DIRECTOR’S MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2001 - 11:00 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MAYOR

1. NEWS ADVISORY - Mayor’s Notice of TWO News Conferences for week of 07-30-01:
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II. CITY CLERK

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

ANNETTE McROY

1. *OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/ Parks & Recreation Department - RE: North Bottoms - Neighborhood sign (RFI#67 - 6/07/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM KAREN SIECKMEYER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#67 -6/12/01 (Will forward this RFI to the Parks & Rec. Department)
2. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/LES - RE: Street lighting wattage (RFI#74 - 7/13/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM KAREN SIECKMEYER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#7/18/01 (REFERRED TO LARRY KATHAL AT LES)— 2.) SEE RESPONSE FROM KAREN SIECKMEYER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#74 - 8/08/01

3. OUTSTANDING - Request to Law Department/Police - RE: Fireworks (Not sending officers on complaints) - (RFI#75 - 7/20/01)

4. OUTSTANDING - Request to Public Works & Utilities Department, Sidewalks, Harry Kroos - RE: Sidewalks (RFI#76 - 7/26/01)

5. RESPONSE from Dana Roper on RFI #73 - Fireworks (Some groups allowed/some not - Criteria for Special Permit). - 08-01-01

COLEEN SENG

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Steve Huggenberger, Law Department - RE: Cable increases (RFI#863 - 7/02/01)

2. *OUTSTANDING Request to *Parks & Recreation Department/ Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Visit with Mr. Craig - Dietrich & Murdock Trail conflicts (RFI#865 - 7/02/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM JIM VISGER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#865 -7/25/01

3. OUTSTANDING Request to Planning Department, Ed Zimmer - RE: An Ordinance to keep the bottle burglars "out of excavation sites when development is taking place (RFI#866 - 7/09/01) RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM ED ZIMMER ON RFI #866 - 08-01-01///RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM DANA ROPER ON RFI #866 - 08-01-01

4. RESPONSE from Health Department RE: Complaint about property at 5035 Knox - RFI #869 (07-18-01) RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM HEALTH DEPT. ON RFI #869 (2nd Response) 07-27-01

6. RESPONSE from Law Department/Building & Safety Department - RE: Fireworks (RFI#870 - 7/23/01) RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM THE LAW DEPARTMENT ON RFI #870 - 08-01-01

7. RESPONSE from Steve Schwab of Parks & Rec on RFI #862 (Trim Trees on East Side of 56th between Knox & Judson) - Received 07-27-01
#8. Request to Health/Building & Safety/Weeds, Russ Shultz - RE: Garbage & Weeds at 5119 Garland (RFI#871 - 8/09/01)

JON CAMP

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Dana Roper, City Attorney - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue (RFI#60 - 6/21/01) RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM DANA ROPER ON RFI#60 - 08-01-01

2. OUTSTANDING Request to Fire, Chief Spadt - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue (RFI#61 - 6/21/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM FIRE CHIEF SPADT RECEIVED ON RFI#61 - 8/03/01

3. OUTSTANDING Request to Steve Hubka, Budget - RE: Occupation tax (RFI#64 - 6/27/01)

4. OUTSTANDING Request to Fire Chief Spadt - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue – Non-Emergency Transport (RFI#66 - 7/11/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM FIRE CHIEF SPADT RECEIVED ON RFI#66 - 8/03/01

5. RESPONSE from Fire Chief Spadt - RE: Lincoln Fire Department - Attendance at Saltdogs Baseball Game - Tuesday, July 24, 2001 (RFI#67 -7/25/01) - RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM CHIEF SPADT ON RFI #67 - 07-31-01

6. RESPONSE from Georgia Glass, Personnel Director - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue - Rick Task–employee (RFI#68 - 7/25/01) RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM GEORGIA GLASS ON RFI #68 - 7-30-01

7. NEWS RELEASE from Jon Camp - “FUND ESSENTIALS, NOT DESIRABLES

TERRY WERNER

1. *OUTSTANDING Request to *Law Department /Russell Shultz, Weed Control - RE: The City Weed Ordinance (RFI#9 - 6/13/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM RUSS SHULTZ, WEED CONTROL RECEIVED ON RFI#9 - 6/18/01

2. OUTSTANDING Request to Parks & Recreation Department, Forestry - RE: About a 100 Year old tree that is going to be removed (RFI#11 - 6/28/01)

3. RESPONSE to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: A left turn signal at Hwy. 2 & Old Cheney (RFI#13 - 7/23/01) RESPONSE FROM SCOTT OPFER (PW) RECEIVED ON RFI #13 - 07-30-01
4. **RESPONSE** from Public Works & Utilities Department/Planning Department - RE: The Duteau Building at 19th - North of “O” Street (RFI#14 - 7/23/01)  
**RESPONSE FROM RICK HERRICK (PW) ON RFI #14 - 08-01-01**  
//**RESPONSE FROM PLANNING (KATHLEEN SELLMAN) ON RFI#14 - 08-02-01**

5. **RESPONSE** from Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Policy on lane markings (RFI#15 - 7/23/01)  
**RESPONSE FROM SCOTT OPFER (PW) RECEIVED ON RFI #15 - 07-30-01**

6. **OUTSTANDING** - Request to Animal Control - RE: Citizen’s Complaints that animals were in danger or were being significantly neglected (RFI#16 - 7/23/01).  
— 1.) **SEE RESPONSE FROM JIM WEVERKA, ANIMAL CONTROL RECEIVED ON RFI#16 - 8/06/01**

7. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Lancaster County Assessor (gave copy to Gwen Thorpe & Norman Agenda) - RE: Website Information (RFI#17 - 7/23/01)

**JONATHAN COOK**

1. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Public Works & Utilities Department, Allan Abbott/Mayor’s Office - RE: 33rd & Sheridan Roundabout, 33rd St. Project Sheridan to Calvert, Potential 33rd St. Project South to Sheridan (RFI#41 - 7/02/01)

2. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Repair of Driveway Between Curb and Sidewalk (RFI#46 - 7/13/01)  
**RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM JIM VISGER (PW) ON RFI#46 - 07-30-01**

3. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Parks & Recreation Department - RE: Boulevard Plantings (RFI#45 - 7/13/01)

4. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Parks & Recreation Department - RE: American Liberty Elm Trees (RFI#49 - 7/18/01)

5. **RESPONSE** from Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Proposed “Round-About” at 33rd & Sheridan (RFI#50 - 7/23/01)  
**RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM SCOTT OPFER (PW) ON RFI #50 - 07-30-01**

6. **RESPONSE** from Fire Department/Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Questions regarding fire hydrants and hoses (RFI#51 - 7/25/01)  
**RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM CHIEF SPADT ON RFI #51 - 07-31-01**  
(THE RESPONSE FROM PUBLIC WORKS ALSO INCLUDED THE RESPONSE FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON RFI#51 - WAS TOLD THIS INFORMATION ON 8/08/01 BY KAREN SIECKMEYER)
KEN SVOBODA

1. OUTSTANDING - Request to Mayor’s Office, Mark Bowen - RE: Washington, DC Lobbyist (RFI#3 - 7/23/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM MARK BOWEN, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR RECEIVED ON RFI#3 - 8/06/01

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

BUILDING AND SAFETY

1. Inter-Department Communication in response to Jonathan Cook’s inquiry RE: Sign Violations at Kabredlos

#2. Inter-Department Memo from Mike Merwick - RE: Information on Planning Commission recommendation on Special Permit No. #1909 for temporary storage of construction equipment at 5400 S. Folsom Street — (Bill No. 01R-210) (See Memo).

FINANCE - ACCOUNTING

#1. Letter from Mark Leikam, City of Lincoln Keno Auditor - RE: He has performed the procedures as required by Revenue Ruling 35-96-3 published by the Nebraska Department of Revenue, Charitable Gaming Division, which were agreed to by the City of Lincoln and the Nebraska Department of Revenue, solely to assist the specified users in evaluating the City of Lincoln’s compliance with the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act and County and City Lottery Regulations during the quarter ended March 31, 2001 (See Letter).

FINANCE - BUDGET

2. Memo RE: List of Additional Reductions on Occupation Tax (Budget 2001-02)

3. Memo RE: Analysis of Camp’s Proposed Spending Reductions and Revenue Increase

4. Memo RE: Analysis of Svoboda’s Proposed Spending Reductions and Revenue Increases

#5. Information from Don Herz - RE: City Of Lincoln - EMS Cash Receipts/Expenditure Data - FY 2000-01 (See Material).
#6. Material from Don Herz & Melinda J. Jones - RE: Resolution & Finance
Department Treasurer Of Lincoln, Nebraska Investments Purchased Between July

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. News Release - School Immunization Time (A Great Time to Start the Year out
Mercury-Free) (See Attachment)
2. Memo Re: 2001-2002 Flu Season Vaccine Availability
3. Memo Re: Childhood Immunization Promotion Campaign

LAW DEPARTMENT

#1. Information from Joel Pedersen - RE: District Court - Order - Terrence Kubicek
vs. City Of Lincoln (See Material).

LINCOLN/LANCASTER HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

1. Memo - RE: Year 2002-2003 TAG Funding

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#1. Memo from Lynn Johnson & Terry Genrich - RE: Overview of Greenway
Planning Process (See Memo).

PLANNING

2. Planning Commission Final Action - Final Plat No. 00022 - Lincoln Ballpark
Addition (North 6th & Charleston Streets)
3. Planning Commission Final Action - Final Plat 99006 - Fairfield Center 2nd
Addition (North 25th Street & Fairfield)
4. Annexation by Ordinance - 44.86 Acres (ORD #17487 - 14th Street &
Mockingbird Lane)
5. Annexation by Ordinance - 4.42 Acres ORD #17885 - 14th Street & Yankee Hill
Road)
#6. Letter from Jean Walker to Property Owner - RE: Special Permit No. 1423C - Bill No. 00R-64 – HiMark Estates Community Unit Plan (84th & Old Cheney Road) (See Material).

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Memo from Roger Figard RE: One and Six-Year Street Improvement Program

#2. Response Letter from James R. Visger to Jeff Chase - RE: Letter addressed concerns regarding the number of projects occurring in the Public Right-of-Way that inhibit using a street for its continuous length and also questioning the increase in workforce and equipment (See Letter).

#3. Memo & Report from Margaret Remmenga - RE: Downtown Lincoln Parking Study (Copy of this Report is on file in the City Council Office) (See Material).

STARTRAN

1. Amalgamated Transit Union Local Union 1293 - Letter outlining the Union’s interest in the survival of the Midtown bus route.

WOMEN’S COMMISSION

2. Memo from Womens Commission RE: Publicity Campaign for the “Women’s Voices” project - County Fair Poll Booth.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. E-mail from Russell Kluge RE: Renter’s paying Water Bills.


3. E-mail from Rick Bohaty RE: Beltways and how they are to alleviate Lincoln’s Traffic Problems?

4. Letter from Mary Lou Clark RE: Opposition to Closing Heritage Gift Shop


7. E-Mail from Andy Agena - RE: Bike Cops riding on sidewalks in downtown area - apparently exempt from City Ordinances


10. Letter from Peter Katt - RE: DLA Funding

11. Letter from First Presbyterian Church, Board of Deacons (Don Shafer, Chair) - RE: Opposing the closing of Kuklin Pool

12. Letter from Vera Sautter RE: Opposition to Closing of Heritage Gift Shop


15. E-mail from Sally & Darwin Spear - RE: Thank You to Council for listening to their views on the widening of South Wedgewood Drive.

16. Letter from H.K. Kiester - RE: Opposition to closing Heritage Gift Shop

17. News Article [07-31-01 Lincoln Journal Star - Opinion-“Local View”] delivered to Council by Lois Newman - RE: Glenn Friendt’s article on a conservative budget approach

#18. E-Mail from Mary Lou & Gene Wallin - RE: East Beltway comment (See E-Mail).


#20. Letter from Robert J. Lanik, President, Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center - RE: To “Thank-you” for your vote and support of their request for facility expansion with its associated amendments (See Letter).
#21. Letter from Duane & Julaine Thomas - RE: They had an incredibly difficult time in trying to get a phone line disconnected and then trying to get the billing correct (See Material).

#22. E-Mail from Karl Detweiler with response from Joan Ray - RE: Taxes and Budgets (See E-Mail).

#23. E-Mail from Jim Frohman with response from Joan Ray - RE: Budget Suggestion (See E-Mail).


#25. Two E-Mail’s from Ed Schnabel with responses from Joan Ray - RE: City Budget & Budget Hearing (See E-Mail’s).

#26. Letter from Sandra Schmidt to Salem Oil Company - RE: They would like to thank you for the improvements you have made in the past on their property - The North Bottoms Neighborhood Association Board members have brought up for discussion the condition of your property on the southwest corner of 14th & New Hampshire (See Letter).


#28. Letter from Ruth Jensen - RE: Attended the Star Tran Town Hall Meeting which was held in regards to possible elimination of Midtown, Route #18 and the second topic was about possible fare increases (See Letter).

#29. Letter from Ross Greathouse, Greathouse Associates, LTD. - RE: The testimony on the Budget (See Material).

#30. E-Mail from Dave & Sandy Langemeier - RE: City Budget (See E-Mail).

#31. Letter from J. Michael Rierden - RE: East Beltway Project (See Letter).

#32. Letter from Denise Hohensee RN, Interim Health Care - RE: The Proposed Budget (See Letter).

#33. E-Mail from Jim Ashley - RE: Parking at City-County Building (See E-Mail).
IV. DIRECTORS

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. ADJOURNMENT
DIRECTOR’S MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2001
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Council Members Present: Annette McRoy, Chair; Jonathan Cook, Vice-Chair; Coleen Seng, Jon Camp, Ken Svoboda, Terry Werner.

Council Member Absent: Glenn Friendt

Others Present: Mayor Don Wesely, Mark Bowen, Ann Harrell, Mayor’s Office; Teresa Meier-Brock, Deputy City Clerk; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Members Camp, Friendt, & Svoboda; Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff and Chris Hain, Lincoln Journal Star Representative.

Ms. McRoy welcomed everyone to the Director’s Meeting and stated that it has been quite a while since they have meet together.

I. MAYOR

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that first he would like to pass out to them the analysis that Don Herz did on the Basic Telephone rate and the impact of the Occupation Tax at 5.75% or 5.50%. [Passed out material to Council - RE: City of Lincoln - Occupation Tax Analysis - August, 2001] Mayor Wesely stated to Council that some of the concerns are about the taxes and [inaudible], which he would argue with since they have a basic rate and it actually impacts at some where between 30¢ and they have already choose the 35¢ a month. Mayor Wesely stated that than they have the Optional Services that goes on the basic rate to build up the national charges that can be subbed against for the tax. Mayor Wesely indicated that in a way it is like the sales tax, that they can choose to spend more and than the taxes are a percentage of that. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he would argue that it is anymore [inaudible] in a sales tax and this gives them an idea of the basic actual cost on the tax increase. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that if they have any questions about it that Mr. Herz put this information together. [Copy of this material is on file in the City Council Office]

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they probably read about the old Federal Building and for most of them they’re familiar that they have been working on the idea of transforming it into a redevelopment project and turning it into private hands. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he has several proposals that he is reviewing right now and hopefully in to the future they will be making a decision on it.

Mr. Camp asked Mayor Wesely if that would be possible to involve them or is he planning to make the decision and double split his decision. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Camp that it is his responsibility, but they would be happy to sit down and brief the
Mr. Camp asked Mayor Wesely if he would mind talking to them ahead of time as well as the Public Building Commission. Mayor Wesely stated that they will be talking to a number of people about the situation. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Camp that there is a lot of factors that go into it. Mr. Camp commented to Mayor Wesely so he will visit with them ahead of time. Mayor Wesely indicated to Mr. Camp that they will be talking to the Public Building Commission at the appropriate time. Mr. Camp asked Mayor Wesely, but will he talk to them ahead of time, though. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Camp that he is not going to make a commitment one way or the other, that the decision is in his hands and he will decide over a period of time and consult with others as needed. Mr. Camp commented to Mayor Wesely so he will not talk to them ahead of time. Mayor Wesely commented that he will see. Ms. McRoy stated to Mayor Wesely that maybe when it is appropriate he could schedule a Pre-Council Meeting on it. Mayor Wesely stated to Ms. McRoy okay, that right now they are just looking over the situation and he just wanted to let them know.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council the court ruled last week on Terrence Kubicek’s challenge to the Antelope Valley Project on whether or not the City has the authority to move forward with it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they probably have already read the decision, but it was in their favor. Although, he said he might challenge it, that he doubts that he will have much legal stand on it.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that coming before them today will be the HiMark Estates issue and he thought it might be helpful for them to get an update on the status of it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the issue was before the City in the spring of last year and there’s a number of controversies involved in it and it is now back. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he thought Lynn Johnson and Kathleen Sellman could tell them a little bit about where they are at on it right now.

Kathleen Sellman stated to Council the most immediate item on this is that there is a possibility that one of the participating land donors around “Noon” time will pull out of this project, which would mean that the project can not be heard today. Ms. Sellman stated to Council that this item has a lot of conditions and it’s been on Pending for more than a year. Ms. Sellman stated to Council that Jason Reynolds can talk to them a little bit more about what some of those issues are and than Lynn Johnson can mention what kind of conclusion has been reached regarding the trail through there and the access to it.

Jason Reynolds stated to Council that in February of this year the applicants submitted revised plans with the intention of meeting the conditions of approval that were set by the Planning Commission. Mr. Reynolds stated to Council that before it was heard by the City Council the applicant had actually appealed almost all of the conditions of the approval. So, it moved directly to Council and they’ve revised their plans to meet the conditions set forth by the Planning Commission and that’s what’s in the motion to amend that’s before them today.
Lynn Johnson stated to Council that he thinks they may know that when this was originally submitted it was intended to be a [inaudible] community and the plan or the subdivision of HiMark indicating a trail easement consistent with the Comprehensive Plan along Antelope Creek. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that when this came in they asked them to honor that commitment of the easement and they said this is going to be a [inaudible] community and can they just go around it. Mr. Johnson indicated to Council that they spent several months debating this issue and what they have come up with is a memorandum about their standing where they have committed to grant that easement. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that it is their intent that they would build the trail in conjunction with their project, so they’re not having to come in after the fact and build the trail and they want to get it established immediately so that it is there. Mr. Johnson indicated to Council that they’ve agreed that they would leave it open for community use 24 hours a day and the agreement says that the Parks & Recreation Department or the City will be responsible for the maintenance at the trail and construction of the trail just like the rest of the Trails System. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that it would exist on an easement and they wanted some provisions regarding the concerns that they have on it. That if there were individuals on the trail after regular park hours, if they would have the ability to ask them to leave. Mr. Johnson indicated that they have written this to say that it is open and available for community use 24 hours a day and that it is only open for recreational use during standard park hours. So, if there were people loitering, causing vandalism or making noise on that short strip to the apartment complex that their security staff would have the ability to call the Police or ask them to leave the property. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that the other commitment was that the City would be responsible for securing the necessary Wetland permits for the reconstructive trail. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that they don’t think that’s going to be a significant issue, but they have committed to do that. Mr. Johnson stated to Council as part of the approval, assuming that it does come forward this afternoon, the City Council will be requested to approve the memorandum of understanding in conjunction with the Resolution of approving the parking. Mr. Johnson stated to Council if they have any questions about it that he can certainly try to answer them.

Mr. Camp stated that Cindy Anderson and some of the neighbors called him about their concerns they have on it. Mr. Camp stated that he was going to ask that they continue the Public Hearing because of the concerns from the neighbors and it sounds like other problems have occurred that they continue this issue with Public Hearing and final vote a week from today, if that would be alright. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Johnson that hopefully that wouldn’t cause any inconvenience and to him it sounds like because it came off Pending they weren’t aware of it as quickly to get their people together. Mr. Johnson stated to Mr. Camp that sounds reasonable and Ms. Sellman indicated to Mr. Camp that’s fine. Mr. Cook stated that he also received a call and so he was also interested in a delay. Mayor Wesely stated to Council so they wanted them to know that there is a context to this issue and it is back.
Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that also they need to know a little bit about the context on the Special Permit for storage. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Mike Merwick sent a memo to them in regards to this issue, but he thinks Mr. Merwick also wanted to discuss this issue a little bit with them. Mike Merwick stated to Council that they would like to address the Council on that memo today, that they have quite a bit of information and really allowing additional buildings out there for storage or whatever is going to led to a lot of problems for them. Mr. Merwick indicated to Council that they will relate some more information on this particular one, but they would like to have a couple of seconds at the Formal Council Meeting today to bring forth a few issues and about the request.

Kathleen Sellman stated to Council that this is actually two items; one is Change of Zone 3327, which will allow an additional main building on a lot in the AG zoning district and also on Special Permit 1909, which is a specific request by an individual that has been cited for being in violation of the zone district requirements in the AG. Ms. Sellman stated to Council what the amendment could do is significantly impair Building & Safety’s ability to enforce the expectation that the AG zone district residence that they have had there, will not be full pledged big businesses operating in the AG zone district. Ms. Sellman indicated to Council that this amendment would give to certain people an advantage if they choose to operate a business in other than a commercial or industrial zone district and also would not allow for their continued residential and agricultural characteristically uses that are in the AG Zone District. Ms. Sellman stated to Council that both of these items are before them today and these items are related, so if they have any questions they would be happy to answer them.

Mr. Cook commented that he doesn’t know how the rest of the Council feels about separating the items, but he thinks it is important that they understand that there are two separate discussions and he knows that some time back earlier on when he was on the Council that they did separate a situation like this one. Mr. Cook indicated that the separation of the Change of Zone and Text from the other, that the applicant could only speak to why the text change was a good thing as to opposed to their use, which might be a valuable thing to at least ask them to do it, if they want to separate them. Mr. Cook stated that may be Council will discuss this issue at the “Noon” Meeting today.

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   B) RE: 9:30 a.m. Friday, August 3rd - Room 236 at County Health Department (3140 “N” Street). — NO COMMENTS

2. NEWS RELEASE - Mayor Identifies List of Possible Cuts if the Occupation Tax is Not Increased (08-02-01). — NO COMMENTS
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#4. Response Letter from Mayor Don Wesely to Janet Coleman - RE: Her letter that expressed support for StarTran pubic transit services and concern for the proposed discontinuance of the #18, Midtown route. — NO COMMENTS

#5. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Mayor Don Wesely will have a news conference regarding the downtown parking situation at 9:30 a.m., Thursday, August 9th. — NO COMMENTS

#6. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Mayor Releases Downtown Parking Study. — NO COMMENTS

II. CITY CLERK

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that in regards to Items 6 & 11 [Change of Zone 3327 - amending Section 27.71.130 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to allow an additional main building on a lot in the AG zoning district where there is an existing residence; & Special Permit 1909 - Application of Leonard Stolzer to allow the temporary storage of construction equipment on property generally located at 5400 S. Folsom Street] she would like to call these two items together, unless they want to keep these items separated. Ms. McRoy stated to Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock that they will discuss it at the “Noon” Meeting today. Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Ms. McRoy okay, just let her know what they want to do.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that in regards to Items 7 & 8 [Change of Zone 3331- Amending Chapter 27.55 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to adopt the revised Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Flood Insurance Study, and to clarify language relating to the minimum standards required by the National Flood Insurance Program and the State of Nebraska for floodplain management by amending the Lincoln Zoning Ordinance; & Amending Title 26, the Land Subdivision Ordinance, of the Lincoln Municipal Code to add Section 26.07.115 and to amend Sections 26.07.120 and 26.15.040 to adopt the revised Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Flood Insurance Study and to clarify language relating to the minimum standards required by the National Flood Insurance Program and the State of Nebraska for floodplain management] she will call these two items together.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that in regards to Item 11 [Special Permit 1901 - Application of Leonard Stolzer to allow the temporary storage of construction equipment on property generally located at 5400 S. Folsom Street] they do have a motion to amend.
Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that in regards to Item 16 [Approving a waiver of design standards to extend the time for installation of sidewalks, street trees, and landscape screening in Lenox Village Subdivision, and to revise the bonding amounts, on property generally located at South 70th Street and Pioneers Blvd.] there is a motion to amend, which she just handed out prior to the Pre-Council.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that in regards to Item 19 [Special Permit 1423C - Application of Dru, Guy, & David Lammle to amend the Himark Estates C.U.P. to add land, increase the assigned number of dwelling units from 240 to 300 multi-family dwelling units & to approve the site plan for the multiple family area on property generally locate at the northeast corner of S. 84th St. & Old Cheney Rd.] there is a Substitute Resolution for this item and they did receive a request from Cindy Anderson to continue the Public Hearing & Action until next week.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that during the voting session, she would like to call for one motion for Items 21, 22 & 23.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that in regards to Items 30, 31 & 32 [Amending the corporate limits of the City by annexing approximately 251 acres of property generally located between North 14th and North 27th Streets, north of I-80 and south of Alvo and Arbor Roads; Change of Zone 3325 - Amending Chapter 27.51 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to allow development of a minimum of 50 acres instead of 75 acres in the I-3 Employment Center District; & Change of Zone 3265 - Application of Hampton Development Services for a change of zone from AG agricultural to I-3 Employment Center and R-3 Residential on property generally located between North 14th and North 27th Streets, north of I-80 and south of Alvo and Arbor Roads] they received a request for these three items to have 2nd & 3rd Reading on August 20th.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that in regards to Item 41 [Changing the City telecommunications occupation tax rate from 3.8% to 5.75% of gross receipts effective September 1, 2001] she wanted to mention that prior to them actually voting on this item, she will need someone to actually introduce it.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that on the Pending list in regards to Items 55 & 56 [Renaming Charles ave. as Hanneman Dr. beginning at the north approach of the intersection of Trimble Dr. & W. “C” St. & extending north & east through the Muff 2nd Add. Preliminary Plat; & Authorizing the issuance of not to exceed $3,750,000 aggregate principal amount of the City’s Golf Course Revenue Refunding Bonds] that they have received some requests to remove these items from Pending for Public Hearing on August 20th.

Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Council that they will have one
item on the Miscellaneous Referral Sheet to vote upon and setting a hearing date.

Ms. McRoy asked Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock if City Clerk Joan Ross was on vacation today. Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Ms. McRoy that “no”, she is in the office, that she volunteered to take the Council Meetings because of the Beltway Hearings.

Mr. Svoboda stated that he has more of a question and clarification of timing and such with one Member of the Council missing today. Mr. Svoboda asked if a delay in the Occupational Tax vote would hurt anybody or do they have to vote on it today. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Svoboda that they have to make that decision today. Mr. Svoboda commented to Mayor Wesely so they can’t delay it for a week. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Svoboda that he doesn’t think so and Don Herz stated the same thing. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Svoboda that the Budget is next week and they have to have this decision in order. Don Herz stated to Mr. Svoboda that he will double check on it, but in order to set the Tax Levy they need to know what the Occupation Tax rate is going to be, so that’s the timing issues. Mr. Svoboda stated to Mr. Herz okay. Mayor Wesely indicated to Mr. Svoboda that happens to be next Monday. Mr. Svoboda stated to Mayor Wesely and Mr. Herz okay and thanked them.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

ANNETTE McROY

1. *OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/ *Parks & Recreation Department - RE: North Bottoms - Neighborhood sign (RFI#67 - 6/07/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM KAREN SIECKMEYER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#67 -6/12/01 (Will forward this RFI to the Parks & Rec. Department). — NO COMMENTS

2. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/LES - RE: Street lighting wattage (RFI#74 - 7/13/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM KAREN SIECKMEYER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#74 -7/18/01 (REFERRED TO LARRY KATHAL AT LES)— 2.) SEE RESPONSE FROM KAREN SIECKMEYER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#74 - 8/08/01. — NO COMMENTS

3. OUTSTANDING - Request to Law Department/Police - RE: Fireworks (Not
COLEEN SENG

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Steve Huggenberger, Law Department - RE: Cable increases (RFI#863 - 7/02/01). — Ms. Seng asked the Law Department to please find out if Steve Huggenberger did send those letters out that she requested, since he offered to do it. Ms. Seng stated that than they can get this Request For Information (#863) off the Agenda. Dana Roper stated to Ms. Seng okay.

2. *OUTSTANDING Request to Parks & Recreation Department/ Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Visit with Mr. Craig - Dietrich & Murdock Trail conflicts (RFI#865 - 7/02/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM JIM VISGER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#865 -7/25/01. — NO COMMENTS

3. OUTSTANDING Request to Planning Department, Ed Zimmer - RE: An Ordinance to keep the bottle burglars “out of excavation sites when development is taking place (RFI#866 - 7/09/01) RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM ED ZIMMER ON RFI #866 - 08-01-01///RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM DANA ROPER ON RFI #866 - 08-01-01. — Ms. Seng stated that she wants to know from the Law Department and the Planning Department, if they need to be doing something more now on this Request For Information. Ms. Seng stated that she knows Dana Roper has replied and Ed Zimmer has replied. Dana Roper stated to Ms. Seng that he doesn’t think so, that Ed Zimmer may have a different opinion, but they think they have got enough laws that they can enforce. Mr. Roper indicated to Ms. Seng that they don’t need anything special. Ms. Seng asked Mr. Roper if a copy of his response was sent to Peter Bleed. Mr. Roper stated to Ms. Seng that he doesn’t believe so, that he thinks it only went to her, but he will double check on it. Ms. Seng asked Mr. Roper if he would send a copy of his response to Peter Bleed. Ms. Seng indicated that she knows Mr. Zimmer’s response was sent out to Mr. Bleed. Mr. Roper stated to Ms. Seng that he will send a copy to Mr. Bleed. Ms. Seng thanked Mr. Roper.

4. RESPONSE from Health Department RE: Complaint about property at 5035
Knox - RFI #869 (07-18-01) **RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM HEALTH DEPT. ON RFI #869 (2nd Response) 07-27-01. — NO COMMENTS**

6. **RESPONSE** from Law Department/Building & Safety Department - RE: Fireworks (RFI#870 - 7/23/01) **RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM THE LAW DEPARTMENT ON RFI #870 - 08-01-01. — NO COMMENTS**

7. **RESPONSE** from Steve Schwab of Parks & Rec on RFI #862 (Trim Trees on East Side of 56th between Knox & Judson) - **Received 07-27-01. — NO COMMENTS**

#8. Request to Health/Building & Safety/Weeds, Russ Shultz - RE: Garbage & Weeds at 5119 Garland (RFI#871 - 8/09/01). — **NO COMMENTS**

**JON CAMP**

1. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Dana Roper, City Attorney - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue (RFI#60 - 6/21/01) **RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM DANA ROPER ON RFI#60 - 08-01-01. — NO COMMENTS**

2. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Fire, Chief Spadt - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue (RFI#61 - 6/21/01). — **1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM FIRE CHIEF SPADT RECEIVED ON RFI#61 - 8/03/01. — NO COMMENTS**

3. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Steve Hubka, Budget - RE: Occupation tax (RFI#64 - 6/27/01). — **NO COMMENTS**

4. **OUTSTANDING** Request to Fire Chief Spadt - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue – Non-Emergency Transport (RFI#66 - 7/11/01). — **1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM FIRE CHIEF SPADT RECEIVED ON RFI#66 - 8/03/01. — NO COMMENTS**

5. **RESPONSE** from Fire Chief Spadt - RE: Lincoln Fire Department - Attendance at Saltdogs Baseball Game - Tuesday, July 24, 2001 (RFI#67 -7/25/01) - **RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM CHIEF SPADT ON RFI #67 - 07-31-01. — NO COMMENTS**

6. **RESPONSE** from Georgia Glass, Personnel Director - RE: Lincoln Fire and Rescue - Rick Task–employee (RFI#68 - 7/25/01) **RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM GEORGIA GLASS ON RFI #68 - 7-30-01. — NO COMMENTS**

7. **NEWS RELEASE** from Jon Camp - “FUND ESSENTIALS, NOT
DESIRABLES. — NO COMMENTS

TERRY WERNER

1. *OUTSTANDING Request to *Law Department /Russell Shultz, Weed Control - RE: The City Weed Ordinance (RFI#9 - 6/13/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM RUSS SHULTZ, WEED CONTROL RECEIVED ON RFI#9 - 6/18/01. — NO COMMENTS

2. OUTSTANDING Request to Parks & Recreation Department, Forestry - RE: About a 100 Year old tree that is going to be removed (RFI#11 - 6/28/01). — Mr. Werner asked Lynn Johnson about the response to this Request For Information (RFI#11). Mr. Johnson stated to Mr. Werner that he will follow up on it and apologized for not having it done yet. Mr. Johnson stated to Mr. Werner that he knows Steve Schwab was taking a look at it, but he doesn’t know what Mr. Schwab’s response is in regards to this request, but he will check with him and get it back to him. Mr. Werner thanked Mr. Johnson.

3. RESPONSE to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: A left turn signal at Hwy. 2 & Old Cheney (RFI#13 - 7/23/01) RESPONSE FROM SCOTT OPPER (PW) RECEIVED ON RFI #13 - 07-30-01. — NO COMMENTS

4. RESPONSE from Public Works & Utilities Department/Planning Department - RE: The Duteau Building at 19th - North of “O” Street (RFI#14 - 7/23/01) - RESPONSE FROM RICK HERRICK (PW) ON RFI #14 - 08-01-01 ///RESPONSE FROM PLANNING (KATHLEEN SELLMAN) ON RFI#14 - 08-02-01. — NO COMMENTS

5. RESPONSE from Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Policy on lane markings (RFI#15 - 7/23/01) RESPONSE FROM SCOTT OPPER (PW) RECEIVED ON RFI #15 - 07-30-01. — NO COMMENTS

6. OUTSTANDING - Request to Animal Control - RE: Citizen’s Complaints that animals were in danger or were being significantly neglected (RFI#16 - 7/23/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM JIM WEVERKA, ANIMAL CONTROL RECEIVED ON RFI#16 - 8/06/01. — NO COMMENTS

7. OUTSTANDING Request to Lancaster County Assessor (gave copy to Gwen Thorpe & Norman Agenda) - RE: Website Information (RFI#17 - 7/23/01). — NO COMMENTS

JONATHAN COOK
1. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department, Allan Abbott/Mayor’s Office - RE: 33rd & Sheridan Roundabout, 33rd St. Project Sheridan to Calvert, Potential 33rd St. Project South to Sheridan (RFI#41 - 7/02/01). — Mr. Cook stated to Tammy Grammer that he is going to continue to work with the Public Works & Utilities Department on any specific documents that he still may need regarding this Request For Information (RFI#41). Mr. Cook stated that they have gotten him some information, so may be they should just go ahead and remove this Request For Information (#41) off the Agenda. Mr. Cook stated to Ms. Grammer that he will go ahead and take care of it separately. Ms. Grammer stated to Mr. Cook okay. Mr. Cook thanked Ms. Grammer.

2. OUTSTANDING Request to Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Repair of Driveway Between Curb and Sidewalk (RFI#46 - 7/13/01) RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM JIM VISGER (PW) ON RFI#46 - 07-30-01. — NO COMMENTS

3. OUTSTANDING Request to Parks & Recreation Department - RE: Boulevard Plantings (RFI#45 - 7/13/01). — NO COMMENTS

4. OUTSTANDING Request to Parks & Recreation Department - RE: American Liberty Elm Trees (RFI#49 - 7/18/01). — NO COMMENTS

5. RESPONSE from Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Proposed “Round-About” at 33rd & Sheridan (RFI#50 - 7/23/01) - RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM SCOTT OPPER (PW) ON RFI #50 - 07-30-01. — NO COMMENTS

6. RESPONSE from Fire Department/Public Works & Utilities Department - RE: Questions regarding fire hydrants and hoses (RFI#51 - 7/25/01) - RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM CHIEF SPADT ON RFI #51 - 07-31-01 (THE RESPONSE FROM PUBLIC WORKS ALSO INCLUDED THE RESPONSE FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON RFI#51 - WAS TOLD THIS INFORMATION ON 8/08/01 BY KAREN SIECKMEYER). — NO COMMENTS

KEN SVOBODA

1. OUTSTANDING - Request to Mayor’s Office, Mark Bowen - RE: Washington, DC Lobbyist (RFI#3 - 7/23/01). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM MARK BOWEN, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR RECEIVED ON RFI#3 - 8/06/01. — Mr. Svoboda stated to Tammy Grammer that she can remove this Request For Information (#3) off of the Agenda. Ms. Grammer stated to Mr. Svoboda okay.

Ms. McRoy stated to everyone that Mr. Friendt will not be with them today.
B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

BUILDING AND SAFETY

1. Inter-Department Communication in response to Jonathan Cook’s inquiry RE: Sign Violations at Kabredlos. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#2. Inter-Department Memo from Mike Merwick - RE: Information on Planning Commission recommendation on Special Permit No. #1909 for temporary storage of construction equipment at 5400 S. Folsom Street — (Bill No. 01R-210). — Ms. McRoy asked Mike Merwick if he had any comments on this issue or is he going to wait until the Formal Council Meeting today. Mr. Merwick stated to Ms. McRoy that he will wait until the Formal Council Meeting today. Ms. McRoy stated to Mr. Merwick okay.

FINANCE - ACCOUNTING

#1. Letter from Mark Leikam, City of Lincoln Keno Auditor - RE: He has performed the procedures as required by Revenue Ruling 35-96-3 published by the Nebraska Department of Revenue, Charitable Gaming Division, which were agreed to by the City of Lincoln and the Nebraska Department of Revenue, solely to assist the specified users in evaluating the City of Lincoln’s compliance with the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act and County and City Lottery Regulations during the quarter ended March 31, 2001. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

FINANCE - BUDGET


3. Memo RE: Analysis of Camp’s Proposed Spending Reductions and Revenue Increase. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. Memo RE: Analysis of Svoboda’s Proposed Spending Reductions and Revenue Increases. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#5. Information from Don Herz - RE: City Of Lincoln - EMS Cash Receipts/Expenditure Data - FY 2000-01. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#6. Material from Don Herz & Melinda J. Jones - RE: Resolution & Finance
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. News Release - School Immunization Time (A Great Time to Start the Year out Mercury-Free). — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. Memo Re: 2001-2002 Flu Season Vaccine Availability. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. Memo Re: Childhood Immunization Promotion Campaign. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

Ms. McRoy welcomed Bruce Dart to his first Director’s Meeting and asked Mr. Dart if he had any comments or anything. Mr. Dart thanked Ms. McRoy. Mr. Dart stated that it is great to be here and the Immunization Campaign has been wonderful so far, the community has been responding positively and they’re giving shots like crazy. Ms. McRoy thanked Mr. Dart and stated that they are looking forward to working with him. Mr. Dart thanked everyone.

LAW DEPARTMENT

#1. Information from Joel Pedersen - RE: District Court - Order - Terrence Kubicek vs. City Of Lincoln. — Mayor Don Wesely mentioned this issue during his comments to Council under “I. Mayor”. (See that discussion)

LINCOLN/LANCASTER HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

1. Memo - RE: Year 2002-2003 TAG Funding. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#1. Memo from Lynn Johnson & Terry Genrich - RE: Overview of Greenway Planning Process. — Ms. McRoy stated that there was an article in the newspaper yesterday in regards to this issue and indicated that they have a up coming Pre-Council Meeting on it. Lynn Johnson stated to Ms. McRoy that they do, it is next Monday.
PLANNING


3. Planning Commission Final Action - Final Plat 99006 - Fairfield Center 2nd Addition (North 25th Street & Fairfield). — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. Annexation by Ordinance - 44.86 Acres (ORD #17487 - 14th Street & Mockingbird Lane). — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. Annexation by Ordinance - 4.42 Acres ORD #17885 - 14th Street & Yankee Hill Road). — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#6. Letter from Jean Walker to Property Owner - RE: Special Permit No. 1423C - Bill No. 00R-64 – HiMark Estates Community Unit Plan (84th & Old Cheney Road). — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Memo from Roger Figard RE: One and Six-Year Street Improvement Program. — Ms. McRoy stated that Council went through this issue last week.

#2. Response Letter from James R. Visger to Jeff Chase - RE: Letter addressed concerns regarding the number of projects occurring in the Public Right-of-Way that inhibit using a street for its continuous length and also questioning the increase in workforce and equipment. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#3. Memo & Report from Margaret Remmenga - RE: Downtown Lincoln Parking Study (Copy of this Report is on file in the City Council Office). — Ms. McRoy stated that they discussed this issue this morning at a Pre-Council Meeting. Ms. McRoy thanked them for this Report.

STARTRAN

1. Amalgamated Transit Union Local Union 1293 - Letter outlining the Union’s interest in the survival of the Midtown bus route. — Ms. McRoy stated that Council heard from these people during the Public Hearing on the Budget.
WOMEN’S COMMISSION

2. Memo from Womens Commission RE: Publicity Campaign for the “Women’s Voices” project - County Fair Poll Booth. — Ms. McRoy asked Bonnie Coffey how did this project go because she didn’t get out to it. Bonnie Coffey stated to Ms. McRoy that they had 54 completed while people were standing there and there were a number of others that were taken and they expect to have those back, so they consider that a success. Ms. McRoy asked Ms. Coffey if they are going to be out at the State Fair. Ms. Coffey stated to Ms. McRoy probably not, that they are looking at being at the Farmer’s Market a couple of Saturday’s. Ms. McRoy thanked Ms. Coffey.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. E-mail from Russell Kluge RE: Renter’s paying Water Bills. — Ms. McRoy asked Allan Abbott where are they at on this Task Force now. Allan Abbott stated to Ms. McRoy that the Task Force had it’s last meeting last week and their goal was to have a Report by the end of next week to the Mayor. Ms. McRoy asked Mr. Abbott if they should schedule a Pre-Council Meeting on it. Mr. Abbott stated to Ms. McRoy that after they get it and the Mayor gets a chance to look at it, than they can set it up. Ms. McRoy stated that they have had a lot of comments on it and she has been getting a couple of phone calls about it.

2. Letter from H. Arnold Wassenberg RE: Occupation Tax and Letter of response from Terry Werner. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. E-mail from Rick Bohaty RE: Beltways and how they are to alleviate Lincoln’s Traffic Problems? — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. Letter from Mary Lou Clark RE: Opposition to Closing Heritage Gift Shop. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. Letter from Opal Witulski RE: Opposition to Closing Heritage Gift Shop. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS


7. E-Mail from Andy Agena - RE: Bike Cops riding on sidewalks in downtown area - apparently exempt from City Ordinances. — (No one from the Police Department present) Ms. McRoy asked Tammy Grammer
to send this E-Mail over to Chief Casady so he can respond to it. Ms. McRoy asked Ms. Grammer to send it through as a Request For Information. Ms. Grammer stated to Ms. McRoy okay.

8. Laser, Inc. - Letter to Allan Abbott RE: Concerns on Hawkins Construction Company’s past business practices regarding safety issues and litigation problems. — Ms. McRoy asked Allan Abbott if he had any comments about this letter because this is like the third time she has seen material from this company. Allan Abbott stated to Ms. McRoy that Laser, Inc. has alleged a lot of things against Hawkins, but if Hawkins were running an unsafe operation “Ocea” would have stepped in, as opposed to the City of Lincoln. Mr. Abbott indicated that they have also sent these letters to the Nebraska Department of Roads. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that basically Hawkins performance for the City of Lincoln has been good, they have complied, they have completed projects on time and they have no reason to not allow them to continue to bid. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that either they have been misinformed or mis-stated some facts.

Dana Roper stated to Council that they may remember that they got the same letter from Laser, Inc. last fall or two falls ago he thinks on the Ball Park and some road construction. Mr. Roper indicated to Council that they have done the Ashland Water Work, they have done Parking Garage and they have done several of other things. Mr. Roper stated to Council that they contacted the architects, the University and all of the other places where they have done these unsafe acts and nobody had a problem. Mr. Roper stated that there would be no reason to legally prevent them from bidding on jobs or to take a bid that they have won away from them.

Mr. Cook stated that as he understood the flyer that they gave to them was something they said that they would send out if they hired them, so they were assuming that they hadn’t got the bid yet, but they were threatening this. Mr. Cook stated to Dana Roper that his question to the Law Department is if someone sends out a flyer that says the City of Lincoln has hired someone ... say the contractor and if they were hurt they could sue. So, he was wondering if this would have any standing what so ever in a court should something happen and would they be liable for more on the case where the letter or flyer went out. Mr. Roper stated to Mr. Cook probably not - “no”, that he’s not sure that would even come in and be admitted into evidence.

Mr. Abbott stated to Council that all of their inspects require that they meet Ocea Standards; safety operation of their employees, which is a standard inspect within a contract. So, again if Hawkins were doing these things that one - “Ocea” is around enough they would have come in and
take what ever action against Hawkins that would be necessary as opposed to a City saying that they can’t bid because of some alleged activities. Mr. Cook thanked Mr. Abbott and Mr. Roper for this information.

Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Roper that he thinks last year when the first letter came out that it also concerned him and he did some investigation on it and he thinks that part of the Laser Group is Promote Union [inaudible]. Mr. Camp stated that he thinks Hawkins may be non-union or something, so that’s been something of the underline issue here. Mr. Roper indicated to Mr. Camp that would be his understanding. Ms. McRoy stated that she was wondering why Laser, Inc. keeps on sending them stuff and she has had reporters call her and they’ve asked her about it. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that again just for past history, Hawkins also build the I-180 bridges and they got those done ahead of schedule and there were no accidents and they worked 24 hours.

9. Letter from Nebraska “Neon” Sign Company - RE: Proposed Increase in the Telecommunications Occupation Tax. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

10. Letter from Peter Katt - RE: DLA Funding. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

11. Letter from First Presbyterian Church, Board of Deacons (Don Shafer, Chair) - RE: Opposing the closing of Kuklin Pool. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

12. Letter from Vera Sautter RE: Opposition to Closing of Heritage Gift Shop. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

13. Letter from Hazel Scott - RE: Opposition to closing of Heritage Gift Shop. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS


15. E-mail from Sally & Darwin Spear - RE: Thank You to Council for listening to their views on the widening of South Wedgewood Drive. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

16. Letter from H.K. Kiester - RE: Opposition to closing Heritage Gift Shop. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
17. News Article [07-31-01 Lincoln Journal Star - Opinion-“Local View”] delivered to Council by Lois Newman - RE: Glenn Friendt’s article on a conservative budget approach. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

18. E-Mail from Mary Lou & Gene Wallin - RE: East Beltway comment. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS


20. Letter from Robert J. Lanik, President, Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center - RE: To “Thank-you” for your vote and support of their request for facility expansion with its associated amendments. --- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

21. Letter from Duane & Julaine Thomas - RE: They had an incredibly difficult time in trying to get a phone line disconnected and then trying to get the billing correct. — Ms. McRoy stated that she will send this letter to AllTel for comment and see what they can get resolved on it.

22. E-Mail from Karl Detweiler with response from Joan Ray - RE: Taxes and Budgets. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

23. E-Mail from Jim Frohman with response from Joan Ray - RE: Budget Suggestion. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

24. E-Mail from Jim Daily with response from Joan Ray - RE: Taxes. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

25. Two E-Mail’s from Ed Schnabel with responses from Joan Ray - RE: City Budget & Budget Hearing. — Ms. Seng stated to Ms. McRoy that she wanted to let her know that on any of the E-Mail’s that talked about the north parking lot that she has personally called them and talked to them about it. Ms. Seng stated that she had 10 people to call last night and about 6 of them dealt with the possible north parking lot. Ms. Seng stated that she has found it very difficult to say publicly why they can’t do something to the east because she means that is not the City’s property and it belongs to someone else. But, she can certainly say it when she talks to someone individually that there’s some announcements that will be coming out. Ms. Seng stated to Ms. McRoy so that’s what she has been trying to do is following up on this issue, so that they understand it.
Ms. McRoy stated that she pulled out these E-Mail’s because Mr. Schnabel had some other questions regarding the process and he wanted to know how to get on some Boards and Commissions. Ms. Seng stated to Mayor Wesely that she told Mr. Schnabel to call his office. Ms. McRoy stated to Ms. Seng okay because she was going to have the Mayor’s Office respond to these E-Mail’s. Ms. McRoy asked who would handle the responses to these E-Mail’s since Jennifer Brinkman is gone. Mark Bowen stated to Ms. McRoy that he will be getting them in the mean time and than Amy Tejal will be handling them. Ms. McRoy asked Mr. Bowen if he could contact Mr. Schnabel.

Ms. McRoy stated to Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock that he also had a question about the Formal Council “Minutes”, that he was wondering if he had to come down and pay for copies of the “Minutes” at the City Clerk’s Office. Deputy City Clerk Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Ms. McRoy that “yes” he has to come to the office and it is 10¢ a page for copies. Ms. McRoy stated that she will E-Mail Mr. Schnabel back and let him know how much it is for copies.

#26. Letter from Sandra Schmidt to Salem Oil Company - RE: They would like to thank you for the improvements you have made in the past on their property - The North Bottoms Neighborhood Association Board members have brought up for discussion the condition of your property on the southwest corner of 14th & New Hampshire. — Ms. McRoy stated to Mark Bowen that she has noticed that Lynn Johnson [inaudible] and Mr. Johnson will be going back Tuesday night. Ms. McRoy stated that they are really trying hard down there to get all areas of their neighborhood cleaned up.


#28. Letter from Ruth Jensen - RE: Attended the Star Tran Town Hall Meeting which was held in regards to possible elimination of Midtown, Route #18 and the second topic was about possible fare increases. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#29. Letter from Ross Greathouse, Greathouse Associates, LTD. - RE: The testimony on the Budget. — Mr. Werner stated that Ross Greathouse had some good suggestions as well and he doesn’t know at what point they can consider remapping how they do the Public Hearing. Ms. McRoy stated that she also thought Mr. Greathouse had some good suggestions and she
felt bad that he did not get a chance to present his comments because of
the late night.

#30. E-Mail from Dave & Sandy Langemeier - RE: City Budget. — NOTED
WITHOUT COMMENTS

#31. Letter from J. Michael Rierden - RE: East Beltway Project. — Ms. McRoy
stated that Michael Rierden will not be here for the Beltway Hearing on
Wednesday.

#32. Letter from Denise Hohensee RN, Interim Health Care - RE: The
Proposed Budget. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#33. E-Mail from Jim Ashley - RE: Parking at City-County Building. ---- Ms.
McRoy asked Ms. Seng if she talked to Jim Ashley about this issue. [Ms.
Seng’s comments inaudible]

IV. DIRECTORS - NO COMMENTS

[Mr. Cook went through the Director’s Addendum because Ms. McRoy had not read
through it yet, so Mr. Cook read through the Addendum for Ms. McRoy]

ADDENDUM

I. MAYOR - NONE

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS - NONE

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

REAL ESTATE DIVISION

1. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of the North-South
Alley, Block 68, University Place. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

C. MISCELLANEOUS
1. E-Mail from a Concerned Citizen - RE: The City Budget. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. E-Mail from Mary Appleby - RE: Village Motel Best Western - the loud volume of music. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. E-Mail from Ted Scott - RE: Special Permit #1423C - HiMark Community Unit Plan - (On the Agenda for today, 8/13/01).— Mr. Cook stated that they discussed this issue earlier and he was one of the people who contacted him regarding the delay and he said that he would support the delay.

4. E-Mail from Jenne Rodriguez - RE: Budget Revenue. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. Letter from Rodger & Janelle Johnson, Sky Ranch Acres - RE: Strong Opposition to corridor EC-1 for the east beltway. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

JON CAMP - NO COMMENTS

JONATHAN COOK - NO COMMENTS

GLENN FRIENDT - ABSENT

COLEEN SENG

Ms. Seng asked Allan Abbott if they could have something in written about what is happening on 48th Street under the MoPac crossing where all of those stones are falling in. Ms. Seng indicated to Mr. Abbott that she just has calls after calls about it. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Abbott that they really need to publicly say why they are not fixing it. Mr. Abbott stated to Ms. Seng that he will put something in written. Ms. Seng stated to Mr. Abbott okay and thanked him.

TERRY WERNER - NO COMMENTS

ANNETTE McROY - NO COMMENTS
VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:51 A.M.