Directors’ Meeting
Monday, January 24, 2000 - 11:00 A.m.
Conference Room 113

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

*HELD OVER FROM JANUARY 17, 2000.

DA1242000/TJB
Directors’ Meeting
MINUTES
Monday, January 24, 2000
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Council Members Absent: Cindy Johnson.

Others Present: Mayor Don Wesely, Gina Dunning, Ann Harrell, Jennifer Brinkman, Mayor’s Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; City Clerk, Paul Malzer; Tammy Bogenreif, City Council Staff; Kevin Berkland, Rural Metro and Chris Hain, Lincoln Journal Star Representative.

I. MAYOR

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that in regards to the Tow Lot issue they are very concerned about it and they need to talk about this issue. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that they need to move forward on getting that location taken care of, which is the main thing. Council will discuss the Tow Lot issue at the “Noon” Meeting today.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that on the Fallbrook issue they have reached an agreement, which they will be receiving and they feel very good about it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council they will have an amendment for them in regards to this issue. Mayor Wesely indicated to Ms. Seng that maybe Council can be briefed on this issue at the “Noon” Meeting today. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Kathleen Sellman can brief them on this matter. Ms. Sellman indicated to Council that she will be at the “Noon” Meeting today to brief them on this issue. Council stated to Ms. Sellman okay.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that in regards to the Rural Metro issue they are continuing to have good progress and he wished he had more specifics for them, but the problem is that there was a corporate shake up last week, that has made the people who are working with them directly a little uncertain. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that they want things to settle down this week and then maybe they will be able to come back to them next week with some information. Mayor Wesely commented to Council that this is the problem they have right now.

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4. Memo from Jennifer Brinkman - RE: Change in Ordinance 12.76.150.— NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

II. CITY CLERK

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that in regards to Item 9, under Miscellaneous Referrals, Council has one resolution to vote upon, setting the hearing date for Monday, February 7, 2000 at 1:30 p.m., on the application of Darrel D. & Cheryl G. Walton dba “The Silver Spur” for a Retail Class “C” liquor license at 5100 N. 48th Street. Clerk Malzer indicated to Council that this is the old “B.J. Hideway’s” location.

Ms. Seng asked Clerk Malzer if these are different people. Clerk Malzer indicated to Ms. Seng that is correct.

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that in regards to Item 20 [Amending Section 2.76.150 of the LMC to remove the requirements that pay increases for exceptional service be approved by the Mayor and to provide that the Director of Personnel annually send a written report to the Mayor listing employees approved for exceptional service pay increases] he received a request from the Law Department that this particular item not be introduced at this time and have it pulled from Council’s Agenda. Clerk Malzer indicated to Council that he will bring this to Council’s attention when they get to this item at the Formal Council Meeting today.

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that in regards to Items 27 & 28 [Approving a Lease Agrmt. between the City & Phantom, Inc. For the lease of City owned property for use as an impound lot for towed vehicles & Approving a 4-yr. contract between the City & Phantom, Inc. for vehicular towing & storage] attached to their Miscellaneous Referral Sheet are a number of letters they have received from the Treasurer of Phantom, Inc. in regards to these issues.

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that also in regards to Item 28, attached to their Miscellaneous Referral Sheet is a motion to amend. Clerk Malzer stated to Council he believes that it was a request from Annette McRoy for the contractor to agree that they will not use “Y” Street, New Hampshire Street or Charleston Street for towing/transporting cars to the
Impound Lot unless the tow/transport originates on these streets or within three blocks of these streets and west of 13th Street.

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that in regards to Item 35 [Approving an Annexation Agrmt. between the City & NEBCO, Inc. with regard to the annexation of approx. 318 acres of land generally located north of Hwy. 34, south of Alvo Rd., & west of N. 1st Street] attached to their Miscellaneous Referral Sheet is the Resolution, Annexation as well as the Annexation Agreement. Clerk Malzer indicated to Council that they just received this material from the Law Department.

Clerk Malzer stated to Council on the Pending list in regards to Item 51 [Vacating Hackberry Lane between Anthony Lane & E. Hillcrest Drive, located in the three-mile jurisdiction of the City] he believes Council received in their packets from the Planning Department a memo that the City should act upon this vacation and resolution first. So, he will request Council to remove Item 51 from the Pending list and schedule the public hearing for this item on Monday, January 31, 2000.

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that in regards to Item 63 [Approving the Que Place Notch Redevelopment Agreement between the City & Concord Hospitality Inc. which authorizes the sale of property & the development of a restaurant at Lot 1, Que Place Add. to Block 36] there should be an accompanying ordinance in regards to this Que Place redevelopment. So, he is requesting Council to have a motion that they pull introduction on this item until next week or until they receive the ordinance for this item.

Mr. Camp indicated to Clerk Malzer that there is a typo on Item 62 [Approving a North 27th Street business area from “O” Street to Fair Street and the appointment of a Business Improvement Board] on the actual ordinance that says “Jon Gauger” that it should be “Jan Gauger”. Clerk Malzer stated to Mr. Camp okay.

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*2. Material for Items 36, 37 & 38 --Approving the distribution of funds representing interest earnings on short-term investments of Idle Funds during the month ended Sept. 30, 1999-Oct. 30, 1999 & Nov. 30, 1999 (On Council’s Agenda for 1/18/00).--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

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Ms. Seng stated to Council there are three items that are listed here under “II. City Clerk”, but these items were all dealt with last week.

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Mr. Cook stated that he has a question about the Planning Commission Final Action notifications. Mr. Cook indicated that he has the Planning Commission Agenda with action on it and the action taken does not match (if he is reading it correctly). Mr. Cook was wondering if it is a mistake or is there something he doesn’t understand on how to read it.

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*6. Letter from Richard Lutz, FMP, President/CEO Nebraska Restaurant Association - RE: Opposition to the current plan for widening “O” Street.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

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14. Letter from Cliff Dale, Associate Superintendent, Lincoln Public Schools - RE: The proposed widening of “O” Street.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

ADDENDUM

III. CORRESPONDENCE

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Two E-Mail’s from Sara Schwartztrauber - RE: The City Towing Contract.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. Faxed Letter from Charles Huff, General Manager, Best Western - RE: East “O” Street Project.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. Faxed Letter from Mike Barnett, Mike’s 66 & Towing Company - RE: City of Lincoln Tow Contract.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. Faxed Letter from Todd Carpenter, Carpenter Motors - RE: The East “O” Street widening project.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

IV. DIRECTORS - NO COMMENTS

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
ANNETTE McROY

Ms. McRoy asked Jim Morgan if he could tell her what is going on with the Airpark Recreation Center on Saturday nights, if there are programs for kids out there.

Mr. Morgan indicated to Ms. McRoy that he would have to check into it, that there are programs on some weekends. Mr. Morgan stated to Ms. McRoy that they have a project and partnership with the Health Department that it is no longer sponsored by “Mad Dads” and he believes that it is two Saturday’s a month. Mr. Morgan stated to Ms. McRoy that there is some discussion about whether to go to four. Mr. Morgan stated to Ms. McRoy that he will check into this issue to see what exactly is the schedule for the programs and he will give her a call. Ms. McRoy stated to Mr. Morgan okay.

CINDY JOHNSON - ABSENT

JEFF FORTENBERRY

Mr. Fortenberry stated to the Public Works & Utilities Department that there are a number of lights that are out under the “O” Street overpass in the Haymarket area (about 8th & “O” Street). Mr. Fortenberry asked the Public Works & Utilities Department if they could check into this matter.

Rick Haden stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he will pass this information on and have it checked out.

Mr. Fortenberry asked Chief Casady if he could see him briefly after the Director’s Meeting. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Fortenberry okay.

JERRY SHOECRAFT

Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that he had some conversations with people this weekend regarding concerns about teen homelessness again. Mr. Shoecraft indicated to Mayor Wesely that it is hard for him to comprehend this and believe that this exists to the highest degree that it does in Lincoln, Nebraska. Mr. Shoecraft stated that he is surprised about it because he doesn’t see it, but he keeps on hearing about it. Mr. Shoecraft indicated that they say these teens go to school, but then after school they have no where to sleep. Mr.
Shoecraft asked Chief Casady, if this is actually true to that high degree in Lincoln.

Chief Casady stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they are going to work pretty close to 3,000 missing persons this year of which all but a very small handful are teenage runaways; basically kids for one reason or another can’t live at home for a period of days, a period weeks, or sometimes a period of months. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Shoecraft that some of them are incorrigible kids that just won’t obey any of the rules at home, so they live from one friend to another friend and look for a place to crash.

Mr. Shoecraft asked Chief Casady what is being done to address this issue. Chief Casady commented to Mr. Shoecraft that the City of Lincoln has really good resources with Freeway Station, Youth Services System, Light House, etc. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Shoecraft that he really can’t say there is a lack of resources and the problem is really in the front end, preventable strategies to reduce the number of kids that are getting caught up in living on the streets lifestyle.

Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Shoecraft that he needs to talk with Kit Boesch about this problem because she and Chief Casady have been working on this problem together. Chief Casady indicated to Mr. Shoecraft that there is a Task Force for this situation. Mr. Shoecraft thanked Chief Casady for this information.

**JON CAMP - NO COMMENTS**

**COLEEN SENG**

Ms. Seng stated that she is sending a Request For Information through to the Public Works & Utilities Department and the Mayor’s Office regarding Gateway Manor that they would like them to look into having an exit onto “R” Street to the north of their property. (RFI#795)
VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:48 A.M.

*HELD OVER FROM JANUARY 17, 2000.