DIRECTORS’ MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2001 - 11:00 A.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 113  

I. MAYOR  

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II. CITY CLERK  

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III. CORRESPONDENCE  

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS  

ANNETTE McROY  

1. OUTSTANDING Request to LPD, Chief Casady/ Law Department - RE: To have bikes picked up by Police given to them for repairs and give away if no one claims them (RFI#62 - 11/16/00) — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF JIM PESCHONG, LPD RECEIVED ON RFI#62-11/20/00  

2. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/Building & Safety/Police Department - RE: Questions from Carol Brown (RFI#65 - 3/30/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM BUILDING & SAFETY DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#65-4/03/01
3. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: The intersection of North 3rd & Hartley contains a HUGE pothole (RFI#66 - 3/30/01)

JON CAMP

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Dana Roper, City Attorney - RE: EMS Outside Consultants/Attorneys (RFI#51 - 9/28/00)

2. OUTSTANDING Request to I.S./LPD/Law - RE: Privacy Issues for License Applicants regarding Internet Reports (RFI#56 - 3/22/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM CHIEF CASADY, LPD RECEIVED ON RFI#56 - 3/27/01

JONATHAN COOK

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: The railroad crossing on the 700 block of Old Cheney Street (RFI#35 - 3/12/01)

2. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - Sidewalks -- RE: A Sidewalk problem at 1849 S. 9th Street (RFI#36 - 3/27/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM HARRY KROOS, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#36-4/05/01

COLEEN SENG

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: The setting of the crosswalk lights at 27th & Superior (RFI#834 - 3/19/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM LARRY JOCHUM, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#834 - 4/02/01

2. OUTSTANDING Request to Law Department - RE: The legality of advertising door-to-door in neighborhoods (RFI#835 - 3/27/01)

3. OUTSTANDING Request to Building & Safety Department/ Police Department - RE: Complaint about 4242 Madison Avenue - needs help (RFI#836 - 3/27/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM MEL GODDARD, BUILDING & SAFETY DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#836 - 3/30/01

CINDY JOHNSON

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Urban Development Department - RE: The North Bottoms Area (RFI#148 - 3/30/01)
B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

FINANCE/CITY TREASURER


HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Bats and Spring (See Release).
2. E-Mail from Scott Holmes - RE: Mercury Thermometers drop (See E-Mail).

LIBRARY

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Lincoln City Libraries Holds Annual Bookmark Contest! Deadline April 14, 2001 (See Release).

PLANNING

1. Report from Kathleen Sellman - RE: Report from Stevens Creek Basin Initiative Task Force (Copy of this Report is on file in the City Council Office).

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

1. Public Works & Utilities Advisory - RE: Storm Sewer Project No. 532121 - 16th and Rose to 20th and Harwood Streets (See Material).

REAL ESTATE DIVISION

1. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of the south 40 feet of X Street adjacent to Lot 1, Block 6, North Lincoln Addition (See Memo).

WEED CONTROL AUTHORITY


C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. E-Mail from Tracy Ray - RE: Remain interested in how the financial aspects of the Fire Department running the ambulance service is doing (See E-Mail).
2. CERTIFIED LETTER from The Nebraska Liquor Control Commission - RE: Whitehead Oil Co. “U-Stop Convenience Shop” at 1421 Center Park Rd. - Manager’s Application - Class B-30963 & K-30972 Licenses - Approved (See Letter).

3. E-Mail from Dorothy Rivett - RE: On March 31st while attending a craft show at Clark Jeary Assisted Living Residence a resident fell in the corridor and was injured - the response time for the ambulance was 50 minutes (See E-Mail).

4. E-Mail from LuAnne Cook - RE: The West “A” bypass over the railroad (See E-Mail).

5. Letter from Chanh & Charlene Tran to James Faimon - RE: Writing to report damage that was done to their yard at 2049 Dodge St. during snow removal on or around December 12, 2000 (See Letter).

6. E-Mail from Karen Killham - RE: Concerned about the dog litter ordinance (See E-Mail).


11. Letter from Jack Thompson, Nebraska Near Sign Company - RE: The sign ordinance in the O-3 zone (See Letter).


13. E-Mail from Johnny Dinneen - RE: Good Job City Council - way to help the City (See E-Mail).

IV. DIRECTORS

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. ADJOURNMENT
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MINUTES
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Council Members Present: Jerry Shoecraft, Chair; Jeff Fortenberry, Vice-Chair; Coleen Seng, Jon Camp, Annette McRoy, Jonathan Cook, Cindy Johnson.

Others Present: Mayor Don Wesely, Ann Harrell, Jennifer Brinkman, Mayor’s Office; Joan Ross, City Clerk; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Member Camp & Council Member Johnson; Karen Shinn, Aide to Council Member Fortenberry; Tammy Bogenreif, City Council Staff, and Chris Hain, Lincoln Journal Star Representative.

I. MAYOR

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he had a chance to go back to Louisville for a City Parks Forum, which is where he was the last few days and it was a very interesting experience. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the result of that would be he thinks about a $35,000 grant to help them prepare for what they were already looking at for the green print for the Comp. Plan proposal. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that again there was some very good things going on with the Comp. Plan, but the idea was that through the Parks & Recreation Department they would develop a strategy for Parks that would be integrated into the Comp. Plan, so this money will be helpful to that process. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that they are one of the largest cities in the country that isn’t on a river and they kind of take it for granted on their situation. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he started talking about Antelope Creek and Salt Creek and taking care of it because all of the other cities are on the rivers. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he was recently at a Design Committee and again the themes were all the same, that across the country is warehouses, highways, and railroads that have all been built by the river. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that it was really interesting and somebody put forth the thought that they were one of the largest cities in the country without a river. Mayor Wesely stated to Council the other thing is that there’s different names for creeks and back East the creeks are called “runs”.

Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that in talking about the $35,000 grant for green print for the Comp. Plan, that he was wondering how can they tie this concept into the trails because one of the concerns he has in that is to keep purchasing easements for future trails. Mr. Shoecraft stated which is fine, that he is a big trail supporter, but how come they can’t use some of that money or implement some type of new master plan to connect the existing trails. Mr. Shoecraft asked what about the element of connecting the existing trails and incorporating that into this new plan too. Lynn Johnson stated to Mr. Shoecraft that he thinks that’s an important point, that the concept of the green print is an inter-connected system of opening spaces, green waves, act of recreation spaces in natural areas and trails have to be a part of that, but they are connecting these corridors for wild life movement and they also need to be connected for people movement. Mr. Johnson
stated to Mr. Shoecraft that as they probably know the trails meet within the
Comprehensive Plan that gets up to the 3 mile limit and it ends, but they also have to
make sure they are getting the system interconnected within the community as well. Mr.
Johnson stated to Mr. Shoecraft one of the things that he thinks will help them is to move
ahead with the Infrastructure Finance Study. Mr. Johnson stated that the
recommendations were that they essentially have an impact be for neighborhood parks
and that they have an impact be for trails and that would give them a funding source to
start making some of these connections. Mr. Johnson stated that if they look at Antelope
Creek they have 2 miles of easements out there for building trails, but they are 6 years out
at least on funding for getting the trails built within those easements. So, it’s got to be a
multi-step and multi-phase approach to try to put this whole thing together as a package.
Mr. Shoecraft asked Mr. Johnson if that would be worked on and Mr. Johnson stated
most definitely. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Johnson okay.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that what they came back with was that they are
doing a lot of things right, but there are some additional things that they could be doing
and certainly being ahead of the problem is really important. Mr. Fortenberry stated to
Mayor Wesely that this is very exciting and thanked Mayor Wesely for all of his hard
work on it. Mr. Fortenberry stated that he wishes they had some data that could
[inaudible] and so the increase of property value would be prioritized. Mayor Wesely
stated to Mr. Fortenberry that this issue came up to and indicated that they did a study
which showed tremendous lot value increases anytime it was anywhere close to a park;
and it showed where the people were very opposed to it that their value ended up going
up. So, other cities have done studies and they were thinking about trying to do the same
thing here, which really ends up being an investment for property owners as well. Mr.
Fortenberry stated to Mayor Wesely that he noticed in Beatrice, the County
Commissioners as well as the NRD has been resistant to some of the extensions and
commented that they should just rename the Highway for them to encourage them to
maybe look at more regional vision for it because that would help. Mayor Wesely stated
to Mr. Fortenberry that the trail from Lincoln to Beatrice is important to the whole area,
that the particular length of it which is within the City limits is very important. Mayor
Wesely stated that they got great cooperation with the County, the City and the NRD.
Mayor Wesely stated that Gage County is the one that’s evidentially opposed, that they
are just dead set against it. Mr. Shoecraft asked Mayor Wesely why is the NRD reluctant
in regards to the Stevens Creek Basin that they’re purchasing flood control storage, but
why is the NRD reluctant to purchase easements for future trails and he was wondering
what was the logic about that. Mayor Wesely indicated to Mr. Shoecraft what they’re
arguing is that the trails shouldn’t be along that area, that it should be out among where
the people will be living. Mayor Wesely indicated to Mr. Shoecraft that he personally
thinks the more beautiful site would be is to move the trees in that area and he doesn’t
understand, but evidentially that’s their thinking at this point. Mayor Wesely stated to
Council that they may want to sit down and talk about the green print stuff with the
County and the NRD. Mr. Shoecraft agreed with Mayor Wesely that they need to sit
down and discuss this issue.
Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that again, he wasn’t here when the report was released last Friday on the Ambulance Services, but he thinks that it was really good news. Mayor Wesely stated that he would like to commend Chief Spadt and all of the others who was there, that they did a great job.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that Talent + is up today and he doesn’t know where they are at on it, that he knows there were some people unhappy about it and there was a petition. Mayor Wesely stated to Council just so they know, which they probably already know that Doug Roth years ago talked to the neighborhood and [inaudible] for them and they had bought into that. Mayor Wesely stated that he thinks it is the same neighborhood that signed the petition, that they were informed years ago, but maybe new people moved in or something. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he hopes they don’t feel like the neighborhood hasn’t been consulted because they have been consulted about it. That maybe they don’t remember or maybe they’ve moved in, but it was several years ago when it came back to them. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that in regards to the potential proceeds that they earlier talked about it would be used for Wilderness Park and some other things, but since that time they have received $1.5 million for improvements and it has been to Wilderness Park. Mr. Shoecraft stated that if the Council passes this and they receive the proceeds, that he was wondering if they could potentially use the future proceeds for like playground equipment and the trails. Mr. Shoecraft asked Mayor Wesely who determines how they are going to use the proceeds. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Shoecraft that it was Federal money [inaudible] and so they dictate that any proceeds from that has to buy park lands as he understands it, so it can only be used for park land. Mr. Shoecraft asked Lynn Johnson if they could use it for trails. Mr. Johnson stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they can use it to buy trail right-of-ways, as long as they buy land that they can’t use it to further purchase equipment. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Shoecraft just for land purchases. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely and Lynn Johnson okay. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that they probably don’t know this, but the good news is that normally the City isn’t authorized to finalize the sale until the Federal Government the National Park Services has approved it. But, in this case the Game & Parks, the Nebraska State Game & Parks and the Federal Government liked this deal well enough that they are willing to let them finalize the deal and give them up to a year to figure out how they want to expend the funds. So, they have a little bit of time here and they are very excited about this potential and they liked it a lot. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that this isn’t something they normally are willing to do. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they originally talked about purchasing land in Stevens Creek for a park now that the price isn’t quite as high, for Ecco Park and than extending Wilderness Park. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they are flexible, so they can work with them on it, but it should be a significant amount of net profit on it. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that in 1950 there was a green print in a Comprehensive Plan and the green print was carried through up until the 1994 Plan and than it was taken out. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that he thinks there was a concern about property
rights issue with showing a green printer, showing potential public land as part of that plan. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that their intent is to put it back in and include a broader perspective of what park in open space land is from active recreation to open space like Wilderness Park to saving Wetland areas. Mr. Johnson stated that it doesn’t necessarily mean that the City owns and manages all of that property; that it could be NRD, it could be Conservation Easements. But, the intent is to go for the strategy as part of the Comprehensive Plan to implement it as a lighting tool.

Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Johnson that the golfers are upset a little bit because they’re saying as part of this proposal the sheds must be rebuild. Mr. Johnson stated that there will be a brand new maintenance building and it will be located on the north edge of the golf course just off of South Shore Drive, that will be immediately east of the driving lanes and tucked back into some existing trees. Mr. Johnson indicated to Mr. Shoecraft what the City gets out of it is essentially a brand new 10,000 square foot maintenance building. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Johnson okay.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they received a copy of the Stevens Creek Study and it is very significant vs. that there is a lot of work that needs to be done with it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the reason he talked in the terms of caution and he would encourage them to do as well is because this is such a major undertake. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he thinks some of them and he was one of them, who thought well they’ll have a plan, have a picture and a map and they would figure it all out in the next few months. Mayor Wesely commented to Council that when you think about it, Antelope Valley has been about six years of intensive study and the Beltway has been about six years of intensive study and this is a bigger project than those two. So, they have to think in terms of the size, the time it takes to work through it and develop all of it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they will definitely be committed into doing that, but it is not going to happen over night that they have to phase themselves to move into it, but they’re on their way.

Mr. Fortenberry asked Mayor Wesely, if he thinks they could have a Pre-Council Meeting on Stevens Creek prior to him leaving Council. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry sure they can, that would be perfectly fine.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that the Antelope Valley vote was last week, which he was shocked to get the news on and commented that it was one of those procedural things and he thinks everything is fine on it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that this certainly is not what they wanted to see, but in his view there wasn’t any changes in support.
Mr. Shoecraft asked if the Keno people are going to show up today. Mr. Shoecraft asked Dana Roper what do they do if they don’t show up. Dana Roper stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they will just go ahead and present their evidence and they can make a decision on their evidence. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Roper okay. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they were told a couple of weeks ago about it.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he knows the Keno vote is today and he wants to thank Mr. Shoecraft for bringing this issue up.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that the other thing is that last week was the LES compromise on the fiber issue and he thinks it worked out pretty well. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he thinks now everything is okay on it. Mayor Wesely stated that the amount that was factored in for the cost of fiber was changed dramatically. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that it was the cost to LES for the private sector and the problem was that it was based on the local service provider, which is AllTel and as he understands it they don’t lease fiber. So, there wasn’t no local rate and that was changed and now there is a brooder pool to draw from to get that rate.

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II. CITY CLERK

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that on their Agenda for today they have the Mayor’s Award of Excellence.
City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 1 & 2 [Declaring approx. 2.04 acres of property generally located on the north side of Pioneers Blvd., west of Ridgeview Drive, as surplus & authorizing the sale thereof & Change of Zone 3311-Application of the Director of the Parks & Recreation Department for a change from Public Use District to O-3 Office Park District on property generally located 450 feet west of Ridgeview Drive, on the north side of Pioneers Blvd.] she would like to call these two items together.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 3 & 4 [Approving a contract between the City and the Lincoln Haymarket Development Corp. to operate and regulate a Saturday public market in the Haymarket area from May 5, 2001, through October 27, 2001 & Approving a contract between the City and the Downtown Lincoln Association to operate and regulate a mid-week public market in the Marketplace area at 12th Street from Q to R Street and R Street from 12th to 13th Streets from May 15, 2001, through July 31, 2001] she was wondering if she could call these two items together, since both of these items are dealing with the Saturday in a public market. Mr. Shoecraft stated to City Clerk Joan Ross okay.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 11, 12 & 15 [Change of Zone 3258 - Application of Aspen Builders, Inc. for A Change of Zone from AGR Agricultural Residential to R-3 Residential on property generally located at S.W. 27th Street and West A Street; Change of Zone 3303 - Application of Aspen Builders, Inc. for a Change of Zone from AGR Agricultural Residential to R-3 Residential on property generally located at S.W. 27th Street and West “A” Street; & Accepting and approving the preliminary plat of Aspen Ridge and waiving block length, minimum lot depth, and pedestrian way easement, on property generally located at S.W. 27th Street and West A Street] she needs to call all three of these items together.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 16 & 17 [Special Permit 1881 - Application of Hoegemeyer-Palmer Construction for 12 dwelling units, one acreage lot, and one outlot on property generally located at Peregrine Court and Talon Road & Accepting and approving the preliminary plat of Eagle View and waiving sidewalks on one side of a private roadway and the lot depth-to-width ratio, on property generally located at Peregrine Court and Talon Road] she could call these two items together.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 33 [Use Permit 130 - Application of Pioneer Woods, L.L.C. to develop 142,000 sq. ft. of commercial/retail/restaurant space and to waive the standard 50’ front yard to allow free-standing pad site ground signs in the front yard on property generally located at the northeast corner of 70th and Pioneers Blvd.] she handed out to them a motion to amend for this item.
City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 36 [Appeal of Heartland Insurance Pool, Inc. from the Planning Commission denial of Special Permit 1896 for authority to operate a salvage yard on property generally located at N. 1st & Charleston Sts.] they all should have received a copy of the request to withdraw this Special Permit. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that the letter was attached to the Director’s Addendum for today.

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IV. DIRECTORS

FIRE DEPARTMENT -Chief Spadt stated to Council that there is an item on the Director’s Agenda for today, under “C. Miscellaneous - #3” that he needs to share some more information with them in regards to an ambulance call. Chief Spadt commented to Council that this was not a good response time for the medical emergency in the community and they thought it was the new service, but it was not them, that it was Midwest Medical who got the call. Chief Spadt stated to Council that it took them 50 minutes to respond to the call and so he just wanted to set the record straight that it was not them.

Mr. Fortenberry asked Chief Spadt if they have some provisions and contact records [inaudible] rather than them. Chief Spadt stated to Mr. Fortenberry that evidentially their staff called it a seven digit number thinking it was a non-emergency. Chief Spadt stated to Council that this resident had taken a fall and actually fractured her hip and laid there for obviously 50 minutes in pain and what they should have done was activate the system by calling 911 and they did not do that and so their staff has been advised.

Mr. Camp asked Chief Spadt how does somebody determine whether they call the Fire Department for a regular transport or service. Chief Spadt stated to Mr. Camp if it is a transport they have both numbers published and the hospitals have both numbers published and the patient has a choice that they make a determination. Chief Spadt stated that they are bounded to offer both numbers and than they make a choice.

Mr. Cook stated to Chief Spadt if someone calls Midwest and it turns out to be an emergency type call are they obligated to inform them. Chief Spadt stated to Mr. Cook absolutely, that Rural Metro is providing dispatching for them at this time because they are not interfaced with the 911 Center. Chief Spadt stated that they screen the call or
EMB would call, which determines it’s priority and if it meets an emergent criteria, than they are supposed to give the call to the Fire Department by activating the 911 Center. Chief Spadt stated to Council that this one appears to have fallen through the cracks or the phone call wasn’t made.

**WOMEN’S COMMISSION** - (Bonnie Coffey handed out some information to Council in regards to this issue) Bonnie Coffey stated to Council that the office of the Lincoln-Lancaster Women’s Commission is going to be working on a project called “Women’s Voices”. Ms. Coffey stated to Council that they are going to be holding some open forums, so that women have an opportunity to come in and tell them what their challenges are and than the Commissioners will use those responses. Ms. Coffey stated to Council that they are going to be developing a reported inter-process and they think it will last probably until October or November and than they will do a report on it. Ms. Coffey indicated to Council that the Commissioners will use this as a basis for moving forward with the appropriate [inaudible] and they will work on those issues until they are finished. Ms. Coffey stated to Council that they also think this will give them an opportunity to pull in some of the Commissioners because of some efforts that are already going on. Ms. Coffey stated to Council that she will be contacting each of them and they will be holding those forums within the four City Council Districts and five County Commission Districts, so she will be contacting all of them for it. Mr. Shoecraft thanked Bonnie Coffey for this information. (Copy of the hand-out is on file in the City Council Office).

**V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**JONATHAN COOK**

Mr. Cook asked if they were going to talk about the Animal Control Ordinance. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Cook that they will be talking about it at the “Noon” Meeting today with Jennifer Brinkman. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Shoecraft okay.

Mr. Cook stated that he would like to talk with someone from the Building & Safety Department after the Director’s Meeting today. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Cook that it has to be quick because they have to go into Executive Session immediately following the Director’s Meeting today. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Shoecraft that it will be real quick.

Mr. Cook asked the Parks & Recreation Department about the landscape plans for Amigo’s.
CINDY JOHNSON

Ms. Johnson asked Chief Casady if someone from the Police Department will be at the Public Hearing to talk about Police raids and what goes on with them and about damages. Ms. Johnson stated that they have two people that have been denied in charges that they had and some of it seems a little outrageous as to what they are requesting. Ms. Johnson asked Chief Casady if someone could be at the Meeting today to talk about what they do when they go in and raid a place for drug bust. Chief Casady stated to Ms. Johnson that he would be happy to be at the Council Meeting today, if she would like him to be there. Ms. Johnson stated to Chief Casady that she would appreciate it, that way they can just ask them the questions. Ms. Johnson thanked Chief Casady. Mr. Fortenberry and Ms. Johnson asked Chief Casady if he has seen the stuff that Council has received on it. Chief Casady stated that he has not seen the stuff. Ms. Johnson stated to Chief Casady that they will get him a copy of it.

JERRY SHOECRAFT

Mr. Shoecraft stated to the Public Works & Utilities Department that in regards to the East “O” Street project, that there was an article in the newspaper that Husker Auto is moving out on North 27th Street. Mr. Shoecraft stated that he was thinking, since Husker Auto is moving out now, he was wondering if this was an opportunity for them now to go in and make the improvements starting from 48th Street. Allan Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they are taking a look at making a right turn lane in one of the areas there by Husker Auto, but whether or not it makes sense to go in and extend a project over on 48th Street at this time. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Abbott that one of the reasons they didn’t was because the existence of [inaudible] and now Husker Auto, so they started at a particular point. Mr. Shoecraft stated that now they’re out of there and before that becomes future retail or someone buys it this is a golden opportunity to start at 48th Street because it is also a nightmare in that area. Mr. Shoecraft commented that he knows maybe a little delay in regards to the overall plan. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that remember if they delay it, they lose $6 million and [inaudible]. Mr. Shoecraft asked Mr. Abbott, if someone could do some type of analysis to try to get it incorporated without delaying it and jeopardizing funds; and if it can happen he thinks it would be well worth their time and vision to do it. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Abbott just a thought. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they will take a look at it.
Mr. Cook stated that he would second to what Mr. Shoecraft stated because he thinks it is a very good idea. Mr. Cook stated that this was also something he was concerned about, that in fact, the additional through lane that stops at 52nd Street has a right turn lane there and they really need a right turn lane at 48th Street for the westbound traffic and that would serve as a right turn lane until the years from now when the other side of the intersection might be available.

JEFF FORTENBERRY

Mr. Fortenberry commented that in speaking of Husker Auto Group, he was wondering if there would be an opportunity again to have a Pre-Council Meeting to look at the potential impact of that development on the areas that they tried to increase sensitivity to the entryways and setbacks. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry just so he knows they have been meeting with them for a number of weeks and they have expressed the same sort of thing to them. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry what they have asked them to do is to have more setback now required along I-80 as a [inaudible] and so they want some changes on the road that would be in front of them to go back up to the Interstate. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry so they’re trying to work out a deal on it and he thinks this would be a good time to go ahead and have that discussion on it to express their concerns about it. Mayor Wesely asked Mr. Abbott to set this Pre-Council Meeting up. Mr. Abbott stated to Mayor Wesely okay.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Allan Abbott and Chief Casady that he would like to talk to them after the Director’s Meeting today.

COLEEN SENG

Ms. Seng stated to Allan Abbott that she has a letter for him.

Ms. Seng stated that she would like to also give a third, to what they were talking about in regards to the East “O” Street project, if this is their opportunity to take care of “O” Street than they should do it. Allan Abbott indicated to Ms. Seng that they had looked at a right turn onto 48th Street and they will take a look at it.

JON CAMP

Mr. Camp stated to the Public Works & Utilities Department that he had an inquiry about Cumberland Drive regarding barricades there and asked if they could maybe check into it more. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott if they needed more information about it that he could maybe check with his office.
Mr. Camp stated to the Public Works & Utilities Department that he received an E-Mail in regards to the street cleaning schedules and he asked if they could tell them what their policy is on it. Allan Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that remember he gave them this information last week and it said that they were a little beyond. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that the gentleman is right, that they get there twice a year now instead of four or five times a year. Mr. Abbott stated that they are doing the downtown area tonight and it’s taking them a little longer to get into the sub-divisions, but they are cleaning the street. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that he would have to go back and check, but he would imagine when they were doing it five times a year—seventeen years ago, that they had the same number of equipment and the same number of payrolls and things have gotten a little bit bigger in that time frame. Mr. Abbott commented to Mr. Camp that the gentleman is right, that they are only getting there twice a year. Mr. Camp stated that maybe in this year’s Budget process that they need to look into it. Mr. Camp commented that he doesn’t know what the cost is on another per unit or something. Mr. Camp commented that could be nice and asked if there’s something that they ought to perhaps ask the neighborhoods to work with them on it. Mr. Abbott stated that the one thing that he mentioned in the E-Mail that was really bad was the thought about dead animal within the neighborhood and he would hope that some calls would be made, so it could get picked up. Mr. Abbott stated that gravel and all of that stuff is a nuisance and not attractive, but dead animals is another situation.

VI. MEETING AT ADJOURNED AT 11:54 A.M.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

ANNETTE McROY

1. OUTSTANDING Request to LPD, Chief Casady/ Law Department - RE: To have bikes picked up by Police given to them for repairs and give away if no one claims them (RFI#62 - 11/16/00) — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF JIM PESCHONG, LPD RECEIVED ON RFI#62-11/20/00. — NOT ADDRESSED

2. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/Building & Safety/Police Department - RE: Questions from Carol Brown (RFI#65 - 3/30/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM BUILDING & SAFETY DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#65-4/03/01. — NOT ADDRESSED
3. OUTSTANDING Request to **Public Works & Utilities Department** - RE: The intersection of North 3rd & Hartley contains a HUGE pothole (RFI#66 -3/30/01). - -- NOT ADDRESSED

**JON CAMP**

1. OUTSTANDING Request to **Dana Roper, City Attorney** - RE: EMS Outside Consultants/Attorneys (RFI#51 - 9/28/00). — NOT ADDRESSED

2. OUTSTANDING Request to **I.S./LPD/Law** - RE: Privacy Issues for License Applicants regarding Internet Reports (RFI#56 - 3/22/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM CHIEF CASADY, LPD RECEIVED ON RFI#56 - 3/27/01. — NOT ADDRESSED

**JONATHAN COOK**

1. OUTSTANDING Request to **Public Works & Utilities Department** - RE: The railroad crossing on the 700 block of Old Cheney Street (RFI#35-3/12/01). — NOT ADDRESSED

2. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - Sidewalks -- RE: A Sidewalk problem at 1849 S. 9th Street (RFI#36 - 3/27/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM HARRY KROOS, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#36-4/05/01. — NOT ADDRESSED

**COLEEN SENG**

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: The setting of the crosswalk lights at 27th & Superior (RFI#834 - 3/19/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM LARRY JOCHUM, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#834 - 4/02/01. — NOT ADDRESSED

2. OUTSTANDING Request to Law Department - RE: The legality of advertising door-to-door in neighborhoods (RFI#835 - 3/27/01). — NOT ADDRESSED

3. OUTSTANDING Request to Building & Safety Department/ **Police Department** - RE: Complaint about 4242 Madison Avenue - needs help (RFI#836 -3/27/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM MEL GODDARD, BUILDING & SAFETY DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#836 - 3/30/01. — NOT ADDRESSED
CINDY JOHNSON

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Urban Development Department - RE: The North Bottoms Area (RFI#148 - 3/30/01). — NOT ADDRESSED

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

FINANCE/CITY TREASURER


HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Bats and Spring. — NOT ADDRESSED

2. E-Mail from Scott Holmes - RE: Mercury Thermometers drop. — NOT ADDRESSED

LIBRARY


2. Letter from Carol J. Connor - RE: Library Inservice Training Day. — NOT ADDRESSED

PLANNING

1. Report from Kathleen Sellman - RE: Report from Stevens Creek Basin Initiative Task Force (Copy of this Report is on file in the City Council Office). — Mayor Don Wesely discussed the Stevens Creek Report during his comments to the Council under “I. Mayor”. (See that discussion)

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

1. Public Works & Utilities Advisory - RE: Storm Sewer Project No. 532121 - 16th and Rose to 20th and Harwood Streets. — NOT ADDRESSED
REAL ESTATE DIVISION

1. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of the south 40 feet of X Street adjacent to Lot 1, Block 6, North Lincoln Addition. — NOT ADDRESSED

WEED CONTROL AUTHORITY


C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. E-Mail from Tracy Ray - RE: Remain interested in how the financial aspects of the Fire Department running the ambulance service is doing. — Fire Chief Mike Spadt handed out some material to Council in regards to this E-Mail. (Copy of the material is on file in the City Council Office).

2. CERTIFIED LETTER from The Nebraska Liquor Control Commission - RE: Whitehead Oil Co. “U-Stop Convenience Shop” at 1421 Center Park Rd. - Manager’s Application - Class B-30963 & K-30972 Licenses - Approved. --- NOT ADDRESSED

3. E-Mail from Dorothy Rivett - RE: On March 31st while attending a craft show at Clark Jeary Assisted Living Residence a resident fell in the corridor and was injured - the response time for the ambulance was 50 minutes. — Fire Chief Mike Spadt discussed this issue during his comments to the Council under “IV. Directors”. (See that discussion)

4. E-Mail from LuAnne Cook - RE: The West “A” bypass over the railroad. — NOT ADDRESSED

5. Letter from Chanh & Charlene Tran to James Faimon - RE: Writing to report damage that was done to their yard at 2049 Dodge St. during snow removal on or around December 12, 2000. — NOT ADDRESSED

6. E-Mail from Karen Killham - RE: Concerned about the dog litter ordinance. — NOT ADDRESSED


11. Letter from Jack Thompson, Nebraska Near Sign Company - RE: The sign ordinance in the O-3 zone. — NOT ADDRESSED


13. E-Mail from Johnny Dinneen - RE: Good Job City Council - way to help the City. — NOT ADDRESSED

DIRECTOR’S ADDENDUM - NOT ADDRESSED

ADDENDUM

I. MAYOR

1. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Fire Chief Mike Spadt and Finance Department Director Don Herz will have a news conference at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2001 - to give a preliminary report on the performance of Lincoln Fire and Rescue’s ambulance service for the first quarter of this year. — Mayor Don Wesely discussed this issue during his comments to the Council under “I. Mayor”. (See that discussion).

2. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Mayor Don Wesely is attending the City Parks Forum in Louisville, Kentucky - The media will have an opportunity to talk to him about the forum and other issues during a conference call at 2:00 p.m. today, Friday, April 6, 2001. — Mayor Don Wesely discussed this issue during his comments to the Council under “I. Mayor”. (See that discussion)

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

JON CAMP

1. E-Mail to Jon Camp from James A. Moon - RE: Street Cleaning. — Mr. Camp mentioned this E-Mail during his comments under “V. City Council Members - Jon Camp”. (See that discussion)

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS - NONE

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Faxed Letter from Brian D. Carstens, Brian D. Carstens and Associates - RE: Appeal of Denial of Special Permit #1896 - Heartland Insurance Pool, Inc. - Salvage Yard - North 1st & Charleston Streets - requesting that it be removed and withdrawn from the Agenda. — City Clerk Joan Ross mentioned this letter during her comments to Council under “II. City Clerk”. (See that discussion)

2. E-Mail from Robert & Vlasta Cawein - RE: Please Vote Against the Animal Control Ordinance 01-43. — NOT ADDRESSED

3. Letter from Florafae Schoen - RE: The Dog Hobby Kennel Permit Ordinance. — NOT ADDRESSED

4. Letter from Barbara Lawson, Resident affected by the property - RE: In Favor -- Directly across from the property Talent+ proposes to exchange/purchase from the City for other park land. — NOT ADDRESSED

5. Faxed Letter from Dr. Mark Clinton - RE: The Animal Control Ordinances. — NOT ADDRESSED

6. FOUR E-Mail’s - RE: The Animal Control Ordinances. — NOT ADDRESSED

7. Letter from Charles D. Meyer, President, Lincoln Pro Baseball - RE: They have been contacted by both the North Bottoms Neighborhood Association and the West O Business Association concerning the establishment of an auto salvage yard at 1st & Charleston. — NOT ADDRESSED

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