DIRECTOR’S MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2002 - 11:00 A.M.
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2. Letter & Material from Peter W. Katt, For the Firm, Pierson, Fitchett, Hunzeker, Blake & Katt, Law Firm - RE: Change of Zone No. 3350 (Council and City Clerk Joan Ross received their copies of this material on 4/1/02)(Copy of this material
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4. MEDIA RELEASE from Lori Seibel, Executive Director, Community Health Endowment of Lincoln - RE: It’s Up To You!, Lincoln’s Health Challenge (See Release).

5. E-Mail from Michael Carlin - RE: Yankee Hill Road Study (See E-Mail).


7. E-Mail from David & Sue Hundley - RE: They have contacted the City Clerk’s Office to be placed on the Council Agenda for Monday, April 8th to oppose the City’s decision to permanently eliminate the street side parking along both sides of South 32rd Street for about one block (300 feet) south of Pine Lake Road (See E-Mail).

IV. DIRECTORS

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. ADJOURNMENT
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Council Members Present: Annette McRoy, Chair; Jonathan Cook, Vice-Chair; Coleen Seng, Ken Svoboda, Glenn Friendt, Terry Werner, Jon Camp.

Others Present: Mayor Don Wesely, Ann Harrell, Mark Bowen, Lin Quenzer, Amy Tejral, Mayor’s Office; City Clerk, Joan Ross; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff and Nate Jenkins, Lincoln Journal Star Representative.

I. MAYOR

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he has a few things to go over. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he knows they got briefed on Affirmative Action and he thought it would be very helpful if Joyce [Quinn] went over it for them and in the context of Omaha and the controversy up there. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he is very pleased with the work that’s being done and a reasonable effort made. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Joyce [Quinn] did a great job and he hopes it was helpful for them.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that the Comp. Plan was voted on Wednesday and he thinks there were 160 amendments offered and sixty something that were approved. Kent Morgan stated to Mayor Wesely that ‘67’ is what he heard. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that there were 67 amendments to it, so hopefully it did take care of a lot of the concerns that were out and he feels pretty good about it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he knows they will be briefed on it tomorrow morning at the Common Meeting.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council the follow up to that, obviously, begins with Infrastructure Financing and stated to Mr. Svoboda that they saw the letter that he sent to Allan [Abbott] on it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that clearly the next initiative for them following the Comp. Plan [inaudible]. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the infrastructure proposals will be coming to them, but he’s not exactly sure of the time frame. Then, shortly after the Comp. Plan gets to them they’ll be coming back with how they should move forward, which would become the second part of the issue.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that the announcement last week on the Wetlands Tiger Beetle was good news. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the Nebraska Environmental Trust has awarded the City of Lincoln a $250,000 grant to help fund the first year of the Eastern Saline Wetlands Project. But, the last two years are contingent on whether the State budget gets cut or not, so hopefully the money will remain. Mayor Wesely commented to Council that this is a very important issue for them.
Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he also wanted to mention a couple of things on LPED. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they have a memo to them that will hopefully answer some of the questions that have been raised, which Mark Bowen will present to them at the “Noon” Meeting today. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they feel really good about coming together on the position and if they have any questions for him, he’ll be happy to try and clarify them.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council the second thing is a follow up to their discussion last week on the financial questions that Nelson and Werner raised on it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he has talked to Paul McCue and Frank Hilsabeck and they would like to meet with him, Mark Bowen and Don Herz to talk about it and work through the questions. Mayor Wesely stated to Council to talk about what answers can be put together that they feel comfortable with and they can hopefully make sure that Terry Werner and all of them are comfortable with it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council so his thought would be if it is alright with them, he would talk to them about setting up a meeting in the next two weeks before they had that initial conversation and then get back with them by the end of the month with some information for all of them. Ms. McRoy stated to Mayor Wesely that they have it scheduled for their “Noon” Agenda today to discuss this issue. Mayor Wesely stated to Ms. McRoy okay and indicated that he just wanted to let them know that he has already talked to them. Mayor Wesely indicated to Terry Werner that they would use his letter as the points to work through and [inaudible]. Mr. Werner stated to Mayor Wesely that he appreciates it. Mr. Camp stated to Mayor Wesely that on the Economic Coordinator position what he would like to do today is to probably ask that they wait a week to vote on it because tomorrow is the Common Meeting and they have this issue scheduled on the Agenda to discuss it. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Camp that he feels like it is time to move forward that they’ve had applications come in and they are ready to start interviewing finalists on it as soon as the vote is taken today and tomorrow hopefully start making some things happen. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Camp that the County Board has been involved with it for a couple of months and [inaudible]. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Camp that it is their decision, but he would ask them not to delay it and let them move forward on it. Discussion continued with Council and Mayor Wesely on this issue with comments and questions from the Council. Council will have further discussion on this issue at the “Noon” Meeting today.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he also wants to note that Kent Morgan begins his duties as Interim Director and he has done a great job for them on the Comp. Plan and now he’s carrying not only that load, but Interim Director. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Kathleen Sellman had a going away reception on Friday and it was a very nice event, but it was truly kind of sad that he knows it was hard for her to leave and hard for them to see her go. Mayor Wesely welcomed Kent Morgan as the Interim Director for the Planning Department. Mayor Wesely asked Kent Morgan if he would like to say a word. Mr. Morgan thanked Mayor Wesely and stated that if there’s anything that they need to let him know and they’ll do their best.

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City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that she handed out to them the Miscellaneous Referral Sheet, so they all should have one. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that there’s nothing unusual on it just setting a hearing date and that sort of thing.

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Mr. Cook stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that just so it is on the record here and indicated that he did vote against the LPED contract, which he was the only one, but the “minutes” from the Formal Council Meeting of March 26, 2001 doesn’t reflect that, it says that everybody voted for it, but the Legislation itself says he voted against it. Mr. Cook stated to City Clerk Joan Ross so the ‘minutes’ for the Formal Council Meeting from March 26, 2001 on the LPED contracts are inaccurate. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Mr. Cook okay that she will have it corrected for him. Mr. Cook stated to City Clerk Joan Ross okay and commented that he would like that because that’s what someone might look up. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Mr. Cook that’s ‘right’.

Mr. Cook stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that on their “Noon” Agenda for today, if they get to it, since they have the matter of the Economic Development position that he also has on it for discussion Proposed Council Rules regarding Resolutions, which he will give her a copy of what he will be bringing up to see if anybody else likes it. [Mr. Cook gave City Clerk Joan Ross a copy of it] Mr. Cook stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that she might want to be involved in it at the “Noon” Meeting today, if they get to it. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Mr. Cook okay and ‘thanked’ him.

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Mr. Friendt stated that Don Herz has answered the question on his RFI (Request For Information) that he asked him about. [Request to Don Herz, Finance Director - RE: Parking ticket activity and revenue through second quarter, 2001-02 (RFI#13 - 4/5/02), which will be listed on the Director’s Agenda for April 15th]

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2. Letter from Randy Hoskins to Property Owner/Resident - RE: 13th Street - Otoe Street to Dakota Street - Parking Prohibition. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. E-Mail from Anne Hackbart - RE: During these hard economic times, I understand that we need to look under every rock to find places where cuts can be made - There are two particular places that are being targeted for cuts that concern her - hope they consider not cutting these two areas - closing of the Arnold Heights Branch Library & the hours of operation for the public pools. — Ms. McRoy asked Lynn Johnson if he could may be send Ms. Hackbart a letter regarding the pools on how the proposal works and let her know that it is not set in stone yet, but just proposed. Lynn Johnson stated to Ms. McRoy okay.

   Ms. McRoy stated that on the same topic, Carol Connor met with the Arnold Heights Neighborhood Association last week at her request to talk through what’s going on in the process and there is some good solutions out there if it comes down to that on what can be done. Mayor Wesely stated to Ms. McRoy that they are going to have at some point their Joint Meeting that they have with the School Board and the County. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that when the article came out about the cuts to Arnold Heights, he got a call from Phil Schoo saying that they want to begin a dialog with the City about a new school and joint facilities out in Arnold Heights. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he thinks they should be very much involved in that discussion, so they want to bring it up at the Joint Meeting. Ms. McRoy stated to Mayor Wesely that at the meeting, Carol Connor talked about moving the Library over to the school. Ms. McRoy stated that there were a lot of concerns that Ms. Connor said had to be worked out,
but it’s still on the table and that’s very good news. Ms. McRoy stated that it was a very good conversation and they’ll look forward to the Joint Meeting to talk about it. Ms. McRoy stated that she thinks the next meeting is in May, but they don’t have a date set yet and indicated that they have talked about having the meeting at the “F” Recreation Center.

2. Letter & Material from Peter W. Katt, For the Firm, Pierson, Fitchett, Hunzeker, Blake & Katt, Law Firm - RE: Change of Zone No. 3350 (Council and City Clerk Joan Ross received their copies of this material on 4/1/02)(Copy of this material on file in the City Council Office). — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

3. 6 Format Letters - RE: In Support of allowing underage piercing - 15 years of age and older - With Parental Consent (See Format Letters). — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

4. MEDIA RELEASE from Lori Seibel, Executive Director, Community Health Endowment of Lincoln - RE: It’s Up To You!, Lincoln’s Health Challenge. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

5. E-Mail from Michael Carlin - RE: Yankee Hill Road Study. — Ms. McRoy stated to the Planning Department that she has a question about this E-Mail. Ms. McRoy stated to Kent Morgan that Mr. Carlin makes some serious allegations in his E-Mail, so she just thought that they should respond to it and asked him if they could respond to it. Kent Morgan stated to Ms. McRoy ‘yes’, he does. Mayor Wesely stated to Ms. McRoy that he can assure them that they looked into it and it wasn’t part of the site that it was sort of an after thought and he doesn’t think they shared it because it was not allowed to be part of the site. Mayor Wesely stated to Ms. McRoy that it was just an E-Mail that wasn’t even part of the study. Ms. McRoy stated to Mayor Wesely that he wanted it to be part of the record. Mayor Wesely stated to Ms. McRoy ‘yes’ and it was made part of the record at that request and there was a reason that it wasn’t an official part of anything. Ms. McRoy stated to Mayor Wesely okay and commented that she just wanted to clarify it and ‘thanked’ him.


7. E-Mail from David & Sue Hundley - RE: They have contacted the City Clerk’s Office to be placed on the Council Agenda for Monday, April 8th to oppose the City’s decision to permanently eliminate the street side parking along both sides of South 32nd Street for about one block (300 feet) south of Pine Lake Road. — Council discussed this issue earlier under “II. City Clerk”. (See that discussion)
ADDENDUM  (For April 8th)

I. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Emergency Communications Center Seeks Accreditation - Assessment team seeks public comment. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: State To Issue Storm Water Discharge Permit To Lincoln. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

II. CITY CLERK – NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

KEN SVOBODA

1. Memo from Ken Svoboda to Allan Abbott, Public Works & Utilities Director - RE: Infrastructure financing. — Mayor Don Wesely mentioned this memo earlier during his comments to Council under “I. Mayor”. (See that discussion)

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT


C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. E-Mail from Scott J. Long, President, Porter Ridge Neighborhood Association - RE: The proposed changes in parking on both sides of 32nd Street south of Pine Lake Road in order to accommodate a turning lane at that intersection. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
2. CERTIFIED LETTER from State of Nebraska, Liquor Control Commission - RE: The application of Making Moves Entertainment Inc. “Stifflers” for a Class “C” liquor license at 1339 “O” Street. — Mr. Cook stated that “Stifflers” was denied for their liquor license, which the Liquor Control Commission upheld their denial. Mr. Cook stated that there was testimony from some downtown businesses and so on and so that was a success case where they listened.


IV. DIRECTORS

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT - Nicole Fleck-Tooze stated to Council that on their Agenda for today they have Item #10-[02R-64], which is the approval of the use of public right-of-way for the 7th Street adjacent to Jabrisco Restaurant along with the right-of-way vacation request and she thinks that they should be aware that the Urban Development Department has organized some kind of an InterDepartmental Working Group and Dallas McGee is here to speak about it. Ms. Tooze stated to Council that she thinks 1st Reading is next week and commented that obviously it is not in time for them to address this particular item, but she wanted them to have an awareness that they are following through on it. Dallas McGee stated to Council that he thinks they are going to get several City Departments together and review the issues to identify them and to identify all of the concerns from the departments and then he thinks they will involve a broader group of people including DLA, the Haymarket and property owners as well. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. McGee if they are going to look into the possibility of just longer term leases to maybe have some protection for the property owners, but still leave it up to them if they needed 20 years down the road. Mr. McGee stated to Mr. Cook that he thinks they will identify a number of properties and then see what all of their options are on it and what may work in a giving situation. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. McGee okay. Mr. Cook commented that if he read the memo correctly, the bond they have for their current permit for basically the same location can just carry over so they don’t need a new bond. Ms. Tooze stated to Mr. Cook that’s correct and indicated that she thinks they have renewed it and asked City Clerk Joan Ross if that was right. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Ms. Tooze ‘yes’. Ms. McRoy asked Dallas McGee if he could please keep them updated on the progress of this Task Force and stated that maybe they can have a Pre-Council Meeting on it sometime down the road. Mr. McGee stated to Ms. McRoy okay.

FINANCE DIRECTOR - Don Herz stated to Council that the Storm Sewer Bonds are up for Public Hearing and he just wanted to let them know that it has an Emergency Clause. Mr. Herz stated to Council that this is something they typically include with it
and indicated that he doesn’t know if there are any questions about it. Mr. Herz indicated to Council the last time the Cigarette Tax and the Antelope Valley Bond had saved them over $50,000 or may be $75,000 by allowing them to get into the market as soon as it is attached. Mr. Herz indicated to Council that he just wanted to mention this to them and the importance of the Emergency Clause. (Item #7– 02-46)

POLICE DEPARTMENT - Chief Casady stated to Council that they have an unusually valuable ‘1987’ Ford Taurus on their Agenda today and he will have someone at the meeting, which will be him or Pam Fittje that’s knowledgeable about it. Chief Casady stated to Council that he thinks the new development is the man who has filed the claim is going to show them telephone records that he really made phone calls to the Lincoln Police Department. Chief Casady stated to Council that they deal with hundreds and hundreds of impound vehicles every year and the Property & Evidence Unit is awfully darn good about documenting every phone call that they make or receive regarding those vehicles. Chief Casady indicated to Council that he suspects that he never talked with our Property and Evidence Unit about the vehicle. Chief Casady stated to Council that this man was not the title owner, but they notified the title owner and received no response on it. Chief Casady stated to Council that this man was not the title owner because the title of the vehicle had never been transferred and it was one of those sort of seat of the pants transaction, so they notified the most recent title owner of the vehicle that it was being scheduled for auction. Chief Casady commented to Council that if you have a vehicle there that has $100 worth of tread left on its tires, someone bids on it, but this vehicle had zero bids. Chief Casady stated to Council so he thinks that kind of speaks to what the value of the vehicle was when a single person doesn’t make a bid on it and the Police Auctions generally have a lot of people there and particularly when vehicles are being auctioned it’s people that know there are motor vehicles through there. Chief Casady stated to Council that the car had been reported stolen and the officer that recovered the car did not list this man as the owner because the officer wasn’t sure that he was the owner of it. Chief Casady stated to Council that the officer had some questions about whether this guy was the legitimate owner or not and that’s the reason the officer did not list him on the report as the vehicle owner. Discussion continued with Council and Chief Casady on this issue with comments and questions from the Council. After discussion, Chief Casady stated to Council that either him or Pam Fittje will be at the Council Meeting today to answer any questions that they have about it.

Lin Quenzer stated to Mr. Werner that he had done a RFI (Request For Information) to StarTran regarding ADA accessibility for scooters and she believes that this request may have come from Bill Crawford. Ms. Quenzer stated to Mr. Werner that Mr. Crawford also contacted their office last week and to kind of expedite it since his RFI did not indicate that you wanted a constituent contacted about it that she is also having StarTran contact him directly to kind of facilitate it. Mr. Werner stated to Ms. Quenzer ‘yes’, the request did come from him. Ms.
Quenzer stated to Mr. Werner that’s what she thought.

Lin Quenzer stated to Mr. Svoboda that they had contact with Allan Felton and they did research the issue on his temporary flashing signs on “O” Street and his issues with Saint Elizabeth Hospital of having a temporary signage for their ‘Emergency’ entrances and stuff and she thinks that they have this issue resolved to his satisfaction. Mr. Svoboda commented to Ms. Quenzer ‘no’, they don’t, but it’s not her fault. Mr. Svoboda stated to Ms. Quenzer that him, Mike [Merwick] and Allan [Abbott] are meeting with him. Mr. Svoboda stated to Ms. Quenzer that in fact, the last hour that they have been sitting here, he has checked his E-Mail’s and voice-mail messages and there is three messages from him now. So, ‘no’ they have not resolved it, but they have to their extent. Mr. Svoboda stated to Ms. Quenzer that through the City, they think they have it resolved, but he doesn’t appreciate their resolution on it. Ms. Quenzer stated to Mr. Svoboda okay. Mr. Svoboda ‘thanked’ Ms. Quenzer.

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

TERRY WERNER

Mr. Werner asked Joyce [Quinn] and Larry [Williams] to briefly explain when they talk about Affirmative Action and the difference in what they do. Joyce Quinn stated to Mr. Werner that essentially her job is to implement the Equal Opportunity laws and City Policies within the City work force as well as recruiting to make sure that people in the community all have an equal opportunity to come work for the City of Lincoln Force. Ms. Quinn stated to Mr. Werner that Larry [Williams] focuses on outer-community, so he’s enforcing the discrimination laws with regards to businesses that follow under his jurisdiction outside the City work force, so he looks out and she looks in. Ms. Quinn stated that their focus is civil rights, but they don’t share the same jurisdiction at all. Mr. Werner stated to Ms. Quinn okay that’s what he thought, but he just wanted to clarify it.

Larry Williams stated to Mr. Werner that much of what he does or what the office sets up is that he Supervises it and what they do is very confidential because they are dealing with people who feel like they have been discriminated against by a certain company or certain entities and so on, so there’s not a lot that he can talk about in these public settings since it’s confidential. Mr. Williams stated to Mr. Werner that they still find discrimination complaints within the community and they investigate them and they handle them confidentially. Ms. Quinn stated to Mr. Werner that if an employee within the City feels that they have been discriminated against their objective in the Affirmative Action Office is to resolve that complaint internally and if they don’t resolve it internally it becomes a complaint to a Civil Rights Agency similar to Larry’s [Williams] or the NEOC, which is the State Equivalent or it goes to the Courts and then the City becomes liable should they not have resolved it and should have resolved it. Mr. Werner ‘thanked’ Ms. Quinn and Larry Williams.
COLEEN SENG

Ms. Seng stated that she would like to ‘thank’ Bruce Dart for attending her Citizen’s Meeting this morning, which they had 23 people there. Ms. Seng stated that they really keyed in with Bruce [Dart] and they had a lot of questions for him. Ms. Seng stated that they also got into a discussion about tattooing and body piercing and there was a pretty hectic discussion going on. Ms. Seng ‘thanked’ Bruce Dart for coming to it.

Ms. Seng stated that she would like to ‘thank’ the Public Works & Utilities Department because she called late on Friday afternoon regarding 56th Street. Ms. Seng stated that the Dulas couple that appears before them every once in a while, had tried to cross “O” Street and they were very critical that they didn’t have a sidewalk there that they could get across on. Ms. Seng stated that she went out there yesterday and looked at where they were trying to cross at 56th Street and that’s just in possible to get across there, but that’s what they were attempting to do. Ms. Seng stated that she got a hold of Roger [Figard] on his cell phone and the Dulas’s have already talked with Larry Duensing and so she just left it at that. Ms. Seng stated that she saw Roger [Figard] this morning and she ‘thanked’ him for the Public Works & Utilities Department responding to it. Ms. Seng indicated that she knows that Larry [Duensing] has talked with them about it.

Lin Quenzer stated to Ms. Seng that they had contacted her as well and they are putting in a temporary asphalt sidewalk and it should be done today. Ms. Quenzer indicated that also StarTran responded and talked to them about it and they are going to move the bus route onto Lyncrest Drive, which is only within a block of where they live and so they will be able to get to and from anytime they need to. Ms. Quenzer stated to Ms. Seng that she didn’t realize that they contacted her about it as well. Ms. Seng ‘thanked’ everyone for responding to it.

GLENN FRIENDT - NO COMMENTS

ANNETTE McROY

Ms. McRoy stated to the Library Department that she appreciates them coming out last Tuesday to the Arnold Heights Meeting because it was a short notice. Ms. McRoy stated that it was a good discussion. [Nobody was present from the Library Department]

JONATHAN COOK - NO COMMENTS
JON CAMP - NO COMMENTS
KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:59 A.M.

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