

**Addendum**  
**DIRECTORS'/ORGANIZATIONAL AGENDA**  
**ADDENDUM**  
**Monday, May 13, 2019**

**I. MAYOR CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Fiscal Impact Statement - Urban Development/Economic Opportunity, dated May 7, 2019

**II. CONSTITUENT CORRESPONDENCE**

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2. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Bob Reeves
3. Proposed Ordinance 19-52, opposition - Dana Steffan
4. Proposed Ordinance 19-52, - opposition - Scott Hoffman
5. Proposed Ordinance 19-52, opposition - Real Estate Owners and Managers (REOMA)
6. Proposed Ordinance 19-52, opposition - Mike Dennis
7. Proposed Ordinance 19-52, opposition - Mike and Sandy Ireland
8. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Ian Edgington
9. Vacant Council Seat - Cecilia Rossiter
10. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Jeanette Nakada
11. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Elizabeth Woody
12. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Cathy Lohmeier
13. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - April Morrison
14. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Kelly Ross
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17. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Jessica Stoner
18. Damaged Trees - Larry Geiger
19. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Kayleigh Newman
20. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Schuyler Geery-Zink
21. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Kayla Jacox
22. Street name change Cattle Drive to Discovery Drive - Tyler Furman
23. National Moto displayed in all 93 Nebraska Courthouses - Ron & Lynette Nash
24. Proposed Ordinance 19-52 - Mallory G. Moore
25. Proposed Ordinance 19-52, opposition - Carol & Gareth Rees



FINANCE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS	Availability of Appropriations: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> BUDGET OFFICER <u>Sherry Wolf Orbal</u> <hr/> PURCHASING AGENT _____
FINANCE DIRECTOR <u>[Signature]</u>	DATE <u>5/7/19</u>

APPROVED: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	MAYOR <u>[Signature]</u> DATE _____
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**WHEN TO USE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

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

**HOW TO USE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

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

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

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

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

**PERSONNEL (full time equivalents):** Please note the number of fte's the request involves, if applicable.

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

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

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

**Angela M. Birkett**

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**From:** Sydney Butler <sydneyraebutler@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 09, 2019 3:11 PM  
**To:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** Ordinance 19-52

Dear Council Members,

My name is Sydney Butler and I live at 1426 S. 19th St. in Lincoln. Please support housing safety by voting for Ordinance 19-52. Your vote on this issue will be greatly appreciated by Lincoln voters affected by this problem.

Best,

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***Sydney Butler***

Pronouns: she/her/hers

P: 402.450.1085

1426 S. 19th St. #3

Lincoln, NE 68502

**Angela M. Birkett**

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**From:** Bob Reeves <bobreeves63@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 10, 2019 5:49 AM  
**To:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** proposed ordinance 19-52

Dear City Council members:

Please pass proposed ordinance 19-52, the Humane Housing ordinance. I believe a \$15 one-time fee for inspection of every rental unit is reasonable and will help ensure safe, clean and decent housing for Lincoln residents. I do not believe it will have a significant impact on rental rates. Other cities have such ordinances; they make good sense and are an example of policies that work to help improve and maintain the quality of life of citizens.

Thank you for your consideration,

Bob Reeves  
3237 Dudley St.  
402-464-1803

## Angela M. Birkett

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**From:** Dana Steffan <rentalre@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 10, 2019 11:21 AM  
**To:** Cyndi Lamm; Jon Camp; Jane Raybould; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Roy A. Christensen; Bennie R. Shobe  
**Subject:** Rental Dwelling Registration "Delay the vote"

Dear Council Members,

Regarding the ordinance amending Chapter 5.38 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to Rental Dwellings, Hotels, Motels and Rooming Houses to include rental dwelling registration and increased causes for doing internal inspections of rental dwellings, please delay the vote.

As a property manager, this would directly effect how I would run the business. Any additional requirements take time and effort away from my staffing duties.

By delaying the vote, this would allow time for the council, proponents, opponents and the new council to have time to review these important potential changes of this ordinance and hopefully time to review a positive outcome for all involved.

As a property manager and REOMA member, I have reached out to the Renters Together group and offered to work with them on educating tenants. I attended one of their meetings to find out more about what they stood for and ultimately what they wanted to see happen. It was clear that people don't understand the Nebraska Landlord tenant act. The landlords and tenants both have a "handbook" to follow complete with recourse if it doesn't take place. A closer review of the tools we already have as well as a review of improvements to those tools takes time and input. It seems that the time and input have not taken place. Please delay the vote and "talk" to the stake holders in the proposed ordinance. How will this improve the current system we have. Will there be improvements that are measurable. From the figures we have been given by Building and Safety, the complaints have decreased over the last 20 years.

Thank you for your time and "please delay the vote"

Dana Steffan

Providing solutions to your housing needs.

**Scott J. Hoffman**  
**4734 Adams Street**  
**Lincoln, Ne 68504**  
**Phone 402-466-6252**  
**REOMA**  
[scojhoff@aol.com](mailto:scojhoff@aol.com)

May 10, 2019

Lincoln City Council  
Chair- Bennie Shobe, Leirion Gaylor Baird, Jon Camp, Roy Christensen, Jane Raybould, Carl Eskridge, Cyndi Lamm

RE: Ordinance amending Chapter 5.38 of the Lincoln Municipal Code.  
AKA Landlord Registration.

Dear Council,

I'm going to start this off by saying that I've spent more time and money opposing this ordinance change than it would of cost me to register my properties ten times over and I'm not kidding. I was against this back in the year 2000 and I can see nothing has changed. I can also tell you I have fallen behind in my Landlord duties because of this and should be out maintaining my properties instead of running down here at city hall.

As I sat in the council chambers, basically sitting back and listening on May 6, 2019, all I can hear is social income diversity issues mostly involving affordable housing. I can be the first Landlord to speak up about that as I was vehemently surprised at the new valuations that had come out. Just two years ago I was spot on with my set rents and very reasonable and then wham!!! a \$432,000 in valuations increase on my rentals translating in a additional \$8000 plus in property taxes.

Now I was successful in getting some of those values reduced substantially, but not until I had to increase some of my rents \$50 to \$100 a month in rent to cover these additional taxes. I lost half of my tenants in my houses, because they simply could not afford it and I quickly got several of them rented and two of them are currently under purchase agreements. Let me make one thing perfectly clear, if someone buys a home next too or near my rental and pays a substantial price for it, that property is going to be used to compare to my rental then the so called "equalization process" takes place and brings up the value of my property in addition the rent is going to follow suit. For 35 years we do go off the value of the home to set our rents. It has nothing to do with greed it's just what the market not bears but has to bear period!!!!. These organizations for this proposal need to realize it's taking us two to three months to cover just the taxes on the property. I lost some good tenants and I hate to say this but good tenants are hard to find just like they claim good Landlords are hard to find.

Now does this have anything to do with the ordinance not a darn thing as was pointed out numerous times by Jon Camp. Myself and other colleagues in this business of rental property do not allow our tenants to live in squalor but some do so by their own choosing. And is there some small amount of tenants and Landlords agreeing to rent out properties that are not meeting the minimum housing codes and continue to do so involving single family dwellings certainly and a private agreement between them takes place. I just recently visited a older gentlemen in regards to fixing his appliance (my other business Hoffman's Used Appliances) I explained to him that his Landlord might have to register his property and pay a fee so that you can be protected from harm. He's been living at this house for over 12 years, you want to know what he said and this is really funny he said and I quote "what are we living in a ninny state, I don't need someone holding my hand". You know he's right and was very upset about this and he was a tenant!!!

I'm telling you this is a very well organized group that is rooted all over the country, "renters together" you can google it and it will show you different organizations around the country dealing with the same thing. The building and Safety department has not shown a trend of housing problems with single homes and duplexes with just one year of 2018, the numbers are down than the last time they kept track of this years ago

I can't simply sit back, when I was involved with this years ago and can see the same thing generating again. If you haven't reviewed some of the information that I had dropped off to you by packet a week ago then you need to do so now. Most of you if not all of you are not familiar with the housing market like I am and others. We do want affordable housing we do want people to call our rentals "home" and be proud of it, we do want our tenants contacting us when they have a problem and we will take care of it as soon as possible as I have for over 35 years.

There are going to be compliance and enforcement issues with this ordinance. Not every one is going to comply or even be aware of the registry which means unequal selective enforcement. Tenants do have the rights as I pointed out in testimony that they can vacate a premises after 14 days if the Landlord refuses or is unable to correct a non life threatening issues. If it is life threatening the tenant can take matter in thier own hands and get it taken care of immediately according to the Tenant Landlord Act and make the Landlord pay for it, It's stated right in it.

In addition, I did not hear any testimony or have read in the paper that any of these complaints are coming from homes and if they are I'm not hearing about it they all have involved apartment problems. Homes of which I own are very much on a one and one basis with the tenant and Landlord. The idea that codes has to get involved with a house issue, is just unbelievable and uncalled for. Who wants to continue living under those conditions again Tenant Landlord Act 76-1425 Non compliance by a Landlord, the tenant moves and then calls codes leaving that Landlord with a vacant house and having to make repairs. He's unable to re-rent that house until matters are taken care of a perfect scenario using the Tenant Landlord Act with our "current code enforcement". And this is what you would call "legal" retaliation against the Landlord. Landlords cannot retaliate against a tenant as it is written in the Act, anyone claiming that is pulling your leg or should move and do according to what I mentioned above.

I'm asking that you delay this and develop a committee like what we had in 2000 and we can discuss this with all the groups involved. But if I have to register my homes that I've never had a problem with and there doesn't appear to be a major crisis here I will have to contact counsel regarding this issue. One other thing to mention, I've never heard of my investment or rental property referred to as "housing stock". It sound deplorable like were breeding cattle and a lot of them same testifiers were using the same terminology as though they have been trained and not speaking from the heart.

One gal claimed that a friend of hers' was unable to make it, because she was trying to get her rent paid and that the Landlord was "working" with her on that. Gee, here's a nice Landlord that is working with a tenant on the rent but she is going to turn around and testify against him boy that really makes a lot of nonsense to me.

Sincerely,



Scott J. Hoffman  
Landlord

PS feel free to reach out to me for any advice or knowledge on this subject at the above contacts. One final note My Father Bill Hoffman who served the city council in the 80's passed away in 2014. Ironically he served the same district that Carl Eskridge is serving now. My Father was a man of facts and figures, he would never ever approve a ordinance change without looking at the numbers. It's ironic that his son is fighting against this ordinance and I keep getting reminded by my mother as she sometimes makes me feel like I'm twelve again stating you look and act just like your father!!!

By the way she's 89 years young and lives in one of my properties, rent free of course I wouldn't dare charge my mom.

May 10, 2019

To : All City Council members

From: Real Estate Owners and Managers Association (REOMA)

We ask that you delay voting on the proposed ordinance to modify the existing code regarding rental inspections and changes related to rental registration. We are working on proposed changes and possible additional amendments and need time to complete the work.

We have spoken to LIBA, RAL and other trade organizations in Lincoln about this issue and would like to join with these groups to contact the tenant advocacy groups like Renters Together and others.

We envision a task force of all interested group representatives being formed to address the very real and important challenge Lincoln faces of a shortage of good, safe affordable housing in all low and medium rent levels.

We want to work with Mayor-elect Gaylor Baird and the newly elected city council members to find a real solution to real problems.

Thanks for helping keep Lincoln a great place to live, work, build a business and raise a family.



Sandy Ireland - President

May 10, 2019

To: All City Council Members

From: Mike Dennis

We ask that you delay voting on the proposed ordinance to modify the existing code regarding rental inspections and changes related to rental registrations. We are working on proposed changes and possible additional amendments and we need time to complete the work.

We would appreciate “delay the vote” until such a time as we have studied the issue.

Thank you for your consideration in “delay the vote

Mike Dennis

402-489-3036

May 10, 2019

All City Council Members (Bernie Shobe - Chair, Leirion Gaylor Baird, Jon Camp, Roy Christensen, Carl Eskridge, Cyndi Lamm, Jane Raybould):

In regard to the proposed ordinance amending Chapter 5.38 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to Rental Dwellings, Hotels, Motels, and Rooming Houses, I would like to ask that you consider delaying the vote until additional research and communication with parties involved can be completed. This would allow time to meet with various groups who are in favor of this legislation and those opposed as well get feedback to the Aid to the Mayor and Council, and possibly working out some of the details to come up with legislation that is more favorable to all parties. Testimony at the recent hearing indicated a willingness by both sides to do so.

Please note that we are opposed to the proposed changes to the ordinance. In summary, please consider the following:

The figures, as provided by the City, indicate that the number of violations for duplexes are down from figures given in a newspaper article in 2001. Therefore, there is not a rising code violation problem that is increasing in the city. It has decreased.

There are already laws in place to protect tenants which allow the City to do inspections if there are complaints on a property. The tenants are also protected under The Landlord Tenant Act, including but not limited to Sections 76-1419, 76-1426, and 16-1427. The triggering mechanisms seem to be looking for problems when there are none reported. That is an unnecessary drain on city resources in addition to tenant inconvenience and invasion of privacy.

There needs to be some accountability to tenants as well. While there are a handful of bad landlords, there are also some undesirable tenants and there should be some consequences to tenants who are the cause of violations. There has been concern expressed about landlord retaliation. Tenant retaliation has also been known to happen. Accountability and consequences need to work both ways. Landlords are more willing to keep property well-maintained if tenants are taking care of it vs tearing up what improvements are made. Property owners have a lot invested in their property and most are good landlords and want to provide good housing for tenants. The market should take care of itself to a point as well. If a property is not in good condition, it will not rent easily or for market rent.

It seemed a lot of the testimony involved affordable housing vs items relating to the proposed changes. While properties should certainly meet minimum housing codes, if landlords are required to do extensive repairs, the cost of rent will end up reflecting that. One testified a friend was afraid to turn in a landlord due to fear of retaliation because she was behind on rent. If there was an eviction in that situation, I would suggest it would likely be due to non-payment of rent, yet they try to make it about retaliation.

If there is to be a registry, would it be public, disclosing owner's email addresses and phone numbers? That would open them up to a lot of spam and violate privacy.

*Mike Ireland*  
*Sandy Ireland*  
Mike and Sandy Ireland

## Angela M. Birkett

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**From:** WebForm <none@lincoln.ne.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 10, 2019 4:39 PM  
**To:** Cyndi Lamm; Jon Camp; Jane Raybould; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Roy A. Christensen; Bennie R. Shobe  
**Subject:** InterLinc - Contact

### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/10/2019 4:39:04 PM

**name** Ian Edgington  
**address** 1708 N 32 St  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68503  
**email** iredgington@gmail.com  
**comments** I'll be brief, I would like to let the Council now I believe passing Ordinance 19-52 is important and I support it. I attended the city council meeting with many about a month ago, and very happy that the Council is taking housing seriously. Thank you to everyone on the council for being willing to address this. Again, please pass Ordinance 19-52!

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**From:** Cecilia Rossiter <punion@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 10, 2019 6:14 PM  
**To:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** Please support Megan Stock as new city council member

M Stock shows real interest and ability. Now is the time for her to step up. She is the best candidate. Thanks for your attention.

Regards, Cecilia Rossiter  
949 N 30th Street  
402-450-1626

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**From:** WebForm <none@lincoln.ne.gov>  
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**To:** Cyndi Lamm; Jon Camp; Jane Raybould; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Roy A. Christensen; Bennie R. Shobe  
**Subject:** InterLinc - Contact

### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/11/2019 11:07:01 AM

**name** Jeanette Nakada

**address** 949 So. 11th St, Apt C

**city** lincoln

**state** NE

**zip** 68508

**email** nakada.jeanette5@gmail.com

**comments** I support Ordinance 19-52 in Lincoln, NE. Residents--we who choose to rent and we who must rent--in order to be more active, contributing persons in our neighborhoods, deserve more stability and safety in our homes, for our apartments are our homes.  
Code enforcement ensures rented structures remain safer and stable for longer periods of time. A centralized listing of current rental property enables the City to know what rental housing stock exists, and to improve communication with owners who live more than 60 miles from the city. This enforcement means problems arising in different properties owned by the same individual or company, will trigger needed interior inspections. Such inspections will be invaluable in homing in on problematic landlords/property owners. In addition, inspections will also be triggered by ineffectual landlords convicted of a housing code violation or who refuse to receive proper notice from the City about violations. Lastly, the ordinance sets up processes/procedures for notice to vacate, giving residents 60 days in which to do so--allowing displaced residents time to secure housing and avoid increasing the burden of homelessness in Lincoln.  
Thank you for your attention.  
--Jeanette Nakada

IP: 40.131.159.135

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**Angela M. Birkett**

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**From:** Elizabeth Woody <enwoody3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 12, 2019 12:42 AM  
**To:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** Housing Ordinance 19 - 52

Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to urge you to vote for humane housing by supporting Ordinance 19-52. It is critical that renters in Lincoln from a variety of economic backgrounds are able to have access to adequate conditions of housing.

Your constituent,

Elizabeth Woody  
(402) 802-2823  
[enwoody3@gmail.com](mailto:enwoody3@gmail.com)

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**From:** WebForm <none@lincoln.ne.gov>  
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**To:** Cyndi Lamm; Jon Camp; Jane Raybould; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Roy A. Christensen; Bennie R. Shobe  
**Subject:** InterLinc - Contact

### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/12/2019 3:24:52 PM

**name** Cathy Lohmeier  
**address** 1625 GARFIELD ST  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68502-2534  
**email** jncdoona@windstream.net  
**comments** Please support ordinance 19-52. It is common sense that someone who owns multiple single rental units should be held to the same inspection standards as those who own multiple units residing in one building. Our city's proactive attitude with regard to rental inspections helps keep renters safe. This ordinance simply makes our current inspection regulation more fair to all landlords. Please take this step in the right direction and vote yes on 19-52. Thanks.

IP: 173.189.82.79

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**Subject:** InterLinc - Contact

### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/12/2019 4:28:07 PM

**name** April Morrison  
**address** 5411 S 42nd St Ct  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68516  
**email** Rasperrysunset1@gmail.com  
**comments** Please vote for humane housing

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**From:** Kelly Ross <kellygreeniiz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 12, 2019 5:20 PM  
**To:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** Please Vote for Ordinance 19-52

Dear Council Member,

My name is Kelly Ross, and I live at 4920 Hillside St. Please support housing safety by voting for Ordinance 19-52. Your vote on this issue will be greatly appreciated by Lincoln voters affected by this problem.

I have been working closely with the immigrant and refugee community for the past 6 years, through local businesses/organizations such as Southeast Community College, Lincoln Literacy, Lutheran Family Services, and El Centro de las Americas. There are several instances where I felt dismayed at the condition of a housing unit - especially in light of the amount charged for rent. The two units that were especially inhospitable were the apartments at 2000 G Street and 1227 G Street. I have personally spent time in units at both of these properties, and something must be done to ensure increased diligence of the city's housing inspection unit for the protection of Lincoln's inhabitants.

Sincerely,

Kelly Ross  
(402) 430-3448  
[kellygreeniiz@gmail.com](mailto:kellygreeniiz@gmail.com)

## Angela M. Birkett

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**From:** Pete McClymont <pmcclymont@necattlemen.org>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 12, 2019 5:38 PM  
**To:** Bennie R. Shobe; Cyndi Lamm; Jon Camp; Jane Raybould; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Roy A. Christensen  
**Cc:** George J. Wesselhoft; Planning; Mike Fitzgerald  
**Subject:** Lincoln City Council agenda/Nebraska Cattlemen position

Ladies & Gentlemen,

I writing in regards to the Lincoln City Council agenda item for "Street Name Change 19001" for Monday's meeting.

First off, speaking for the Nebraska Cattlemen Board of Directors, we sincerely appreciate your unanimous vote to approve our request of changing Discovery Drive to Cattle Drive. Your actions have imbedded our new home with our identity located on Cattle Drive. Thank you.

With respect to the request submitted by Nebraska Center Excellence in Electronic, the Nebraska Cattlemen Executive Committee along with staff has taken the position to **"not support nor contest"** the request before you. Despite this position, Nebraska Cattlemen followed the proper procedures in our original request to change the street name to Cattle Drive. It is our understanding three public notices were published by the City as part of the application process. This action also received press coverage on December 22, 2018, January 21, 2019, January 26, 2019, January 28, 2019 and January 30, 2019 on the street name change. Therefore NCEE should have been made well aware of the suggested name change and been able to comment at that time.

We have one physical concern about the proposed change for your consideration. If the current request would be approved, for the drivers exiting from West Highland Boulevard onto Cattle Drive could be confusing if there is no signage for Cattle Drive. The practicality of finding 4611 Cattle Drive would be unclear.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or Mike Fitzgerald, NC's staff representative throughout this process.

Thank you for your consideration.

Pete McClymont  
Nebraska Cattlemen  
Executive Vice President & Treasurer  
4611 Cattle Drive  
Lincoln, NE 68521-4309  
[pmcclymont@necattlemen.org](mailto:pmcclymont@necattlemen.org)  
(402) 475-2333 Office  
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***"Working for Nebraska beef producers – pasture to plate"***



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**Subject:** InterLinc - Contact

### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/12/2019 8:37:07 PM

**name** Karen Lamb  
**address** 4901 NW Fairway Dr  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68521  
**email** klamb45@hotmail.com  
**comments** Please vote to pass ordinance 19-52. It's the right thing to do.

IP: 104.218.65.164

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**Subject:** InterLinc - Contact

### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/12/2019 11:18:40 PM

**name** Jessica Stoner  
**address** 6024 Deerwood Dr  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68516  
**email** Jessica.c.stoner@gmail.com

**comments** Hello -

I am emailing to voice my support of ordinance 19-52 in hopes of improving humane and affordable housing in Lincoln and hope you will be voting to support it as well. Thank you for your consideration in this very important ordinance.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Stoner

IP: 104.218.67.109

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## Angela M. Birkett

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**Subject:** InterLinc - Contact

### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/13/2019 8:12:39 AM

**name** Larry Geiger  
**address** 2155 Pester Ridge Road  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68523  
**email** Geico266@aol.com

**comments** The trees damaged or destroyed by the F2 Tornado that leveled Dairy Sweet has not been cleaned up yet. The tree damage extends from east of Lees Chicken to the Correctional facility on W. Vandorn, and on S. Coddington just south of Vandorn. There are still trees in the ditches and lots of debris on the roundabout. It's been a week with no little to no clean up action from the city. It is my understanding the tree removal is Lincoln Parks & Rec responsible. Let's get this done ASAP. The SW area of Lincoln would greatly appreciate it.

Larry Geiger  
2155 Pester Ridge Rd.  
Lincoln, NE 68523

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### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/13/2019 9:28:45 AM

**name** Kayleigh Newman  
**address** 621 Surfside Dr Apt. 224  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68528  
**email** Kaynewm3@gmail.com  
**comments** Hello,

As a renter living in Lincoln, I ask you to please support Ordinance 19-52.

This will create important protections for renters through interior inspections to make sure all Lincolnites have the safe and adequate housing they deserve. It will also allow Lincoln to better address the current housing shortage by tracking the number of rental housing stock.

Thank you for your time and support,  
Kayleigh R. Newman

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### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/13/2019 10:21:11 AM

**name** Schuyler Geery-Zink  
**address** 8560 Fremont St #65  
**city** LINCOLN  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68507  
**email** sgeeryzink@gmail.com  
**comments** Dear City Council,

Please vote in support of Ordinance 19-52. It will ensure our fantastic city knows which rental housing stock exists and what might be most effective to address housing shortages. The ordinance will also help address problem properties through interior inspections.

I am a long-time resident of Lincoln and have personally been affected by landlords who do not adequately repair properties. I had health complications due to severe dust and mold exposure in addition to a mice infestation -- I was sick for almost a month after moving out and had complications for months leading up to that point. I rented from a different property previously where there was mold behind the bathroom tiles (which they painted over) and a squirrel living above my neighbor's apartment. As humorous as the squirrel sounds, the reality of living with a squirrel is not so fun! I now pay twice as much in rent in a brand new rental unit to avoid mold exposure. I shouldn't have to sacrifice affordability for quality but at least I have the flexibility to do so -- more importantly, Lincoln residents should not have to sacrifice quality and their health for affordability.

Lincoln is already facing a quality-affordable housing crisis. Some of the properties being rented out are simply hazardous. Look no further than the issue with refugee tenants in those Omaha apartments to realize we don't want to be in that position here in Lincoln. We care about quality affordable housing for our residents because we know how important it is to a thriving community, attracting young adults and entrepreneurship to Lincoln, and sustainable economic growth. I'm a young adult who can recover from mold exposure, but what about older Lincolnites and children impacted by these inhumane living conditions? What about refugees who don't know their rights? Here is the question: do we as a community stand with the college students, people with disabilities, refugees, the elderly, the struggling families?

The city should have reasonable oversight over landlords -- that's all this ordinance does. Candidly, those who are providing safe housing shouldn't have an issue with the ordinance, it's the landlords who know they are doing something wrong who don't want to be inspected, who don't want rational oversight and protections to vulnerable tenants.

Lincoln is a wonderful city -- it's where we call home. We take care of our neighbors here and make sure

everyone has safe housing. Please vote in support of Ordinance 19-52 if you believe Lincoln is a city worth living in and fighting for.

Warmest regards,  
Schuyler

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### City Council - Contact

Date : 5/13/2019 10:45:22 AM

**name** Kayla Jacox  
**address** 8231 Sandalwood Drive  
**city** Lincoln  
**state** NE  
**zip** 68510  
**email** kaylamjacox@gmail.com  
**comments** People of Lincoln deserve humane housing. I'm urging you to pass Ordinance 19-52. Take a stand with so many people of Lincoln to support giving the city tools to improve rental conditions that are FAIR and will prevent unhealthy conditions. Protect the renters of Lincoln.

IP: 40.135.3.98

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4740 Discovery Drive | Lincoln, NE 68521  
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May 9, 2019

Tyler Furman,  
Kawasaki Motors Mfg. Corp., USA  
6600 NM 27<sup>th</sup> St  
Lincoln, NE 68524

Dear Mr.Furman:

I am writing you to request that the city rename a section of Cattle Drive to Discovery Drive, extending from W. Highland Blvd to the intersection of Cattle Drive and Research Drive.

The proposed request would be consistent with past City of Lincoln practice of having a street name change occur at an intersection. This proposal would allow NCEE to retain its original address, under which it has operated for the past 19 years, without impacting the Cattlemen's current address.

As you represent a high technology Nebraska manufacturer we would like to include your support in the application we are preparing to send to the Lincoln Planning Department. Toward this, would you sign and date the statement below so we can include it in our application?

Sincerely,

Steve Cass  
General Manager of NCEE Labs  
4740 Discovery Drive  
Lincoln, NE 68521  
402-323-6233

I support the NCEE Labs proposal to rename a portion of Cattle Drive back to Discovery Drive.

Date: 5/13/19

Signature: Tyler Furman, Kawasaki Motors Mfg., Corp.,

**Angela M. Birkett**

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**From:** 1lnash@windstream.net  
**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2019 11:20 AM  
**To:** Jon Camp; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Cyndi Lamm; Jane Raybould; Bennie R. Shobe; Roy A. Christensen  
**Subject:** National Mott "IN GOD WE TRUST"

Dear City Council Members:

We agree with Ms. Otto's suggestion of displaying our National Motto "IN GOD WE TRUST" in all 93 county courthouses!!! With 90 counties already displaying our National Motto, can you please work together to get our National Motto displayed in our Lancaster County Courthouse? We thank you in advance for getting this accomplished in our County Courthouse!

We have been told that the County Commissioners along with the City Council need to approve this to be done. Would you please be so kind to let us know when we can expect this to be done in our Lancaster County Courthouse?

Sincerely,

Ron and Lynette Nash  
1110 Cottonwood Drive  
Lincoln, NE 68510

**Angela M. Birkett**

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**From:** Mallory Moore <mallory.mooretep@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2019 11:51 AM  
**To:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** Support 19-52

Dear Council Member,

My name is Mallory Moore and I live at 3931 N 14th St. Please support housing safety by voting for Ordinance 19-52. Your vote on this issue will be greatly appreciated by Lincoln voters affected by this problem. I believe this is an important step in helping to assure affordable and adequate housing for all Lincoln residents.

Sincerely,  
Mallory G. Moore

**Scott J. Hoffman**  
**4734 Adams Street**  
**Lincoln, Ne 68504**  
**Phone 402-466-6252**  
**REOMA**  
[scojhoff@aol.com](mailto:scojhoff@aol.com)

May 10, 2019

Lincoln City Council  
Chair- Bennie Shobe, Leirion Gaylor Baird, Jon Camp, Roy Christensen, Jane Raybould, Carl Eskridge, Cyndi Lamm

RE: Ordinance amending Chapter 5.38 of the Lincoln Municipal Code.  
AKA Landlord Registration.

Dear Council,

I'm going to start this off by saying that I've spent more time and money opposing this ordinance change than it would of cost me to register my properties ten times over and I'm not kidding. I was against this back in the year 2000 and I can see nothing has changed. I can also tell you I have fallen behind in my Landlord duties because of this and should be out maintaining my properties instead of running down here at city hall.

As I sat in the council chambers, basically sitting back and listening on May 6, 2019, all I can hear is social income diversity issues mostly involving affordable housing. I can be the first Landlord to speak up about that as I was vehemently surprised at the new valuations that had come out. Just two years ago I was spot on with my set rents and very reasonable and then wham!!! a \$432,000 in valuations increase on my rentals translating in a additional \$8000 plus in property taxes.

Now I was successful in getting some of those values reduced substantially, but not until I had to increase some of my rents \$50 to \$100 a month in rent to cover these additional taxes. I lost half of my tenants in my houses, because they simply could not afford it and I quickly got several of them rented and two of them are currently under purchase agreements. Let me make one thing perfectly clear, if someone buys a home next too or near my rental and pays a substantial price for it, that property is going to be used to compare to my rental then the so called "equalization process" takes place and brings up the value of my property in addition the rent is going to follow suit. For 35 years we do go off the value of the home to set our rents. It has nothing to do with greed it's just what the market not bears but has to bear period!!!!. These organizations for this proposal need to realize it's taking us two to three months to cover just the taxes on the property. I lost some good tenants and I hate to say this but good tenants are hard to find just like they claim good Landlords are hard to find.

Now does this have anything to do with the ordinance not a darn thing as was pointed out numerous times by Jon Camp. Myself and other colleagues in this business of rental property do not allow our tenants to live in squalor but some do so by their own choosing. And is there some small amount of tenants and Landlords agreeing to rent out properties that are not meeting the minimum housing codes and continue to do so involving single family dwellings certainly and a private agreement between them takes place. I just recently visited a older gentlemen in regards to fixing his appliance (my other business Hoffman's Used Appliances) I explained to him that his Landlord might have to register his property and pay a fee so that you can be protected from harm. He's been living at this house for over 12 years, you want to know what he said and this is really funny he said and I quote "what are we living in a ninny state, I don't need someone holding my hand". You know he's right and was very upset about this and he was a tenant!!!

I'm telling you this is a very well organized group that is rooted all over the country, "renters together" you can google it and it will show you different organizations around the country dealing with the same thing. The building and Safety department has not shown a trend of housing problems with single homes and duplexes with just one year of 2018, the numbers are down than the last time they kept track of this years ago

I can't simply sit back, when I was involved with this years ago and can see the same thing generating again. If you haven't reviewed some of the information that I had dropped off to you by packet a week ago then you need to do so now. Most of you if not all of you are not familiar with the housing market like I am and others. We do want affordable housing we do want people to call our rentals "home" and be proud of it, we do want our tenants contacting us when they have a problem and we will take care of it as soon as possible as I have for over 35 years.

There are going to be compliance and enforcement issues with this ordinance. Not every one is going to comply or even be aware of the registry which means unequal selective enforcement. Tenants do have the rights as I pointed out in testimony that they can vacate a premises after 14 days if the Landlord refuses or is unable to correct a non life threatening issues. If it is life threatening the tenant can take matter in thier own hands and get it taken care of immediately according to the Tenant Landlord Act and make the Landlord pay for it, It's stated right in it.

In addition, I did not hear any testimony or have read in the paper that any of these complaints are coming from homes and if they are I'm not hearing about it they all have involved apartment problems. Homes of which I own are very much on a one and one basis with the tenant and Landlord. The idea that codes has to get involved with a house issue, is just unbelievable and uncalled for. Who wants to continue living under those conditions again Tenant Landlord Act 76-1425 Non compliance by a Landlord, the tenant moves and then calls codes leaving that Landlord with a vacant house and having to make repairs. He's unable to re-rent that house until matters are taken care of a perfect scenario using the Tenant Landlord Act with our "current code enforcement". And this is what you would call "legal" retaliation against the Landlord. Landlords cannot retaliate against a tenant as it is written in the Act, anyone claiming that is pulling your leg or should move and do according to what I mentioned above.

I'm asking that you delay this and develop a committee like what we had in 2000 and we can discuss this with all the groups involved. But if I have to register my homes that I've never had a problem with and there doesn't appear to be a major crisis here I will have to contact counsel regarding this issue. One other thing to mention, I've never heard of my investment or rental property referred to as "housing stock". It sound deplorable like were breeding cattle and a lot of them same testifiers were using the same terminology as though they have been trained and not speaking from the heart.

One gal claimed that a friend of hers' was unable to make it, because she was trying to get her rent paid and that the Landlord was "working" with her on that. Gee, here's a nice Landlord that is working with a tenant on the rent but she is going to turn around and testify against him boy that really makes a lot of nonsense to me.

Sincerely,



Scott J. Hoffman  
Landlord

PS feel free to reach out to me for any advice or knowledge on this subject at the above contacts. One final note My Father Bill Hoffman who served the city council in the 80's passed away in 2014. Ironically he served the same district that Carl Eskridge is serving now. My Father was a man of facts and figures, he would never ever approve a ordinance change without looking at the numbers. It's ironic that his son is fighting against this ordinance and I keep getting reminded by my mother as she sometimes makes me feel like I'm twelve again stating you look and act just like your father!!!

By the way she's 89 years young and lives in one of my properties, rent free of course I wouldn't dare charge my mom.