|402.547.1925|  |zack@nebraskatable.org|
Empowering the rising electorate of Nebraska, together.
Karen and I have raised our family here in Lincoln, and we have volunteered (one or both of us) in a Public School for nearly 40 years, every week. We are both TeamMates and I have volunteered in the after school program at North Star until a year ago. We own a small business, and I am on the Advisory Board for the Automotive Program at SECC. We are not casual observers, we are participants.

We strongly oppose adding the bureaucracy of another JPA. But opposing the JPA does not mean opposing safe schools. We frequent, Lincoln High, Bryan Learning Center, North Star without any fear of violence. These are great schools, run by really great administrators, sadly Dr. Price is leaving NS.

Please do the right thing for not only the kids, but also the community. Please do not vote for or support the JPA.

Don & Karen Friesen

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The proposed joint public agency (JPA) is just a shell designed to collect taxes and send them back to the City and to Lincoln Public Schools (LPS). The JPA will not hire, manage, or create policies related to school resource officers (SRO) or threat assessment officers, the City will be completely responsible for them within the terms of the existing interlocal agreement between the City and LPS. The JPA will not hire, manage, or create policies related to community learning center (CLC) site coordinators or behavioral specialist, LPS will be completely responsible for these individuals.

The JPA relies on interlocal agreements between the City and LPS to determine shared costs, responsibilities and to determine how JPA funds will be spent. The JPA will not have any control over the employees or programs it funds. The JPA’s only control is the organizational document which only addresses raising and transferring taxpayer funds. The JPA is completely unnecessary.

The JPA will assume funding for the City's current participation as the lead agency at several CLCs, roughly $600,000. This will free up a significant amount of dollars under the City's spending lid which will be spent on other City projects. Possibly the real reason behind the JPA.

The JPA is unlike any other JPA and it is relying on the vagueness of State law in defining what a JPA can do. It is likely that the Legislature will frown on this shell of a JPA being used as a funding pass through with no real responsibilities. The City and LPS should think twice before provoking the Legislature.

There was talk of levy neutrality when the JPA was made public. There is no guarantee in the JPA organizational documents that this will happen. Since all funding for the JPA comes from the City, to be levy neutral the City will have to cut a penny of levy from its current levy. This seems to be very unlikely and even more unlikely over multiple years. If the JPA is not kept levy neutral then the City will have more money to spend without raising the City levy, around a million dollars since the JPA is assuming funding of that much of City services costs. Another possible real reason behind the JPA.

Advocates have claimed that the JPA will be more transparent and accountable. How can adding a layer of bureaucracy be more transparent or accountable. To follow the funding now a taxpayer needs to track actions by the City and LPS. With the JPA the same taxpayer will have to add the non-profit advising the JPA on funding and the JPA itself. How is this more transparent or accountable?
Advocates have also claimed that the JPA will be more protective of the funding. The funds of the JPA are no more protected than an interlocal agreement, both can be canceled by the action of either the City or LPS. A simple vote of either the City or LPS can dissolve the JPA and its funding.

Every benefit claimed for the JPA can be accomplished in a more direct, transparent, and taxpayer friendly way through direct cooperation between the City and LPS. The JPA is just a shell funding mechanism, a middle man that serves no real purpose. This unnecessary layer of bureaucracy should be abandoned and interlocal agreements should be modified or created to more directly and efficiently achieve the goals we all support.

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LPS has more than enough money to pay for all the officers!!! You took all the tax increase on the home valuations which really made me disgusted with the school board!!!!!!!!!!and are getting an additional 20 million this year. You have more than enough money to fund the SRO’s. NO JPA AND NO NEW TAXES!!!!!!!!

Jerry L. Wolf

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Please see the email below from Gary Caster opposing the JPA. Gary asked that I forward this to the Mayor and City Council.

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Jon,

Info – Same message applies to Mayor & Council – Please forward to them.

Gary Caster

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

LPS Board & Superintendent,
Increasing school and providing additional mental health professionals is certainly within your more than ample tax levy and recent windfalls. You could cover it for 20-40 years.

It appears this additional JPA has been less than public knowledge and fits recent political tactics: Don’t let any crisis go unplundered.

With your refusal to lower levies and not returning any windfalls to tax payers; but wanting to create another taxing/government entity with the promise to not raise your tax levy, somehow rings hollow.

Future LPS bond issues may be opposed vehemently should you choose the “plunder the property tax payer path”.

Gary Caster,

Lincoln

Sent from Mail for Windows 10
Council member,

As a mother of 3 boys, 2 of which currently in LPS, the proposed Safe and Secure Kids JPA is a great solution for the issues of increasing safety in our schools while providing badly needed services for kids.

The effort is a comprehensive solution that recognizes that safety isn’t just about law enforcement, but rather an integrated approach that covers mental health and keeping kids engaged during non-school hours.

I urge you to vote for the JPA as it is the right approach for our kids future.

Alena Williams
2045 Harwood St
Lincoln, NE 68502
Dear Councilman Camp,

Thank you for representing our district.

We agree with LIBA chair, Wanda Caffrey, that we do not need another JPA. Perhaps Ms Lamm's proposal is the best option.

Also, see today LPS wants to build a $3.2 millions build for 200 zoo school students as well as give significant pay raises to top administrators. Is there no end? We seniors will be taxed out of this state as our home values continue to rise and no one seems to want to reduce the tax levy accordingly.

Thank you for your lending ear.

Jim and Deanna McClintick
7839 Agatha Dr
Lincoln, NE 68516
On April 20, 2,600 students participated in walkouts at Lincoln’s public schools, joining thousands across the nation who are concerned about safety in our schools and demanding action. In Lincoln, we have an opportunity with the proposed JPA to provide the protection, programming and funding needed to keep our kids safe and successful. As Lincoln Board of Education Member Connie Duncan said at a recent news conference: “We need our city and our schools to wrap their arms around those that need us the most, our most valuable asset, our children.”

I encourage members of LPS Board and the City Council to support this important proposal for our community.

Lee Rockwell
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Hey Roy and Jon,

Wife and I believe we are paying too much in taxes already and don’t want to pay even more for an unnecessary increase in school bureaucracy. From our experience LPS is a bloated bureaucracy rife with incompetent and unproductive employees. Increasing the bureaucracy is not the answer. The answer is making LPS employees work!

No more new taxes!!

I hope I’m preaching to the choir.

Thanks to both of ya for serving on our City Council.

Michael Kaufman
Cripple Creek
Hello;

As a Lincoln resident and voter, I am opposed to the JPA, I support adding school resource officers and mental health counselors etc. However; a JPA is not the right solution. I am for school safety and know we have the funding and agreements already in place with the current setup. LPS had a 28M windfall and you dare to even think about raising tax....... NO MORE TAXES!!!!!

Thank you;

Paul McCabe
From: WebForm <none@lincoln.ne.gov>  
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Lincoln City Council:

Increasing school security and providing additional mental health professionals/etc. is certainly within LPS and Lincoln City’s more than ample tax levies and recent windfalls. LPS & City could cover SRO/etc. for 20-40 years; but this would undermine the imperious strategy of LPS and Lincoln City’s liberal leadership. Another source of funds could be the additional property taxes from some completed TIF projects. As an aside, where is the additional tax receipts from completed TIF included on both City & LPS budgets? Suggestion for City: Earmark some for Police/Fire Pensions.

It appears this additional pre-planned JPA has been less than open public knowledge and fits a totalitarian political tactic:

Don’t let any tragedy/crisis go unplundered.

With LPS refusal to lower levies and not returning any windfalls to tax payers and City’s token tax relief; yet both wanting to create another taxing/government entity with the promise to not raise levies (JPA has levy authority); the promise somehow rings hollow. Why a JPA if no new levies/taxes? Aren’t JPA’s formed to create taxing authority/power?

Future LPS and City bond issues should be opposed vehemently should you choose the “Plunder the Property Tax Payer Again” path.

Why is our city and school needs always out pacing Lincoln’s growth, including tax bases? Yeah, I’ve heard our levies don’t increase much, it’s just the property evaluations going up that’s the real culprit. But we still have real never-ending tax/fee increases. Could it be that it’s all about power? Tax levies (dollars) are power, especially by another appointed and non-voter approved taxing authority.

No to JPA.

Thanks for your consideration.

Gary Caster

Lincoln
Dear Council Members:

We are OPPOSED to the creation of a new JPA! As Council Member, Lamm, said, "There are funds already available for this." We support Council Member Lamm's proposal to use funds on hand and work within existing agreements between LPS and the City.

Sincerely,

Ron and Lynette Nash
Angela M. Birkett

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My husband and I are not in favor of the proposed JPA bond. In newspaper articles it seems that only 30% of the proceeds will go to 6 resource officers. Just today we heard that a school committee has indicated that a new high school will be needed so where will the proceeds come for a resource officer there - plus any proposed middle schools. On a segment today on KFOR with the Mayor, we heard that the first $600,000. will go to Parks and Rec for after school programs. Parents have been very outspoken for more resource officers so do they realize that as Lincoln gets more schools, there possibly will not be more resources officers? We believe that resource officers probably are needed but we feel that all things proposed can be paid for by the LPS and the City as revenue has increased the past 2 years with property reevaluations. We hear it will be "tax neutral" but, what happens after the first year or when things could get more tight. We don't feel the JPA will be transparent when it includes the Mayor and he will be appointing the two individuals from the City Council - the school board will be responsible for appointing their 3 representatives. We understand there is a proposal to have another "line item" on our real estate taxes for streets. For this "we" can perhaps vote but we understand "we" will not be able to vote on the JPA. We understand that the content of the JPA can be changed - but, that can bring changes and again probably we tax payers have no say. AGAIN, WE ARE AGAINST THE PROPOSED JPA. Clarice Bailey
The JPA is ineffective and a waste of money. We need to use the funding we have better and focus on proactive realistic measures that have been proven to work - like maximizing School Resource Officers and other physical security methods. We do not need to waste taxpayer money and create more bureaucracy and entrench politicians in unelected positions. Please do not support JPA.

se7en
Dear Council Members,

I am contacting you to express my opposition to the formation of a JPA to address the school safety issue. Its another layer of government bureaucracy that we do not need. I see this as taking advantage of tragedy in some schools to create yet another costly and inefficient agency. I urge you to vote against this proposal. Thank you for your time. Most sincerely, Dianne Mota

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In a recent updated article in the Journal Star ("Draft deal spells out details..." April 23, 2018), John Neal, assistant to Dr. Joel, Lincoln's Superintendent of Schools is quoted: "There’s been a pretty concerted effort to work on a JPA over a number of years,” said Neal. “The issue is finding a time when it really fits, when there’s a confluence of issues that are very complex and require the school district and the city working incredibly closely.” So they decided that after the tragic school shooting in Florida, it was a good time to push their "new revenue stream" (Beutler's words) forward--while parents and students are concerned for student safety in the local schools. Re-read Neal's words. I think it is worse than appalling that Beutler and Joel would exploit a national tragedy as the time to finally "reveal" a plan they have kept in the shadows for years, and act like they are only offering a solution to people's concerns. That fact is enough reason to kill the deal. No JPA.

Alice Brown 6205 Ballard Ave Lincoln NE 68507

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Angela M. Birkett

From: Jon Camp <joncamp@lincolnhaymarket.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2018 9:39 AM
To: 'waitestephanie@yahoo.com'
Cc: Angela M. Birkett
Subject: RE: No JPA!

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Stephanie:

Well written email, Stephanie. You should be a speech writer as you are able to convey a great deal in a few words!

Best regards,

Jon

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From: Stephanie Waite [mailto:waitestephanie@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2018 7:47 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: No JPA!

Dear Elected Officials,

Yes to school safety. Yes to safe kids. JPA . . . no, No, NO!!!

Stephanie Waite  
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402-309-9035  

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Councilmembers,

I wanted to make you aware that Charter recently announced the launch of Spectrum Internet Gig in Lincoln. Spectrum Internet Gig delivers a 1 gigabit connection with no data caps or contracts, includes a modem and free in-home WiFi, and is backed by a 30-day money back guarantee. As you may recall, in January Spectrum also increased the flagship speed to 100 Mbps at no cost to customers. All this is made possible by Spectrum’s state-of-the-art, fiber-rich network which allows us to deploy dramatically faster broadband speeds, including gigabit connections.

For more information, please see the press release below or contact me at (402) 540-9265.

Jeremiah

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Spectrum Launches Spectrum Internet Gig in Lincoln
LINCOLN, Neb. (April 25, 2018) – Charter Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ:CHTR) today announced the launch of Spectrum Internet Gig in Lincoln, featuring the deployment of DOCSIS 3.1 internet services delivering a 1 Gbps connection to the customer’s home.

Spectrum is fully committed to bringing faster internet speeds to the communities it serves with no modem fees or data caps. Priced at $104.99 per month for new customers, Spectrum Internet Gig is now available to approximately 23 million homes in a growing number of markets, including Lincoln, and will be available throughout virtually all of Spectrum’s 41-state service area by the end of 2018.

“Spectrum’s state-of-the-art, fiber-rich network allows us to deploy dramatically faster broadband speeds, including gigabit connections, broadly and rapidly,” said Tom Rutledge, Charter Communications Chairman.
and Chief Executive Officer. “As consumer demands for bandwidth and capacity grow, our world-class network is best-positioned to meet these demands, today and into the future.”

With Spectrum Internet Gig, customers have access to faster and more powerful internet speeds to stream video, play online games, download music and more across multiple devices without sacrificing performance.

For more information on Spectrum’s full suite of advanced broadband services, please visit www.spectrum.com.

About Spectrum
Spectrum is a suite of advanced broadband services offered by Charter Communications Inc., a leading broadband communications company and the second largest cable operator in the United States. Spectrum provides a full range of services, including Spectrum TV™ video entertainment programming, Spectrum Internet™ access, and Spectrum Voice™. Spectrum Business® similarly provides scalable, tailored, and cost-effective broadband communications solutions to business organizations, such as business-to-business Internet access, data networking, business telephone, video and music entertainment services, and wireless backhaul. More information about Spectrum can be found at spectrum.com.

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Doug

Thanks for your email. At this point, I concur with your assessment that more bureaucracy is not needed. I prefer “substance over form”.

Best regards,

Jon

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From: Douglas Vander Broek [mailto:dougvanderbroek@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2018 8:40 AM
To: Jon Camp
Subject: JPA

Mr. Camp: I live at 6511 Shenandoah Drive in Taylor Meadows, and I have been in contact with you over the years on various issues. As my City Council rep for District 2, I want you to know that I am opposed to the creation of a JPA at this time. I understand that both LPS and the City of Lincoln currently have the financial resources to provide additional security at our schools, which I definitely support. The formation of a JPA may be financially necessary in the future, but I don’t feel we need to take that step now. All three of our kids attended LPS at Eastridge elementary, Lux middle school, and East High. We think LPS is a great school system and have always supported bond issues. But we do not support the formation of a JPA at this time.

Thank you for your service and your consideration of my opinion in your decision.
Dear Council Members:
I recently read the April 24th Journal Star article about the Telegraph District plans that will be before the Council.
The article said nothing of planned car parking only that it would be bike friendly. The reality is Lincoln is currently a driving city and in order for our city to stay citizen friendly, we need to consider parking in all planned developments. Please keep parking in mind as we continue to make Lincoln a great city to live, work and play.
Thank you,
Denise Farley
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