DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 15, 2000 - 11:00 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MAYOR


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IV. DIRECTORS

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VI. ADJOURNMENT
Directors’ Meeting
Minutes
Monday, May 15, 2000
Conference Room 113


Others Present: 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 not present. No comments from staff.

1. Response Letter from Mayor Wesely to Bruce & Charlene Messenger - RE: The Emergency Medical Services. ---- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

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II. CITY CLERK

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that during Public Hearing he will call the five ordinances together regarding the pay schedules for employees and their classification after the Public Hearing part.

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Clerk Malzer stated to Council that in regards to Item 16, under Miscellaneous Referrals, Council has two resolutions to vote upon, setting the hearing date for Monday, May 22, 2000 at 1:30 p.m., one is an application for St. Thomas Aquinas Church/Newman Center to conduct a raffle & lottery within the City of Lincoln. Clerk Malzer stated to Council that they also received an application for “U-Stop Convenience Shop” for a Retail Class “B” liquor license at 2700 South Street and they will set the hearing date for this application for Monday, May 30, 2000 at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk Malzer stated to Council that next week on Monday, May 22, 2000 at the beginning of the Council Agenda will be their election for the Chair and for the Vice-Chair.
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Ms. Seng asked Ms. McRoy if she had any comments on her Requests For Information. Ms. McRoy stated that no she did not have any comments on these Requests For Information, except for she would like responses back.
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   Mr. Camp asked Ms. Seng if this would be the appropriate time to bring up his question on the written copies of the Budget briefing. Ms. Seng indicated to Mr. Camp that they can discuss this issue here at the Director’s Meeting or they can discuss it at the “Noon” Meeting today.

   Mr. Camp stated to Steve Hubka when they had the Budget briefing, he brought up something again that he has mentioned at one other Budget hearing and he accepts that they are reviewing confidential, but he really would appreciate hard copies of it and have it marked confidential. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Hubka if they are going to respond on it, to him it is something they should have in front of them. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Camp that Steve Hubka could sure talk about it. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Camp this is how they have always handled it, that they have never had any hard copies given to them. Ms. Seng commented that she suspected this is a little touchy to be doing, and she thinks the Mayor probably has the responsibility of bringing the Budget out. Ms. Seng stated that she has always really appreciated having the updates on the Budget early on and she knows that Mike Johanns did it, that Mr. Johanns did it much better then Bill Harris did, but they have had several Budget briefings each time.

   Mr. Camp commented to Ms. Seng just because they have always done it a certain way doesn’t mean they can’t change it. Ms. Seng indicated to Mr. Camp that she understands.

   Ms. Johnson stated that she happened to have been at the briefing with Mr. Camp and she can understand some of his concerns because not everybody can scratch things out as fast as somebody else, but she took a bunch of notes that she could have turned around photocopied and handed it out to the world, but she didn’t. She just took the things that were a concern to her and wanted to think about a little bit more to make comments on or had any questions on. Ms. Johnson stated to Steve Hubka, so she is kind of wondering if there is some concerns that people are having on it. Mr. Hubka pointed out that within the last couple of weeks, Rural Metro and the
Fire Department created proposals and they both had pages marked confidential and so on; and everyone of those pages have been handed out, but not through anybody leaking it, but through the ruling of the City Attorney’s Office and Rural Metro has decided that they needed to put it out as well. So once they put it on paper no matter what they mark it, that it is extremely hard to keep it confidential. Mr. Hubka stated that it was Mike Johanns and Mayor Wesely’s choice to show it on the over head. Mr. Hubka stated as Ms. Seng pointed out, that there was a time 10 years ago, when none of this information was discussed or the Council’s input wasn’t sought that Council had no information. Mr. Hubka commented to Council that they also had the Budget Retreat a few months ago. Mr. Hubka stated in addition, in just giving them information the Mayor is actually seeking their input, which was all part of the process for this year, so there are definitely concerns about putting it on paper because it seems like when it is on paper nothing is confidential anymore, so this is the way they decided to go at this point and time on it.

Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Hubka that he still respectively would like to ask them to change it. Mr. Camp commented that he thinks this under mines the purpose of Budget briefings, that they are supposed to respond. Mr. Camp commented to Mr. Hubka that obviously all of them in Administration have hard copies of it. Mr. Camp commented to Mr. Hubka, if they are afraid he is going to leak it to the press to come out and say it, because this isn’t what he would do. Mr. Hubka indicated to Mr. Camp even if they put it on paper and whether it came from any of the Council members, that he wouldn’t doubt the press would walk in and say they want to see it and they would be producing it. Mr. Camp commented to Mr. Hubka that they have the hard copy for the over lays, so this is not a valid excuse. Mr. Hubka indicated to Mr. Camp that this is a tough issue and he doesn’t know what to tell them, but again they are providing way more information then the charter requires and much earlier then the charter requires; and that they are seeking their input and that it is up to the Mayor to decide what role he wants to use to the Council in preparing this Budget. Mr. Hubka stated to Mr. Camp that Council has a very formalized role with the City Charter, but the Mayor can involve as many staff people as he wants; he can involve no staff people if he wants; and the same way with the City Council. Mr. Hubka indicated to Mr. Camp that this is how the decision was made and this is how they proceeded to this point. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Hubka that he guesses he would make one final comment, if they are talking about dealing in minimizing what the City Charter says-“yes” they would stand behind that, but he thinks the goal here is to produce the most effective government for the people of Lincoln. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Hubka that he respectfully asks that the Administration and the Mayor revisit this issue.

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

ANIMAL CONTROL

1. Letter & Report - RE: The 1999 Annual Report for Lincoln Animal Control (Copy of this Report is on file in the City Council Office). — Ms. Seng stated to Leon Vinci that she heard they were going to have a Public Hearing on this information. Mr. Vinci stated to Ms. Seng no that this is a report of their Annual Statistics of what they did through out the year and it summaries some of the key services and programs that are provided.

Mr. Vinci stated to Ms. Seng that the Board of Health is now looking at addressing as a general question on what is the Animal Services package in the whole community with the Humane Society and the role with the Sheriff’s and other departments. Mr. Vinci stated to Council at some of their up coming meetings they plan to jump into this, on how far and where it takes them he is not going to predict at this time.
FINANCE


2. Fiscal Impact Statement (4-18-2000) for Engineering Services/PW. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. Fiscal Impact Statement (4-18-2000) for Street & Traffic Operations/PW. — Ms. McRoy stated that she has a question about the fiscal impact statement for the Skid Loader attachments on the one that says they are having trouble hiring laborer’s and their increase in claims from Laborer’s. Ms. McRoy asked Roger Figard, if the Skid Loader would reduce the number of claims and she was curious of why the claims are going up. Mr. Figard stated to Ms. McRoy he thinks this is the intent that the equipment will better enable the employee’s to do their job safely and without injuring themselves. Mr. Figard indicated to Ms. McRoy that he could get her some additional follow up information if she would like some. Ms. McRoy stated to Mr. Figard that she was curious about this situation.

4. Letter from Mark Leikam to Mayor Wesely RE: Keno Revenues. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

HEALTH


2. News Release - Scott Middle School to Receive Green Apple Award. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

PLANNING

1. Response Letter from Kathleen Sellman to Melva Plouzek - RE: Possible Pine Lake Road right-of-way vacation. — Ms. Seng stated to Kathleen Sellman that this was a nice letter to Melva Plouzek and thanked Ms. Sellman for the letter.

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C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Letter from Bennie L. McCombs, Your Neighbor in Country Meadows - RE: Country Meadows development. — Ms. Seng asked the Planning Department, if they need to do anything on this letter from Bennie McCombs. John Bradley stated to Ms. Seng that he did a site visit and they have gotten their permits from the NRD, that the site is pretty well manicured now, that they left the trees along the drainage way. Mr. Bradley indicated to Ms. Seng that Bennie McCombs has no application before the City at this time. Mr. Bradley stated to Ms. Seng that Mr. McCombs did ask for offices a few years ago, but he can’t remember what the results were, if Mr. McCombs withdrew it or if they denied it.

   Mr. Bradley stated to Ms. Seng that they petitioned against Mr. McCombs disturbing his property because they suspected he was going to do some office buildings there. Mr. Bradley stated to Ms. Seng that this letter was written to give his side of the story. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Bradley okay, but asked him, so they don’t have anything here. Mr. Bradley stated to Ms. Seng that Mr. McCombs has no applications and Mr. McCombs hasn’t even been to the office to talk with him.

2. THE LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER - May 2000. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS


4. Material from Rural Metro. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
5. E-Mail from Tom Anderson - RE: Boy Scout Camp at Peterson Park. — Ms. Johnson asked if somebody could briefly talk about this issue and what is going on with it. Ms. Seng asked the Planning Department if they have to file an appeal. Kathleen Sellman stated to Ms. Seng that is correct and she thinks there was a deadline on Friday for this appeal to be filed. Ms. Sellman stated to Ms. Johnson that she will get the answer on it. Ms. Johnson stated to Ms. Sellman that she is curious about it. Ms. Seng asked Ms. Sellman if they don’t file an appeal, then it doesn’t come to them and she was wondering if this was correct. Ms. Sellman stated to Ms. Seng that is correct and asked Mr. Bradley if this was correct.

   Mr. Bradley stated to Ms. Sellman that is correct, if they stay in the process, that it is their understanding they are considering looking for another site, but they haven’t made that decision yet. Mr. Bradley stated to Council that they will see a Preliminary Plat regarding the property and they will see a Zone Change, so they will get a chance to hear the public input on it.

   Mr. Cook asked Mr. Bradley if they have asked for these items to be held up, not to be brought to Council in the usual time frame. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Cook that they just told them that they were going to hold back for one week while they make their decision and he hasn’t heard what that decision was yet. Mr. Shoecraft asked Mr. Bradley, so they will still hear about it. Ms. Seng indicated to Mr. Bradley that she thought they had to file an appeal if it was coming to them. Mr. Cook stated that there were like 6 or 8 items (he doesn’t know for sure how many items there were) but one of them was Final Action, and only this one item needs to have an appeal filed. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Cook that is correct. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Bradley okay. Mr. Bradley stated to Council that again they don’t know if they are going forward or not, so they are kind of in neutral with them right now. Mr. Bradley stated to Council that they will make an attempt to contact their Council and see what their intentions are at this point.


7. E-Mail from A. Tom McMaster - RE: Interested in designing an educational hand-book based on the various types of birds within the City of Lincoln. — Ms. Seng asked if anybody knew anything about this issue. Jim Morgan stated to Ms. Seng that it came by E-Mail this morning to the Parks & Recreation Department and they are looking for City contribution to it. Mr. Morgan stated to Ms. Seng that they don’t know enough details at this point. Ms. Seng asked Mr. Morgan, if someone from the Parks & Recreation Department will be responding to this E-Mail. Mr. Morgan stated to Ms. Seng that Terry Genrich will be responding to this E-Mail. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Morgan okay.

8. Letter from Pam Dickinson - RE: The current certificate for ambulance service in Lincoln. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

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Mr. Abbott indicated to Council that he knows he promised a month ago, they would have the signs up and now he is finding out that eventually the signs are not up, so he will have to find out why the signs are not up yet. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Abbott okay. Ms. Seng commented to Mr. Abbott that Ms. McRoy wants a sign up on Superior Street and she wants a sign up on 84th Street.

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1. Request to Don Taute, Assistant City Attorney/Georgia Glass, Personnel Director - RE: Proposed Ordinance --(00-101 on Council Agenda) (RFI#42-5/15/00). — Mr. Camp stated that he would like to get some help with getting further elaboration on one of the ordinances that is on 1st Reading today regarding item #22 [Adopting a revised Employee’s Retirement Plan to eliminate outdated, obsolete language; to change provisions regarding employee contributions; to provide for pre-tax contributions; to change the vesting schedule’ to eliminate provisions relating to forfeitures of City contributions; to change provisions regarding re-participation in the retirement plan after a break in service with the City; & to change provisions relating to early retirement]. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Camp that he can ask them for further information at the Formal City Council Meeting today. Mr. Camp stated to Ms. Seng that he did, and maybe they can talk about this issue at the “Noon” Meeting today. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Camp okay.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Faxed Letter with signatures - RE: Change Of Zone #3241.— Mr. Cook stated to Ms. Seng that he doesn’t know if they want to discuss the 84th & Waverly issue, but this faxed letter had a bunch of signatures on it. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Cook that they need to talk about this issue because this letter sounds like they have already voted on this matter, but they haven’t voted on it yet. Ms. Johnson stated to Ms. Seng, if they are going to talk about this issue can someone from the Planning Department be at the “Noon” Meeting today, so they can ask a few questions. Kathleen Sellman stated to Ms. Johnson okay.


3. E-Mail from Don Jensen - RE: Change Of Zone #3237.— NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS


5. Letter from Jim Willis, President, CWA Local 7470, Lincoln Central Labor Union - RE: The EMS Issue. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

6. Letter & Material from Conrad T. Kearns, MBA, Paramedic, Director, Pinellas County
EMS & Fire Administration to Ron Schwartz, Executive Director, Emergency Medical Services, Inc., - RE: Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Ambulance Services. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

IV. DIRECTORS

Ms. Seng asked Jim Morgan if this was his last day for attending meetings. Mr. Morgan stated to Ms. Seng that this was his last City Council, Pre-Council day. Mr. Morgan stated to Council that his heart is still in a lot of projects here, but he is very anxious to get up to Madison. Mr. Morgan stated to Council that he starts there next Monday morning. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Morgan that they wish him well. Mr. Morgan thanked Ms. Seng.

Ms. Seng asked if Reba Schafer was here today (Reba was not present). Ms. Seng stated that she thinks Reba Schafer has a Retirement Reception coming up this week (on May 19th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Downtown Senior Center).

CITY ATTORNEY - Dana Roper stated to Council in regards to the Time Warner legislation they will probably ask them to put this item on Pending. Mr. Roper stated to Council that apparently Time Warner this morning said that they would agree to extend the process for 30 more days. Mr. Roper stated to Council that they are cautiously optimistic that they can work it out in 30 days; so maybe if they have something in writing by the time this item comes up on the Council Agenda today, they may ask to put this item on Pending and they will take the 30 days to see what they can do.

Ms. Johnson asked Mr. Roper what item are they working on, if it was just the first item that they discussed with City Council. Mr. Roper stated to Ms. Johnson that he thinks right now this involves more of a package deal, then it would go a long way towards peace in our time, but they will see.

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

CINDY JOHNSON

Ms. Johnson asked Mike Merwick where they are as far as what they are doing with the trailer parks. Mr. Merwick stated to Ms. Johnson they have sent out letters for corrections to the owners and they are correcting everything that should be corrected by the ordinance. Mr. Merwick stated to Ms. Johnson they have a whole bunch of things that they are going to have corrected in some of the trailer courts. Mr. Merwick indicated to Council that it is going to take them a while for them to get all of the trailer courts fixed because it takes quite a bit of time to inspect any trailer court of any size. Ms. Johnson asked Mr. Merwick if he could set up a Pre-Council Meeting in regards to this issue. Mr. Merwick stated to Ms. Johnson okay.

JONATHAN COOK

Mr. Cook asked about an item on the Miscellaneous Referral Sheet, under “The following applications are to be referred to the Planning Department”, on “Change of Zone 3256-Application of Planning Director for a text change amendment to LMC Sec. 27.58.070” that it doesn’t say what it is about, so he was wondering what this item was about. Mr. Cook asked if this item was actually from the Planning Department or is it on behalf of somebody else. Kathleen Sellman stated to Mr. Cook that is a good question.

(After finding where Mr. Cook was Reading) John Bradley stated to Mr. Cook that LMC Sec.
27.58.070 is clarifying the reference in the Airport Environs District, which is the run-way protection zone. Mr. Bradley indicated to Mr. Cook that they were drafted in 1982, there is a reference to a bigger claim to one of the Comprehensive Plan and in today’s plan it really is a house keeping amendment. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Bradley okay.

Mr. Cook asked John Bradley also about another item on the Miscellaneous Referral Sheet, under “The following applications are to be referred to the Planning Department”, on “Use Permit 129 - Application of R.C. Krueger Development to develop & construct a commercial area in the B-1 Zoning District at S. 14th & Vavrina Blvd.” that he is kind of curious about this item and was wondering if he could get a copy of it. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Bradley that it says in the “B-1 Zoning District,” they wouldn’t require a Use Permit. Mr. Bradley indicated to Mr. Cook that it depends on the activity. (After Mr. Bradley found out where Mr. Cook was looking at) Mr. Bradley indicated to Mr. Cook that it should be the “B-2 Zoning District,” so for Clerk Malzer this would be a correction. Clerk Malzer indicated to Mr. Bradley that what ever is on the application is what is placed on the Agenda, so they will have to change the application. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Cook that it is in B-2 District which does require a Use Permit. Mr. Cook asked Mr. Bradley, if he could get him a copy of the application. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Cook that he will get him a copy of this application. Mr. Cook thanked Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Cook asked Roger Figard about the Ma-Re-Lo Sewer District issue that will be up next week. Mr. Cook stated that he doesn’t remember how they left it last week, but he was interested in the history of that Sewer District on how it came about and how the assessment method was determined, what the process was and what public meetings were held.

Mr. Figard stated to Mr. Cook there should be a Pre-Council Meeting on this issue and they will make sure they have some written documentation on the process and the history ahead of time for them. Mr. Cook asked Mr. Figard, if it would be possible to get this information to him even before the Pre-Council Meeting, but he understands if he can’t.

Mr. Cook asked Roger Figard about the schedule of West “A” & Coddington improvements, he was wondering if he had the time line number for it. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Figard that he was going to check on it for him. Mr. Figard stated to Mr. Cook that they wanted to wait until after the meeting with the contract to let him be a part of setting the schedule with the business people and this meeting is scheduled for May 16th. Mr. Figard stated to Mr. Cook, so then they will produce a schedule after that meeting. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Figard okay and thanked him for this information.

John Bradley commented to Ms. Seng that he has a correction to the information he gave to them earlier regarding LMC Sec. 27.58.070 Change of Zone. Mr. Bradley indicated to Council that they have two text changes coming through in the Environs District-independently because this one clarifies that a portion of a residential property being in a district 1 and district 2 that the entire site will be administered to where it would be all in district 2. Mr. Bradley stated to Council that district 2 is a restrictive district that does not permit residential as the importance of it. Mr. Bradley stated to Council they had a question about some partially inter-sected properties and this had never been clarified in the many years that they have had the regulations. Mr. Bradley indicated to Council that he worked with Rick Peo from the Law Department on it and Mr. Peo gave them a written response back and suggested that they do the text amendment.

ANNEtTE McROY - NO COMMENTS
JEFF FORTENBERRY

Mr. Fortenberry asked John Bradley, if he would review the time line for the introduction of Entryway Design Standards. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he wants to call it the three quarter percent finished draft that Kathleen Sellman will review and with her direction they will decide when to introduce it. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he gave a memo to them back in March mentioning that it would take about three months to develop those, he has incorporated all of the recommendations that were involved at this point. Mr. Bradley indicated to Mr. Fortenberry in his report he can’t say that their final recommendation will encompass all of them. Mr. Bradley indicated to Mr. Fortenberry that his concern is if they reach too far, they may loss everything on it and it may do a more conservative approach to guarantee that they can get it approved. Mr. Bradley indicated to Mr. Fortenberry that they are going to have a lot of private land owners properties, that he has been given direction by the Administration to extend it beyond the 14th & 27th original study area to make it apply thru all I-80. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that Cecil Steward pointed out and he briefed the Planning Commission that you can’t do a cookie cutter on design controls and as the general characters of the area varies that you need to have different standards in different places and this is the part right now that he is trying to work through. Mr. Bradley stated to Council that he is not sitting on them that he has been working on them. Mr. Fortenberry asked Mr. Bradley if he would send a note to the Nebraska Sign Company to let them know about it. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that part of what he also put in the memo was that prior to introducing it, he is going to send it out to the developing communities as well as the Sign Companies and solicit their written responses, so that he can get some kind of action from them; and even if they disagree they will include their comments and suggestions to the report that goes forward. Mr. Fortenberry asked Mr. Bradley when will this letter go out to them. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that this letter will go out as soon as he has worked through it with Kathleen Sellman.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to John Bradley in regards to the Highway Zoning restrictions, that in Sioux Falls you have billboard after billboard of a variety of signs, variety of sizes, variety of all different type of signage one after another and then it just stops. So, it appears to him that the City has something and the County does not and this would be another concern. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he can certainly check on the Internet and see what they can find from that. Mr. Fortenberry indicated to Mr. Bradley that it is obvious that there is not a running mechanism at some point. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he understands and one thing he needs to get clarified is that he is waiting for Mike DeKalb to come back because he is their sign expert. Mr. Bradley indicated that the ability to even see billboards from the interstate is now limited, but he doesn’t know where to touch and decode the Federal Regulations to get this information. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry that Mr. DeKalb will be back after Wednesday and when he gets back he will ask Mr. DeKalb about this issue. Mr. Fortenberry asked Mr. Bradley if he could research a little bit on Sioux Falls, because he is curious about it. Mr. Bradley stated to Mr. Fortenberry okay.

Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Bradley that she thinks there are some people out there that are starting to have a little heart-burn about this issue. Mr. Bradley indicated to Ms. Seng that there is a lot of mis-information out there at this time. Mr. Bradley stated that he has been called by the Chamber of Commerce who was curious about the stack of regulations that have been enacted and are being enforced; and the Rotary Club has called him also about the same rumor and he met with a judge and Bob Norris from that group and dispelled those rumors and of course their concern was that they are participating with them and this is a partner; and they were afraid they have been left totally out and didn’t know what was happening; and he assured them this was not the case what-so-ever.

JERRY SHOECRAFT

Mr. Shoecraft asked Chief Becker if he could find out if they could extend the date of the May 26th
date for the Neighborhood Associations to apply for that $10,000 grant for neighborhood watch programs to improve neighborhoods to let them know that the money could be used for people putting in dead-bolts that don’t have them, neighborhood watch stickers, flyers, etc. Mr. Shoecraft stated that the summer is coming up and he has great concerns and this is why he came up with this concept last year. Mr. Shoecraft stated that he doesn’t think the Neighborhood Associations are truly aware of it. Mr. Shoecraft indicated that it is hard for him to get this information to them, unless he calls each one of the Neighborhood Associations and that it was only presented once at the Mayor’s Neighborhood Roundtable. He doesn’t know if it was mentioned enough that they understood that this money was available for them to help them improve their neighborhoods to prevent crime. Mr. Shoecraft commented that he doesn’t know if they really truly understand it.

Mr. Cook asked Mr. Shoecraft if it would help if they put some type of a flyer in the next Neighborhood Roundtable mailing. Mr. Shoecraft commented to Chief Becker that the deadline is May 26th. Mr. Cook indicated to Mr. Shoecraft that is correct. Mr. Shoecraft asked Chief Becker why is there a May 26th deadline and he would like to see if they could extend it at least one more month. Chief Becker stated to Mr. Shoecraft that he will check into this matter for him. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Chief Becker okay.

Ms. Seng asked Jennifer Brinkman who in the Mayor’s Office works with the Mayor’s Neighborhood Roundtable. Ms. Brinkman indicated to Ms. Seng that Tammy Ward works with the Mayor’s Neighborhood Roundtable. Ms. Shoecraft asked Ms. Brinkman who presents the flyers. Ms. Brinkman stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they work with the Urban Development Department who does the mailing for the Neighborhood Roundtable, so they will work with Ernie and make sure the flyers get in there. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Ms. Brinkman okay and thanked her.

**JON CAMP**

Mr. Camp asked Ms. Seng if they should talk about these three or four ordinances that are on 1st Reading today at the Director’s Meeting or should they talk about this issue at the “Noon” Meeting today. Council will discuss this issue at the “Noon” Meeting today.

Mr. Fortenberry asked Chief Becker if he could check to see when was the last time they had traffic enforcement on N.W. 12th Street. Chief Becker stated to Mr. Fortenberry okay.

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:03 P.M.