DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2001 - 11:00 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

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V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. ADJOURNMENT
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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, Mark Bowen, 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 the only thing he wants to point out to them is the letter on the Director’s Addendum under “C. Miscellaneous - #8” from R. David Hunter, President, State Title Services, Inc. in regards to the Talent Plus issue which is before them today. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the letter is in regards to the Talent Plus property purchase that serves as their assurance that the above referenced purchase has been reviewed by their company for conformance of all rules and regulations regarding the transferring of title to a third party. That it has been their conclusion a title insurance policy can be issued on this transaction to the buyer insuring marketability of title and a defense of any attach or challenge in a court of competent jurisdiction against this title for questions arising regarding the transfer of title from the City of Lincoln to Talent Plus. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he knows this issue was raised at the hearing.

Mr. Camp stated to Mayor Wesely that he received a call from a gentleman that testified last week and raised all these legal court things and he asked the Law Department if someone was going to check into it. Lynn Johnson stated to Council that he can speak to them about this issue right now.

Mr. Shoecraft stated to Lynn Johnson that he can talk about this issue under “IV. Directors” comments from the Parks & Recreation Department, so when they get to that part of the Director’s Agenda he can talk about this issue at that time. Lynn Johnson stated to Mr. Shoecraft okay.

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II. CITY CLERK

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 1 & 2 [Application of Twisted Steele, Inc. dba “Lazzaris” for a Class “C” liquor license at 1434 “O” Street and 1430 “O” Street & the Manager application for Twisted Steele, Inc. dba “Lazzaris” at 1434 “O” Street and 1430 “O” Street] she will call these two items together.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 4 [Manager application of Ronald Sommers for B&R Stores, Inc. dba “Super Saver III” at 5440 S. 56th Street] she will call out a correction for this address, which should be “5460 S. 56th Street” instead of “5440 S. 56th Street”. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that their application did say 5440 S. 56th Street.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 7, 8, 12, 13, 14 & 15 are all on N.W. 48th Street & West Adams Street, so she will call all of these items together. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that she would suspect that they may won’t to delay the Resolutions for Action, so they will take care of that.

Ms. McRoy stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that they have a letter requesting to have 2nd & 3rd Reading today. City Clerk Joan Ross asked Ms. McRoy, if she could see the letter because she hasn’t seen it yet. City Clerk Joan Ross asked Ms. McRoy, if Mark Hunzeker just handed out the letter to them. Ms. McRoy stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that “yes” he did. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Ms. McRoy okay and asked if she could make a copy of it and give it back to her. Ms. McRoy stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that “yes” she could. Ms. McRoy stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that when she talked to her last week about this issue and asked her if this request had been made at this point and she told the neighborhood people that the request had not been made and it probably
would go through the normal cycle. Ms. McRoy stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that she feels like if they went ahead and voted on these items today it would not be right because she told them that it would go through the normal process. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Ms. McRoy that they talked about it and as she recalls that conversation she thinks they talked about probably delaying the Resolution. Ms. McRoy stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that it is just the opposite of what she told the neighborhood people. Ms. McRoy suggested to Council that they should not move forward on this request. City Clerk Joan Ross indicated to Council so what they would like to do is get the ordinances moved forward today and take action on another day. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that at the Formal Council Meeting today they will have to make a vote on it. Ms. McRoy stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that normally she is not opposed to this, but because of the conversation that she had previously she feels like they’re operating on the assumption that she gave them in regards to this issue. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Ms. McRoy okay.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 9, 10, 16 & 17 [Amending the corporate limits of the City by annexing approximately 110 acres of property generally located at Fletcher Avenue and Telluride Drive; Change of Zone 3260 - Application of North Creek L.L.C. for a change of zone from AG Agricultural to R-3 Residential, H-3 Highway Commercial, and H-4 General Commercial, and from R-3 Residential to H-4 General Commercial and H-3 Highway Commercial on property generally located at Fletcher Avenue and Telluride Drive; Accepting and approving the preliminary plat of North Creek Trade Center with waivers to the required block lengths, sidewalks, street names, and width of private roadways, on property generally located at Fletcher Avenue and Telluride Drive; & Approving the North Creek Trade Center Conditional Annexation and Zoning Agreement between the City and Lincoln North Creek, L.L.C. outlining certain conditions and understandings with regard to the annexation of property generally located at Fletcher Avenue and Telluride Drive] she will call these items together and they will probably want to do the same with these Resolutions to delay the Action on these items.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Items 19, 20, 21 & 22 regarding the Animal Control Ordinances that they have substitutes, so they will have to decide on both, if they’re going to go forward with the substitutes and than they will withdrawal all of the other ones after the originals.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 26 [Setting Hearing Date of May 7, 2001 at 1:30 p.m. on the application of BDLS, Inc. dba J. Finnegan’s at 201 N. 8th Street for a Class “C” liquor license] J. Finnegan’s is located at “201 N. 7th Street” instead of “201 N. 8th Street” and again the N. 8th Street address was on the application. City Clerk Joan Ross indicated to Council that they caught this correction.
City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 48 [Vacating the south 40' of X St. adjacent to Lot 1, Block 6, North Lincoln Add., generally located at N. 9th & X Streets] there is a motion to amend for this item.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 27, under Miscellaneous Referrals, they have one item they need to set a hearing date for Monday, May 7, 2001 at 1:30 p.m. on the manager’s application of Gene R. Birkett for La Societe Des 40 Hommes, dba American Legion 3 Club at 5630 “P” Street.

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2. E-Mail from Paul Marcussen - RE: Proposed New Pet Ordinances. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. E-Mail from Diana Rinne - RE: The Animal Control Ordinances. --- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. E-Mail from Bill Brandt - RE: Ask LTS into providing service to LPS students losing service next school year. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. E-Mail from John Beck - RE: The Animal Control Ordinance. — Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that this is the one he brought up as they look into the future to have this Advisory Board, which they can have someone from the [inaudible] on this Task Force or on the Advisory Board. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that they will send a letter to Mr. Beck. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Shoecraft that is a good idea. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that there is no one that’s working in that area and that guy is a representative from that area. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Shoecraft okay.

6. Letter from James R. Blue, President/CEO, Cedars Home For Children Foundation - RE: To offer their support for the plans of Talent + to develop the area located near 66th & Pioneers Blvd. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

ADDENDUM

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1. E-Mail from Mark Clinton - RE: The Animal Control Ordinances. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. Two E-Mail’s from Paul Marcussen, Owner of Prairie Winds Kennel - RE: Proposed and current pet regulations. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. E-Mail from Louayne Hoback - RE: Family Pets. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. E-Mail from Nancy Allder - RE: To share their ideas and concerns with you about a development adjacent to their properties that is likely to be included on the April 30th Council Agenda. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. E-Mail from Tim & Alison Thomas - RE: The Animal Control Ordinances. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS


7. E-Mail from LaDonna - RE: The Animal Control Ordinances. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

8. Letter from R. David Hunter, President, State Title Services, Inc. to Dana Roper, City Attorney - RE: Talent Plus property purchase. — Mayor Don Wesely discussed this letter during his comments to the Council under “I. Mayor”. (See that discussion)
IV. DIRECTORS

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT - Lynn Johnson stated to Council that he would like to update them on the Talent Plus issue. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Lynn Johnson please do. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that he thinks there were four issues that were raised during the Public Hearing on the private dust roads. Mr. Johnson stated that one of them was the issue of there being a trust interest or potentially a trust interest in the property. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that they have worked with the Law Department and also State Title Services and at this point they don’t think there was an trust interest established, the land was not donated, it was purchased by the City and it was not purchased with bond money. So, again there was not a trust interest established at that time, but he thinks that the Mayor said that David Hunter with State Title Services said there will be some title insurance on it. Mr. Johnson indicated to Council that Mr. Hunter has done a fair amount of research on it and feels comfortable that the City can be transfer ownership to Talent Plus. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that some of the funding for this original acquisition came from the sale of Antelope Park property that was funded on “O” Street [inaudible] so some of that property was sold and that funding was used to purchase a portion of land out at Holmes Golf Course and now they are using a small portion of that to expand the park system again, so this is not the first time it’s happened. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that he went back to the records about five years and it looks like there has been three incidences that he could find that has been requests for property. Mr. Johnson stated that one of those were in 1996 on West Lincoln Park at 7th & Dawes that there was a request to declare that property surplus and it was sold for $30,000 and he thinks two were Humanity houses. Mr. Johnson stated that there were four lots on the north end of Pine Wood Park back in 1996 there was an individual asking to purchase those lots and to build a home on them. The neighborhood opposed it, it was denied by the Planning Commission and it wasn’t brought forth. Mr. Johnson stated that the other one was the land that is immediately west of Roper Park on 1st Street and that became Cyrilla Court. Mr. Johnson stated so there has been some incidences, which they take a look at parkland from time to time and evaluated it on a case-by-case basis and they do go through the public process. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that they checked with the Core of Engineers and their records are all in boxes right now because they just moved, but they said that based on the language they have they don’t think the Core has an interest in this property. Mr. Johnson stated that their interest is in the flood pool and maintaining a permit use over what would be the flood pool. Mr. Johnson commented that the Pine Hersh Neighborhood Association had not been involved in the process. Mr. Johnson stated that there was a meeting last Tuesday evening he thinks with representatives from Talent Plus and there were five members there. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that there is still one member of that group who feels very strongly that this shouldn’t happen and he thinks some of the other members of that group thinks this is a positive thing. Mr. Johnson stated to Council if they have any questions that he will certainly answer any of their questions that they might have about this issue.
Mr. Cook asked Mr. Johnson if Talent Plus has provided any site plans to them yet. Mr. Johnson indicated to Mr. Cook that there is a site plan, that actually the gentleman with Talent Plus who had spoke during a City Council Hearing had obviously misspoke. Mr. Johnson stated to Mr. Cook that their site plan shows that they would like to do an office wing off of their building, that right now there is about 150 to 200 employees and envisioning going to 300 employees plus additional employee parking. Ms. Johnson stated to Mr. Johnson so there is going to be buildings. Mr. Johnson stated to Ms. Johnson that there will be buildings and the model is here and it is a very nice up scale building. Mr. Cook asked Mr. Johnson if this is something they can supply to them before the Council Meeting today. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he has pictures of the building that he can get down to them. Mr. Cook stated to Mayor Wesely that would be great. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Cook okay.

Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Johnson a related thing that they have before them today is the sign and the regulation change for the O-3 District in regards to signs on buildings and the size of signs and where there can be lighted signs. Mr. Cook stated that if the lighted signs are towards residential that is one thing, but perhaps what they over looked was if it was towards parkland and he is not sure that this would be appropriate. Mr. Cook stated so this might come up for discussion today of adding an additional condition of no lighted signs on the side of the building if their within 500 feet of parkland as in this case. [Mr. Fortenberry’s comments and Mr. Johnson’s comments inaudible]

Dana Roper stated to Mr. Shoecraft that Lynn Johnson said what he was going to say, that today they will be just declaring it surplus with changing the zone, that if they reach an agreement on the sale that it will come back to them and the specific terms will be there for their review. [Mr. Camp’s comments inaudible] Mr. Cook stated that the sale price is essentially what has been appraised by Doug Thomas and he was wondering if this was correct. Mr. Cook commented that they can’t sale for less than the fair amount of the market value. Mr. Johnson stated to Mr. Cook that is correct. Mr. Cook stated that they could potentially sale it for more if somebody would offer them more, but they can’t sale it for less. [Mr. Camp’s comments inaudible] Dana Roper stated that basically Parks are held in trust by the City for the people and if they are trying to sale they may find that they can’t if it is a situation where they hold it in trust. Mr. Roper stated that if someone has given them the land on the condition they keep it as a park, or if they have bonds that were issued for the park, or if there has been a common law dedication of a park. Mr. Roper stated to Council that for example Cooper Park, when the City was [inaudible] they referred to a park and this was the issue in this law suit. Mr. Roper stated if there is someone who sales it, grants it, or deeds it to them with the clear restriction that it be used for only park purposes and they accept it; then they hold it in trust and they would have trouble disposing of it in contrast to what [inaudible]. Mr. Roper stated to Council that here they haven’t found that, they have looked and they’re looking at 40 year old records (sometimes 50 year old records) and they haven’t found it. Mr. Roper stated to Council what they ran across this morning was some discussion that they could apply for a Title 7 Housing grant under the Housing Act of 1961 to acquire the large lot and they don’t know if they ever did, so as far as the trust issue that they would believe they would
have the authority to sale. Mr. Roper stated to Council that this is a legitimate issue and it’s going to be the issue at any time that you seek to convey Park property, but so far as they understand the facts they think they can sale it here, but if they find a new file that nobody knew about, that may be a different situation. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Roper just for clarity on when Lynn Johnson was talking about the proceeds from the sale of Antelope Park that he was wondering if this was applied to the section of George Holmes request. Mr. Roper stated to Mr. Camp that George Holmes request was actually to expand Van Dorn Park and it was just because they were so grateful to him for all the good things that he had done to the parks and for the dog runs that they decided to name this new park after him. Mr. Roper stated that as far as they know, they sold the park and it went into the [inaudible] land acquisition, which is what’s required under the Charter and so there would be nothing in the chain that would trigger a trust. Mr. Roper stated to Mr. Camp that the Holmes Park was required by the Army Core of Engineers that the City paid for part of it and they had an agreement with the Army. But, it was primarily a flood control project to facilitate it and they reached an agreement with the Department of the Army that they would do the work. Mr. Roper stated to Council that the City would pay a certain amount and they would convey it to them and they had conveyed the property to them, than there are some sections where they have retained ownership and the City has a license to operate on it, which will expire in another 13 years. (Mr. Roper showed Council a map in regards to this issue) Mr. Roper stated to Mr. Camp that part of what they have out there is a license, but they do not own it and the cris-cross area is not in the deed. Mr. Roper indicated to Council that their problem is trying to make sure they truly understand the facts and that’s where they are having some difficulty. Mr. Roper stated to Council what they know they are comfortable with, but they are not certain that they know everything. Mr. Roper indicated that there could be this Title 7 Housing Grant that they don’t have and is not on file with the Register of Deeds or the City Clerk’s Office and if there is something else they haven’t found it yet. [Mr. Camp’s comments inaudible] Mr. Roper stated to Mr. Camp that they have talked considerably and he thinks that he has moved on from him because he wasn’t providing the answers that he would had preferred. Ms. Johnson stated to Mr. Roper that he might want to be prepared to answer those questions later to get it clarified publicly. Mr. Roper stated to Ms. Johnson okay.

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT - [Allan Abbott handed out a memo to Council regarding Street Sweeping & a map that showed them the direction of where they are going and the ones that are done] Allan Abbott stated to Council that he handed out a memo to update them on the street sweeping. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that basically they have picked up about four times as much stuff this year as they had last year and they’re looking into leasing some of this really quick to get it done more quickly. Mr. Abbott stated to Council, so hopefully this memo will give them an update on how the street sweeping is coming along. Ms. Johnson asked Mr. Abbott do they have any safety issues at all. Mr. Abbott stated to Ms. Johnson not to his knowledge. (Copy of this memo is on file in the City Council Office).
Allan Abbott stated to Council the other thing is that he got a note this morning about the storm sewer project on 16th Street, which they thought they were going to get done fairly quickly. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that they found out there is some conflicts with the sanitary sewer pick ups, so now they have to close 16th Street for about a week in order to get the connections made so they can put in the storm sewer systems. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that he wanted to let them know in case they get any calls about it. Mr. Abbott indicated to Council that he just got the note this morning.

Ms. McRoy asked Mr. Abbott, if they issued a press release letting people know that 16th Street will be closed for a week. Mr. Abbott stated to Ms. McRoy that they will be doing a press release, but he wanted to let them know about it. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that they will have a detour going over to 13th Street and down to South Street, but they will be getting this information released. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that he received this information about 10:00 a.m. this morning.

Allan Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that whenever he wants a quick update or a response to his question about East “O” Street that he can discuss this issue with them. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Abbott that he had this issue on his list for things to bring up and he was going to ask him if he has had a chance to look into it to see if they could incorporate it without delaying it. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that they have looked into it and they looked into about three options, one is just a right turn lane along the way; or quickly redo it between 48th & 52nd Street, but the conflict would be if they had to revise it with the Environmental Impact Statement that they have some questions on it. Mr. Abbott indicated to Council that he hasn’t gotten an answer on that yet as to whether or not they have to go back and revise the whole thing. Mr. Abbott indicated to Mr. Shoecraft to completely redo it as to [inaudible] that it is going to be about $3.5 million, so if they do that they have to find another $3.5 million somewhere in order to complete it. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that it would make sense to do it now, that there’s no argument with that at all, that it is just a matter of if they can find away to get it done. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that they are still working on it and they still have a few questions that needs to be answered. Mr. Abbott commented to Mr. Shoecraft that again, it is $3.5 million that he mentioned this to him in the hall the other day and your comment was for four blocks. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that the rest of it from 52nd Street to 70th Street is about 18 and that’s at about $19 million. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Abbott so your still looking into it and Mr. Abbott stated that “yes” he is still looking into it. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Abbott okay.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he was going to mention that the Storm Sewer Bond issue is up in two weeks and again as with the Women’s Commission none of them can use official stationery or any public funds to promote it, but as they talk to folks it would be helpful to tell them about it.
Mr. Shoecraft asked Mayor Wesely if there was any projects on the list that Antelope Valley could [inaudible]. Mr. Abbott indicated to Mr. Shoecraft that “no” there’s not any projects on the list, that the Antelope Valley is separate from it. Mr. Shoecraft commented to Mr. Abbott so Antelope Valley will not tear up any of these projects that they are going to be doing for bonds. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that is correct. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Abbott okay.

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP

Mr. Camp asked Allan Abbott if he has gotten the message regarding the street light at 40th & Normal Boulevard that Dr. Metz complained about it. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that he hasn’t seen it. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott that some of this may relate to the constructions down farther east on South Street. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that he will check into it.

Mr. Camp stated to Allan Abbott the second thing is that he wanted to compliment his staff on getting 56th & South Street inter-section opened so quickly. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott that was really fantastic even with the rain.

Mr. Camp asked Allan Abbott if he could do some further checking on the 40th Street on the plans for the widening. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott that there was a letter in the newspaper yesterday. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that he saw it and Mayor Wesely indicated that he has also seen it. Mr. Camp stated that he has had some people calling about it for the last month and a half and he knows that they have been in contact with the staff. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott that they are claiming more trees were taken out. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that there is a few that keeps saying that and the only trees that came out was the ones that were just [inaudible] and they had worked with the Parks & Recreation Department on it. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp if they took out any trees because of the widening is one question, but if other trees were taken out because they were sick was something else. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that they worked very closely with the Parks & Recreation Department and did not remove anymore than what was necessary. Mr. Abbott stated that he knows there has been a lot of correspondence from a few people along that area, by enlarge he hasn’t heard a whole lot of complaints from the people who use the street everyday, which is unfortunately the ones that don’t write in. Mr. Camp asked Mr. Abbott if he would check into this issue for him. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that “yes” he will look into it.
JEFF FORTENBERRY

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Mayor Wesely that he noticed the program for Trail Safety and he asked Mayor Wesely if he could explain it a little more to him. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry that it was really kind of interesting, that they had the Army Reserve come to them and discuss that they need to exercise on the weekends and while they were out they thought they would run on the trails and maybe they could be spotters and watch out for them. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry that the Army Reserve has a relationship with the Amateur Radio Club and the Army Reserve are going to be looking for ways to help and a bunch of radio folks will also be helping. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry that it will be primarily on weekends because they’re out anyway and this is the way for them to track. Mayor Wesely stated that the Police Department has also been in touch with them and they are happy about it. Mayor Wesely stated that this is really a wonderful thing that they’re doing and this will help them out.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Mayor Wesely that this is a great idea because this issue came up during the Wilderness Park Study and even though to his knowledge they have not had anything serious happen on the trail. Mr. Fortenberry stated to Mayor Wesely that this is a great idea and as they move into a broader green print plan that this is a side issue that he thinks they have to incorporate in and make it work.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Chief Spadt that he would like to talk with him briefly after the Director’s Meeting today. Chief Spadt stated to Mr. Fortenberry okay.

JERRY SHOECRAFT

Mr. Shoecraft stated that Gene Hanlon wanted him to convey to the Council and everyone else that April 16th through April 22nd is Clean Your Files Week. Mr. Shoecraft indicated that he thinks the Mayor also announced it in a news release.

CINDY JOHNSON - NO COMMENTS

ANNETTE McROY - NO COMMENTS
JONATHAN COOK

Mr. Cook stated to Chief Casady that he was looking on the website of the liquor documents and he thought this is great that all of the private information is covered up with little blue marks. But, than he noticed there was something kind of strange about it, so he clicked on the blue marks and he moved them out of the way. So, actually if they just print it out they will get all of the information including the information that’s supposed to be blocked out. Mr. Cook stated to Chief Casady that he thinks what might be best is for someone to photo copy the page, mark it out and than scan it in rather than trying to do it through technology. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Cook that he will take care of it and get it corrected.

Mr. Cook stated that he would like to talk briefly with Mike Merwick and Allan Abbott after the Director’s Meeting today.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Mayor Wesely and Kathleen Sellman if they could potentially comment on this issue. Mr. Fortenberry stated that they have the change in the signage rules for the O-3 District and it seems like they are 99% there with the entry, but the other outstanding issue is whether or not the electronic message centers on monument signs ought to be sent directly to a Special Permit. Mr. Fortenberry stated that everything else seems to be in an agreement except this point and he was wondering if they have any thoughts about it. Ray Hill stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he needs to talk with Mike DeKalb about it because he has been working with the representatives on the signage. Mr. Fortenberry stated to Mr. Hill that they agreed to have that on the sides of the buildings only by permit, but the monument sign was the other issue. Mr. Fortenberry stated that he thought this through because there’s a nagging concern out there, that if technology did change these [inaudible] that they might be in a situation were they’re react and rather than pro-acting. Mr. Fortenberry commented that it may work fine and it might be a technology that they can integrate and have it work very well into office buildings and such, but to be able to look at it before it happens.

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:57 A.M.