



**No Directors' Meeting this week due to evening Council meeting  
This report is in lieu of an agenda for August 26, 2024**

Next Directors' Meeting – September 9, 2 p.m.

**City Correspondence**

Chris A. Sison	City Council Action 8/19/24
Jennifer T. McDonald	Administrative Approval Week of August 13 - August 19, 2024
Kellie Cave	LES Administrative Board Meeting Minutes 8-16-24
Soulinnee Phan	Thursday August 29, 2024 Deadline: Agenda items for September 9th, 2024
Shelli K. Reid	BPC240821 - 1 PC Final Action
Shelli K. Reid	BPC240821 -2 PC Action
Margaret L. Bohy	Your blood drive is 2 weeks away. Schedule today!
Sherry Wolf	8-26-24 Council Agenda Items for the 2024-26 Budget

**Constituent Correspondence**

Rosina Paolini	Budget, Indian Village Walk Audit
Everett Neighborhood	ENA Working Meeting, Tuesday, August 20th, 7PM
Randy Gordon	Park Funding Appreciation
Robert Borer	Evnen is a loser
James Bunch	New Traffic Signal Pattern & Timing N. 48th St at Hwy. 6
Robert Borer	Was Robert Evnen elected or S-elected?

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<https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/City/City-Council/Directors-Minutes-Agendas>

**From:** [Sherry Wolf](#)  
**To:** [Sandra J. Washington](#); [Justin P. Carlson](#); [Bennie R. Shobe](#); [James M. Bowers](#); [Tom J. Beckius](#); [Brodey B. Weber](#); [Tom Duden](#)  
**Cc:** [Jon D. Carlson](#); [Steve D. Hubka](#); [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Yohance L. Christie](#)  
**Subject:** 8-26-24 Council Agenda Items for the 2024-26 Budget  
**Date:** Thursday, August 22, 2024 5:39:44 PM

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Greetings City Council Members,

The link to the final updated substitute budget resolution is now up on the City Council agenda for Monday 8-26-24 [https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2813495/24R-342\\_Resolution\\_Substitute\\_24-26\\_Budget\\_Resolution\\_08-22-24\\_.pdf](https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2813495/24R-342_Resolution_Substitute_24-26_Budget_Resolution_08-22-24_.pdf)

The substitute resolution reflects the budget amendments approved by Council on 8-14-24 and the final valuation from the County assessor which is less than the preliminary valuation from March. The total general fund reserve transfer for the Council amendments and valuation adjustment is \$1,618,551. This changes our General Fund reserve percentage from 24.3% to 23.1% which still meets the Council requirement of no less than 20%. All financial schedules and balances in the substitute resolution have been adjusted accordingly.

As with previous budgets, when Sony calls Item 9.a (the budget resolution, CIP, and 1- and 6-year streets plan) a council member should make a motion to adopt the substitute resolution. A second would be asked for, discussion, and then vote. That makes the substitute the new main motion. Then it can be moved, seconded, discussed, and voted on again. That covers all council amendments except the sidewalk bonds item 9.v.

Item 9.v now also has an additional link [https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2813425/24-99\\_MTA\\_Attachment\\_Substitute\\_Ordinance\\_Including\\_Sidewalks\\_.pdf](https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2813425/24-99_MTA_Attachment_Substitute_Ordinance_Including_Sidewalks_.pdf) on the Council agenda to reflect a substitute ordinance that adds sidewalks to the package and increases the Municipal Improvement Bond (MIB's) authorization. Here again, a council member should move to substitute the original MIB's ordinance for the new one with sidewalks included. Second, discuss, vote as before.

All other budget items can be voted on as-is.

Thank you for all of your hard work developing the 2024-26 budget. There are a lot of moving parts. Please let me know if you have questions about any of this process between now and the meeting on Monday.

Sherry

**Sherry Wolf-Drbal**  
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**From:** [Jennifer T. McDonald](#)  
**To:** [Council Packet](#)  
**Cc:** [David R. Cary](#)  
**Subject:** Administrative Approval Week of August 13 - August 19, 2024  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 20, 2024 3:04:55 PM  
**Attachments:** [AA weekly approvals City.docx](#)

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Please see attached Administrative Approvals for August 13, 2024, through August 19, 2024.



**Jennifer McDonald**

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## MEMO

Date: August 20, 2024  
To: City Clerk  
From: Jennifer McDonald  
Subject: Administrative Approvals

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This is a list of City administrative approvals by the Planning Director from August 13, 2024, through August 19, 2024:

Administrative Amendment #24049 to Special Permit #893A for Fairfield Park, was approved by the Planning Director on August 14, 2024, to reduce the number of townhomes lots by two lots, reconfigure the lot layout, extend the existing access drive from Fairfield Street, and update the internal sidewalk layout, generally located at N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Fairfield Street.

Administrative Amendment #24054 to Special Permit #20003 for the Garden View at Vintage Heights Community Unit Plan, was approved by the Planning Director on August 20, 2024, to revise Block 1, Lots 68-71 and Block 3, Lots 13-16 from eight Cottage style lots to eight Single Family attached lots, generally located at the southeast intersection of S. 93<sup>rd</sup> Street and Old Cheney Road.

**From:** [Shelli K. Reid](#)  
**To:** [Council Packet](#)  
**Cc:** [David R. Cary](#); [Steve S. Henrichsen](#)  
**Subject:** BPC240821 - 1 PC Final Action  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 21, 2024 1:43:05 PM  
**Attachments:** [BPC240821 - 1 PC Final Action Notice.pdf](#)

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Please see attached.

Thank you,



**Shelli Reid**

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# PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION NOTIFICATION

**TO:** Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird  
Lincoln City Council

**FROM:** Shelli Reid, Planning

**DATE:** August 21, 2024

**RE:** Notice of final action by Planning Commission: August 21, 2024

Please be advised that on August 21, 2024, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission adopted the following resolutions:

**Resolution PC-01921**, approving SPECIAL PERMIT 24025, to allow soil mining and excavation, on property legally described as the south 1500 feet of Lot 26, I.T., located in the E 1/4 of Section 14-8-7, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at S. 96th Street and Roca Road.

The Planning Commission action on this application is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a notice of appeal with the Planning Department 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](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov) (search for "PATS"). Click on "Planning Application Tracking Service (PATS)" at the top of the page, click "Selection Screen" under "PATS Tools" on the right side of the screen, type in the application number (i.e. SP24025) click on "Search", then "Select", and go to "Related Documents".

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**From:** [Shelli K. Reid](#)  
**To:** [Council Packet](#); [Planning ALL](#); [Andrew Barness](#); [Chad E. Blahak](#); [David A. Derbin](#); [Elizabeth D. Elliott](#); [John M. Ward](#); [Jon D. Carlson](#); [Michaela A. Sweeney](#); [Pamela L. Dingman](#); [Robert K. Simmering](#); [Ron E. Rehtus](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#); [T.J. McDowell, Jr.](#); [Terry A. Kathe](#); [Tim S. Sieh](#)  
**Subject:** BPC240821 -2 PC Action  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 21, 2024 2:08:19 PM  
**Attachments:** [BPC240821 - 2 PCAction.pdf](#)

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Please see attached.



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## **\*\*ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION\*\***

**NOTICE:** The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> 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, August 21, 2024**

**[Commissioners Ball and Rodenburg absent]**

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held August 7, 2024. **\*\*APPROVED: 6-0 (Ebert abstained; Ball and Rodenburg absent) \*\***

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

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CONFORMANCE:**

- 1.1 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CONFORMANCE 24016, to review as to conformance with the 2050 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, an amendment to the Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan to add the Constellation Studios Expansion Redevelopment Project, to include the expansion of the existing Constellation Studios Building and associated streetscape enhancements, on property generally located at 2055 O Street.

**Staff recommendation: In Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan**

**Staff Planner:** Andrew Thierolf, 402-441-6371, [athierolf@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:athierolf@lincoln.ne.gov)

**Planning Commission recommendation: FINDING OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: 7-0 (Ball and Rodenburg absent).**

**Public hearing before the City Council is tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 16, 2024, 3:00 p.m.**

**SPECIAL PERMIT:**

- 1.2 SPECIAL PERMIT 24025, to allow soil mining and excavation, on property generally located at S. 96th Street and Roca Road. **\*\*FINAL ACTION\*\***  
**Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval**  
**Staff Planner: George Wesselhoft**, 402-441-6366,  
[gwesselhoftf@llincoln.ne.gov](mailto:gwesselhoftf@llincoln.ne.gov)  
**Planning Commission “final action”: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL: 7-0 (Ball and Rodenburg absent), as set forth in the conditions of the staff report dated August 8, 2024, Resolution No. PC-01921.**

2. **REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL**      None
3. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**      None  
**(Public Hearing and Administrative Action)**
4. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**      None
5. **CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**      None

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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:      **1:04 p.m.**

**From:** [Chris A. Sison](#)  
**To:** [KOLN/KGIN](#); [Abby M. Eccher](#); [Aishah S. Witte](#); [Angela Quinn](#); [Barb D. McIntyre](#); [City Clerk All](#); [Brenda J. Thomas](#); [Chad E. Blahak](#); [Cheri L. Howard](#); [Chris J. Connolly](#); [Chris S. Jones](#); [Claire Y. Oglesby](#); [Cynthia J. Roth](#); [Daley C. ElDorado](#); [David R. Cary](#); [David T. Engler](#); [Donna K. Garden](#); [Elizabeth D. Elliott](#); [Geri K. Rorabaugh](#); [Hallie E. Salem](#); [Holly L. Lewis](#); [Jamie Phillips](#); [Jenni R. Ryan](#); [Jennifer L. Mommens](#); [Jennifer T. McDonald](#); [Jessica Loos](#); [Jocelyn W. Golden](#); [Jon D. Carlson](#); [Karen Eurich](#); [Kasey L. Simonson](#); [Kerry L. Kernen](#); [Kristi K. Nydahl](#); [Kristi L. Merfeld](#); [Lin Ouenzer](#); [Maggie J. Stuckey-Ross](#); [Marcia L. Huenink](#); [Mary E. Lowe](#); [Mayor](#); [Melissa M. Ramos-Lamml](#); [Michele M. Abendroth](#); [Michon Morrow](#); [Nicole K. Gross](#); [Pat D. Lopez](#); [Peter A. Kroll](#); [Peter D. Hind](#); [Philip L. Dush](#); [Randall S. Jones](#); [Rhonda M. Haas](#); [Ron L. Cane](#); [Ryan S. Wieber](#); [Sara J. Hoyle](#); [Sara Slama](#); [Scott Parker](#); [Sharon R. Mulder](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#); [Sherry Wolf](#); [ssahling@les.com](#); [Shana Sprackling](#); [T.J. McDowell, Jr.](#); [Tammy B. Wissing](#); [Thomas A Schaffer](#); [Tim L. Byrne](#); [Justin P. Carlson](#); [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Steve D. Hubka](#)  
**Subject:** City Council Action 8/19/24  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 20, 2024 10:31:27 AM  
**Attachments:** [Action081924.docx](#)

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Good morning All,

Please see the attached for the action from the City Council meeting of 8/19/24.



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**ACTION FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2024 AT 3:00 PM**

**ALL MEMBERS PRESENT EXCEPT CARLSON**

**DUE TO THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY, CITY COUNCIL  
WILL NOT MEET ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2024.**

**PUBLIC HEARING - CONSENT AGENDA**

Anyone wishing to address an item on the Consent Agenda may do so at this time.

**1. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

- 1.a.** Clerk's Letter & Mayor's Approval of Resolutions passed by City Council on July 29, 2024. **(PLACED ON FILE)**
- 1.b.** Clerk's Letter & Mayor's Approval of Resolutions and Ordinances passed by City Council on August 5, 2024. **(PLACED ON FILE)**

**2. PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS**

- 2.a.** 24R-356  
Setting the hearing date of Monday, September 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. on the Application of Arango Investments, LLC dba Graze Craze Lenox Village for a Class D Liquor License located at 4500 South 70th Street, Suite 112. **(ADOPTED, 6-0; A-94723)**
- 2.b.** 24R-357  
Setting the hearing date of Monday, September 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. on the Application of Home-Grown Industries Lincoln dba Mellow Mushroom for the addition of Catering License to their Class I Liquor License located at 601 R Street, Suite 110. **(ADOPTED, 6-0; A-94724)**
- 2.c.** **PLACED ON THE FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:**  
Administrative Amendment #24040 to Preliminary Plat #22002 for Advantage Trucking Addition, was approved by the Planning Director on July 31, 2024, to correct the minimum opening elevations, generally located at SW 48th and West O Streets.  
Administrative Amendment #24050 to Special Permit #664C, Park Place Estates Community Unit Plan, was approved by the Planning Director on August 5, 2024 to reduce the front yard setback along Normal Blvd. from 25 to 20 feet, generally located at the southeast corner of Normal Boulevard and Van Dorn Street.
- 2.d.** **REFERRED TO THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT:**  
Special Permit 24025, to allow soil mining and excavation, on property legally described as the south 1500 feet of Lot 26, I.T., generally located at S. 96th Street and Roca Road. The Planning Commission action is final, unless appealed to the Lincoln City Council.

3. MISCELLANEOUS REFERRALS – NONE.

- VOTE ON CONSENT ITEMS –

4. PUBLIC HEARING - LIQUOR RESOLUTIONS

- 4.a. 24R-358  
Application of Big 10 Sports, LLC dba Big 10 Sports Bar and Grill for a Class C Liquor License located at 130 North 10th Street. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94725)**
- 4.b. 24R-359  
Manager Application of Cory Schaefer for Big 10 Sports, LLC dba Big 10 Sports Bar and Grill located at 130 North 10th Street. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94726)**
- 4.c. 24R-360  
Application of Welcome Back, LLC dba Salty’s Lodge for a Class CK Liquor License located at 1339 West O Street. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94727)**
- 4.d. 24R-361  
Manager Application of Thomas S. Rekasis for Welcome Back, LLC dba Salty’s Lodge located at 1339 West O Street. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94728)**
- 4.e. 24R-362  
Application of Bar at the Yard, LLC dba Longwells for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on August 31, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., September 7 & 14, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., September 20, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., October 5, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., and November 2 & 23, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94729)**
- 4.f. 24R-363  
Application of Yard Investments, LLC dba Gate 25 for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on August 31, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., September 7 & 14, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., September 20, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., October 5, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., and November 2 & 23, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94730)**

- 4.g. 24R-364  
Application of Yin Family, LLC dba Hiro 88 for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on August 31, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., September 7 & 14, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., September 20, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., October 5, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., and November 2 & 23, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94731)**
  
- 4.h. 24R-365  
Application of Landshark Realty Group, LLC dba Tank's for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on August 31, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., September 7 & 14, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., September 20, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., October 5, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., and November 2 & 23, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94732)**
  
- 4.i. 24R-369  
Application of Home Grown Industries Lincoln dba Mellow Mushroom for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on August 31, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., September 7 & 14, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., September 20, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., October 5, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., and November 2 & 23, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 6-0; A-94733)**

**- VOTE ON LIQUORS -**

**5. PUBLIC HEARING - RESOLUTIONS**

- 5.a. 24R-352  
Approving a tax levy request from Lincoln Airport Authority. **(VERBAL MOTION TO DELAY ACTION ONLY TO 8/26/24, 6-0)**
  
- 5.b. 24R-353  
Authorizing an application to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission for Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant funding for renovation and expansion of the Antelope Park playground. **(ADOPTED, 6-0; A-94734)**

**- VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS -**

**6. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCES 2ND READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (ITEMS 6.a. HAD 2ND READING)**

- 6.a.** 24-104  
Correcting the legal description of the area to be annexed by repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 21642 as previously adopted.

**- END PUBLIC HEARING -**

**7. ORDINANCES - 3RD READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS**

- 7.a.** 24-101  
Text Amendment 24009 - Request of the City of Lincoln Planning Department to amend Lincoln Municipal Code Section 27.72.120 Accessory Buildings to clarify “floor” area in paragraph d. and to describe exceptions not included in the maximum or expanded maximum accessory building square foot allowance. **(PASSED, 6-0; 21647)**
- 7.b.** 24-102  
Text Amendment 24010 - Request of the City of Lincoln Planning Department to amend Lincoln Municipal Code Section 27.06.020 Classification of Use Types by amending paragraph b. More Than One Main Use, subparagraph 2., to allow more than two single-family dwellings on lots or tracts located in the O-1, O-2, O-3, R-T, B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, B-5, H-1, H-2, H-3, H-4, I-1, I-2, or I-3 districts. **(PASSED, 6-0; 21648)**
- 7.c.** 24-103  
Text Amendment 24007- Request of the City of Lincoln Planning Department to amend Section 27.62.100 Retail Sales and Services Use Group and Section 27.62.110 Food and Drink Establishments Use Group to convert special permits for on and off-sale alcohol to conditional uses thereby repealing Section 27.63.680 Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for Consumption On the Premises and Section 27.63.685 Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for Consumption Off the Premises. **(PASSED, 6-0; 21649)**

**8. RESOLUTIONS - 1ST READING (ITEMS 8.a. THROUGH 8.c. HAD 1<sup>st</sup> READING)**

- 8.a.** 24R-366  
Reappointing Ken Fougeron and Heather Seeba to the Procurement Appeals Board for terms to expired September 1, 2027.
- 8.b.** 24R-367  
Reappointing John Whitmer to the Electrical Advisory, Appeals, and Examining Board for a term to expire August 15, 2027.

- 8.c. 24R-368  
Accepting and approving the report of new and pending claims against the City for August 1 through August 15, 2024.

9. **ORDINANCES - 1ST READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (ITEMS 9.a. HAD 1<sup>st</sup> READING)**

- 9.a. 24-105  
Text Amendment 24011 - Request of DaNay Kalkowski for an amendment to Lincoln Municipal Code Section 27.59.060 Permit Required; Procedure; Certifications; Exception to expand the ability to obtain blanket height permits on areas within the Airport Hazard Area that have an elevation of more than 100 feet but not more than 115 feet above the elevation on the nearest existing or proposed runway end in residential areas and to remove the requirement for post-construction certification for single family and two family homes within the blanket height permit area, provided certain conditions are met.

10. **PENDING LIST - DATE CERTAIN**

- 10.a. 24R-342  
Adopting the 2024-26 City of Lincoln Operating Budget & Capital Improvement Program (CIP); One- and Six-Year Street and Highway Program. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24) (Request to remove from pending to clarify that the comment period for the One and Six Year Street and Highway Program is extended until 8/22/24 and that the One and Six Year Streets and Highway program CIP for fiscal years 2024 through 2030 reflects an average annual expenditure of \$34.4 million dollars) (8/12/24 - Verbal Motion to remove from Pending List for clarification; verbal motion to place back on Pending List Date Certain for Action only to 8/26/24.)**
- 10.b. 24R-325  
Miscellaneous 24005 - Application of the City of Lincoln Planning Department Planning Director to adopt the proposed Fee Schedules for Application Reviews under Chapter 14.20, Title 26, and Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code for FY 2024-2025 and FY 2025-2026 with an effective date of October 1, 2024. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.c. 24R-326  
Approving the updated fees scheduled for ambulance services during FY2024-2025. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**



- 10.d.** 24R-327  
Approving the updated permit fees under LMC Chapter 5.41 Salvage, Recycling and Composting Operations, including salvage; recycling processing center; recycling center; consumer recyclables collection site; and commercial composting operations. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.e.** 24R-328  
Approving the updated fees for opening burning permits under LMC Chapter 8.06 Air Pollution. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.f.** 24R-329  
Approving the updated fees under LMC Chapter 8.08 Body Art Establishments, including body art establishment permits; body art practitioner permits; and permit reinstatement. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.g.** 24R-330  
Approving updated fees under LMC Chapter 8.20 Food Code, including food establishments; mobile food units; food catering services; temporary food establishments; reinstatement fees; and food handler and food manager permit fees. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.h.** 24R-331  
Approving updated noise variance fees under LMC Chapter 8.24 Noise Control. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.i.** 24R-332  
Approving updated fees under LMC Chapter 8.32 Solid Wastes, including special waste permit fees. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.j.** 24R-333  
Approving updated fees under LMC Chapter 8.44 Water Wells, including water well construction permits; annual water well permits; water well repair permits; and variance applications. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.k.** 24R-334  
Approving updated fees under LMC Chapter 8.38 Public Swimming Pools; including swimming pool permits; new permit/plan review; renewal; additional spa; swimming pool operator; and pool water quality tester certificate. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**

- 10.l. 24R-335  
Approving updated fees under LMC Chapter 24.38 Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems, including construction and repair of onsite wastewater treatment systems; cleaner permits; installer permits; and development area reviews. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.m. 24R-336  
Approving updated permit fees under LMC Chapter 24.42 Regulation of Property Transfers with Onsite Systems, including review of property transfers with onsite wastewater or water systems. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.n. 24R-337  
Approving updated permit fees under LMC Chapter 28.02 Regulations for Illicit Discharges. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.o. 24R-338  
Amending Lincoln-Lancaster County Air Pollution Control Regulations and Standards, Article 1, Section 6 Fees to update fees for required services to business and industry. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.p. 24R-339  
Establishing a new rate schedule for the Lincoln Water System for purposes of covering operational and maintenance costs including debt service and Capital Improvements Program for FY 2024-2025 and FY 2025-2026. Proposed Resolution to Increase Water Use Charges. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.q. 24R-340  
Establishing a new rate schedule for the Lincoln Wastewater System for purposes of covering operational and maintenance costs including debt service and Capital Improvements Program for FY 2024-2025 and FY 2025-2026. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.r. 24R-341  
Establishing a new rate schedule for the Lincoln Solid Waste System for purposes of covering operational and maintenance costs including debt services and Capital Improvement Program for FY 2024-2025 and FY 2025-2026. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**

- 10.s. 24R-343  
A resolution to increase restricted funds authority by 1% per Neb. Rev. Stat. §13-519. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.t. 24-97  
Amending Chapter 5.56 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to Emergency Alarm Systems by amending Section 5.56.030 Permit; Alarm User to revise processing fees and renewal fees for commercial and residential permits. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.u. 24-98  
Amending Section 8.32.150 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to provide for an occupation tax on refuse haulers. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.v. 24-99  
Authorizing the issuance of 2024 Municipal Improvements Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$ 12,200,000. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**
- 10.w. 24-100  
Approving the transfer of unspent and unencumbered appropriations between certain Capital Improvement Projects. **(Public Hearing on 8/5/24; Request to Delay Action to 8/26/24.) (8/5/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay Action three weeks to 8/26/24)**

**11. PENDING LIST (EXTENDED ONE WEEK)**

- 11.a. 24R-18  
Comprehensive Plan Conformance 23019 - Application of the Urban Development Department to review as to conformance with the 2050 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, and to adopt the "NW 48th & W Vine Redevelopment Plan", including the "Falcon Corner Redevelopment Project," for the construction of a large retail building and associated commercial uses, on property generally located at NW 48th Street and Interstate 80. **(1/22/24 – Action delayed to 1/29/24) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**

- 11.b.** 24R-35  
Approving the Falcon Corner Project Redevelopment Agreement between the City and FFF, LLC., relating to the redevelopment of the property generally located in the northeast corner of NW 48th Street and Interstate 80. **(Related Items: 24R-35, 24R-36, 24-10) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**
- 11.c.** 24R-36  
Amending the FY 2023-2024 CIP to authorize and appropriate \$4,290,090.00 in TIF funds for the Falcon Corner Redevelopment Project. **(Related Items: 24R-35, 24R-36, 24-10) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**
- 11.d.** 24-10  
Authorizing the issuance of Tax Allocation Bonds for the Falcon Corner Redevelopment Project in an amount not to exceed \$4,290,090.00. **(Related Items: 24R-35, 24R-36, 24-10) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**
- 11.e.** 23R-638  
Comprehensive Plan Amendment 23005- Application of FFF, LLC to amend the Lincoln-Lancaster County 2050 Comprehensive Plan to revise the Future Land Use Map by changing the designation from Industrial Use to Commercial Use, on property generally located at the northeast corner of NW 48th Street and Interstate 80. **(Related Items: 23R-638, 23-158, 23R-639, 23-159) (Action date: 1/22/24) (1/8/24 – Public hearing continued to 1/22/24) (1/22/24 – Action delayed to 1/29/24) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**
- 11.f.** 23-158  
Annexation 23005- Application of FFF, LLC., to annex approximately 52 acres, more or less, on the property generally located at the northeast corner of NW 48th Street and Interstate 80. **(Related Items: 23R-638, 23-158, 23R-639, 23-159) (1/8/24 – Public hearing continued to 1/22/24) (1/22/24 – Action delayed to 1/29/24) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**
- 11.g.** 23R-639  
Approving the Conditional Annexation and Change of Zone Agreement between the City, FFF, LLC., and Helen Belle Kitzel Farms, LLC., for property generally located near NW 48th Street and Interstate 80. **(Related Items: 23R-638, 23-158, 23R-639, 23-159) (Action date: 1/22/24) (1/8/24 – Public hearing continued to 1/22/24) (1/22/24 – Action delayed to 1/29/24) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**

- 11.h.** 23-159  
Change of Zone 23019 - Application of FFF, LLC., to change the zoning designation of 15 acres more or less, from AG Agricultural District to H-4 Highway Commercial District, on property generally located at the northeast corner of NW 48th Street and Interstate 80. **(Related Items: 23R-638, 23-158, 23R-639, 23-159) (1/8/24 – Public hearing continued to 1/22/24) (1/22/24 – Action delayed to 1/29/24) (1/29/24 - Verbal Motion to move item to Pending List - No Date Certain)**

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## **ADJOURNMENT – 3:57 P.M.**

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**To:** [Council Packet](#)  
**Subject:** LES Administrative Board Meeting Minutes 8-16-24  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 20, 2024 3:05:39 PM  
**Attachments:** [ZLES082024.pdf](#)

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Please see the attached meeting minutes from the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Thank you!

**Kellie Cave | Senior Executive Assistant**



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## MINUTES OF LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

Minutes of the regular meeting held at 9:30 a.m., Friday, August 16, 2024, at the Kevin Wailes Operations Center, 9445 Rokeby Road, Lincoln, Nebraska. Public notice of today's meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star on August 9, 2024.

Board Members Present: Kate Bolz, Carl Eskridge, Lucas Sabalka, Chelsea Johnson, Andy Hunzeker, Karen Griffin, David Spinar, Alyssa Martin

Board Members Absent: Eric Schafer

LES Staff Present: Emeka Anyanwu, Emily Koenig, Lisa Hale, Trish Owen, David Malcom, Heather Schlautman, Kelley Porter, Jim Rigg, Scott Benson, Mike Murphy, Denise Parrott, Shelley Sahling-Zart, Kellie Cave

Others Present: Ken Haar, Ken Winston, Nathan Svatora, Bud Synhorst, Kim Morrow, and numerous virtual participants via Microsoft Teams

News Media Present: None

Board Chair Andy Hunzeker declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. A safety briefing was provided. Chair Hunzeker noted that LES conducts its meetings in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and noted that a copy of the Act is located on the wall in the back of the room and with the Assistant Secretary. **Call to Order & Safety Briefing**

Board Chair Andy Hunzeker asked for approval of the minutes of the July 19, 2024, board meeting. Carl Eskridge moved approval of the minutes. Lucas Sabalka seconded the motion. The vote for approval of the minutes was: **Approval of Minutes**

Aye: Kate Bolz, Carl Eskridge, Alyssa Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Karen Griffin, Andy Hunzeker

Nay: None

Abstain: David Spinar

Absent: Chelsea Johnson (arrived late), Eric Schafer

Shelley Sahling-Zart, Vice President & General Counsel, has been serving as acting Assistant Secretary. Karen Griffin moved that Kellie Cave, Sr. Executive Assistant, be appointed as Assistant Secretary to the Board. David Spinar seconded the **Appointment of Assistant Secretary to the Board**

motion.

The vote for approval was:

Aye: Kate Bolz, Carl Eskridge, Andy Hunzeker,  
Chelsea Johnson, David Spinar, Alyssa  
Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Karen Griffin,

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Eric Schafer

Ken Winston recognized LES's swift and efficient response after the July 31<sup>st</sup> storm and expressed gratitude for LES's culture of helpful leadership. He then spoke on the need for more funding from LES for the Sustainable Energy Program and commented on the \$307M Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Nebraska received from the EPA. He encouraged LES to work with city and outside power districts to utilize programs for low-income households. He thanked LES for its support of the Nebraska Youth Climate Summit on October 4<sup>th</sup>, and Emeka who will be the keynote speaker.

## **Customer Comments**

Kan Haar spoke highly of the LES board and LES employees regarding power restoration after the July 31<sup>st</sup> storm. He described his ability to cut personal fossil fuel usage by 50% by converting to electric heat pump and expressed gratitude for climate action plan and LES' involvement. He shared a handout titled "How Heating & Cooling Appliance and Utility Fuel Mix Affect the Social Cost of Carbon in the LES Service Area" and described cost of standard heating and cooling appliances compared to air source heat pumps.

Bud Synhorst spoke on behalf of Sandhills Global. He thanked the board and staff for visiting their campus and discussing solar/net metering. He asked for consideration of a policy change regarding solar use and consideration of the plans for growth when the policy comes to LES for vote.

Gene Hanlon joined online and spoke on behalf of himself and the Coalition for Environmental Improvement. He complimented the heat pump incentive program. He asked for LES to match dollar amount and work with City to increase



education/outreach regarding the benefits of converting to heat pumps.

Lucas Sabalka, Chair of the Operations & Power Supply Committee, reported on Committee discussions held on August 5, 2024, including: 1) 2025 Power Cost Review, 2) 2025 Q2 Revenue and Cost Report. 3) NE State Penitentiary Site Interface Update. (Exhibit I)

**Operations & Power  
Supply Committee Report**

David Spinar, Chair of the P&O Committee reported on Committee discussions held on August 6, 2024, including: 1) Safety and Physical Security. 2) LES Thrive Wellness Program. 3) Mid-year employment update. 4) Mid-year review for health and dental programs. 5) 2025 Benefit Enhancement Update (Exhibit II)

**Personnel & Organization  
Committee Report**

Carl Eskridge, LES representative on the DEC Board, shared a summary of discussions from the most recent DEC Board meeting held on July 16<sup>th</sup> including: 1) 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter interruptions. 2) Semi-annual budget report/IP. 3) Decarbonization strategy. (Exhibit III)

**District Energy  
Corporation (DEC)  
Update**

Paul Crist, Vice President Energy Delivery, provided an initial storm recap for the July 31<sup>st</sup> storm including outage statistics, estimated costs, and LES's structured response team. He expressed great appreciation for LES employees that assisted in keeping general operations running while crews worked to restore power, as well as Norris Public Power District, Grand Island Utilities, Nebraska City Utilities, and Hastings Utilities which provided mutual aid. He reported on LES crews' willingness to provide mutual aid to OPPD as well once power had been restored in the Lincoln area. (Exhibit IV)

**Initial July 31<sup>st</sup> Storm  
Recap**

Board Chair Andy Hunzeker recited LES Resolution 2024-4 expressing appreciation to LES employees and mutual aid utilities who worked to restore power following the July 31 thunderstorm. Chelsea Johnson moved to adopt. Karen Griffin seconded. The vote for approval was:

**Recognition and  
Appreciation of July 31<sup>st</sup>  
Storm Restoration Effort  
– LES Resolution 2024-4**

Aye: Kate Bolz, Carl Eskridge, Andy Hunzeker, Chelsea Johnson, David Spinar, Alyssa Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Karen Griffin,

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Eric Schafer

Scott Benson, Manager, Resource and Transmission Planning, provided a brief summary of the 2023 sustainable initiatives introduced or continued by LES. He directed people to the report online for further detail. (Exhibit VI) **LES Sustainability Report**

Scott Benson, Manager, Resource & Transmission Planning, discussed the proposed changes to the Southwest Power Pool's resource adequacy regulations and resource accreditation methodology, which effectively dictate how much generation LES must have. These updates, which would take effect in 2026, were approved by SPP earlier this month, with revised demand response rules still set to follow later this year. The new regulations will likely require LES to carry more generating capacity than it needed to in the past. In addition, LES' resource planning could soon be driven by the winter season as opposed to the traditional summer peak. (Exhibit VII) **Proposed Changes in SPP Resource Adequacy Regulations**

The Revenue and Expense Statements and Financial and Operating Statements for July 2024 are available. The Power Supply Division Monthly Reports for July 2024 are also available. (Exhibit VIII) **Monthly Financial and Power Supply Reports**

Emeka Anyanwu, CEO, shared a press release from Large Public Power Council regarding LES joining LPPC. (Exhibit IX) He also noted that following the meeting the board will be provided a demonstration of the new online customer portal that will soon go live. The demonstration is for informational purposes only and no action will be taken. **Miscellaneous Information**

The next regular meeting of the LES Administrative Board will be Friday, September 20, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. **Next Meeting**

Without further business before the Board, Chair Hunzeker declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:08 p.m. **Adjournment**

Lucas Sabalka, Secretary

BY: Kellie Cave  
Kellie Cave  
Assistant Secretary

# **Exhibit I**



## Operations and Power Supply Committee Meeting Summary August 5, 2024 (virtual)

**Attendees:** K. Griffin, A. Hunzeker, L. Sabalka (Committee Chair)  
L. Anderson, E. Anyanwu, S. Benson, T. Chambers, J. Dagerman, J. Dutton, L. Hale, S. Sahling-Zart

### **2025 Power Cost Review (Scott Benson):**

- The projected 2025 Power Cost net expenditure is \$116.0M, which is \$3.7M higher than the 2024 Power Cost Budget.
- A combination of varying fixed expenses at the generating resources, modifications in expected fuel expenses, and the purchase of additional energy in the SPP market due to local customer load additions are the primary drivers of the Power Cost increase.

### **2024 Q2 Generation Revenue & Cost Report (Lee Anderson):**

- Staff presented its analysis of the financial performance of LES's generating resources in the SPP Integrated Marketplace for the second quarter of 2024.
- Average natural gas prices remained well below Budget throughout the quarter. This put downward pressure on market electricity prices despite some warm temperatures in April and June.
- LES's generating fleet posted overall negative net revenue results for the quarter, driven primarily by negative returns from the wind resources.

### **Nebraska State Penitentiary Site Interfaces Update (Tyson Chambers, Joel Dagerman):**

- Staff provided an overview of the events and contractor coordination that occurred during the July 2<sup>nd</sup> felling of the two LES wind turbines.
- Overall cost information for the project was reviewed along with a summary of the recycling status of the materials and fluids from the wind turbines.
- Staff also briefed the Committee on the property status and ongoing coordination with State officials for the future electrical distribution service to the Nebraska State Penitentiary site.

# **Exhibit II**



## LES PERSONNEL AND ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

### Meeting Summary

Tuesday, August 6 – 12:00pm (Virtual)

Attendees: D. Spinar (Chair), E. Schafer, A. Martin, A. Hunzeker (Board Chair), E. Anyanwu, T. Owen, S. Sahling-Zart, J. Rigg, J. Yuhas, and R. Seybert

- **Safety and Physical Security provided the committee a mid-year review of the safety performance for 2024:**
  - The Safety and Physical Security manager provided an overview of the current threat landscape for the utility industry. Utilities are expected to remain in a heightened threat environment.
  - The Security Operations Center (SOC) continues to provide a value by protecting our employees and assets, while also deterring bad actors.
  - Safety trending for 2024 (through Q2) is better than the last 5 years with four injuries through Q2 (down from 6, 6, and 7 in 2023-2021, respectively). Of those injuries, the severity has also been noticeably decreased.
  - Proactive efforts for identifying hazards and potential issues continue to climb. Through Q2, there have been 79 submittals to improve/correct some safety-related measure. The goal for 2024 is 120.
- **HR Occupational Health and Wellness provided a mid-year workers' compensation trend update for 2024 and a wellness program year-end update:**
  - The HR Occupational Health and Wellness supervisor provided a mid-year overview of the current return to work landscape. Through June, four injury claims have been filed with the City Risk Department. To date, the total claims cost is just under \$9,000.
  - An update was also given for the LES Thrive Wellness Program. After listening to employee requests, incentive levels and requirements have been simplified for the new program year which began on August 1. The previous three-tier incentive level structure has been reduced to a two-tier structure and new hires will have the opportunity to earn the highest level within their first year of employment. Additionally, participants will no longer have to meet or improve health metrics to earn the maximum incentive. These updates align with the changing landscape of wellness, with increased focus on emotional and mental wellbeing.
- **Human Resources gave the committee a mid-year employment metrics review update for 2024:**
  - The Human Resources manager outlined current 2024 mid-year employment data (hiring rates, employee metrics, and turnover statistics) for the committee as it continues to focus on successful recruitment and retention strategies and proposals.

- **Human Resources gave the committee a mid-year review for the 2024 health and dental insurance programs:**
  - Total mid-year costs for the health plan for 2024 were \$3,269,015 (\$2,608,710 in medical claims and \$660,305 in fixed costs).
  - Total mid-year premiums collected, including stop loss reimbursements, were \$4,581,152.
  - The Dental plan had total mid-year costs of \$232,789. Total mid-year premiums collected were \$271,239.
- **Human Resources gave the committee a 2025 benefit enhancement update:**
  - After a benchmarking study and soliciting employee feedback, Human Resources brought a proposed benefit change for the committee to consider and include in the 2025 budget process. The committee reviewed the proposal to increase the health insurance employer contribution from 75% to 80% and the dental insurance employer contribution from 75% to 80%.
  - The committee supports moving these proposed increased employer contributions into the proposed 2025 budget for consideration.

# **Exhibit III**

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**Date:** Tuesday, August 20, 2024 8:34:57 PM  
**Importance:** High

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Good evening everyone –

We hope you're all well. Due to the upcoming Labor Day Holiday, we request an earlier deadline for submitting items for the **September 9, 2024, Council Agenda**. To ensure a smooth process and allow city team members to enjoy the holiday, **ALL** items will need to be submitted **NO LATER than Thursday, August 29, 2024, by 12:00 p.m.**

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This will help gather and review all necessary materials before the holiday break, ensuring a seamless meeting afterward. We understand this adjustment may be challenging but believe it will benefit everyone.

Please contact the Clerk's & City Attorney's office if you have any concerns or suggestions. Thank you, and have a safe and enjoyable Independence Day Celebration!



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09/05/2024

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Lincoln, NE 68508

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## Council Comment - Randy Gordon

Randy Gordon has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Randy Gordon
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	<p>I applaud the council for their continued commitment to Lincoln's parks and urban forestry programs. Lincolnites from all corners and neighborhoods of the community rely on parks, trails and trees to enhance their day to day lives and provide free, high-quality amenities throughout the city. From small neighborhood parks to our larger community and regional parks, our city supports these important and necessary places where families can spend a few minutes in a green space or watch or participate in recreational activities.</p> <p>Critical to the success of our trails, parks and streets are the many benefits of a community forest. As one-time urban forest program manager at the Arbor Day Foundation and now as Executive Director at Lincoln Parks Foundation, I know the value that a well-funded and maintained community forestry program provides for all of us. Park trees, street trees and trees that line our fantastic trail system are in need of a high level of planting, care and maintenance and your support of</p>

the Parks and Recreation Departments budget requests shows  
Lincolnites that value our spaces and trees. Thank you for your  
commitment to our community.

**From:** [OpenForms](#)  
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## Council Comment - Rosina Paolini

Rosina Paolini has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Rosina Paolini
Phone number	[REDACTED]
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Your comment	<p>Good morning, Council members, Thank you for your equanimity in securing a city budget when the state budget is still being resolved. A challenge it must be.</p> <p>On a planning note:</p> <p>The Indian Village Neighborhood Association (IVNA) is conducting a walk audit to address the traffic conditions and the need to decrease crashes and improve access to public places in the neighborhood. We need your perspective! See the attached flyer.</p> <p>Indian Village Walk Audit Thursday, August 29 2-4 p.m. -- Beattie Elementary School Route (1901 Calvert St.), Door #1 4-6 p.m. -- Arapahoe Gardens Route (14th &amp; Arapahoe Streets) 6 p.m. -- Van Dorn Park Pavilion: Join us for supper and conversation about the walk audit. We will empower each other with discussion around observations, the process, and solutions for a multi-modal neighborhood.</p> <p>Participate in the Walk Audit: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSee8LqGrtwjXWa4sBnw_MQ6Fsn_Wly7Sj6iOZJVQZlzUTWAQQ/viewform?usp=sf_link">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSee8LqGrtwjXWa4sBnw_MQ6Fsn_Wly7Sj6iOZJVQZlzUTWAQQ/viewform?usp=sf_link</a> Walk Audit routes: <a href="https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=1CKh8JCjCPf8QwKhKD3rxD5OV3Y7yP44&amp;ouid=106552587712329036867">https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=1CKh8JCjCPf8QwKhKD3rxD5OV3Y7yP44&amp;ouid=106552587712329036867</a></p> <p>Our routes target some hot spots along 10th and High Streets, 17th and Stockwell, and the Helen Boosalis Trailhead Connector to document citizen observations of traffic flow, speed, line of sight, noise, ability to cross, and other variables with strategies for improvement. With the Van Dorn Redevelopment master plan being reviewed this fall, the Indian Village Neighborhood Association believes it is an opportune time to analyze the 10th and High Street intersection with hopes of improved traffic planning to decrease crashes and improve pedestrian crossing. The Walk Audit analysis and results will be presented to city officials in various departments including LTU, Planning, Parks &amp; Recreation, and the Mayor's Office.</p> <p>We look forward to seeing you, The Indian Village Neighborhood Association Board</p>

**From:** [Everett Neighborhood](#)  
**Subject:** ENA Working Meeting, Tuesday, August 20th, 7PM at PIONEER HOUSE (1130 H St.)  
**Date:** Monday, August 19, 2024 11:12:18 AM  
**Attachments:** [8-20-2024 Agenda.pdf](#)

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Hello, neighbors!

**Please note the new location of our meeting!**

We hope you can join us for our next Everett Neighborhood Association working meeting. This is a meeting to talk through past, current, and ongoing projects. It is not a regular board meeting. Our meeting is TOMORROW, Tuesday, August 20th, 2024 at 7PM at **Pioneer House** (1130 H St.). Parking is available on the street or at Trinity Lutheran Church (724 S 12th St.) Please do not park in the Pioneer House parking lot. You can enter Pioneer House through the main door, and we will meet in the party room. Invite your neighbors!

**All Everett residents and business owners are invited to attend ENA's bi-monthly meetings.**

The meeting agenda is attached. If you have anything you'd like to add, please respond to this email with your request.

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**From:** [Robert Borer](#)  
**To:** [NE.cabal@ne.gov](mailto:NE.cabal@ne.gov)  
**Subject:** Evnen is a loser  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 20, 2024 7:12:21 AM

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Good Morning-

Someone wrote, "Evnen says NO ONE has ever brought forth any evidence or proof of widespread election fraud."

My response:

Evnen controls all the data that goes into creating his fake election results. He won't let ANY of us see ANY of that data, even though elections belong to the People and We pay for them.

But let's back up.

Since when did it become our job to prove election fraud?? Who works for who here?

Evnen works for us. The onus is on him to provide proof of election **integrity**.

But he refuses to do so, even though he could very easily do so, IF in fact our "elections" were actually honest.

The fact he refuses to provide that proof, the fact he refuses to provide transparency, reconcilability and verifiability, is prima facie evidence of election fraud.

It is also prima facie evidence Evnen is a loser.

Robert J. Borer



**From:** [James Bunch](#)  
**To:** [Council Packet](#); [James M. Bowers](#)  
**Subject:** New Traffic Signal Pattern & Timing N. 48th St at Hwy. 6  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 21, 2024 5:22:25 PM

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Dear Council Members,

I'm elevating this concern for your review because it's a significant issue and it's only going to get worse. The response from the Director of LTU when it was first raised after installation of the new signals was nothing more than a canned response that they use for similar reports at other locations and, as a citizen DIRECTLY impacted by this back-up on a daily basis, I'm frankly fed up. She needs to take a reality pill and get out of the office and see what we're dealing with. Councilman Bowers, since this is practically around the corner from your home, I think you should also become directly involved.

This congestion is only going to get worse. More and more multi-use dwellings are being built in NE Lincoln and people from outside the neighborhood are now using Fremont as a bypass because of the situation on Havelock Ave. The 33rd and Cornhusker plan is to pipeline even more traffic under the railroad bridge, although who knows when that will come to fruition?

Here's the link to the latest issue that is receiving several negative responses. It's time to fix it now.

[https://seeclickfix.com/issues/17274997#new\\_comment](https://seeclickfix.com/issues/17274997#new_comment)

ThanxaBunch, Jim

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### DESCRIPTION

The new traffic pattern at this intersection is not working, so can we go back to what we had prior to this high tech intersection? First issue is cycle and timing. We're sitting here backed up. The line behind me is now all the way back to Fremont. Second issue is the new line for the left turn lane is about four feet wider than the previous line (which you can see), so it pushes everyone so that those of us turn east onto Hwy. 6 are unable to move into the turn lane, further backing up traffic. Of course, it doesn't matter when the hicks and hayseeds, like the car on front of me, are far right, yet continuing north on 48th Street. Lastly, once again, there is NOBODY in the southbound left turn lane, so why do they need a protected arrow? More LTU rocket science in action.

#### also asked...

**Q.** Direction of Travel

**A.** North

**Q.** Type of Problem

**A.** Signal Timing

**Q.** Date and Time Observed

**A.** August 14, 2024 07:45

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**City of Lincoln, NE** (Verified Official)

City of Lincoln, NE assigned this issue to LTU Engineering & Traffic  
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**ACKNOWLEDGED** **LTU Engineering & Traffic** (Verified Official)

Thanks for reporting this to the City of Lincoln. This has been given to  
Traffic staff to review.

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**JenniNebraska** (Registered User)

Yes 415pm. Sitting at a green light on Fremont because north bound  
48th is so backed up. Sat thru 2 lights. Only 5 cars back

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**JenniNebraska** (Registered User)

4:16pm. Sitting at the light on Fremont to turn right to go NB on 48th.  
Been sitting thru 3 lights with a school bus in front of me. They can't  
even get out into the traffic. It's horrible and annoying. I have a high-  
schooler to go pick up. And I'm late..... daily

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**From:** [Robert Borer](#)  
**To:** [gov@ne.gov](mailto:gov@ne.gov)  
**Subject:** Was Robert Evnen elected or S-elected?  
**Date:** Friday, August 23, 2024 9:07:29 AM

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Good Morning—

The [lobby](#) for computerizing elections formed decades ago. Everything else was being computerized, why not elections?

There were HUGE reasons for not doing so at the time, but those reasons were not disclosed to the general public.

People were then, and still are today, largely clueless to the shenanigans that can be (and are being) easily committed by computerized "elections.."

Shenanigans?? Yes, [shenanigans](#). What other reason, besides shenanigans (i.e., fraud), is there for all the resistance from the computerized "election" industry to transparency?? There is none.

Calling the software and hardware "proprietary" is an act of lawfare (i.e., legal warfare). The process of addition is not proprietary, and writing code for addition is not sophisticated.

And the hardware has been proven easily hackable over and over.

Then there are the internal audit features that were designed for public consumption that the public isn't being allowed to consume!

This is first grade math. The reason for such rank resistance to transparency is to protect the shenanigans. It's as obvious as the reason why one plus one equals two.

Now then, the largest computerized "election" lobby/company in the country resides right here in NE—ES&S.

The time came several years ago when that company needed a new local puppet (and/or patsy) to run cover for them in our SoS office and wage lawfare against NE voters by overseeing and protecting the administration of nontransparent, unverifiable and manipulated elections.

That company found their local puppet in a large local law firm. His name was Robert Evnen. See his bio [here](#).

Michael McCarthy, the owner of ES&S, and Evnen became good friends.

McCarthy is not a nice man.. McCarthy's the kind of man who loves money and power. Computerized "elections" are all about putting money and power into the wrong hands. Do a word search on McCarthy in this [document](#), and/or on the internet.

Evnen's character can be seen in how readily he projects dishonestly on others. He did this to poor single mothers before a legislative committee, calling them bribable. Of course, by

doing so, he was readily admitting that people exist who seek to bribe others into throwing elections.

McCarthy and Evnen were a match. Birds of a feather, if you will. Both are far from altruistic.

To the question then, was Evnen elected by the People to serve as our SoS, or was he S-ELECTED by McCarthy to serve as cover for his shenanigans?

Could McCarthy actually do that?? Of course he could. That's the nature of computerized "elections." McCarthy controls the instructions (software) that go into the computers that count our votes, and no one else is "legally" allowed to look at that software. He can do anything he wants.

To the question, what would incentivize Evnen to become McCarthy's puppet? Who leaves a secure, gravy job at a large law firm to take a five figure government job??

Who knows. But the history of the computerized election lobby is one of kickbacks and bribes (which everyone knows is why our legislative bodies are so corrupt). Computerized "election" machines are WAY overpriced, so these companies have plenty of money to throw around.

All we know is that Evnen has been serving as McCarthy's puppet ever since he took office. I mean, there's a reason he signed a contract with ES&S to use their secret software and hardware computers to "count" our votes. There's a reason he refuses to provide any of the internal computer audit data.

But then again, given the nature of computers, that audit data would likely be useless if he did provide it because it could easily be manipulated before release.

And herein do we find the reason why computerized "elections" are a very, VERY bad idea. You can't trust them. They must have checks and balances. There must be a full manual audit EVERY TIME. And that would completely defeat the purpose of using the computers in the first place.

Some things simply should not be computerized, and elections are one of them.

There's no proof Evnen was ever actually elected by a vote of the people. The numbers mean nothing. Vote-counts can easily be manipulated by McCarthy.

Robert J. Borer.

P.S. It's not poor single mothers who need to be kept away from counting votes by hand, it's rich people with their money and their computerized "vote-counters" that need to be kept away from our elections.

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