

## MEETING RECORD

### NEBRASKA CAPITOL ENVIRONS COMMISSION

**DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:** Thursday, April 26, 2007, 8:00 a.m., Room 206, County-City Building, 555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Jim Hewitt, Tom Laging, V.J. Nelson, Jeff Searcy and Cecil Steward. Patrick O'Donnell and Kim Todd absent.

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Jacob McDonald (Mayhew Signs); Glenn Hillhouse (Glenn's Body Shop); Bob Ripley (Capitol Commission); Ed Zimmer and Michele Abendroth (Planning Department).

**STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING:** Regular Meeting of the Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission

Chair Jeff Searcy called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

#### **Approval of Meeting Notes of January 25, 2007 and February 22, 2007**

Nelson moved approval of the meeting notes of January 25, 2007 and February 22, 2007, seconded by Hewitt. Motion carried 5-0. Hewitt, Laging, Nelson, Searcy and Steward voting 'yes'; O'Donnell and Todd absent.

#### **Sign for Glenn's Carstar, 21<sup>st</sup> and K Streets, in Capitol Environs District**

Hillhouse provided a drawing of the plot and the sign location is identified in the drawing. The sign is about 75 feet from the corner and is set back off the sidewalk. The sign will be the same color as the building. It is approximately 6 feet tall and is lit from within. The landscaping will follow the curbing. The square footage of the sign is roughly 6 x 8 which meets the sign requirement of a maximum of 100 square feet.

Searcy stated that he likes the type of sign and that it reflects the general character of the building.

Laging moved approval of the sign, seconded by Steward. Motion carried 5-0. Hewitt, Laging, Nelson, Searcy and Steward voting 'yes'; O'Donnell and Todd absent.

#### **Staff Report**

Ripley informed the Commission that Rotary Chapter #14 is going to celebrate their 100 year anniversary next year. They are pledging a \$100,000 grant to a worthy project in the public sector to celebrate that anniversary. One of the proposals is the McPhee Elementary school block. The Rotary would like to do a project that would provide future improvements as well. The school's proposal is approximately \$200,000. They will also raise money through school fundraisers. Ripley noted that the Commission has already approved the Master Plan for McPhee Elementary.

Ripley apprised the Commission of the pending state purchase of Woodman/Assurity building at 16<sup>th</sup> & K. The building is being considered for future state offices. The Assurity property also includes most of the block between 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Streets, from K to L Streets. That block is not within the Capitol Environs district, but the Commission could comment on construction there, such as a parking garage. He believes this could be very good for parking for the Capitol.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

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*\*\*Please note that these minutes will not be formally approved until the next meeting of the Capitol Environs Commission. \*\**