AGENDA FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS’ “NOON” MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2004
Immediately Following Directors’ Meeting
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MINUTES

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES
1. Impact Fee Reimbursement for Economic Development Meeting (Friendt)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS
1. E.N. Thompson Forum On World Issues - Tuesday, April 27, 2004 at 3:30 p.m. - The Thomas Borstelmann lecture “America and its Enemies” - at the Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th Street - Pre-forum talk - 3:00 p.m., Steinhart Room - (See Invitation)

2. Laramie River Station (LRS) Generation Facility Tour (Wheatland, Wyoming) - Plans are to charter a plan and visit the plant on Thursday, May 6, 2004 - (Schedule leave from Lincoln early in the morning and return late afternoon or early evening - Consider the trip to be an all day event) - RSVP to Mary Tomlinson at 473-3202 by April 28th or E-Mail. - (See Letter of Invitation)

3. Ground Breaking Ceremony for CenterPointe on Thursday, May 6, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. at 2601 “P” Street - (If it rains it will be held at CenterPointe, 1000 South 13th) - (See Invitation)
4. The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce invites you to attend the following Ribbon Cuttings: - Please RSVP to Jaime Henning at 436-2354 or E-Mail:
   A.) Samurai Sam’s Teriyaki Grill, 230 N. 17th Street on Monday, April 26, 2004 at 3:00 p.m.
   B.) Lincoln Turf & Tractor, 1050 Saltillo Road (Near Rod’s Power Sports) on Friday, April 30, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

5. The Lincoln Police Department will recognize our fallen officers in a Memorial service on the front steps of the Hall of Justice - on Monday, May 10, 2004 at 11:30 a.m. - This Memorial Service begins Law Enforcement Memorial Week - (refreshments following the ceremony in the commons area at LPD). - (See Invitation)

VI. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

VII. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT
ADDTENDUM
AGENDA
COUNCIL MEMBERS' MEETING
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COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES - NONE

MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - NONE

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENTS - NONE

MAYOR'S REQUEST TO COUNCIL - NONE

MISCELLANEOUS -

1. Budget Office will discuss Upcoming Budget Schedule.
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Council Members Present: Jon Camp, Chair; Terry Werner, Vice-Chair; Jonathan Cook, Glenn Friendt, Annette McRoy, Patte Newman, Ken Svoboda; ABSENT: None

Others Present: Mark Bowen, Ann Harrell, Corrie Kielty, Mayor’s Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Joan Ray, Council Secretary; Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Members’ Camp, Friendt and Svoboda; Nate Jenkins, Lincoln Journal Star representative.

I. MINUTES


Chair Camp requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Ken Svoboda moved approval of the minutes, as presented, by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Terry Werner and carried by unanimous consensus of the Council Members.

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

1. IMPACT FEE REIMBURSEMENT FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEETING (Friendt) Mr. Friendt was unable to attend the meeting - No Report

OTHER MEETINGS - None

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - Ms. Kielty stated that Council had one appointment to review on today’s Agenda. That is the appointment of Tami C. Soper to the Lincoln-Lancaster Women’s Commission for a two-year term expiring March 1, 2006. She is formerly Tami Robinson, the Director of the Malone Center. She was on the Parks & Rec Board, but the City has had a number of contracts with the Malone Center, so she went off of the Parks & Rec Board and expressed a desire to serve on the Women’s Commission. That is why she is up for appointment now. Ms. Keilty noted that Bonnie [Coffey] is on vacation, so if Council has questions or there are friends who show up to talk about the Women’s Commission, Ms. Kielty would make herself available for the public hearing.

Mr. Werner asked who made the appointment selections to the Women’s Commission. Ms. Kielty answered that Bonnie makes suggestions, as everyone else has the opportunity to do, but it is the Mayor who makes the appointment.
Ms. McRoy asked if the Executive Committee of the Women’s Commission didn’t actually go out and recruit people, then support the names to Bonnie who then forwards them to the Mayor. Ms. Kielty noted that they do. She added that Bonnie probably gets more names than any of the Committees on which Ms. Kielty has served - and those names come from a great background of diversity within the City. Ms. Kielty noted that Bonnie does a lot of recruiting - she seems to know everybody.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - Mr. Bowen introduced Mr. Steve Hubka to discuss the Budget Schedule (as noted on the Addendum). Council discussed the possible schedule options and, (rather than changing a scheduled Night Meeting which might have been done so that the Mayor could deliver her State of the City Address during the day at a 1:30 p.m. meeting; and to reserve a couple of extra hours for Department Budget Hearings) reached the following decisions:

Regarding the Budget Hearings: The proposed July 12th Hearing Dates (except for those scheduled in the morning), were cancelled to accommodate Terry Werner’s schedule. It was determined that the July 6th Common hearings would stand as scheduled from 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. The remainder of the City Department Budget Hearings were scheduled for July 7th from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Regarding the June Night Meeting: It was determined that, (rather than changing another Night Meeting date but still allowing Council to accommodate the Mayor’s request for a day time presentation of her State of the City Address), on June 28th the Council would hear the Budget presentation at approximately 3:00 p.m. and then the Mayor would offer the State of the City Address immediately following (approximately 4:00 p.m.) After this, the Formal Council Meeting would go on, as scheduled, at 5:30 p.m. on June 28th. [This schedule was tentatively proposed, pending the Mayor’s approval].

V. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Noted Without Significant Comment.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS - None

ADDENDUM:

1. Budget Office will discuss Upcoming Budget Schedule. - See Discussion under “Requests of Council from Mayor”

VII. COUNCIL MEMBERS -

JON CAMP - No Further Comments

JONATHAN COOK - No Further Comments

GLENN FRIENDT - No Further Comments

ANNETTE MCROY - No Further Comments
PATTE NEWMAN - Ms. Newman offered a brief comment on the Note Passing discussion brought forward by Mr. Svoboda under his Comments (see below).

KEN SVOBODA - Mr. Svoboda requested a brief discussion about the policy regarding the amount of “stuff” that comes across the dais prior to the Formal Meetings. He would like to have... as he noted it used to be when he first came on Council...everything that did not make it into the Thursday packet, go into the manila Office folder and he would pick up the folder from the rack in the Council Office, as opposed to having it at the dais.

His second proposal was to eliminate all of the Note and Material Passing [between Council Members and from Staff bringing in messages] that goes on during the Formal Council Meetings, because he felt these practices were disruptive to the conducting of the meeting in a smooth and professional manner. People don’t know what it is that we’re passing along and consequently constituents are asking what it is the Council Members are passing amongst themselves at the meeting. It just leads the general public to wonder what Council Members are doing up there passing these little notes.

There was some discussion on these issues with Staff explaining the usual procedures and the reasons behind them. It was agreed that Council Members would pick-up their own Office folders prior to the Formal Council meetings if they chose to do so. If not, then Staff would continue to bring the folders to the Council Members at the dais to ensure that all Council Members had any last minute information received from the public prior to any decision being made regarding Agenda Items.

The Staff will now place the normally “routed” materials in the Council Office for Council Members’ review, rather than placing them in the Office Folders to avoid placing Council Members in a situation where they would be tempted to pass the materials along when Council was sitting in session.

The issue of materials handed out by the Public to the Council Members during public hearing was deemed to be out of Staff’s control and Council Members would handle such input individually.

TERRY WERNER - No Further Comments

MARK BOWEN - No Further Comments

ANN HARRELL - No Further Comments

CORRIE KIELTY - No Further Comments

DANA ROPER - No Further Comments

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately 12:25 p.m.