

DIRECTORS' ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Monday, November 4, 2019

555 S. 10TH STREET

BILL LUXFORD STUDIO

I. MINUTES

1. Approval of Directors' Minutes from October 21, 2019

II. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

III. CITY CLERK

IV. MAYOR'S OFFICE

V. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

PLANNING

1. Action dated October 30, 2019

VI. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSION REPORTS

1. DLA - Meginnis, Ward (10.22.19)
2. WHJPA - Ward (10.24.19)
3. Safe and successful Kids Inter-local - Shobe, Meginnis (10.24.19)
4. ILC - Christensen, Shobe, Washington (10.28.19)
5. PAC - Shobe, Washington, Bowers (10.29.19)
6. PRT - Bowers (10.31.19)
7. Justice Council - Raybould (11.01.19)
8. Tele-Communications - Washington (10.17.19) *carry over from 10.21.19*

VII. CONSTITUENT CORRESPONDENCE

1. 2019 Wild Parties City Wide from January 1, through October 23, 2019 - Clinton Neighborhood Organization
2. Safe Storage in Cars Ordinance - Melody Vaccaro
3. Safe Gun Storage - Emily Killham
4. Safe Storage in Cars Ordinance - Denise Arnold
5. Elevated Roundabout - Mike James

VIII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

See invitation list.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

****ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION****

NOTICE: The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 30, 2019, 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.

****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, October 30, 2019

[Commissioners Al-Badry, Edgerton, Joy]

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held October 16, 2019. ****APPROVED: 6-0;**
(Al-Badry, Edgerton, Joy absent)**

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

SPECIAL PERMIT:

- 1.1 ~~SPECIAL PERMIT 19046, to allow for rebuilding of a covered walkway by expansion of a nonconforming use, on property generally located at 3240 South 27th Street.~~
Staff recommendation: Application Withdrawn
Staff Planner: Dessie Redmond, 402-441-6373, dredmond@lincoln.ne.gov
THIS APPLICATION WAS WITHDRAWN; NO ACTION TAKEN.

2. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL: None.

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CONFORMANCE:

4.1 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CONFORMANCE 19014, to review as to conformance with the 2040 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, an amendment to the City of Lincoln FY 18/19 – FY 23/24 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), to add the ¼ cent sales tax funding source and update the Streets & Highways project descriptions.

Staff recommendation: In Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan

Staff Planner: Kellee Van Bruggen, 402-441-6363, kvanbruggen@lincoln.ne.gov

Planning Commission recommendation: FINDING OF CONFORMANCE,

including revisions to the staff report as identified in the staff memo dated October 30, 2019: 5-0 (Al-Badry, Edgerton, Joy absent; Beckius abstained).

Public hearing before the City Council is tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 25, 2019, at 5:30 p.m.

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**AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM
NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO**

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Adjournment 1:30 p.m.

PENDING LIST: *Special Permit 18045, to allow for a County AG (Agricultural District) CUP (Community Unit Plan), consisting of 148.49 acres, more or less, for 9 single family acreage lots on property generally located at North 14th Street and Rock Creek Road.*

Preliminary Plat 18002, to add 430 residential lots on approximately 152.1 acres, more or less, on property generally located at the SW corner of West Old Cheney Road and South Folsom Street.

Angela M. Birkett

From: Clinton Neighborhood Organization <clinton.cno@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2019 11:12 AM
Subject: Fwd: Wild Parties
Attachments: 2019 Wild Party CFS - Oct 25 2019 (1).pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

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Here's a report from Lincoln Police Dept. on the number of Wild Parties city wide from January 1- through Oct. 23 2019. It has a lot of good information.

Clinton Neighborhood Organization

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TO: A/C Jackson, Ofc. Jackson-Goodwin
 FROM: C/A Marie Mathine
 DATE: Oct 25, 2019
 SUBJECT: 2019 Wild Parties - CFS / Husker Home Games

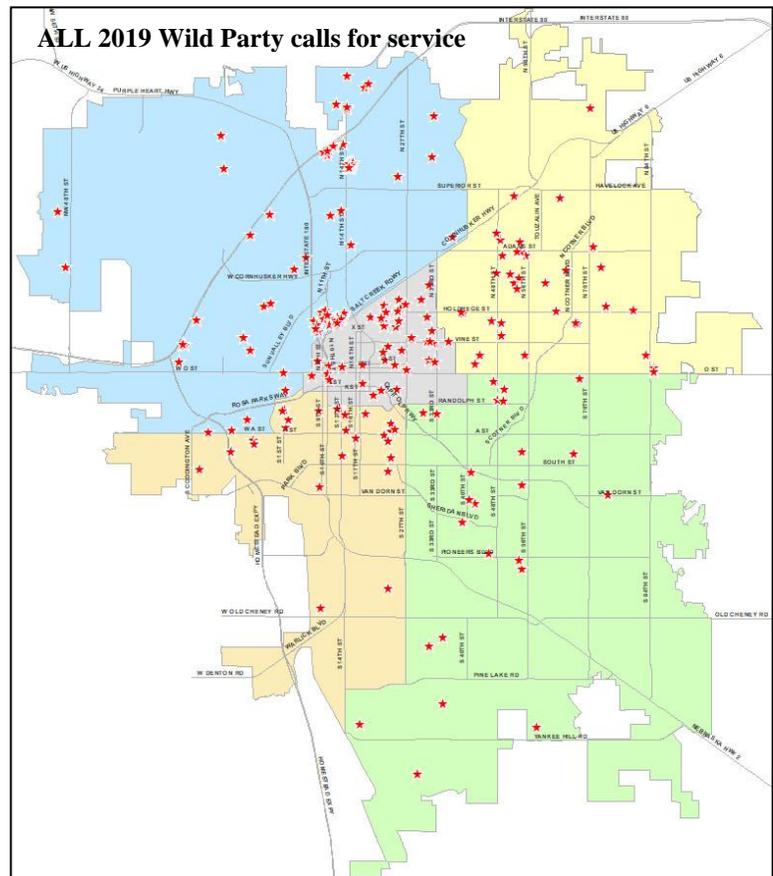
Lincoln recorded 234 Wild Party calls for service (CFS) from January 1, 2019 to October 23, 2019. There have been four Nebraska home football games, of which 27 of the 234 Wild Party calls occurred between 0900 on game day Saturday and 0600 the next morning. There have been three away games and 9 Wild Party calls reported during the same hours. During this same time period in 2018, there were 241 Wild Party CFS and 34 occurred during the first four Nebraska home football games.

**Home Husker Football Game Day Saturdays
 Neighborhood Associations**

Not Established	9
North Bottoms	5
Clinton	3
Capitol Beach	2
South Salt Creek	2
Belmont	1
Hartley	1
Meadowlane	1
Near South	1
University Place	1
Witherbee	1
Grand Total	27

Wild Party CFS analyzed – Husker Home Games 2019

- 10 of 27 (37%) occurred when College Game Day (ESPN) was in Lincoln on September 28, 2018
- 5 of the 27 occurred in the North Bottoms neighborhood and 3 occurred in the Clinton neighborhood
- 9 of the 27 (33%) occurred in Lincoln where neighborhood associations are not established
- No repeat wild party locations (addresses) were noted, compared with four last year
- 12 calls were “handled by officer” (HBO) - party goers were asked to disperse
- 6 calls tenants/residents were warned future calls could result in a citation
- 4 Wild Party CFS resulted in citations (14 total citations were issued)



- A review of *all* 234 Wild Party CFS in 2019 showed 21 addresses where two or more CFS were generated at the same address. These 21 addresses account for 49 of the 234 CFS, or 20.9%
- There is a **2.9% decrease** in **ALL** Wild Party CFS in 2019 compared to the same time frame in 2018.

Angela M. Birkett

From: Melody Vaccaro <melody.vaccaro@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 8:22 AM
To: Jane Raybould; Bennie R. Shobe; Richard W. Meginnis; Roy A. Christensen; Sandra J. Washington; James M. Bowers; Tom Ward; Council Packet
Cc: Mayor; Jennifer J. Brinkman; Kevin P. Cass; Jeffrey Bliemeister
Subject: Shame on Lincoln's City Council

I am beyond disappointed with your bait and switch behavior at the October 28th city council meeting in regards to the safe storage in cars ordinance. Prior to the meeting, the public agenda listed a motion to amend which addressed many concerns brought up and strengthened the existing safe storage in cars proposal. However, just before the meeting, Councilman Christensen gave an exclusive update to a right-leaning media outlet that there would be a surprise for the public, he planned to completely gut his own ordinance.

After watching everyone quickly vote down the well-written amendment without debate and then quickly vote in an ordinance that essentially says that locked window boxes are adequate gun safes, it was clear that the public was watching a replanned and coordinated play on the city.

People often tell me that politics is corrupt and nothing one does matters. I always reply that at least in Lincoln, people get to be heard and it's a healthy democracy. After working with many of you for nearly 2 years, participating on a volunteer task force, being stonewalled by my own representative on the council (Meginnis), and then watching a unanimous vote with zero debate on a matter which is actually life and death, I realize my perspective was in error. You have done everything to appease the angry men with guns we hear testify while leaving the rest of us to live with those angry men knowing that our leaders refuse to take action.

It was clear that none of you take the public's right to be safe seriously. It was clear that none of you take the data seriously. It was clear that the youth marches and nearly 1,000 postcards asking for action were unable to sway you. Guns come into Lincoln public schools on a regular basis. Half of the stolen guns are found in the hands of youth. And yet, you all worked hard and in secret to implement a plan to enact bad policy.

Thank you for nothing.
Melody

Melody Vaccaro (*she/her/hers*)
Nebraskans Against Gun Violence
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Angela M. Birkett

From: Emily Killham <ekillham@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 9:22 AM
To: Council Packet
Cc: Emily Killham
Subject: "Safe" Gun Storage

Dear City Councilmembers,

I am appalled by the sneaky and back-handed behavior that each of you was complicit in at the October 28th meeting and your disregard for both data and the safety of the Lincoln community.

The published agenda showed an amendment to Mr. Christensen's guns in cars ordinance that showed a careful clarification of some specific concerns with the original legislation. It showed listening to many of the concerns brought forth by the public about the proper sanction for violation of the law. In short, it was good policy.

But, surprise! That was never the plan. 15 minutes before the meeting an "exclusive" news story reported that Mr. Christensen planned to neuter his own ordinance. One would have expected that with dueling and incompatible amendments, there would have been some discussion. I watched with interest as more consideration was given to applications for liquor licenses and more concern for public safety was addressed in the discussion of renaming a street that seemed to contain 3 houses. But in under 5 minutes you voted in lockstep to shut down sound policy in favor of a weakened non-policy. Instead of "safe storage in cars," you passed "storage in cars."

I have worked with each of you extensively and in good faith over the last 2 years (with the exception of Mr. Meginnis, my rep who will not respond to requests for a meeting and Ms. Washington, where I was unable to attend the meeting). I have spent serious time both on and off the mayor's task force studying good policy and the local data with regard to keeping guns out of the hands of our youth. I have touted our city's commitment to good policy based on solid data.

And it seems I was incorrect. Instead, what I witnessed was a commitment to unanimity at all costs and the codification of cars as permanent gun safes in our community.

I know that none of you went into public service for the money. But surely you entered into public service with a desire to make policy that makes a difference to the community. I am dismayed that you chose not to last night. And when Lincoln sees its next gun tragedy from a youth who accesses an unsecured firearm, I will wonder if there is anything else I could have done. But I will know there is plenty you could have done.

Emily Killham

Angela M. Birkett

From: Denise Arnold <darnold4yourbooks@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 9:29 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Bravo!!!

Bravo on making those changes for the gun owners in their cars, see now was that so difficult? You can pat yourself on the back for that one I'm proud of you all on this one!
Now next time think about everything that was said about the original Law and anytime you have something come across your table that makes innocent people guilty and or takes away our rights you need to revise it or trash it.

Now I know I may have went to the extreme when I spoke publicly about guns but it needed to be said considering we have presidential candidates actually saying they are taking the guns away by any means possible. So it's not just some conspiracy anymore, they've said it so you guys need to be strong and 86 anything like this that comes your way.

Okay now on another subject since we only get five minutes to speak publicly which completely feels rushed with no dialogue and therefore sometimes things come out jumbled and incomplete but I wanted to speak to all of you about that roundabout monstrosity, did anyone not hear me last time when I was talking about the overpass/underpass, wouldn't that be a lot cheaper? Because if there really is a problem all the time with traffic there why not build something cheaper and less confusing like an overpass and a pull off lane? I believe this is something for you all to strongly think about. Also if we really have a problem with traffic flow why did you all approve to narrow other roads by taking a lane out?

Unfortunately I can't go to the city council meeting like I would like to every Monday night to make sure nothing else ridiculous passes but I have three streams of revenue and I work diligently on them to the wee hours of the morning so only when I get wind of something horrible that I make it a point to come down especially when it's infringing on people's rights and privacies. With that being said I did miss another ridiculous thing that was passed, the scooters!?! Why do we keep adding these things like bicycles and now scooters? You do know people can buy these things for themselves why do they have to be everywhere and by the way the bicycles are not everywhere it doesn't make sense it's just in one area? Is that guy from Colorado with his "master plan" telling you to do all these things if so please ignore him he just wants to mess up our city like he messed up his. I'm waiting for the day when you give us all cars lol yeah I know that's not happening because that's not the agenda.

In closing I just want to say thank you for revising the gun law in the car locked up situation and if I didn't thank you before thank you for revising the rental intrusive law too.

By the way where is that vacation getaway I mentioned before where we have pools slides and rides? You need to get on that and don't forget to not only appeal to the children but appeal to the adults, we want a swim up bar with entertainment and some Caribbean music playing, you know fun adult stuff in a separate pool without the kids jumping on us :-)) let me know if you need help with that design I have great vision and I've seen a lot of good places that would really bring you great revenue if done correctly. Tons of people would come here as a vacation destination. And you also need a hotel with shops and restaurants, I get dibs on the first commercial space, circling the park to keep the wind out and so people can stay in the park like going away to a resort. And if you cut your expenses with that crazy roundabout this can all be possible, think about it!
Oh yeah and no satanic sculptures in the park please thank you.

Sincerely,
Denise Arnold
718-974-9474

Angela M. Birkett

From: Mike James <mike.james4810@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 9:54 AM
To: Council Packet; James M. Bowers; Tammy J. Ward; Sandra J. Washington; Bennie R. Shobe
Subject: prepared short statements for your vote on the elevated roundabout

Tammy, Sandra, Bennie, James

I have prepared short statements for your vote on the elevated roundabout

Voting in favor of delay

Tammy: Downtown to the Northwest edge of Lincoln have immediate street repair needs. We need to move up the priority of streets like NW 12th, NW 1st, N 10th and N 14th. The pavement condition of the intersection in question is pristine, having recently been rehabbed in 2017, the project can wait.

Sandra: The quarter-cent sales tax revenue projects are barely scratching the surface of our needs. We have some citywide maintenance and rehab needing to be done ASAP. When constituents come to us in the spring asking for help with flat tires from pothole strikes I want to look them in the eye and tell them we did everything we could.

Bennie: I am listening to constituents the condition of our streets particularly downtown and near south. Completely tearing out and redoing an intersection that was rehabbed in 2017 is not being a good steward of our tax dollars. There are far worse streets that need fixed now.

James: Northeast Lincoln has the worst condition streets of the four quadrants. That disparity will end on my watch. The elevated roundabout intersection in question was rehabbed in 2017, it can wait. There are so many immediate needs in my district we need to address first.

Voting against delay (pick one of four responses)

1) I suffer from the same giddy narrow vision that LTU does. These kinds of projects are super exciting and fun to be part of, maintenance and rehab of existing streets is boring.

2) We could close Old Cheney between 77 and Warlick for safety reasons without an elevated roundabout. We could add a bike path to the area without an elevated roundabout but elevated roundabouts are innovative and cool, nobody else has them. I do not care how expensive they are and how much they take away from other street maintenance across the city.

3) I drink the Kool-Aid served from the consultants who are incentivized to make this project as expensive, fancy, and complicated as possible. We should over build it now so it can handle the projected volumes of 2060.

4) Elevated roadways ice over quickly in the winter time. Elevated roundabouts take it to the next level of complexity. I am looking forward to watching this experiment play out.

Mike James

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