DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2004 - 11:00 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MAYOR

II. CITY CLERK

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE

JONATHAN COOK

1. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/Urban Development Department/LES - RE: C Street rehab, burying lines (RFI#111 - 3/24/04).
   — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM TERRY BUNDY, LES RECEIVED ON RFI#111 - 4/12/04

2. Letter from Jonathan Cook to Senator Beutler - RE: LB 1083, Mental Health Services Bill, up for final vote. – (See Letter)

ANNETTE McROY

1. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/Lancaster County Engineering - RE: Future plans for NW 4th 48th Street (RFI#147 - 3/18/04)
   - (Sent Corrected Copy out on 3/22/04). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM RANDY HOSKINS, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#147 - 3/26/04

2. Request to Public Works - Water – RE: Problem: Town Home with 1 water meter (RFI#148 - 4/07/04)

PATTE NEWMAN

1. Request to Ernie Castillo, Wynn Hjermstad, Marc Wullschleger, Urban Development Department/Terry Bundy, LES/Allan Abbott, Public Works & Utilities Director/Mike DeKalb, Marvin Krout, Planning Department/Lynn
Johnson, Parks & Recreation Director - RE: Signs or banners identifying individual neighborhoods - (For Witherbee and Eastridge area) - (RFI#20 - 3/24/04). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM TERRY BUNDY, LES RECEIVED ON RFI#20 - 4/12/04

GLENN FRIENDT


JON CAMP

1. Letter from Phanetta Ball to Jon Camp - RE: How wonderful it is to get a full night’s sleep! - not hearing a dumb noisy machine, awaking me! - (See Letter)

2. E-Mail from Larry Clinton Jr. to Jon Camp - RE: The Mockingbird Lane Sewer Water & Paving districts - (See E-Mail)

3. 2 - E-Mail’s from Tom Riley, The Flatwater Group, Inc. to Jon Camp w/response from Jon Camp - RE: Straight Talk - (See E-Mail’s)

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: 17th Annual Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Environmental Awards - (See Release)

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Diazinon Pesticide Found Particularly Dangerous To Children - (See Release)

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

1. Memo from Lynn Johnson - RE: CIP fund transfers - (See Memo)
PLANNING

1. Letter from Becky Horner to Brian D. Carstens and Associates - RE: Northern Lights Townhomes Final Plat #04036. - (See Letter)

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

1. Letter from Allan Abbott to Chuck Fricki, Information Technology Inc. and Tom Duden, Design Data Corporation - RE: Expressed their concern that the intersection proposed for 14th & Old Cheney would cause an influx of traffic into this area - (See Letter)

2. Memo & Material from Steve Masters - RE: Follow-up to Pre-Council – The Theresa St. and Northeast Wastewater Treatment Plants - (See Material) (Copy of this Material is on file in the City Council Office)

REAL ESTATE DIVISION

1. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of South 22nd Street at Wesley Drive - (See Memo)

2. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of north 10 feet of Q Street adjacent to Lots 7, 8, & 9, Block 30, Original Plat. - (See Memo)

3. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of South 43rd Street south of Sumner Street. - (See Memo)

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 3 E-Mail’s from Sonny Wikoff; Jennifer Bremer; Amber Petersen; - RE: Coaches Bar & Grill - (Council received their copies of this E-Mail on 4/12/04) (See E-Mail’s)

2. E-Mail from Louis P. Beau - RE: Please fix South 27th Street - (See E-Mail)
3. Letter from The Nebraska Liquor Control Commission to Duane L. Hartman, President, DLH, Inc. - RE: “Coaches Sports Bar & Grill”, 640 W. Prospector Court - Please be advised that due to a rehearing upon your application for license having been held by the Lincoln City Council and a recommendation of approval being made, the hearing scheduled for April 23rd has been cancelled. - (See Letter)

IV. DIRECTORS

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. ADJOURNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: Jonathan Cook, Lincoln City Council
FROM: Terry L. Bundy
DATE: April 9, 2004
SUBJECT: C Street Rehab, Burying Lines

LES does not have any lines at the intersection of 15th & C streets as mentioned in the note from Jon Carlson to you. We do have lines crossing 15th street at the alleys both north and south of the 15th & C intersection. We are not aware of any street work which would require the movement of any of those facilities. If those lines were to be buried, our estimate of cost to bury the lines for a distance of about 50 feet beyond the 15th street right-of-way, is $88,500. This estimate does not include the cost for other utilities such as Alltel and Time Warner.

c: Alan Abbott, Public Works
   Mark Wullschleger, Urban Development
   Dan Pudenz, LES

TLB:cls
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
COUNCIL OFFICE

By: Jonathan Cook - #111
(Council Member)  March 24, 2004
Date

REQUEST:

RE: C Street rehab, burying lines

Would you please respond to the attached Memo and send me a copy of the response. Please respond to Jon Carlson with copy to me. Thanks.

- Jonathan Cook

cc: Jon Carlson
P.O. Box 83733 (01) - FOR YOUR INFORMATION - COPY OF REQUEST SENT BY COUNCIL MEMBER, NO RESPONSE REQUIRED FROM YOU
Mayor's Office

RESPONSE (Indicate action taken):

By: ___________________________ Date

COMMENTS:

PLEASE RESPOND WITH 15 COPIES/uj
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

March 23, 2004

To: Public Works Dept  
   Urban Development Dept  
   Lincoln Electric System  

Re: C Street rehab, burying lines

Please reply to:

Jon Carlson  
P.O. Box 83733  
Lincoln, NE 68501  
jcjc@navix.net  
474-7368

I think it would be great if we could continue to improve the 15th St Mall and the view of the Capitol. Could you please look into what Jon Carlson is asking about in his e-mail below? Thank you.

Jonathan Cook

In a message dated 3/22/04 11:29:27 AM, jcjc@navix.net writes:

Councilman Cook,

It is my understanding that C Street between 13th & 16th is scheduled for rehabilitation in the coming months. As you know, Near South recently completed a revitalization of the South Capitol Mall along 15th street A -H Streets. As part of the project, several power lines that crossed 15th street were buried to "open" up the environs view to the State Capitol. Could you contact Public Works, LES, and Urban Development and find out if the intersection of 15th & C Streets has been or could be similarly buried to continue this important mall revitalization work? I am hoping that with the street torn up for rehab, the lines could be buried.

Thanks,

Jon Carlson  
Near South Neighborhood Association
April 13, 2004

Re: LB 1083, Mental Health Services Bill, up for final vote.

Dear Senator Beutler,

I am writing to you about the mental health services bill. I am concerned about its affect upon local communities and neighborhoods. As I’m sure you’re aware, tragic events in the past week here in Lincoln underscore the need for strict oversight and regulation of group homes and other community-based facilities. The stabbing of a five-year-old child has shown that even people with the best of intentions can make mistakes in the placement and supervision of individuals in group home settings.

I am asking that public safety be the top priority as changes are made to the public mental health system. I am also asking that there be a public process whereby the public and local governments can be involved in the creation of administrative regulations regarding this important issue. We all have a stake in ensuring the safety of our citizens.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Cook
Lincoln City Council
MEMORANDUM

TO: Patte Newman, Lincoln City Council
FROM: Terry L. Bundy
DATE: April 9, 2004
SUBJECT: Signs or Banners Identifying Individual Neighborhoods (For Witherbee and Eastridge area)

At the request of a governmental entity, for instance urban development, approved banners may be attached to street light poles subject to the banner guidelines which are attached.

TLB:cls

Attachment

c: Alan Abbott, Public Works
Marvin Krout, Planning
Mark Wullschleger, Urban Development
Dan Pudenz, LES
XII.A

BANNER GUIDELINE
(FOR GOVERNMENT ENTITIES)

1. Banners will only be allowed on steel, wood, aluminum, or concrete poles. Installation on fiberglass poles is not allowed.

2. Banners will not be allowed on poles that support any facilities other than street lights.

3. Banner arms may not be larger than one inch in diameter or four feet in length, and may not extend beyond the back of curb.

4. If banners are attached at both top and bottom, banner arms must have either break away couplings or be spring loaded.

5. Banners may be no larger than fifteen square feet.

6. No holes may be made in the pole to facilitate the installation of banner holders.

7. LES will not install or maintain banners or banner holders.

8. If a pole is removed or replaced by LES that has a banner holder attached, LES will not replace or return the banner holder.

9. Banner holders must be attached to pole at least 9' above ground line.

10. No part of the banner or banner holder shall be closer than six feet from any electrical component on the pole, such as luminaires or overhead wire.

11. Extreme care is to be taken during installation of the banner so that no objects come in contact with any electrical component. The banner is to be installed in such a manner that will not interfere with the operation and maintenance of the street light.

12. Installation of all banners, arms, and banner holders must conform to applicable codes, ordinances or regulations. Other city agencies should be contacted for additional requirements.

13. Written approval must be received from the Lincoln Electric System Street Light Department prior to installation of any banner arms.

14. The Lincoln Electric System reserves the right to remove any banners or banner holders if an unsafe condition is believed to exist.
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
COUNCIL OFFICE

By: Patte Newman - #20
(Council Member)

March 24, 2004

REQUEST: RE: Signs or banners identifying individual neighborhoods - (For Witherbee and Eastridge area)

Would you please respond to the attached E-Mail and send me a copy of the response. Please respond to me. Thanks.

- Patte Newman

cc: Mayor's Office

RESPONSE (Indicate action taken): By: __________________ Date: __________________

COMMENTS:

PLEASE RESPOND WITH 15 COPIES/
Tammy

Please send the next RFI to:
Ernie Castillo, Wynn Hjemstad and Marc Wullschleger - Urban Development
Terry Bundy - LES
Allan Abbott - Public Works
Mike DeKalb, Marvin Krout - Planning Dept.

For years various neighborhoods have been talking about a way to identify themselves to the rest of the community. In some neighborhoods it's possible to have a monument sign at a major "entrance" to the neighborhood but this is not possible everywhere.

When the north 27th street corridor was redeveloped neighborhood identifier signs were installed on the new decorative lamp posts for Malone, Clinton and Hartley.

Several neighborhoods have asked if this might be possible for other neighborhoods; most recently, Eastridge and Witherbee. The specific request is for some sort of coordinated citywide theme with hard material signs or banners identifying individual neighborhoods (For instance on 56th Street on the west side between Randolph and O there might be one or two signs saying Witherbee but on the east side it would say Eastridge.) to be installed on existing light poles. This was discussed several years ago with Wynn at Urban Development but never pursued further.

Banners exist along Holdrege Street for UNL and downtown so the assumption is that there are no Public Works or LES policies to discourage this effort from taking place for organized neighborhoods. The question remains as to the legality (would Planning deem these in conflict with any sign ordinance) and simply making this happen.

Please respond if there are any legal or policy obstacles. If there are none I would like to set up a meeting with all interested parties.

Thanks,
Patte
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
COUNCIL OFFICE

By: Glenn Friendt - #29
(Council Member) March 29, 2004

REQUEST:

RE: Haymarket crosswalk

Would you please respond to the attached Memo and send me a copy of the response. Please respond to Mike Edwards with copy to Jennifer Stokes and me. Thanks.

- Glenn Friendt

cc: Mike Edwards, President, Healthware, Corporation
201 N. 6th Street, Suite 301 (08) - FOR YOUR INFORMATION - COPY OF REQUEST SENT BY COUNCIL MEMBER, NO RESPONSE REQUIRED FROM YOU

Jennifer Stokes, President, Lincoln Haymarket Development Corporation
5240 Jade Ct. (16) - FOR YOUR INFORMATION - COPY OF REQUEST SENT BY COUNCIL MEMBER, NO RESPONSE REQUIRED FROM YOU

Mayor's Office

RESPONSE (Indicate action taken): By: Scott Opfer 4-6-04

Letter

COMMENTS:

PLEASE RESPOND WITH 15 COPIES
April 6, 2004

Mike Edwards, President
Healthware, Corporation
201 N. 8th Street, Suite 301
Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This letter is regarding your recent request to Councilperson Glenn Friendt for installation of marked crosswalks and “4-Way Stop” signs at the intersection of 8th and ‘Q’ Streets. Every intersection that is a candidate for the installation of traffic control, must first be evaluated to determine if the current vehicular and/or pedestrian activity taking place at the location meets minimum requirements as spelled out in the Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The use of this nationally accepted manual for installation of traffic control devices is mandated by State Law and is intended to assist in a process which is consistent no matter where you are in the country. The requirements contained in this manual take into account vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle volumes, crash history, sight distance, vehicle speeds, delay and other engineering considerations. If a location meets these requirements, we must then determine if the installation of additional traffic control will improve the overall safety and operations of traffic in the area. A final determination is then made on whether or not to install the additional traffic control, in this case “4-Way Stop” signs.

This location was recently evaluated due to the growth in activity in the Haymarket area, namely, due to such things as the new Haymarket Parking Garage and the Haymarket Pedestrian Connector. The data from this evaluation indicates that conditions do warrant the installation of “4-Way Stop” signs and marked crosswalks. Our Traffic Operations staff are currently making preparations for the implementation of these traffic control devices and I would expect installation to take place sometime later this spring or early this summer.

Thanks again for sharing your concerns for traffic safety with us. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 441-7711.

Sincerely,

Scott A. Opfer, Manager of Traffic Operations
Public Works & Utilities Department

cc: Colleen Seng, Mayor
City Council
Allan Abbott
Roger Figard
Randy Hoskins
Nicole Pleck-Tooze
Karen Sieckmeyer
Maggie Kellner
Allen Lee
Jennifer Stokes, President of Lincoln Haymarket Dev. Corp.
DATE: March 29, 2004

FROM: Glenn Friendt, Lincoln City Council

TO: Alan Abbott, Director Public Works and Utilities

RE: RFI / Haymarket crosswalk

My city council office has received a constituent inquiry regrading the intersection of 8th and Q Streets in the Haymarket. This intersection has stop signs on 8th street but not on Q and there are no visible crosswalks. Traffic moving east-west on Q Street is often moving at high rates of speed. This situation endanger pedestrians and north-south vehicular traffic on 8th street attempting to enter the intersection.

Please investigate the possibility of marking the intersection with crosswalks and making this intersection a four way stop.

Please respond to: Mike Edwards, President Healthcare, Corporation
                     Suite 301
                     201 N 8th
                     Lincoln, NE 68508
                     477-5555

Please copy to: Jennifer Stokes, President Linear Haymarket Development Corporation
                     5240 Jade Ct
                     Lincoln, NE 68516
                     421-2551

In your correspondence indicate that you are responding at my request and copy my City Council office.

Thank you.
Jan A. Camp
Suite 200
808 P Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Sir,

How wonderful it is to get a full night's sleep, not hearing a "dumb" mowing machine, awaking me!

Thank you so much and please pass this on to your assistant there as well - you are both, to be commended, for pursuing my problem so diligently.

I'll let my neighbors appreciate my efforts and the results, too.

Sincerely,

Phoebette L. Bell

P.S. you two are truly my Easter Bunny!
Please distribute if not already done.

Jon Camp, Chair
Lincoln City Council
City Council Office: 441-8793
Constituent representative: Darrell Podany

----- Message from larrymclinton@juno.com on Wed, 14 Apr 2004 22:57:52 -0500 -----

To: jcamp@ci.lincoln.ne.us

: us
Larry Clinton Jr.
1301 North Mockingbird Lane
Lincoln, Ne.
423-1109

Dear Council Member:

I sent all of you a e-mail 1 to 2 months ago (a copy of which is attached to the bottom of this message).
I planned to discuss this with you when the Mockingbird Lane Sewer Water and Paving districts were brought before the Council.
I was told by your employees this would be February then March then April. They then had a meeting with us and told me that they didn't place my problem on the council agenda. We had a neighborhood meeting and decided nobody wanted the districts.
So I had to have a new plan of action. It was suggested that I call Councilman Cook. I tried to reach him Saturday before last but seem to have missed the connection.

I am therefore formally requesting all of you to help me out and take whatever action is necessary to fix this problem.

If I am forced to come up with this money it will be the third largest expenditure I have made in my life (I bought two cars).

I plan to call the City Clerk and have it placed on the agenda for next Monday. If any of you would prefer another time its fine with me.

I have spent my life trying to remain independent even with my physical challenges.

Sincerely yours,

Larry Clinton

P.S. Soon after I sent this letter your employees installed the sewer over to the Cemetery. So the letter is out of date on this point.
Lawrence M. Clinton Jr.
1301 Mockingbird Lane North
423-1109

Dear Council Member,

Why am I writing you? Your engineering staff has informed me that they want to force me to destroy my functional septic system and hookup to a presently nonexistent sewer line at a cost of $7,000 to $8000. This means I would have essentially no income for over half of next year.

Like all stories a context is important. I must apologize for the length of this letter. Since you don't know me and can't see me I will now describe myself and my circumstances.

I am legally totally disabled and an income of about $1100/month from Social Security and maybe a $10 a month from interest on my savings (my income is so is insignificant that the I. R. S on Jan 17, 1996 sent me a letter requesting that I no longer file tax returns unless I have a new source of income.

I developed rheumatoid arthritis in third grade. My fingers except for one became distorted and my right wrist bent inward and was frozen. This was “repaired” by a doctor in Denver by breaking the wrist and straightening it the wrist has been frozen straight ever since. My right foot also became distorted and I had a large bunion. This problem was repaired by the removal of the joints between my foot and all five toes on my right foot.

I was hospitalized as a child at least twice for severe psoriasis. Psoriasis can be aggravated by stress one of these was I think because my father had a heart attack and I was worried. (Psoriasis is a chronic, incurable skin disease, the skin grows to fast is, covered with scales and falls off). I have a severe case at times (over 40% of skin area involved).

My senior year in high school the arthritis was in remission and like lots of kids in small town Nebraska I played football. I would say my health was what you would describe as normal only between the ages of 15 to 20.

When I was a junior in college my neck started to freeze it now is bent at approximately 90 degrees I face the floor if my body is vertical (I now drive my car by slouching a lot). Meanwhile back in my junior year, in college, I also decided I would get back I physical shape. I thought it might help. I found I could no longer run without severe pain in my left hip. My parents moved to Lincoln and onto the property we are presently discussing my sophomore year. In 1973 I graduated with a B. S. in Chemistry.

I then went onto graduate school. When my car broke down, I found walking
or riding my bike long distances 1-2 miles from my apartment to school would cause my hip to stiffen. I graduated with a Masters degree in Physical chemistry. I then worked as a technician in the Chemistry Department working on time-of-flight mass spectrometry. I then moved on to the Center for Bio-Organic Studies, an environmental laboratory associated with the University of New Orleans. Here I gained experience running gas chromatographs interfaced to mass spectrometers. This lab lost its contract with EPA because one of its bureaucrats didn't get the paperwork into the federal bureaucrats so there was a layoff of at least 50% of the personnel. (While I worked there I ran some of the analysis for the Love Canal (Hooker Chemical) problem in New York).

I then worked at the Technical Center for the Chlorox Corp. in Pleasanton California for 3-4 years. (Here I worked on both nuclear magnetic resonance (a relative of medical MRI), and high resolution mass spectrometry.) I didn't like California or Chlorox, so I moved back to the Midwest closer to my family and back into the environmental industry.

I began to work for the environmental lab for Envirodyne Engineering (the lab was in St. Louis the company was headquarter in Chicago). This was during the dioxin problem in Times Beach Missouri (a town you remember that was purchased by the Federal government). My hip was so bad now I had trouble hauling food up to my apartment. So I came back to Lincoln and had my hip replaced.

After 2-4 years here another "lab" was opening and the people at Envirodyne thought they could get a raise by applying to the other lab. We were wrong, it was Envirodyne's local management starting a new lab with the Travelers Corp. and not telling the Chicago management. When Chicago found out there were injunctions, lawsuits etc. (not involving me of course).

I worked there for another 1-2 years, because then I heard that an environmental lab was starting up in Lincoln Nebraska at Harris Laboratories. This would only happen once in my lifetime, in Nebraska, because of it's small population. That's how I ended up analyzing the water for Lincoln Nebraska (note: word "for" not word "in" although both apply).

During this period my endurance was decreasing near the end of the day I would brace my self on the lab benches as a went past.

One weekend (I think) I was watching a c-span. It was very funny. I was picturing what Saturday Night Live! was going to do with this. I wanted a can of pop. I was laughing so hard when I pushed the chair back to stand up it went over backwards and broke into four pieces with me in it. After this I could no longer sleep on a flat on a bed. I now sleep in a hospital type bed in (pseudo) sitting position. I guess if your going to injure yourself it's best to do it because your laughing to hard.

Harris Labs closed it's environmental division. I felt that couldn't move on and start over in another city. So I used COBRA to get my other hip replaced and went on disability.

I relaxed for a couple of years. I learned all about all the birds of Nebraska.

My mother had been on oxygen for several years. She now had a heart attack, after driving back from her 97 year old aunts funeral. I now became a hospice care giver. I bought the food cooked the meals and took
care of the medication for three years. Except for the week I spent in the hospital because the stress initiated the worst outbreak of psoriasis (my skin disease) I ever experienced. By about 6 months to a year later mother’s health had deteriorated to the point that I couldn’t help mother to the john so we moved her to the hospital and rest home in La Mars Iowa. Where my sister her husband and all moms grand kids lived. Mom lived one more year.

Several years before this, but after I moved to Lincoln, I was watching “60 Minutes” or a similar program, one of the segments dealt with the fact that Washington was going to start taking the homes of the aged to pay for rest home care and you had 1 year to set up a trust to protect your property. I felt I needed my share of the house to continue my life in case I became disabled. Mom decided to do this, with her own ideas. The house would be mine during my lifetime if any money was left it would be equally divided and the girls would get my grandmothers and great aunt’s home furnishings. My youngest sister would be trustee and later had mom’s power of attorney (I like this no paperwork for me :) .)

(The KEY result here was to be the trust has no money to support the house!)

Before any of this I had my future planned. I wanted to move into a berm house (walkout basement with a roof). I had studied my expenses and the largest were food and energy. Berm houses are extremely energy efficient. The house should be in the country, the size of the lawn can decrease (area would be replanted in wild flowers) as I grow older, less mowing. It cost me $400 last year to repair my mower, last year (ouch!). I want to do amateur astronomy (you want a dark site with no street light). Also I won’t have to deal with shoveling snow! (my neighbor has a front end loader and does it now). If I fill my freezer I don’t have to go out in winter much at all, just wait snow melts. During winter I usually leave the house maybe twice a month and only when there is minimal ice and snow.

Why haven’t I moved? Well soon after mother death I when to my sister asked her to get all of mothers bills paid so I could move, She refused. I then tried to get my other sister to help. No help there. I didn’t want to fight with my siblings. So I told my brother that there was a real fight brewing. He went an talked to them. I received the assurance they would use their share of the money to take care of the problem (taxes etc.).

Why? Because they wouldn’t tell me or find out how much money there was also. Since I couldn’t tell what Lincoln was going to do, With no numbers I can’t make an argument. So, I called them both, to make sure they wanted to do this. I thought it was dumb (I didn’t want to fight just after my mother died!). I think they didn’t like my plan.

Two years ago around Christmas. The fighting started. They decided I would pay taxes, insurance ($800+) and repairs on this house. Now taxes had gone from $2700 to $4100. Keep in mind my income is $1100 per month. About Taxes, I was fairly sure I qualified for the Nebraska Homestead Act and at the beginning of this I told my sister to look into this. I kept track of this using the InterLinc Web Site. As I remember this, 1st year job not done. She is reminded. The second year job not done. She is told to do it. Third year, job not done. I looked the law up on the Internet. I’m right. Three requirements 1) house less 175% of mean value of the county ave. value found on InterLinc 2) Would be immobile if not for prosthesis or mechanical device. I have not one but two prosthesis 3) limited income. She is confronted and makes excuses. My brother later said see asked her lawyer instead of explaining it to her as my father
would have tells her to go talk to the Assessor. She said the Assessors office told her I had to be immobile. Was it her not listening closely? Bureaucratic Clerk problem? Who knows. Its a $10000 screw up. Note: the trust said I was to have a yearly accounting of the finances. I finally say the books a few months ago. My share is considerably less than 1 years Social Security and is probably the only "extra" income I will get during my life.

I have been looking for place to move. I monitor the Internet for isolated 3-10 acre lots. I have looked at a house near Waverly. Turned out it was built 5 ft off the ground in a flood plain. Tough for me to get groceries in there. I also found "good" lot in Southeast Butler county, with a "gentle slope" the add said. It was a steep hillside not easy for me to walk up. My sisters' real estate person was real interested in selling the house and getting a bridging loan. But not explaining rural real estate. If I sell the house before I get a new one my sister controls the money. I've learned. I don't want this to happen. I located a master thesis on the Internet that discussed the price on rural lots in Saunders County just, north of us, so I know what is expensive and what is a good deal in the area!

My brother who lives in Elkhorn, hired a trust lawyer in Omaha, fall '03. I wanted to be Trustee so the wishes of my parents would be honored. He suggested we bust the trust and I own the property. He also suggested I tell the Assessor I use a walker. This is fraud. I don't like this guy any better than my sister's lawyer. On the way out of the office I asked about taxes. Another reason I want to be trustee instead of owner is I don't understand Capital Gains taxes. He didn't answer. My brother thought the problem was solved. I didn't, now have a list of local lawyers recommended by a clergymen.

It is in this context that, the City of Lincoln's engineering department announces that there will be no voting (How fair is that?) on sewer district for me and my neighbor Mr. Schleining to the East like it says in the literature the handed out at the earlier meeting, where I finally got some numbers to argue with my siblings. (spring 2003).

So now I've had it. This isn't a court of law badgering a witness is perfectly legal, although verbal bludgeoning might be apt. The following facts were established:

1) They had a "customer" to take care of the Lincoln Memorial Park cemetery needed a sewer hookup. Why? Because they had or were going to destroy their septic tank. Because of this my neighbor, Mr Schleining, 200 to feet to the east and I 500+ feet away would lose a huge percentage of our Social Security income. My neighbor is I think in his mid seventies and was so ill several years ago before many of my neighbors got together and took care of his yard. I was told he had open heart surgery. 2) Was there an alternative? Yes, same cost, coming from the South only involving the cemetery. 3) No one else on north Mockingbird is affected.
I want to be treated the way all my neighbors to the west are on my septic system and well water. I want live within 30 miles of Lincoln (doctors) and 60 miles of Elkhorn (brother). It took me at least a year of working to save this amount of money I can never make it up if you take it. If you do this I will have three (3!!!) sewer systems in two years. My brother and his coworkers came down from Elkhorn and painted my house this summer so it could be sold. I have cardboard boxes and am packing (purchased before your engineers plan). Your engineers want to tear up my lawn and take most of Social Security or Inheritance. I pay about $300 dollars a month for food ($4000 per year). If your engineers have their way I will pay approximately twice as much to flush the toilet compared to buying food. Only engineers could come up with a plan to make shit more expensive than food and dig up your front yard when you are trying to sell your house. Engineers know "how" to do things sometimes they need to know "what" to do.

This like making TWO to FOUR car payments every month til I move ($150 to $333 per month per car assuming 1 year). And then abandoning all the cars!

This is not reasonable or fair.

It is much more reasonable to let Mr. and Mrs. Schleining and me leave the scene and let some one who is still working and will live in these houses 15 to 30 years spread the cost out over that period. If statistics are right it will be Mrs. Schleining who will be most effected in the other house although I don’t really know her. I can imagine how tough the next few years may be.

Maybe you could fix this, I hope.

Sincerely yours,

Larry Clinton Jr.
For distribution. See my reply.

Jon Camp, Chair
Lincoln City Council
City Council Office: 441-8793
Constituent representative: Darrell Podany

----- Message from "Tom Riley" <triley@flatwatergroup.com> on Wed, 14 Apr 2004 21:07:16 -0500 -----
To: <jcamp@ci.lincoln.ne.us>

Subject: Straight Talk

Mr. Camp,

While working late this evening I had the occasion of tuning into your 5 CITY-TV show "Straight Talk." I found the discussion about historical maps with your guests very interesting. I now plan on visiting the exhibit at the Historical Society, a location I have not been for years. Being a Civil Engineer, I have an interest in maps and the geography of our state and appreciate that you brought the topic to the attention of Lincoln. Keep up the good work.

Also, if you have an interest in maps may I recommend "The Island of Lost Maps: A True Story of Cartographic Crime," by Miles Harvey. It is an interesting read.

Thanks...Tom Riley

Tom Riley
The Flatwater Group, Inc
1618 L Street
Lincoln, NE 68508-2509
402.435.5441 tel
402.435.7108 fax
Tom:

Thank you very much for your feedback. My "Straight Talk" programs are meant to stimulate interest by members of our community in the many diverse programs and organizations we are fortunate to have.

After you view the map exhibit, you may also want to thank the Forke family for its donation in memory of Don Forke.

Again, thank you for your email and kind remarks.

Jon Camp, Chair
Lincoln City Council
City Council Office: 441-8793
Constituent representative: Darrell Podany
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 8, 2004
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Harry Heafer, 441-8035 or Gene Hanlon, 441-7043

17th ANNUAL KEEP LINCOLN & LANCASTER COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS

The 17th annual Lincoln-Lancaster County Environmental Awards Banquet will be held on Friday, April 23, at the Plaza Conference Center, Bryan-LGH East at 48th & Vine. The banquet will begin at 7:00 p.m. with the program following. Reservations are $12 per person and may be made by calling 441-8035. Reservation deadline is April 20.

The awards event will recognize businesses, organizations and individuals for their efforts to protect the environment and conserve our resources. Eight people, groups or businesses will receive recognition this year in five different categories. The award recipients and categories include:

Waste Reduction and Recycling: Nebraska Book Company and Telesis Inc. (Empyrean Brewing Company, Lazlo Inc., & Data Security); Water Conservation: Cooper YMCA; Cleanup and Beautification: Rosalind Morris and Scott Middle School: The Green Team; Residential/Commercial Construction: Mike Rezac, Rezac Construction; and Environmental Education/Awareness: Pfizer Inc, and Lincoln Action Program (Community Garden, Lincoln Free-To-Grow and Waste Not Want Not). A short presentation on each award winner will highlight their accomplishments.

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Environmental Awards are co-sponsored by the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department and the Lincoln Public Works and Utilities Department with support from many generous donors.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 12, 2004
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Beth Mann, Household Hazardous Waste Coordinator
441-6235

DIAZINON PESTICIDE FOUND PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS TO CHILDREN

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD) and Goodyear are partnering to give the public a safe way to dispose of Diazinon, an organophosphate insecticide recently banned by the EPA and other hazardous household wastes.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has banned the sale of the organophosphate insecticide most commonly known by the brand name Diazinon. As of December 31, 2002 indoor use of Diazinon pesticides has been cancelled and retail sales ended. For outdoor use retail sales will end December 31, 2004. Diazinon is one of the most widely used pesticides in and around the home and in other non-agricultural settings. Outdoor uses include treatment of lawns, gardens and ornamentals. It is used indoors for crack and crevice treatment.

"Diazinon is one of the leading causes of acute insecticide poisoning for humans and happens most often in the home. Children are more likely to be harmed by pesticide exposure because their bodies are growing and they eat more food, breathe more air, drink more water pound for pound than adults. They have higher levels of exposure due to hand-to-mouth activity and playing on grass and dirt," said Beth Mann, Household Hazardous Waste Coordinator. "To protect children and public health, EPA and the manufacturer of the insecticide have agreed to a cancellation and phase-out that will eliminate the use of Diazinon for residential purposes."

Diazinon containing products can be brought to the LLCHD Household Hazardous Waste Collections. They are scheduled throughout the year beginning with Saturday, April 24 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, 4021 North 56th Street.

At the collections, only hazardous waste products from households will be accepted. In addition to Diazinon, all kinds of pesticides will be accepted. Citizens can also bring other household hazardous waste items including solvents such as mineral spirits, turpentine, paint thinners, varnishes, stains, polishes and waxes, pool cleaning chemicals, muriatic acid, oil-based paints, roach powder, flea and tick powders, rat poisons, charcoal starter fluids, old gasoline, mercury containing items including thermometers, and items containing PCBs such as ballasts from old fluorescent lamps and small capacitors from old appliances.
Latex paint should not be brought to these collections. Small amounts of latex paint can be dried and put in the trash. Items that can be recycled locally and will not be accepted include motor oil, antifreeze, gas grill propane cylinders, mercury thermostats, and batteries including lead acid, button, mercury and lithium. For recycling information and for advice on how to dispose of other items that are not accepted such as medicines, fertilizers, explosives, or ammunition contact the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department at 441-8021 or visit our website at http://www.ci.lincoln.ne.us/city/health/environ/poll/.

Dates and times of collections for household hazardous waste in 2004 are scheduled as follows:

Saturday, April 24: Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, 4021 N 56th 9 AM - 1 PM
Friday, May 21: Lancaster County Shop, Emerald 3 PM - 7 PM
Saturday, May 22: Pfizer Inc, 601 W Cornhusker Hwy 9 AM - 1 PM
Friday, June 25: Union College, 52nd and Copper 3 PM - 7 PM
Saturday, June 26: Neb. Wesleyan University, 56th & Huntington 9 AM - 1 PM
Friday, Sept 10: Lancaster County Shop, Waverly 3 PM - 7 PM
Saturday, Sept 11: Lincoln-Lancaster Co. Health Dept., 3140 N St. 9 AM - 1 PM
Saturday, Oct 9: Lincoln-Lancaster Co. Health Dept., 3140 N St. 9 AM - 1 PM
Saturday, Nov. 6: State Fair Park, 4-H Youth Complex 9 AM - 1 PM
Memorandum

To: City Council
From: Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director
Date: April 15, 2004
Re: CIP fund transfers
Cc: Mayor Coleen Seng

On April 12, an ordinance was be introduced authorizing transfer of funds within the City Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the Public Works and Utilities Department, the Urban Development Department, and the Parks and Recreation Department. The purpose of this memo is to outline the proposed Park and Recreation Department CIP fund transfers within this ordinance.

Antelope Valley Project Engineering and Administrative Costs

In preparing to submit the Parks and Recreation Department CIP for 2004-2010, I have come to the conclusion that some CIP funds for the current fiscal year should be reallocated before we proceed with the years to come.

Over the history of the Antelope Valley Study and through the transition from a study to a federally approved Project, some obligations that ultimately accrue to the Parks and Recreation Department were financed up front from the Public Works Department’s street construction fund.

The expectation always has been that Parks and Recreation would assume those obligations at some point. However, I feel best practices suggest it be done sooner rather than later. Thus, this proposed ordinance would adjust this year’s Parks and Recreation Department CIP list to resolve those obligations so they are not outstanding as we prepare for the coming year. The effect of these adjustments would be to reimburse the Public Works Department from Parks Department general revenue and keno allocations.

The following is a list of the changes I recommend to the City Council in the aforementioned ordinance:

- Pioneers Park Nature Center-$254,000. The Department will seek environmental and demonstration grant funds to expand the visitors center.


- Holmes Golf Course alternative water source for irrigation-$71,000. Defer to a future year.

- Roof repairs-$71,000. Urgent needs at various locations will be addressed this year. Less immediate projects will be postponed.

- Holmes Lake/Park renovation-$52,000. Will be re-budgeted in 2004/2005.
- Woods Park alternative water source for irrigation-$50,000. Work will be re-budgeted in 2004/2005.

- Hard surface repairs (roads and walkways within parks)-$47,000. Urgent needs at various locations will be addressed this year. Less immediate projects will be postponed.

- Street tree planting-$17,000. The Department typically plants a majority of street trees for a year in the spring. The 2004 planting program is under contract. This amount is a portion of what remained after that contract was finalized.

- Trail maintenance-$33,500. Again, urgent needs will be addressed.

- Mahoney playground renovation-$22,500. The Department will use grant funds instead of general revenue, and the renovation will be done in 2004.

- Standing Bear Park pathway connection-$17,500. Urban Development will re-budget this project with future CDBG funds because it is in a low-moderate income area.

- Acquisition of land south of Wilderness Park-$10,500. This was budgeted a year ago to meet the City’s expected obligation to match state grant funds. The state grant was smaller than anticipated, so the match will be less.

- Park fee transfers-$9,000. This was general revenue budgeted in the current year in anticipation of matching a small portion of future impact fees for neighborhood park improvements paid for by developers. This can be done next year as well. Re-budgeted for 2004/2005.

- Miscellaneous-$14,000. This covers several small grading, seeding, and utility concerns that will be postponed to future years.

In light of the concern about infrastructure financing and making the best use of every street construction dollar, I think it would be best to balance accounts before the CIP for next fiscal year is approved.

**Woods Tennis Center Improvements**
Transfer $25,000 to cover the cost of purchasing furnishings for the new tennis clubhouse and site furniture for the new plaza area. These funds will be reimbursed with Tennis Funds in the proposed CIP for next fiscal year. (The funds are on hand but were not authorized in the current fiscal year.)

**Woods Pool Sprayground**
The filtration and sanitation system for the new Woods Pool Sprayground has been designed to meet the new proposed pool design regulations for the State of Nebraska. (Spraygrounds are not addressed in the current pool design regulations.) The Lincoln/Lancaster County Health Department has recommended that an ultra-violet sanitation system be added as the emerging best technology for pool sanitation systems.
Northeast Community Recreational Sports Complex
The projected budget for construction of the new Northeast Community Recreational Sports Complex at 31st and Leighton Streets included an anticipated grant application for Land and Water Conservation Funds. It was later determined that a grant application associated with the Holmes Lake/Park renovation project would likely be more competitive. This grant was funded, and the equivalent of the grant is being transferred to the Northeast Community Recreational Sports Complex project.

Mahoney Alternative Irrigation System
Development an irrigation well and holding pond at Mahoney Golf Course exceeded the projected budget. Fund appropriations remaining from another completed project are being transferred to cover the deficit in this project. There is no net expense to the golf fund.

Easterday Recreation Center Gym Floor Replacement
The gym floor at Easterday Recreation Center is more than 30 years old. The floor tiles are failing resulting in safety concerns. Grant funds were secured for a portion of the costs associated with replacement of the playground in Mahoney Park. This will allow previously authorized funding for renovation of the Mahoney Park playground to be transferred to address the failing flooring at Easterday Recreation Center.

Please contact me if you have questions. Thank you.
April 12, 2004

Brian D. Carstens and Associates
601 Old Cheney Road, Suite C
Lincoln, NE 68512

RE: Northern Lights Townhomes Final Plat #04036

Dear Mr. Carstens,

Northern Lights Townhomes was approved by the Planning Director on March 29, 2004. The plat and the subdivision agreement must be recorded in the Register of Deeds. The fee is determined at $.50 per existing lot and per new lot and $20.00 per plat sheet for the plat, and $.50 per new lot and $5.00 per page for associated documents such as the subdivision agreement. If you have a question about the fees, please contact the Register of Deeds. Please make check payable to the Lancaster County Register of Deeds. The Register of Deeds requests a list of all new lots and blocks created by the plat be attached to the subdivision agreement so the agreement can be recorded on each new lot.

Pursuant to § 26.11.060(d) of the Lincoln Municipal Code, this approval may be appealed to the Planning Commission and any decision of the Planning Commission to the City Council by filing a letter of appeal within 14 days of the action being appealed. The plat will be recorded with the Register of Deeds after the appeal period has lapsed (date + 14 days), and the recording fee and signed subdivision agreement have been received.

Sincerely,

Becky Horner
Planner

CC: Cameron Corporation, 3900 Pine Lake Rd, Suite 1, 68516
Northern Lights and Tuettter Trust, PO Box 22296, 68542
Joan Ray, City Council (14)
Dennis Bartels, Public Works & Utilities
Terry Kathe, Building & Safety
Sharon Theobald, Lincoln Electric
Jean Walker, Planning
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April 9, 2004

Chuck Fricki  
Information Technology Inc.  
1345 Old Cheney Road  
P.O. Box 22705  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68542-2705

Tom Duden  
Design Data Corporation  
1501 Old Cheney Road  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68512

Your email of March 29, 2004, and letter of March 31, 2004, to the City Council and Mayor have been forwarded to me for reply.

Each of you expressed your concern that the intersection proposed for 14th and Old Cheney would cause an influx of traffic into this area. The fact is the development south of Old Cheney to Yankee Hill Road has created the influx of traffic that requires the reconstruction.

This traffic will continue to increase as development continues south of Yankee Hill Road. This 14th and Old Cheney intersection has been the subject of many public comments that it must be improved because of the fear it will become a high hazard location.

You both mentioned you feared, with the new configuration of the intersection, the traffic using this intersection will rival that of 24th and Cornhusker. Again, you are correct in the traffic projections, but this traffic will be there whether the intersection is rebuilt or not. We must make the improvements or traffic will back up considerably blocking access to your businesses.

The fact three major arterial streets (Old Cheney, Warlick, and 14th Street) intersect at this location make the increase in traffic a given.

We are willing to work with each of your firms to minimize the impact of this improvement on your operations. By the time you receive this letter, you should have received an invitation to a public meeting on this improvement on Tuesday, April 13th at Christ’s Place.

Yours truly,

Allan Abbott  
Director of Public Works/Utilities

cc: Mayor’s Office  
City Council  
Roger Figard  
Randy Hoskins  
Karl Fredrickson
Enclosed are two summary sheets that describe improvements that are to be bid this summer for the Theresa St. and Northeast Wastewater Treatment Plants. Please let me know if you have additional questions about these materials or the information presented earlier this week.
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Seng
   & City Council Members
FROM: Clinton W. Thomas

DEPARTMENT: City Council Office
DEPARTMENT: Real Estate Division

ATTENTION: 
DATE: April 13, 2004

SUBJECT: Vacation of South 22\textsuperscript{nd} Street at Wesley Drive

A request has been made to vacate South 22\textsuperscript{nd} Street immediately north of Wesley Drive. This is a portion of South 22\textsuperscript{nd} Street in the new subdivision south of the Wood Bridge development. South 22\textsuperscript{nd} Street is a private roadway south of Pine Lake Road owned by the Lincoln Housing Authority. It runs through the Wood Bridge development to the point of the proposed vacation. It is my understanding the street is being vacated, but will remain in place as a private roadway with full rights of access to the traveling public.

In essence, the vacation of this street and the retention of public access easements simply relieves the public of the maintenance liability and transfers it to the private sector while allowing the owner to control the traffic with speed-retardant devices and the like. As such, the area to be vacated is considered to have very little value. It is recommended, if the area be vacated, it be sold to the abutting property owner for the nominal amount of $100 and the retention of utility and access easements as requested by staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Clinton W. Thomas
Certified General Appraiser #990023

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Seng
& City Council Members

FROM: Clinton W. Thomas

DEPARTMENT: City Council Office

DEPARTMENT: Real Estate Division

ATTENTION: 

DATE: April 13, 2004

COPIES TO: Joan Ross
             Marvin Krout
             Dana Roper
             Byron Blum

SUBJECT: Vacation of north 10 feet of Q Street adjacent to Lots 7, 8, & 9, Block 30, Original Plat

A request has been made to vacate a portion of Q Street abutting Lots 7, 8, and 9 in Block 30, the Original Plat of Lincoln. This block is the block of Q Street lying between 8th and 9th Streets and would consist of the northerly 10 feet of right-of-way on the west half of the block. The area was viewed and appears as part of the sidewalk with various surfacings in place. The westerly 1/3 is surfaced with concrete and simply appears to be the sidewalk. The middle 1/3 is surfaced with asphalt and is part of the drive leading to the dock. The east 1/3 is surfaced with crushed rock and has been used in the past as a parking area for employee vehicles. The existence of electrical utilities in the form of street lights as well as storm sewer and sanitary sewer manholes were observed in the adjacent street right-of-way lying between the area to be vacated and the curb. If the area were to be vacated, easements have been requested over the entire area for existing and future utilities.

Small, narrow strips such as this have very little value on their own, but will assume the value of the abutting property if assembled into it. In this case, the value of the abutting property is estimated in the range of $8 to $10 per square foot. It is expected a property owner probably would not pay over 25% to 35% of the expected value of the property in order to obtain a small parcel such as this. The retention of easements over the area would further diminish its value to an abutting property owner since it could not be built on; and, in this particular area of town does not add any benefit by providing additional set-back area. It is expected the retention of easement would tend to indicate a value at the lower end of the expected range at 25% of the abutting land value. Assuming an abutting land value of $9 per square foot, the calculations are as follows:

1,500 sq. ft.  X  $9.00/sq. ft.  X  25%  =  $3,375

Therefore, it is recommended, if the area be vacated, it be sold to the abutting property owner for $3,375.

Respectfully submitted,

Clinton W. Thomas
Certified General Appraiser #990023

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TO: Mayor Seng & City Council Members
FROM: Clinton W. Thomas

DEPARTMENT: City Council Office
DEPARTMENT: Real Estate Division

ATTENTION: 
DATE: April 13, 2004

COPIES TO: Joan Ross
Marvin Krout
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Byron Blum
SUBJECT: Vacation of South 43rd Street south of Sumner Street

A request has been made to vacate South 43rd Street from Sumner Street south approximately 350 feet. Public Works has indicated the existence of sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water mains within this area as well as the existence of electric and gas utilities and has requested easements remain in place over the entire area for these utilities. Since there are still houses remaining on 43rd Street between the area of the proposed vacation and Franklin Street, Public Works had asked a turn-around be constructed on the dead ended portion of 43rd Street at a cost of $40,000. The applicant has intentions of acquiring the remaining houses along the west side of 43rd Street if they become available, and has offered to leave the roadway in place providing an access easement across it until such time as the remaining properties are acquired and a petition can be submitted to vacate the remaining portion of 43rd Street to Franklin Street.

If this were to happen, Public Works has indicated the public access easement can be relinquished and it is my understanding the sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water line would be removed, or abandoned; and easements for those utilities could also be released. It is unknown whether the gas and electric utilities would need to remain in place, but it is not beyond the realm of possibility if these are distribution facilities they might also be abandoned, or removed. There is also the possibility of relocating them. The uncertainty of the vacation of the remainder of 43rd Street and when that might happen produces a rather speculative nature as to the value of the area of the street to be vacated. At the current time, the street right-of-way with all the utilities in place and a public access easement across it would have very little value other than the residual value of the land if the easements are removed. However, if all the easements are removed at a later date, the land would become buildable and would have a value equal to other land in the area.

It would seem that, if the area were to be vacated, it should be sold for a nominal amount with the imposition of utility easements over the entire area and a public access easement to allow passage from Franklin Street through to Sumner Street. It is recommended this be done and the value of the street be determined at the time the remaining portion of 43rd Street is vacated.

Therefore, it is recommended, if the area be vacated, it be done so with the retention of utility easements and a public access easement and an agreement be made with the abutting property owner to the effect they will pay a nominal amount of $250 at this time with the balance to be determined upon the vacation of the remainder of that portion of 43rd Street south to Franklin Street when it can more precisely be determined what easements will remain and what affect they will have on the value of the area to be vacated.

Respectfully submitted,

Clinton W. Thomas
Certified General Appraiser #990023

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CITY COUNCIL OFFICE
Dear S. Wikoff: Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members for their consideration. Thank you for your input on this issue.

Joan V. Ray
City Council Office
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln, NE - 68508
Phone: 402-441-6866
Fax: 402-441-6533
e-mail: jray@ci.lincoln.ne.us

<Sonny.Wikoff@conagrafoods.com>

04/12/2004 10:03 AM

Subject: COACHES

I HAVE HEARD THAT YOU WANT TO PULL COACHES LIQ. LIC.. I LIVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND I AM VERY MUCHED OPPOSED TO THIS. NOT ONLY DOES MY FAMILY LIKE TO HAVE A DRINK OR 2 THERE WE VERY MUCH ENJOY THEIR FOOD. THEY HAVE SUPPORTED MY BASEBALL ORGANIZATION IN WHICH EASES THE FINANCIAL BURDEN ON THE PARENTS OF MY PLAYERS AND CONTINUE TO DO SO.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN CYCLONES AND AREA RESIDENT

SONNY WIKOFF
Dear Ms. Bremer: Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members for their consideration. Thank you for your input on this issue.

Joan V. Ray
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"Jennifer Bremer" <jbremer@lincolnplating.com>

I am writing to inform you that Coaches is my neighborhood bar which me and a lot of my co-workers like to go to. It would be a bad choice if they were not renewed their liquor license.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Bremer
Dear Ms. Petersen: Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members for their consideration. Thank you for your input on this issue.

Joan V. Ray  
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"Amber Petersen" <apeterse@lincolnplating.com>

-----Original Message-----
From: Amber Petersen [mailto:apeterse@lincolnplating.com]  
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2004 9:34 AM  
To: council@ci.lincolnne.us  
Subject:

I heard that Coaches might have their liquor license revoked. On Friday's after work, a group of people and I enjoy going to Coach's for a couple drinks. It is a usual hangout spot and kind of like a down-winder for us after a long day of work. Please don't take away their license.
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

Name: Louis P Beau
Address: 1521 B Street
City: Lincoln, NE 68502
Phone: 440-0750
Fax:
Email: pete.beau@homerealestate.com

Comment or Question:
Please fix south 27th Street. Traffic is beyond terrible and I along with lots of other drivers are having to cut thru the neighborhoods to get to where you're going. Why don't we relook at this issue and fix it!!!! I keep hearing of the concern to keep money to maintain older neighborhoods streets but we seem to want to ignore the most needed project in the older part of town, What gives????
DLH, Inc
Duane L. Hartman, Pres.
601 W. Van Dorn, PO Box 22787
Lincoln NE 68542

Re: “Coaches Sports Bar & Grill”
640 W. Prospector Court
Lincoln NE 68522

Dear Mr. Hartman,

Please be advised that due to a rehearing upon your application for license having been held by the Lincoln City Council and a recommendation of approval being made, the hearing scheduled before this commission for Friday, April 23, 2004 at 9:00 a.m., has been cancelled.

Sincerely,

NEBRASKA LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

[Signature]
Margaret “Tim” Frankforter
Administrator/Legal Division

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c: Randy Ewing, Atty
Dana Roper, City Attorney
Lincoln City Council
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ADDENDUM
TO
DIRECTORS’ AGENDA
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2004

I. MAYOR

1. Letter from Mayor Seng to Robert J. Keegan, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company - RE: Goodyear announcing it will move its Global Distribution Center from Lincoln to an undisclosed location - (See Letter)

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Pre-Paid Parking For Spring Game Clarified - On-line reservations not available - (See Release)

3. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Workshop Planned On Antelope Valley Public Art - (See Release)

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS - NONE

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Nine Skunks Have Tested Positive For Rabies In Lancaster County - (See Release)

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Health Department Asks For Reports Of Dead Birds - (See Release)

3. Physician Advisory - RE: Animal Rabies In Lancaster County - (See Advisory)

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Letter from Michelle Peterson, Mutual of Omaha - RE: Camille Duhamel’s idea to save the Coho Salmon earned him the opportunity to be Nebraska’s delegate to the Mutual of Omaha Wild Kingdom Kids’ Summit - Camille is a student at Lux Middle School - (See Letter)

2. Letter from Don & Liz Whelan - RE: The planned project to improve the traffic flow and increase the safety for Warlick, 14th & Old Cheney Road - (See Letter)

3. E-Mail from Sara Friedman - RE: Why you should not accept the recommendations of the Ridge Development Attorney - (See E-Mail)
April 15, 2004

Mr. Robert J. Keegan,
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company
1144 E. Market Street
Akron, Ohio 44316

Dear Mr. Keegan:

Two years ago the community of Lincoln contacted you and Mr. Gibara, when Goodyear announced it intended to downsize its hose production operation. Today I write because I was just informed that Goodyear is announcing it will move its Global Distribution Center from Lincoln to an undisclosed location.

I recognize that Goodyear is a national and international company, but I believe it would be a mistake by Goodyear to move the Global Distribution Center from Lincoln. Lincoln is based in the center of the nation, along major truck, railroad and air routes. Warehousing and Distribution is a prime industry in Lincoln and one which is growing. Lincoln is very competitive in this industry and I believe the operation should stay here and could continue to thrive here. If there are issues that Goodyear has difficulty with operating locally the Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development would like the chance to address them.

Lincoln is a business-friendly city with an experienced workforce. Lincoln has a strong work ethic and is highly productive. Two of the nation's leading logistical support organizations are in our MSA, and one is headquartered in Lincoln. New telecommunications technologies continue to drive developments in logistic and distribution services, and Lincoln is on the leading edge with the telecommunications infrastructure to position this community as a next-generation logistics hub. Several new distribution centers have located here recently.

I ask that you give Lincoln officials the opportunity to meet with Goodyear officials and discuss keeping the operation in Lincoln and, if necessary, compete for the new single structure distribution operation. It is important the city and state have an opportunity to compete to retain this facility.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Coleen J. Seng
Mayor of Lincoln

cc: Todd Turner, General Manager, Goodyear, Lincoln Plant
Hugh Bowen, President, Steelworkers Local #286, Lincoln, Nebraska
Governor Mike Johanns
Frank Hilsabeck, Co-Chair, Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development
Jim Fram, President, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce

Lincoln City Council

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7511, fax 441-7120

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 16, 2004
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831
Ken Smith, City Parking Manager, 441-6097

PRE-PAID PARKING FOR SPRING GAME CLARIFIED
On-line reservations not available

To help those attending the UNL spring football game tomorrow, the parking section of the City Public Works and Utilities Department is offering $5 pre-paid parking at three of its garages:
• Que Place Garage, 1111 “Q” Street
• Market Place Garage, 935 “Q” Street
• Haymarket Garage, 840 “Q” Street

The option to pre-pay through the City web site is not available for the spring game. The on-line service was offered for the first time last season and will be offered again for the 2004 regular season football games.

All other City parking facilities will be open, and normal parking rates will apply. Attendants at the three garages offering pre-paid parking will have information about on-line parking reservations, season parking passes, parking locations and other information for the 2004 Husker football season. Maps and other parking information are available at lincoln.ne.gov or www.parkitdowntown.org or by calling the parking office at 402-441-6472.

University officials expect 60,000 people to attend the spring game, which starts at 12:30 p.m. at Memorial Stadium. Stadium Drive will close at 7 a.m., and the Husker Pavilion will open on that street at 9:30 a.m. The stadium will open at 11 a.m. for general admission seating.

StarTran will offer its Big Red Express service from three locations:
• Westfield Shoppingtown (Gateway), 61st and “O”
• Home Depot, 27th and Cornhusker
• SouthPointe Pavilions, 27th and Pine Lake Road.
Buses will run from 10:30 a.m. to noon from these locations to the stadium. They will leave from the east side of the stadium immediately following the game. The cost is $3 each way for adults and $1 each way for children age 12 and under.
NEWS RELEASE

CITY OF LINCOLN
NEBRASKA

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
555 South 10th, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7548, fax 441-8609

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 16, 2004
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Wayne Teten, Antelope Valley Manager, 441-4939
Jeff Cole, Urban Development, 441-7866

WORKSHOP PLANNED ON ANTELOPE VALLEY PUBLIC ART

The public is invited to participate in a workshop on the inclusion of public art in the Antelope Valley Project from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 20 in the Johnson Gym at Lincoln High School, 2229 “J” Street. Those attending may park in the north and east lots and use the entrance on the east side of the school.

The workshop will begin with an overview of the project. Participants will then meet in break-out sessions to discuss public art opportunities and preferences. Those who plan to attend are asked to RSVP by leaving a message on the Antelope Valley Hotline at 458-5999 or by sending an email message to antelopevalley@oaconsulting.com.

The Antelope Valley Project includes transportation improvements, stormwater management and community revitalization. Partners in the Antelope Valley Project are the City of Lincoln, the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The roadway and flood channel projects will include the construction of 12 bridges and 6.2 miles of new roadway.

Information about the Antelope Valley Project is available on the City web site at lincoln.ne.gov.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 15, 2004
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jim Weverka, Animal Control Manager, 441-7900
                        Kris Johnson, Animal Control Officer, 441-7900

NINE SKUNKS HAVE TESTED POSITIVE FOR RABIES IN LANCASTER COUNTY

There continues to be a high incidence of skunks testing positive for rabies. Seven skunks and one bat from Lincoln have tested positive for rabies thus far. Two positive rabies skunks were found in Southern Lancaster County (Hickman and Hallan) for a total of 9 skunks in Lancaster County. Last year Lancaster County had a total of three skunks, two bats and one goat test positive. Animal Control reminds the public of those symptoms associated with rabies and that caution needs to be taken if a skunk is showing abnormal behavior. Abnormal behavior could include one or more of the following: paralysis, circling, unprovoked aggression, self-mutilation, or tameness. The skunks were found during daylight hours which is also abnormal behavior.

Bruce Dart, Health Director, states “Citizens need to be more cautious this year when a skunk is seen and make sure their pets are vaccinated.” Jim Weverka, Animal Control Manager, would like to remind pet owners, “Don’t let your pets run at large. It increases their chance of having contact with wildlife such as skunks. All animals should be supervised when outside.” Animal Control urges pet owners to contact their veterinarian and find out when their pet’s rabies vaccination expires. Horse owners may want to discuss the issue of vaccination with their equine veterinarian. State regulations require any unvaccinated pet (dog, cat, or ferret) to be placed under observation at a veterinary clinic for 6 months if the pet comes in contact with a rabid animal.

Skunks are beneficial animals which have a hearty appetite for grubs, frogs, insects, mice, and baby rats. A skunk’s defense is the offensive odor which they spray. Not all skunks have rabies, but the potential appears higher this year. Although they are normally nocturnal, they do sometimes forage by day particularly in the spring when they have young and may need extra food. If you observe a sick, disoriented-acting skunk or your pet has had contact with a skunk, contact Animal Control at 441-7900 immediately for assistance.
HEALTH DEPARTMENT ASKS FOR REPORTS OF DEAD BIRDS

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD) is requesting the public’s help in detecting West Nile Virus (WNV) by reporting dead birds beginning April 15. Reporting of dead birds is used to monitor the level of WNV activity in the community. Citizens can help by reporting dead birds to Animal Control at 441-7900. Disposal of the dead bird can be done by reaching inside a plastic bag, then picking up the bird and turning the sack inside out. Tie the sack closed and dispose of it in a garbage container. Wash your hands when done.
April 15, 2004

To: All Physicians, Administrators and Laboratory Personnel

From: Bruce Dart, MS, Health Director

Subject: Physician Advisory

Animal Rabies In Lancaster County

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department has received ten reports of rabies in animals in Lancaster County so far this year. Nine of these reports involved skunks and one involved a bat. None are known to have had contact with humans. Eight of these animals were found within the city limits while two were found in the county. A total of 42 cases of rabies in animals have been reported in the state at this time. The majority of these cases have been in skunks.

With the increase in rabies in non-domesticated animals in Lancaster County and the State, this information can be useful in the decision whether to begin post exposure prophylaxis for rabies on an individual involved in a bite or contact with a non-domesticated animal. Although rabies is uncommon among dogs and cats locally, these animals can have contact with non-domestic animals if allowed to be outdoors and unattended. In the past, bats had been the primary source of animals with rabies in our community, averaging 2-3 positive bats a year.

Post exposure prophylaxis should be considered when direct contact between a human and a bat has occurred, unless the exposed person can be certain a bite, scratch, or mucous membrane exposure did not occur. In these situations, if available the bat should be tested for rabies.

Post exposure prophylaxis should be considered anytime an unprovoked attack by a dog, cat, ferret, skunk, raccoon, foxes, most other carnivores and bats occurs. Bites from squirrels, hamsters, guinea pigs, gerbils, chipmunks, rats, mice, other small rodents, rabbits and hares almost never require post exposure prophylaxis for rabies.

When a bite involves a healthy dog, cat or ferret, the animal should be observed for 10 days. If during the observation period the animal develops
clinical signs of rabies begin post exposure prophylaxis and the animal should be euthanized immediately and tested.

The Department’s Animal Control Program should be contacted anytime an unprovoked animal bite occurs and when an animal involved in a bite cannot be found. The Department can assist in attempting to locate the animal and make a recommendation regarding the need for post exposure prophylaxis for rabies.

Post exposure prophylaxis for rabies should always include administration of both rabies immune globulin (RIG) and rabies vaccine unless patient was previously vaccinated and is known to be immune. RIG is given at the time the first dose of rabies vaccine is administered. RIG is administered by weight at 20 IU/kg body weight. Rabies vaccine consists of 5 doses given in the deltoid muscle on days 0, 3, 7, 14, 28.

Post exposure prophylaxis treatment should be provided through the health care provider or through the local hospital outpatient services. RIG and Rabies vaccine can be accessed through Aventis-Pasteur by calling 1-800-822-2463. Our Department does not maintain a supply of rabies vaccine.

For more information contact: Communicable Disease Program at 441-8053 or Animal Control at 441-7900

**Human Rabies Prevention - United States, 1999 Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) available at the web site listed below.**

http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00056176.htm

**Physician Advisory Available By E-Mail**

Physicians, Advance Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Health-Care and Laboratory Administrators can receive periodic physician advisories by e-mail. Send an e-mail to ttimmons@ci.lincoln.ne.us with your name, type of practitioner (MD, ARNP, PA-C, Administrator, etc.) and location of practice.

PC
Mayor Coleen Seng
Board of Health
Steven Rademacher, M.D., Medical Consultant
Thomas Stalder, M.D., Medical Consultant
James Nora, M.D., Medical Consultant
Joan Anderson, Executive Director, Lancaster County Medical Society
City Council Members  
555 S. 10th Street  
Lincoln, NE  68508

Dear Council:

It’s no secret that kids have great ideas. Camille Duhamel’s idea to save the Coho Salmon earned him the opportunity to be Nebraska’s delegate to the Mutual of Omaha Wild Kingdom Kids’ Summit. Camille is a student at Lux Middle School.

The Wild Kingdom Kids’ Summit puts the creativity of America’s youth to work on behalf of our nation’s endangered animal species, while challenging young people to read, research, write and learn. The reward for their creativity and hard work? An all-expenses-paid trip to San Diego for the Wild Kingdom Kids’ Summit on May 5-7.

Now in its third year, Mutual of Omaha’s Wild Kingdom Kids’ Summit essay contest challenged children ages 9-12 to write an answer to this question: “What threatened or endangered species in North America do you most want to save, and how would you save it.”

More than 5,600 entries were judged by a panel of educators and wildlife conservationists. One child from each state was selected as his or her state’s delegate to the Wild Kingdom Kids’ Summit.

I’m attaching a copy of Camille’s essay on the Coho Salmon so that you can read his great idea.

I know that you’ll want to join with me in congratulating Camille. Might I suggest creating a special proclamation or recognizing Camille at an upcoming City Council meeting?

I am also working on acknowledging Camille in a special assembly at his school. If your schedule permits, I would love to have you join us for this important event so that you can personally recognize one of Lincoln’s outstanding students.

Please feel free to contact me at 465-5888 for further information or if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Michelle Peterson  
Representative  
Mutual of Omaha

Enclosure (1)  
cc:   City Mayor, Coleen Seng
The salmon is one of the most amazing creatures in the sea world. Sadly, one type of salmon is becoming extinct; the name of this salmon is the Coho Salmon. In my essay about these amazing fish I investigate why they are becoming extinct. I would like to work on the Coho Salmon. Because I want to become a fish biologist, the Coho Salmon is important to me.

An adult Coho Salmon can measure more than two feet long and weigh eight pounds. They belong to the family Salmoniade and are one of eight species of Pacific Salmoniade in the genus Oncorhynchus. The Coho Salmon mostly live in the Pacific Northwest. The Coho Salmon spends the first half of his life growing up in streams and in freshwater tributaries. The other half of their life is spent searching for food in estuarine and marine waters. They are anadromous, that means the adults travel from their marine environment back to the freshwater habitat where they were born and they die after spawning the next generation of fish. The Coho Salmon are semelparous; they lay their eggs once and die.

Land use activities like logging, road construction, urban development, mining, and agriculture have greatly changed the Coho Salmon’s habitat quantity and quality. Water use for agriculture, flood control, and sewage treatment has led to habitat changes and has significantly decreased the salmon population. Changes in the natural water flow have changed the “fish community structures,” some examples are the depletion of the flow necessary for salmon migration, spawning, and rearing, and the flushing of sediment from spawning gravel needed for egg development. The construction of hydropower dams on rivers where the Coho Salmon migrate is another important reason leading to the endangerment of the Coho Salmon. By making the water temperature warmer, the dams cause the salmon to die.

To help make the Coho Salmon more abundant, I would work to have some dams removed from key rivers where the Salmon come for spawning, and I would make sure that these rivers are protected areas. There should be more research to find a way to get hydropower without destroying the Salmons’ habitats, including new engineering methods to keep the water temperature from warming. I would like to research the construction of artificial beds for the Coho Salmon to spawn in, so that they don’t have to go near the hydropower dams. Homes and farms should be a specific distance from the rivers where the salmon spawn, so that the fish’s habitat quality is more suitable for them. We could start groups to make everyone more aware of the Coho Salmon. Then, people wouldn’t buy as much salmon, and fishermen would not fish them as much for food. Students could sell buttons at their schools that say “I saved a Coho Salmon today -- how about you?” All of the money from the buttons should be used for improving their habitats and making people more aware by having commercials on TV and ads in newspapers.
739 Glenridge Road  
Lincoln, NE  68512  
April 16, 2004  

City Council Office  
555 S. 10th Street  
Lincoln, NE  68508  

Dear City Council:  

This letter is in regard to the planned project to improve the traffic flow and increase the safety for Warlick, 14th & Old Cheney Road.  

We appreciate that you have a difficult and complex task ahead of you. We would like to ask you to consider in your plans the intersection at Warlick and Creekside Drive, just south of the area under consideration. We believe that safety is and will increasingly become an issue in this area, especially with the projected traffic volumes.  

This intersection is the sole access into our neighborhood and the sole access into Ruskin Place Apartments. There are 67 homes in our neighborhood and 270 apartments at Ruskin Place.  

Listed below are some of the improvements we would like you to consider:  

- **A light at the intersection of Warlick Blvd & Creekside Drive**  
  - As stated before, this is the sole access into our neighborhood and into Ruskin Place Apartments. Perhaps the lights could function similar to the lights at Old Cheney & Norman Road (it remains green unless there is a vehicle waiting on Norman Road).  
  - We have and will have more young drivers in our area in the next couple of years. Personally this worries us and we would hate to see anyone injured or killed at this intersection (of any age).  

- **Try to slow the traffic down before the intersection of Warlick Blvd & Creekside Drive**  
  - Traffic heading North or South on Warlick is traveling very fast (way over the posted speed limit). It is not unusual for us to see the sign telling a vehicles speed hit 60 mph when we are attempting to turn north from Creekside onto Warlick Blvd. Traffic also tends to speed up when heading south, thinking they are headed out of town.  
  - Perhaps flashing lights could be used before this intersection similar to the ones at Warlick and Old Cheney (which by the way that was an excellent idea!)
• Put a turn lane into our neighborhood for vehicles heading south down Warlick Blvd. and attempting to turn right on Creekside.
  ○ There is no bussing for our children who attend Scott Middle School or Southwest High School. We are not sure of the situation for Beatty Elementary school because we do see busses picking up younger children. The school bus sits on the shoulder of Warlick Blvd to pick up riders. This and the fact that the children stand on the side of the road waiting for the bus is a big concern.
  ○ My mother had a car accident last year, she was struck very hard from behind trying to turn into our neighborhood. A turn lane would have prevented this accident.
  ○ You may also want to consider a turn lane into Ruskin Place Apartments as people wanting to turn in when heading north have the same problem.

• Add Sidewalks/Crosswalks to allow for access to bike trails and schools
  ○ There is no safe way for us to gain to access bike trails or for our children to reach their schools. Sidewalks would be very helpful. Currently, we gain access to the bike trails by cutting through Christ’s Place parking lot, crossing Old Cheney and scurrying across Warlick Blvd. (We were almost struck by a car several years ago when trying to navigate this intersection. We were crossing Warlick from West to East and the vehicle was traveling East on Old Cheney, turning North onto Warlick Blvd.)
  ○ It would be wonderful if there where some way to bridge over the intersection.
  ○ Perhaps when someone pushes a crosswalk button, traffic could be stopped in all directions so people can cross safely.

We really hope that you will consider this intersection in your planning. Please feel free to call us at 421-1591 if you have any questions or if we can somehow be helpful in your difficult endeavor.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Don Whelan  Liz Whelan
Sara Friedman
<sfriedman@neb.rr.com>
04/17/2004 08:45 PM

To: County Board <commish@co.lancaster.ne.us>, City Council
    <council@cl.lincoln.ne.us>

cc: 

Subject: why not to listen to recommendations of the Ridge Development attor
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Why You Should Not Accept the Recommendation of the Ridge Development Atto

Any buffer of less than 30 feet on each side of the creek, no matter how small the creek would not be effective for flood management.

* Creek buffers are self-maintaining providing a natural filter for the water.
  * Vegetative buffers maintain lower stream temperatures, which maintains the quality aquatic habitat, including their spawning grounds, and discourages bacterial and algal growth.

**Maintaining 30 feet foot buffers will:**
* Provide the opportunity for a scenic green corridor between neighborhoods, which would provide both recreational opportunities for all ages, and a wildlife corridor.
* Would help a homebuyer know where the zone for the creek is. The smaller creeks tend to meander without the 30-foot buffers.
* Natural green spaces resulting from the building of buffers result in the highlighting of natural green spaces, which in turn would have a higher property value and purchase price. This leads to a win, win situation for the city, the developer, the homeowner.
and those concerned with the watering down of the flood plain ordinance in areas of new growth.

Not to build 30-foot buffers on either side of the creek, would lead to ineffective flood management and would need a detention pond to handle the run off and flood water displacement water.

**The disadvantage of detention ponds are:**
* Not cost effective because they need maintenance; if not maintained the ponds fill with silt.
* When built, using bulldozers, they do not absorb and filter water well, thereby releasing more toxic runoff.
* Sediment build up carries more toxins, chemicals, pesticides, herbicides, oils, and nitrogen.
* The sediment clogs the gills of fish, disrupts their breeding and covers their eggs, thereby preventing the emergence of the young fry.
* Detention ponds raise the temperature of the streams, thus resulting in significant reductions in invertebrates and fish production in the spawning areas, and decreasing the quality of the aquatic habitat, decreasing oxygen content, and promoting bacterial and algal growth.

**Keep in mind:**
* The Army Corps does not closely monitor detention
ponds built a mitigation for filled in creeks- neither for suitability or compliance. Army Corps permits would not even cover many of these creeks.

* In Lincoln, it is common to see water drainage in graded areas that use to be creek beds
DIRECORS’ MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2004
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

Council Members Present: Jon Camp, Chair; Terry Werner, Vice-Chair; Jonathan Cook, Ken Svoboda, Patte Newman, Glenn Friendt, Annette McRoy.

Others Present: Mayor Coleen Seng, Mark Bowen, Ann Harrell, Darl Naumann, Corrie Kielty, Lin Quenzer, 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 Coleen Seng stated to Council that they probably read about the fatality on Sheridan Blvd. and maybe one of the Chiefs want to speak about it.

Mayor Seng stated they had a Building & Safety employee die and his funeral his tomorrow afternoon. Then our former Governor Frank Morrison died this morning. Mayor Seng stated that everyone has been kind of aware that he was failing and that he was really very bad over the weekend.

Mayor Seng stated that they probably all read about the Goodyear Distribution site closing down by the end of the year. She knows that’s not surprising, but yet it is not good when you have that many employees effected. Mayor Seng stated that on their Addendum is a letter that she had written to the CEO.

Mayor Seng stated that Lynn Johnson wants to talk to Council about something that’s tomorrow night and she doesn’t know if the Chiefs want to say anything on the fatality.

Police Chief Casady stated this was the first fatal accident of 2004 in Lincoln. This time last year they had 9 people killed in 8 fatal accidents, last year was the highest record that they’ve had for several decades and this year it is uncommonly low. Chief Casady indicated that this was alcohol related accident, it happened a little bit after bar closing in a southeast bound vehicle on Sheridan Blvd. The driver was killed and the two passengers with minor injuries. Mr. Werner asked Chief Casady if he anticipates that there will be an out cry to lower the speed limit on Sheridan? Chief Casady replied ‘no’, it really had nothing to do with the speed limit. The speed limit is fine on Sheridan that’s not a problem.
Lynn Johnson stated to Council that they should have received invitations to a public meeting tomorrow night from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Lincoln High School in Johnson Gym. This is the public meeting on Developing and the Public Art Master Plan for Antelope Valley. Mr. Johnson handed out more invitations. [Council received copies of the invitation in their “Noon” packets for April 19th.]

Mayor Seng stated that she got calls from some woman in the southwest area that her three block area wasn’t shut in. She got the call later last night on the answering message saying that she has already handled it, she’s talked with Lincoln Plating and they’ll do something different next year. Mayor Seng indicated that she had said that she would talk to a couple of Directors today. Mayor Seng commented to Mr. Cook that she doesn’t know if he got a call about it. Mr. Cook replied ‘no’, he didn’t.

Mayor Seng stated that Jon [Camp] and I were both awakened because one of the garbage haulers seemed to have gotten out ahead of time when they weren’t suppose to be picking up garbage one morning. Mr. Camp replied ‘yes’, did the fellow give you his name. Mayor Seng commented ‘no’. Mayor Seng stated that it was 5:23 a.m. in her time and she read Jon’s [Camp] E-Mail and it was 5:11 a.m. for him. Mayor Seng stated that it’s her understanding that hauler is not a member of the Haulers Association and she thinks they’ve had trouble with them before. Mr. Camp commented now the City Ordinance says 6:00 a.m. Lin Quenzer replied ‘yes’. Mr. Camp commented what they have is a report that Von Busch were out about 5:00 a.m. in the morning.

II. CITY CLERK

City Clerk Joan Ross stated that Items 3 & 4 [Application of Granite City Food & Brewery for a Class C (on-sale & off-sale beer, wine, spirits) and Class L (brew pub) liquor license at 6150 “O” Street; and Manager application of Barry J. Pointer for Granite City Food & Brewery at 6150 “O” Street] will be called together.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated on Item 7 [Approving the transfer of unspent and unencumbered appropriations and cash between capital improvement projects within the Public Works & Utilities Department, Urban Development Department, and Parks & Recreation Department and designating the funding source for street projects to be funded from the recent issuance of Highway Allocation Bonds in FY 04/05 and transferring dollars made available to those projects to other street projects within the Department of Public Works & Utilities] there’s a Motion-To-Amend.
City Clerk Joan Ross stated in regards to Item 13 [Authorizing Glenn Friendt dba Dish to occupy a portion of the public right-of-way at 1100 “O” Street for use as a sidewalk café] she received a request from the applicants attorney to withdraw this sidewalk café application.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council as they know for Item 14 [Amending Title 12 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to Parks by adding a new Chapter 12.22, Enhanced Median, Roundabout, and Cul-de-sac Center Island Landscaping, to provide conditions for the placement of enhanced landscaping in median roundabout and cul-de-sac center island area by an abutting property owner] they do have the Substitute Ordinance and just a reminder there’s a Motion-To-Amend on the original ordinance.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated for Items 19, 20 & 21 [Approving a lease agreement between the City and U.S. Cellular to locate telecommunications facilities in the City Park property located at 3403 W. Van Dorn Street; Approving a lease agreement between the City and U.S. Cellular to locate telecommunications facilities at 4375 S. 33rd Court; and Approving a lease agreement between the City and U.S. Cellular to locate telecommunications facilities in the City Park property located at 3761 Normal Blvd.] would it be appropriate to call these three items together, since they are all the same applicant. Mr. Cook commented ‘well’ these items are on “1st Reading” today. City Clerk Joan Ross commented ‘oh’ yes, sorry, they’ll come up next time.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated that she handed out the “Miscellaneous Referral Sheet” to Council, which is pretty routine.

Mr. Cook stated that in regards to Item 5 [Change of Zone 04014 - Amending Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code by amending Section 27.31.030 to delete the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on and off the premises as permitted uses; by amending Section 27.31.040 to add said uses as permitted conditional uses and to provide conditions of approval in the B-2 Planned Neighborhood Business District; by amending Section 27.37.020 to delete the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on and off the premises as permitted uses; by amending Section 27.37.025 to add said uses as permitted conditional uses and to provide conditions of approval in the B-5 Planned Regional Business District] there are a lot of things that came up at Planning Commission. One of them was this different interpretation of parking and they haven’t presented them with an amendment at this time or have they settled that issue. Marvin Krout stated to Mr. Cook ‘no’, he was going to update them on it. Mr. Krout stated the Planning staff and the applicant did meet together over the last couple of weeks to try to
work out some language changes, but he didn’t attend directly and so if he has specific questions Ray [Hill] can help him. Mr. Krout stated that they really don’t have a good definition for what adjacent means in this case and what facing means and as a result the staff’s concern at the Planning Commission Meeting was the interpretation of where this parking set back would occur. The applicant basically was saying that in the B-2/B-5 district they’re different because their suburban character and their different relationships and so a different set of rules could be applied for alcohol sales establishments vs. other kinds of location. The staff generally agreed, but as this was going forward they didn’t reach an agreement on the wording because the narrow interpretation, which is the one that would hold for what an adjacent means, it’s the extension of the building itself in the direction of the residential districts. So, as soon as you move outside of what would be the extension of the outside perimeter of the building than there would be no parking set back even though more than likely the parking would extend beyond the perimeter of the building. Mr. Krout stated the word facing also doesn’t have a definition, so if you’re not exactly 90 degrees, but you’re 85 degrees or 80 degrees are you directly facing and he thinks that a literal interpretation is ‘no’ you’re not directly facing. Mr. Krout indicated that there could be some debate about it, he suppose as the building permit came in they wanted to try to clarify it and they wanted to try to clarify it to provide more protection for the adjoining residents, but they weren’t able to reach an agreement on some specific wording for it. He thinks this is wording that they’d like to go back to and have more of an update on the plan to try to clarify lots of definitions, but at this point, he would say the staff is satisfied with the recommendation that was provided to them by the Planning Commission. Mr. Krout stated they don’t have any suggestive alternatives and they would suggest that they go along at least for now with the Planning Commission’s recommendation. Mr. Cook commented okay, there was the question over what the word perpendicular uses and he was inclined to delete it. Mr. Cook commented to Mr. Krout that they don’t have the definition of facing, but they do use it in lots of other ordinances. Mr. Krout said ‘yes’ they do and that’s why he says it’s a more general kind of issue that they need to address and the same with the adjacent.

Mr. Cook noted there was a mistake as a staff report regarding Parks that said there was a Substitute Ordinance when they passed the previous changed liquor permit because it had trails, but they didn’t actually ever do anything with it. They passed it as given to them by the Planning Commission. Marvin Krout stated that’s right. Mr. Cook commented so this would provide that exemption and the other ordinance does not. Mr. Krout stated that’s right.
III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE

JONATHAN COOK

1. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/Urban Development Department/LES - RE: C Street rehab, burying lines (RFI#111 - 3/24/04). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM TERRY BUNDY, LES RECEIVED ON RFI#111 - 4/12/04. — Mr. Cook stated that he received a response back on this RFI (#111) from Terry Bundy, which he sent to three departments: Public Works, Urban Development and LES. Mr. Cook stated that he thinks the LES response probably is all that is needed, so it can be removed from the Agenda. Tammy Grammer stated to Mr. Cook okay.

2. Letter from Jonathan Cook to Senator Beutler - RE: LB 1083, Mental Health Services Bill, up for final vote. — Mr. Cook noted this item was an FYI for Council members and asked if it will be removed from the Agenda. Tammy Grammer replied ‘yes’.

ANNETTE McROY

1. Request to Public Works & Utilities Department/Lancaster County Engineering - RE: Future plans for NW 4th 48th Street (RFI#147 - 3/18/04). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM RANDY HOSKINS, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#147 - 3/26/04. — NO COMMENTS


PATTE NEWMAN

1. Request to Ernie Castillo, Wynn Hjermstad, Marc Wullschleger, Urban Development Department/Terry Bundy, LES/Allan Abbott, Public Works & Utilities Director/Mike DeKalb, Marvin Krout, Planning Department/Lynn Johnson, Parks & Recreation Director - RE: Signs or banners identifying individual neighborhoods - (For Witherbee and Eastridge area) - (RFI#20 - 3/24/04). — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM TERRY BUNDY, LES RECEIVED ON RFI#20 - 4/12/04. — NO COMMENTS
GLENN FRIENDT


JON CAMP

1. Letter from Phanetta Ball to Jon Camp - RE: How wonderful it is to get a full night’s sleep! - not hearing a dumb noisy machine, awaking me! — NO COMMENTS

2. E-Mail from Larry Clinton Jr. to Jon Camp - RE: The Mockingbird Lane Sewer Water & Paving districts. — NO COMMENTS

3. 2 - E-Mail’s from Tom Riley, The Flatwater Group, Inc. to Jon Camp w/response from Jon Camp - RE: Straight Talk. — NO COMMENTS

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: 17th Annual Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Environmental Awards. — NO COMMENTS

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Diazinon Pesticide Found Particularly Dangerous To Children. — NO COMMENTS

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

1. Memo from Lynn Johnson - RE: CIP fund transfers. — NO COMMENTS

PLANNING

1. Letter from Becky Horner to Brian D. Carstens and Associates - RE: Northern Lights Townhomes Final Plat #04036. — NO COMMENTS
PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

1. Letter from Allan Abbott to Chuck Fricki, Information Technology Inc. and Tom Duden, Design Data Corporation - RE: Expressed their concern that the intersection proposed for 14th & Old Cheney would cause an influx of traffic into this area. — NO COMMENTS

2. Memo & Material from Steve Masters - RE: Follow-up to Pre-Council – The Theresa St. and Northeast Wastewater Treatment Plants - (See Material) (Copy of this Material is on file in the City Council Office). — NO COMMENTS

REAL ESTATE DIVISION

1. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of South 22nd Street at Wesley Drive. — NO COMMENTS

2. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of north 10 feet of Q Street adjacent to Lots 7, 8, & 9, Block 30, Original Plat. — NO COMMENTS

3. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas - RE: Vacation of South 43rd Street south of Sumner Street. — NO COMMENTS

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. 3 E-Mail’s from Sonny Wikoff; Jennifer Bremer; Amber Petersen; - RE: Coaches Bar & Grill - (Council received their copies of this E-Mail on 4/12/04). — NO COMMENTS

2. E-Mail from Louis P. Beau - RE: Please fix South 27th Street — NO COMMENTS

3. Letter from The Nebraska Liquor Control Commission to Duane L. Hartman, President, DLH, Inc. - RE: “Coaches Sports Bar & Grill”, 640 W. Prospector Court - Please be advised that due to a rehearing upon your application for license having been held by the Lincoln City Council and a recommendation of approval being made, the hearing scheduled for April 23rd has been cancelled. — NO COMMENTS
IV. DIRECTORS

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT - Lynn Johnson stated to Council just a clarification under “Ordinances-1st Reading” they have addresses, but they don’t have locations and he thought maybe if they had locations it might help. Mr. Johnson stated that Item 19 [Approving a lease agreement between the City and U.S. Cellular to locate telecommunications facilities in the City Park property located at 3403 W. Van Dorn Street] is a proposal for a cell tower at Pioneers Golf Course. Item 20 [Approving a lease agreement between the City and U.S. Cellular to locate telecommunications facilities at 4375 S. 33rd Court] is a proposal for an additional cell tower at Star City Shores and Item 21 [Approving a lease agreement between the City and U.S. Cellular to locate telecommunications facilities in the City Park property located at 3761 Normal Blvd.] is a proposal to replace one of the ballfield lights at Elks field for the south tower. Mr. Camp asked Mr. Johnson if he anticipates any objections to any of them. Mr. Johnson stated that each of these have been reviewed by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, the Urban Design Committee and at the Neighborhood Meeting. So to his knowledge, he doesn’t think there’s any opposition to any of them, but certainly somebody could show up.

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

ANNETTE McROY - NO COMMENTS

TERRY WERNER - NO COMMENTS

GLENN FRIENDT - NO COMMENTS

PATTE NEWMAN

Ms. Newman stated that she would like to speak to Nicole [Fleck-Tooze] after the Directors’ Meeting today.

JONATHAN COOK

Mr. Cook stated that he would like to talk to Lynn Johnson after the Directors’ Meeting today.
Mr. Camp adjourned the meeting at this time. - [Approximately at 11:24 a.m.]

**ADDENDUM - (For April 19th)**

I. **MAYOR**

1. Letter from Mayor Seng to Robert J. Keegan, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company - RE: Goodyear announcing it will move its Global Distribution Center from Lincoln to an undisclosed location. — Mayor Seng mentioned this letter during her comments to Council under “I. Mayor”. (See that discussion)

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Pre-Paid Parking For Spring Game Clarified - On-line reservations not available. — NO COMMENTS

3. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Workshop Planned On Antelope Valley Public Art, — NO COMMENTS

II. **CITY CLERK - NONE**

III. **CORRESPONDENCE**

A. **COUNCIL REQUESTS - NONE**

B. **DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Nine Skunks Have Tested Positive For Rabies In Lancaster County. — NO COMMENTS

2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Health Department Asks For Reports Of Dead Birds. — NO COMMENTS
3. Physician Advisory - RE: Animal Rabies In Lancaster County. — NO COMMENTS

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Letter from Michelle Peterson, Mutual of Omaha - RE: Camille Duhamel’s idea to save the Coho Salmon earned him the opportunity to be Nebraska’s delegate to the Mutual of Omaha Wild Kingdom Kids’ Summit - Camille is a student at Lux Middle School. — NO COMMENTS

2. Letter from Don & Liz Whelan - RE: The planned project to improve the traffic flow and increase the safety for Warlick, 14th & Old Cheney Road. — NO COMMENTS

3. E-Mail from Sara Friedman - RE: Why you should not accept the recommendations of the Ridge Development Attorney. — NO COMMENTS

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 11:24 a.m.