DIRECTOR’S MEETING
Monday, February 14, 2000 - 11:00 a.m.
Conference Room 113

I. Mayor

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VI. ADJOURNMENT
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2000
CONFERENCE ROOM 113


Council Members Absent: Cindy Johnson, Jerry Shoecraft.

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

I. MAYOR

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they probably read about the “O” Street situation regarding the materials the Public Works & Utilities Department are putting on the streets for snow storms. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that he has talked to Rick Haden about this situation. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that he knows they are all disappointed that there were some difficulties and some accidents that had occurred, but after Mr. Haden explained what happened. Mayor Wesely commented to Council that his brief estimates is that, it was a new process and there was alot of traffic going on and that they can learn from it. He thinks overall the new product the City is using is positive and a good change and so they are disappointed that they had this problem, but he has alot of confidence in Mr. Haden that they will learn from this incident. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Mr. Haden will have a report back to all of them in regards to what happened. Mayor Wesely commented to Council that he feels like this was an isolated accident. Mayor Wesely stated that he commends the Public Works & Utilities Department for trying something new and they should understand that sometimes mistakes are made.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he also wants them to know and that he has mentioned this to Mr. Fortenberry, in terms of the Ordinances dealing with the nudity and touching issue that he looks to them for guidance and drafting it, But what ever comes out of the Council on the decision, as long as he has advice from Dana Roper that it is constitutional and is in good legal shape that he will stand with them on whatever they decide to do.

Mayor Wesely commented to Council about the Stormwater Ordinance, that he knows this issue has gotten a little complicated. Mayor Wesely
stated to Council that he is kind of new to the process and several of them are new to it because it has been on going for several years and there is a sense of those who have been involved in it, that sometime ago the 60 ft. had been agreed to and that this is really where they should be on it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council there will be information coming to them at the “Noon” Meeting today from the Planning Department regarding this issue.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he asked Nicole Fleck-Tooze to see what other standards were out there from FEMA, etc. to give them a sense of how they will fit it into it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council from his initial review of it, it looks like to him that the 60 ft. is the minimum one that is certainly supportable, but the 100 ft. issue is pretty standard and it looks like that for alot of the areas as well. So, he thinks either way is supportable and Ms. Tooze will outline for them a series of options for them to consider and have drafts ready for them. Mayor Wesely commented to Council again, that his view is if they want to go with the 100 ft. that he would be very supportive of that or if they want to stick with the 60 ft. that this was a beginning. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Nicole Fleck-Tooze will discuss this matter more with them at the “Noon” Meeting today.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he is going to have to be leaving early, so if they have any questions for him this would be a good time to ask him.

Mr. Fortenberry commented to Mayor Wesely about the Stormwater issue, that on the literature he read, it looked like the 100 ft. was a minimum in terms of trying to reach the other effects of the environmental sensitivity of higher quality, where the 60 ft. might be more of looking at what it controls. Mr. Fortenberry stated to Mayor Wesely that he doesn’t what to complicate things, but if they did go with something that was more aggressive to meet these other good public policies that maybe a flexible mechanism can be built in for credits or other types of bonuses. Mr. Fortenberry commented to Mayor Wesely, that maybe if they did some other creative things and actually further their desire for flood control environmental protection, that he was wondering if there was a way they could look at those density bonuses or trade offs. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he thinks this is an excellent idea. Mr. Fortenberry indicated that this was part of the testimony last week. Ms. Seng indicated that the 100 ft. had not come out of the task force that this popped up at the Planning Commission.

Mayor Wesely asked Kathleen Sellman and Steve Henrichsen, if they want to address the Stormwater issue now. Kathleen Sellman and Steve Henrichsen stated that they will also address the Stormwater issue at the “Noon” Meeting today. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that Nicole Fleck-Tooze will also be at the “Noon” Meeting today to go over this
Ms. Seng stated to Mayor Wesely that she just wanted to ask once again, if someone is addressing the Woods Park letter from Dick Patterson that they received last week regarding the Liquor Commission. Ms. Seng indicated to Mayor Wesely that this letter was on the Director’s Agenda for February 7, 2000 and last week they asked Administration to take a look at it. Dana Roper stated to Ms. Seng that Joel Pedersen is working on it. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Roper okay.

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II. CITY CLERK

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that Items 6, 7 & 8 in regards to the three Public Nudity Ordinances will be called together during Public Hearing. Clerk Malzer indicated to Council also attached to their Miscellaneous Referral Sheet is a petition to ban nudity in public places as well as touching, kissing, fondling and embracing between performers and patrons. Clerk Malzer stated to Council that he attached only the front page of the petition, but he will bring the rest of the signatures to the Formal Council Meeting today. Clerk Malzer indicated to Council that they received 334 signatures to ban nudity in public places and they received 143 signatures opposing the three ordinances.
Clerk Malzer stated to Council that in regards to Item 18, under Miscellaneous Referrals, Council has two resolutions to vote upon, one to set the hearing date for Monday, February 28, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. for a managers application for “Russ’s Bishop Heights IGA” at 4200 S. 27th Street. Clerk Malzer stated to Council that they also received a raffle application for “St. Patrick’s Church” to conduct a raffle within the City of Lincoln at 6126 Morrill, so therefore, he requests that they set the hearing date for next week on Tuesday, February 22, 2000 at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Seng stated to Roger Figard that she sees here on Item 18, under Miscellaneous Referrals that it says there is a Formal Paving Petition for 72nd Street from Havelock Avenue to Morrill Avenue and she was wondering if this petition was going to the Law Department. Clerk Malzer stated to Ms. Seng that normally when they receive formal petitions they refer it to the Law Department so they can check it out. Roger Figard indicated to Council that they want to verify that the petition is correct, before they would start any process. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Figard okay.

Mr. Cook stated to Clerk Malzer that there was a request for a change to the Lincoln Municipal Code at 27.63.700 and he was wondering if he could get a copy of it. Mr. Cook stated to Clerk Malzer he knows it is early in the process, but he would like to see what is being asked for in regards to this item.

Mr. Camp asked Clerk Malzer if the City has the capability to have the Council’s main phone answered with a voicemail system, so that the staff doesn’t have to answer it because the staff has been getting alot of calls on issues, for example on the Public Nudity Ordinances. Mr. Camp commented that the caller could pick from a list of numbers to reach a particular Council member or his/her voicemail and also they could have numbers assigned for callers to make an electronic vote on an issue. So, he was wondering if there was a way they could look into some type of telephone service for people to key in their vote regarding items on the Council’s Agenda. Clerk Malzer stated to Mr. Camp that he believes the majority of the Council phone messages goes directly through to the Council Office. Mr. Camp asked how would he go about on trying to facilitate some type of telephone services on controversial issues. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Camp that he would have to have it in the Council’s Budget. Mr. Camp thanked Clerk Malzer and Ms. Seng for this information.

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HUMAN SERVICES

1. Letter from Kit Boesch - RE: Letter Exchange Regarding Child Care.--- Ms. Seng stated to Council that she would like the Council members to read this letter closely.

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Mr. Cook indicated to Ms. Seng that maybe this would be the
appropriate time to ask about the “E” Street Addition. Mr. Cook asked if it would be proper to ask for some type of restriction to be placed on future fill in areas that they are vacating and was wondering if they could put it in a sales agreement.

Kathleen Sellman stated to Mr. Cook that she doesn’t know what the process would be at this point. John Bradley stated to Mr. Cook, if they would do it that way then it would be in the language of the conservation easement. Ms. Sellman commented to Mr. Cook which there is no conservation easement at this time on this vacation. Mr. Cook stated that he wasn’t sure what would be the appropriate route because he doesn’t know if they would want to put a conservation easement on this area because their plan is to use it as a parking lot. But, at some future time to prevent them from bringing in fill for some other purpose, if they decide to change their minds and decide to build a building there. Mr. Cook commented who knows what could happen ultimately, and he guesses that he would like to see some restriction on it, since it is in the floodplain.

Mr. Bradley indicated to Mr. Cook that they will talk to the owner about this matter. Mr. Cook stated to Council that he recommends today that they put this off until Mr. Bradley checks into this matter. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Cook that he will talk to Nicole Fleck-Tooze right after the Director’s Meeting and then he will update them at the “Noon” Meeting today.

Ms. Seng asked the Planning Department, if someone will be at the Formal Council Meeting today to answer Danny Walker’s questions. Kathleen Sellman indicated to Ms. Seng that someone from the Planning Department will be at the Council Meeting today.

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Ms. Seng asked Roger Figard, if he would check on this with Larry Worth and get back to them in regards to why they are not
charging a fee for this transportation. Mr. Figard stated that he will check with Mr. Worth in regards to this news release and he will have Mr. Worth send something out to Council on it.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Letter from Nancy Russell - RE: The Public Nudity Ordinance.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. Letter from Anna Plank - RE: The Public Nudity Ordinance.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. Letter from Barbara Thompson - RE: The Public Nudity Ordinance.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. Letter from Jeffrey E. Buss - RE: The Public Nudity Ordinance.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. E-Mail from Kristy Crouch - RE: The building in the Highlands Northwest Addition.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

6. 13 E-Mail’s - RE: The Public Nudity Ordinance.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

ADDENDUM

I. MAYOR

1. CITY OF LINCOLN - NEWS RELEASE - RE: Police Department Move Prompts Changes On “H” Street.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. CITY OF LINCOLN - NEWS RELEASE - RE: Pennies For Lincoln Campaign To Fund New Public Sculpture.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

JON CAMP

1. E-Mail from Jon Camp - RE: The revised approach to Centennial Mall. --- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS
PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

1. Memo from Allan Abbott - RE: "H" Street, 9th to 10th Street, One-Way Flow.--- Ms. Seng asked if someone wants to address this issue. Rick Haden indicated to Council that this was a request that came through to the Public Building Commission as part of their efforts to try to increase the parking around the County/City Building. Mr. Haden indicated to Council that there is a significant shortage of parking spaces, primarily for Law Enforcement and looking at the opportunities around the building that one location was the south side of "H" Street between 9th and 10th Streets to change it to angle parking in order to increase the number of parking spaces. Mr. Haden stated to Council that this was kind of a compromise with the neighborhood folks to the west because they needed a westbound access in order to gain a similar number of parking spaces for keeping the street opened for westbound traffic. Mr. Haden indicated to Council that they will now have angle parking on both sides of "H" Street. Ms. Seng thanked Mr. Haden for this information.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Letter from Kerry Jackson - RE: In support of the City Council ordinance dealing with the so called "Gentlemen’s Clubs" and the various forms of nudity/behavior involved with them.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. E-Mail from Alan Hersch - RE: Peoples Natural Gas supports the Wilderness Park subarea plan.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. E-Mail from Mark Hunziker - RE: Coddington & "A" Street.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. 11 E-Mail’s - RE: The Public Nudity Ordinance.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. E-Mail from Raymond Bloomquist - RE: The last "minutes" for the City Council Meeting.--- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS


7. Letter from Fred J. Matulka, Hampton Development Services, Inc. - RE: Change of Zone 3234, 'AG' to 'R-3'.--- Ms. Seng asked Clerk Malzer if he received this letter. Clerk Malzer stated to Ms. Seng that he did not receive this letter. Ms. Seng indicated to Clerk Malzer that the letter is attached to their Director’s Addendum packet. Clerk Malzer stated to Ms. Seng okay, that he
IV. DIRECTORS

POLICE DEPARTMENT - Chief Casady stated to Council that the Lincoln Police Department is now moved into the Hall of Justice-Law Enforcement Building. Chief Casady stated to Council that it is going very good and everything has gone smoothly. Chief Casady stated to Council that it is a gorgeous building and that he wants to thank them on behalf of all of his employees. Chief Casady commented to Council that he can’t tell them the difference it makes, that officers and employees are walking into these two facilities and what a dramatic change it is from their former accommodations. Chief Casady thanked everyone. Chief Casady commented to Council that he had all five architectural studies laid out on the conference room table last week, so the people could really get a picture of how long this has been in the making.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Chief Casady that he thinks it would be a good idea and maybe they can talk about it more privately, but at some point after they have been housed at N. 27th Street for awhile for them to give a report on how effective and active the sub-location is and the Administration Police Services. Mr. Fortenberry asked Chief Casady if he thinks he would need about a year. Chief Casady indicated to Mr. Fortenberry that he thinks a year would be a real good bench mark, that this would give them some data about the neighborhood and along with some type of operational effects that it has had on the Police Department. Mr. Fortenberry stated to Chief Casady okay.

Ms. Seng asked Chief Casady, if they have set up an Open House date for the North 27th Street Police Sub-station. Chief Casady stated to Ms. Seng that they are tentatively discussing a date in March, but they are trying to hold off until the weather is fairly nice because one of the components of the open house is that they want to have a flag racing by children from Clinton Elementary School, so they really would prefer to do it on a date when the weather is nice, warm and dry.

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT - Roger Figard stated to Council that he wanted to make sure they received James Faimon’s update memo regarding the claim against the City of Lincoln by Realty Center. Ms. Seng indicated to Mr. Figard that they received this memo in their legislative packet. Ms. Seng asked Mr. Figard if the main reason why this claim was denied because it was filed to late. Mr. Figard indicated to Ms. Seng that is correct and the other significant piece is that there appeared to be a number of items in there, that the repair didn’t have anything to do with sewer back-up and none of the repairs were started for nearly six months.

Mr. Cook asked Mr. Figard, if this claim had come in on time and didn’t include these extra items would they be saying that the City does bare responsibility and if they would have given them a smaller amount of what was being requested or is a sewer back-up like this one just something that happens, that it is not do to inadequate maintenance and therefore the City is not responsible for it. Mr. Cook indicated to Mr.
Figard that this is not clear to him.

Mr. Figard stated to Mr. Cook he does believe if the City can show good faith and they were not neglected that these kinds of things have happened through natural causes that the City would not necessarily be at fault. Mr. Figard stated to Mr. Cook as far as the other issue he asked on whether the City might have paid it, that he doesn’t know.

Dana Roper stated to Mr. Cook what they looked at was the maintenance records and if they have identified the cause of the sewer back-up (this is the big one) and that it may have been the homeowners fault, or it may have been vandalism or that it may have been something else.

Mr. Figard indicated to Council the possible cause of the stoppage was the result of heavy use of the line and possible tree root invasion into the line. Mr. Roper commented to Council that obviously, the extent and kind of use of the line cannot be controlled and the tree root growth would be considered to be a natural condition. Mr. Cook commented to Mr. Figard for all he knows every line in town may have cracks in them and they can’t avoid it, that it is not something that necessarily indicates they have to go out and pick up the streets that they just deal with it. Mr. Figard indicated to Mr. Cook that is correct.

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP

Mr. Camp stated to Council that he had an Neighborhood Association Meeting with the Ridge South 40th Street group the other day and he thinks they talked to Roger Figard regarding the widening and he appreciates him responding to this group. Mr. Camp stated that the neighborhood group has some concerns regarding the widening of this street. Mr. Camp commented that he doesn’t know if Mr. Figard has any thoughts in regards to this issue.

Mr. Camp stated that he would like to talk to Steve Masters about that arterial homeowner situation along the Beal Slough.

Mr. Camp stated to Chief Casady that he wants to thank him and his officers for participating in the Chocolate Lovers Fantasy event and indicated that Reba Schafer did a great job. Mr. Camp asked Reba Schafer if they won and she indicated that they did. Mr. Camp commented to Ms. Schafer that he didn’t hear who won it, but that she deserved to win it. Ms. Schafer thanked Mr. Camp.
JEFF FORTENBERRY

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Chief Casady that he needs to talk with him after the Director’s Meeting. Chief Casady indicated to Mr. Fortenberry okay.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Leon Vinci that he has another phone call for him to make regarding the problem with dogs. Mr. Vinci indicated to Mr. Fortenberry okay.

JONATHAN COOK

Mr. Cook asked Ann Harrell who was in charge of the MIRF Legislation issue, if he wanted to find out some more information on it. Ms. Harrell indicated to Mr. Cook that Jennifer Brinkman is in charge of it.

Mr. Cook stated to Jim Morgan that he saw the article in the newspaper about the City watering new trees. Mr. Cook asked Mr. Morgan if the City is watering trees along 27th to 33rd Streets and other streets where the City planted new trees or do they only water the park trees.

Mr. Morgan stated to Mr. Cook that they have had pretty good cooperation from neighbors where they put new trees last spring on watering them. Mr. Morgan indicated to Mr. Cook that they have things running on Channel 5, they have had several newspaper stories and radio stories regarding this issue. Mr. Morgan indicated to Mr. Cook that those are also covered by the contract from the last year and a lot of those have a replacement, so the nursery has to do the watering or the replacement of the trees, if the trees don’t make it. Mr. Cook thanked Mr. Morgan for this information.

Mr. Morgan commented to Mr. Cook if they have another warm spell they do need a lot of watering. Mr. Cook commented to Mr. Morgan from his understanding this should have been done last fall primarily. Mr. Morgan stated to Mr. Cook that they have been watering the trees and asking the public to help them water the trees since October.

Mr. Cook stated to Chief Casady that he has a question about counterfeit $20.00 bills. Mr. Cook indicated to Chief Casady that he is curious about this situation and he was wondering if there is any kind of educational campaign going on in town with the convenient store owners. Mr. Cook indicated that he thought the Federal Government was going to do something about it and it seems to him that most people
never look at the new features of the new bills. Mr. Cook commented that he goes to banks and they use those little markers to determine if the bills are counterfeit, rather then holding it up to the light. Mr. Cook stated that those markers are a fraud and he doesn’t know why banks buy them, but they get taken in by the markers. Mr. Cook commented that they spent all of this money redesigning currencies and if you go to Russia right after new $100 bills come out, then they have posters on the walls showing U.S. currencies in what to look for in the U.S., and all out of one in ten people probably don’t have no idea what to look for.

Chief Casady stated to Mr. Cook that they have done some work on it, that they have done some direct mail and news letters; they have also done some training sessions for individual businesses and some of the businesses do a pretty good job of it, but there are more counterfeit bills then he has ever seen during his career. Chief Casady indicated that they have probably collected some where around 70 counterfeit $20.00 bills in the last week. So, it is hot and heavy right now.

Mr. Cook asked Chief Casady, if he would be able to show him one of these counterfeit bills. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Cook sure he could. Mr. Cook thanked Chief Casady.

COLEEN SENG

Ms. Seng thanked Reba Schafer, Administrator of the Lincoln Area Agency on Aging, for coming out to her Citizen’s Meeting this morning. Ms. Seng indicated to Council that they got into the topic about all of the domiciliary homes. Ms. Seng stated that the Planning Department had given them a list of all of those that are coming forward to them in the future weeks or months and she thinks that they as Council members should know if the developers are getting some sort of credit or elderly housing, that they need to know what services they are going to be providing, and if there is a standard or not. Ms. Seng stated that they had a fair amount of discussion on this issue, so maybe the Planning Department and Aging needs to talk through this matter because she doesn’t think she has ever seen quite so many Aging facilities coming forward to them from the Planning Department as they have right now. Ms. Seng commented that she knows occasionally they have given alot of land use credits for facilities that are for Aging. Ms. Seng indicated that this came up in a conversation that just kind of kept going on and on this morning at her Citizen’s Meeting. Ms. Seng stated that she thinks this is something they should be looking at.

Ms. Seng stated that she thinks they need to have a Pre-Council Meeting on “F” Street. Jim Morgan stated to Ms. Seng okay and he will get this Pre-Council Meeting scheduled for Council.

Ms. Seng commented that she wants to go back to the issue on “jake-brakes”. Ms. Seng commented that she thinks she understands here,
in all of these replies that they evidently have enough ordinances on the books. Ms. Seng asked what would be the next step on it and was wondering if this means more enforcement.

Rick Haden indicated to Ms. Seng they do have a number of locations that are kind of repeat complaints, so they are going to go out and post signs up for vehicle noise ordinance enforcement. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Haden okay. Mr. Haden stated to Ms. Seng the locations they are thinking are the north and south City limits on 84th Street and probably north and south of “O” Street on 84th Street. Mr. Haden indicated to Ms. Seng that this is generally the spread where they have been receiving alot of the complaints. Ms. Seng thanked Mr. Haden for this information.

ANNETTE McROY – NO COMMENTS
CINDY JOHNSON – ABSENT
JERRY SHOECAST – ABSENT

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:43 A.M.