

**AGENDA FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2001
CONFERENCE ROOM 113**

I. MINUTES

1. Director's Minutes for August 13, 2001.
2. Minutes of "Noon" Council Members' Meeting for August 13, 2001.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

1. Public Building Commission (Camp/Seng)
2. DEC Meeting (Friendt)
3. Multicultural Advisory Committee (McRoy) - **NO AUGUST MEETING**
4. Homeless Coalition Meeting (McRoy/Werner)
5. Fund Raising Committee Meeting for C-SIP (McRoy/Seng)
6. Board Of Health (Svoboda)
7. Wilderness Park Community Committee - Wetlands Tour (Cook/Werner/Friendt)-
**MR. FRIENDT ABSENT - HELD OVER FROM AUGUST 13TH "NOON"
AGENDA**

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

- *1. Letters & Resumes received by the Lincoln City Library Board of Trustees from twenty-two persons interested in being Appointed to the Library Board to fill the vacancy created by the completion of Ruthann Young's term (See material). — **HELD OVER FROM THE AUGUST 13TH "NOON" AGENDA**
- **2. **Appointments/reappointments of Council Members for Soon to Expire Terms on Railroad Transportation Safety District; (Terms Expire 08-31-01) Appointment/reappointment of Council Member to Public Building Commission - new term thru 08-01-05 (Term to Expire 08-01-01) Appointment/reappointment of Council Member to Joint Budget Committee (2 Year Term) (Old Term Expires 08-31-01) (See attached listing). — HELD OVER FROM THE AUGUST 13TH "NOON" AGENDA**

IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

1. On behalf of the Lincoln Police Department I would like to invite you to a ribbon cutting ceremony for our Mobile Data System. This has been a successful project and recently they accomplished one of our goals in connectivity to our 911 Center CAD System. Please join us, Thursday, September 6, 2001 at 9:30 a.m. The ceremony will held at the Law Enforcement Center, 575 S. 10th Street. Any questions may be directed to Sgt. Todd Beam at 441-6012. (See Letter of Invitation).
2. Updowntowners Luncheon - On Wednesday, August 22, 2001 at 11:45 a.m. at the Fox & Hound, 201 N. 8th Street - Cost is \$8.00 - Please RSVP to Stacy at 323-1566 by Monday, August 20th (See Invitation).
3. The Board of Directors of Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital cordially invites you to attend the 7th Annual Chairman's GOAL Awards Luncheon to honor five outstanding patients, a business and a healthcare professional on Thursday, September 13, 2001 from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Embassy Suites, 1040 P Street - Cost is \$15.00 - RSVP by September 7 to 402-486-8379 (See Invitation).
4. Carol Ann is Retiring! - Carol Ann Dyas (It's Wiley Now) is retiring from the Lincoln Area Agency on Aging after 27 years. She and her husband Jim are packing up and moving to California. Please join us for a gathering to thank her and to wish her well. On Thursday, September 6, 2001 at Barry's Outback, 9th & Q Streets - 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Cake & Coffee Reception - 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Hors D'oeuvres & Cash Bar Available (See Invitation).

VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - NONE

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Discussion on Council's procedures regarding Public input - especially duplicate testimony at Formal Public Hearing Session.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Council Members Present: Annette McRoy, Chair; Jonathan Cook, Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Coleen Seng, Ken Svoboda, Terry Werner; **ABSENT** (for "Noon" Meeting): Glenn Friendt.

Others Present: Mark Bowen, Ann Harrell, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney, Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Members' Friendt, Camp and Svoboda; Joan Ray, Council Secretary; Chris Hain, *Journal Star* representative.

I. MINUTES

1. Director's Minutes for August 13, 2001.
2. Minutes of "Noon" Council Members' Meeting for August 13, 2001.

Mr. Jonathan Cook, Council Vice-Chair, requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Ken Svoboda moved approval of the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Coleen Seng and carried by the following vote: **AYES:** Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Annette McRoy, Coleen Seng, Ken Svoboda, Terry Werner; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT** (for the "Noon" Meeting) Glenn Friendt

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES -

1. **PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION (Camp/Seng)** Ms. Seng reported that there would be a public hearing tomorrow on the budget. She stated that it was understood there are certain members of the public who will be there to give the Commission a rough time.

Ms. Seng reported that a work session has been scheduled to really work on the parking lot and the garage and the third floor issues.

She noted that a bid had been approved for making modifications on the South parking lot, so it soon will be available for the public.

They were getting prices on chairs to replace those in Conference Room 113, noting that these have become worn to the point of falling apart.

Mr. Camp reported that the Juvenile Drug Court space was discussed

Mr. Cook asked about replacing the chairs in the Council Chamber, noting that they were not so great and did not present well on television. Ms. Seng and Mr. Camp indicated that no one had said anything about that. Ms. McRoy added, in support of Mr. Cook's comments, that the chairs in the Chambers were uncomfortable.

Mr. Camp reported that there had been consultants at the meeting reporting on financial elements related to the North Parking lot, if we do something there. They stated

that they would bring back some information. Part of that was that we were trying to evaluate the extent of impact which having a garage placed as part of that project would generate. Would there be more than one level, and financing was discussed. Ms. Seng stated that it was important to note that they were dealing with four property owners and three tenants. So, when you hear about a lot going on, there are only four property owners and three businesses. Mr. Camp stated that, in hind sight, it was too bad that the Public Building Commission, did not come out with a position paper on the decision. If we had come out affirmatively with the plan, it would have helped alleviate peoples' concerns.

Mr. Cook suggested that that could be made the topic of one of Mr. Camp's monthly newspaper editorials. Mr. Camp laughed and agreed.

Ms. Seng continued, reporting that the change-over from employee to public parking would take place one week from today [in regards to the South lot]. There will be 135 employees parking at Carriage Park. That facility is about 30 [stalls] short of handling the change-over, so they will probably be going to the Golds lot for those 30 remaining employees. She felt, since Information Services is right there, that is probably who will end up at the Gold's lot. Mr. Camp asked if the employees hadn't volunteered for that move.

Mr. Svoboda mentioned that he would not mind seeing some kind of barrier or swinging door leading back to the Council Members' private offices in the main Council Office. He felt that Council Members need to have privacy back there at times and the ability now for anybody to just come walking back there while we're in discussion, or on the phone, is totally inappropriate. He stated that he would like to see the Public Building Commission look into some type of swinging door, perhaps with a sign noting 'no admittance' or 'private'. Staff then would have the responsibility of keeping people from coming back into the individual offices.

Ms. McRoy asked if Council couldn't just direct Staff to stop all traffic. Mr. Svoboda noted that Staff wasn't always there, or were on the phone, when they could not halt the people. He thought that perhaps it could be done with just a sign. It was noted that no private business office would allow the public to walk into the CEOs or the Manager's office without some type of barrier, or screening being done.

Ms. McRoy noted that this would especially be a concern at this Wednesday's Public Hearing Recesses during the Beltway Meeting. Ms. McRoy mentioned "Do Not Disturb" signs on the Council Members' office doors. Mr. Cook stated that, independent of the Public Building Commission, we could put up a little sign on a metal stand in the center of the corridor that would indicate no admittance past this point. Mr. Cook thought this could be just a Council decision rather than a PBC decision. Mr. Camp suggested a sign-in clip board as well.

Ms. McRoy stated that she understood Mr. Svoboda's concerns. Ms. Seng stated that the County Board has the same problem. Mr. Werner agreed with Mr. Svoboda completely, noting that something needs to be done. He didn't know how, or what, but the situation as it stands is inappropriate. Mr. Cook suggested that this be placed on the next Public Building Commission agenda.

2. DEC MEETING (Friendt) - Carry Over to the August 27th, "Noon" Meeting.
3. MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (McRoy) - **No August Meeting**
4. HOMELESS COALITION (McRoy/Werner) Ms. McRoy did not attend. She noted that attendance had dropped off because of the lack of productivity at these meetings.
5. FUND RAISING COMMITTEE MEETING FOR C-SIP (McRoy/Seng) - Ms. Seng reported that C-SIP is contacting local foundations - networking.
6. BOARD OF HEALTH (Svoboda) Mr. Svoboda reported that the Board had unanimously approved to move the date of the Annual Awards Banquet to either April or May, primarily to maintain the sanity of Staff. They have the Annual Report that comes due the first week in January. Having a major awards banquet at that same time is a real hassle for Staff. We will still, by statute, have the Annual Meeting of the Board with the election of officers in January; but the Annual Banquet won't be until April or May of next year. Ms. Seng requested that Mr. Svoboda keep Council advised as to the time & date. Mr. Svoboda assured her that he would.
7. WILDERNESS PARK COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - WETLANDS TOUR (Cook/Werner/Friendt) - Mr. Friendt Absent - Hold over to August 27th "Noon" Meeting

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS: - Ms. Seng reported briefly about the Old Fed Building Group. She noted that the Group did meet with the Mayor. The Mayor will be announcing something at a certain point - whenever it is appropriate. She noted that she personally had done a lot of talking about both the Building Commission and City Council needing to be informed. She stated that she thought it will happen during a City Council Pre-Council time.

Mr. Camp asked if there would be any opportunity, at least a week ahead, for the Council to have any input on this? Ms. Seng responded that she doubted that because there was a selection committee which has met [and reviewed the proposals]. There are several different proposals that did not make the dead-line that are out floating around the community, too. So, at some point, all of those have to work through the system. The ones that went out, legally, and met the requirement that they be received back in by July 2nd, have been considered.

Mr. Camp noted that what concerns him is that as we went through this process, he was under the impression that part of the understanding was to determine if we would [inaudible] it, now it seems pre-ordained that we'll be doing some development of it. Mr. Camp stated that that had not been his understanding of the process.

Ms. Seng explained that the requests had gone out and developers sent plans back in and of those plans, there are now three major proposals. The selection committee has gone through those and made a recommendation to the Mayor. The Mayor and the Selection Committee met with their choice, and asked a lot of questions. There now have to be some negotiations made.

Mr. Camp stated that his understanding was that this wasn't necessarily the plan that we were going to go ahead with something, but determine and find out the interest in doing something, the depth of that interest and what the cost would be. Now, we're already at "which one shall we choose"

Ms. Seng noted that there had been a definite process laid out. There had been the four that expressed interest; then those four had been asked if they wanted to apply and three out of the four did. They had a deadline which was in July.

Ms. Harrell noted that that had been the point of the process - Go out in the private sector and see if there was a builder who had the credentials and financial resources who was serious about a project, who would bring in a proposal that the City felt made financial sense and made sense for the downtown area and the redevelopment project. That is why a citizens' group was appointed to go through qualifications and applications. That is where it stands now and what is under review by the Mayor is whether or not he is inclined to accept the choice of the citizens' committee.

Mr. Camp stated that he just disagreed with that as actually being the intent of the process. He noted that he would talk to the Mayor about it.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS -

*1. Letters & Resumes received by the Lincoln City Library Board of Trustees from twenty-two persons interested in being Appointed to the Library Board to fill the vacancy created by the completion of Ruthann Young's term. — **HELD OVER FROM THE AUGUST 13TH "NOON" AGENDA** - *Mr. Terry Werner nominated Ms. Shirley Maly for the Board position. This was seconded by Annette McRoy. After a brief discussion, Council approved the nomination of Shirley Maly to serve a seven year term to begin September 1, 2001 and expire on August 31, 2008. The Library Director has been requested to notify Ms. Maly and the other candidates of the Council's decision. The resolution request for the appointment was submitted to the City Clerk on August 21, 2001 for placement on the August 27th Agenda for introduction, hearing and action.*

****2. Appointments/reappointments of Council Members for Soon to Expire Terms on Railroad Transportation Safety District (Terms Expire 08-31-01); Appointment/reappointment of Council Member to Public Building Commission - new term thru 08-01-05 (Term to Expire 08-01-01; Appointment/reappointment of Council Member to Joint Budget Committee (2 Year Term) (Old Term Expires 08-31-01). — Held over from the August 13th "Noon" Agenda**

Council agreed to:

Re-appoint the following:

Coleen Seng, Jonathan Cook *to the RTSD for One Year Terms to expire August 31, 2002.*

Jon Camp *to the PBC for a Four Year Term to Expire on August 1, 2005*

Coleen Seng *to the JBC for a Two Year Term to Expire on August 31, 2003*

Appoint:

Glenn Friendt *to the RTSD for a One Year Term to Expire on August 31, 2002. The resolution requests for these appointments and reappoints have been submitted to the City Clerk for introduction, hearing and action on the August 27th Agenda.*

IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Noted Without Significant Comment

V. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP - No Further Comments

JONATHAN COOK - No Further Comments

GLENN FRIENDT - Absent for "Noon" Meeting

ANNETTE McROY - No Further Comments

COLEEN SENG - No Further Comments

KEN SVOBODA - No Further Comments

TERRY WERNER - No Further Comments

ANN HARRELL - No Further Comments

MARK BOWEN - Mr. Mark Bowen stated that regarding the Parking Switching in the South lot, that the last date for public parking in that lot [Nebco's East Lot] is Friday. At the end of Friday, they will close that lot somehow. He stated that he hoped that Nebco would put something there notifying the public that there is no parking allowed, and directing them to the South Lot. Monday will be the official switch date.

The other thing that Mr. Bowen wanted to tell Council was that the Administration would be paying more attention to appointments now. There have been a number of appointments that have been in limbo and pending. The Community Health Endowment appointment had been specifically noted by Ms. Seng. He informed Council that something would be coming through soon.

DANA ROPER - No Further Comments

VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - Ms. Harrell answered some questions that Council had asked regarding the SDLs and the ownership of the Champions Club land...she reported that it was the Alumni Association that owns that land. A discussion ensued regarding the SDLs with Ms. Seng noting that, if there were to be denial of any of these applications, it would be good to have a unanimous vote from Council on the SDL decisions.

Discussion continued with concerns that would have been better addressed at a Pre-Council. After an extended discussion, there was no final decision made.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Discussion on Council's procedures regarding Public input - especially duplicate testimony at Formal Public Hearing Session. - **Carry Over to the August 27th, 2001 "Noon" Meeting.**

VIII. MEETING DISMISSED - Approximately 1:08 p.m.