

**AGENDA FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2004
CONFERENCE ROOM 113**

I. MINUTES

- *1. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of September 20, 2004.
- 2. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of September 20, 2004.

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

- *1. Joint Budget Committee Meeting (McRoy/Werner)
- 2. Internal Liquor Committee Meeting (McRoy/Newman/Svoboda)
- 3. PRT Meeting (Newman)
- 4. Downtown Lincoln BID Association Meeting (Werner)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. Discussion regarding the Council Retreat for either November 3rd or November 10th.
- 2. Discussion regarding Agenda Items for the November 1st, 2004 Joint LPS/City/County Meeting to be held in Conference Room 113 at 7:30 a.m. on 11-01-04.
- 3. Discussion Regarding Council Members' preferences and needs regarding "File Folder" materials under the new "paperless" system.

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

1. 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.) Benefit Management, 7130 S. 29th Street, Suite G on Wednesday, October 13, 2004 at 4:00 p.m.
 - B.) Reliv/Denise Want, 1135 "M" Street (3rd Floor) at the Chamber offices (Piedmont Room) up front by desk on Thursday, October 21, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.

2. You are cordially invited to attend the official groundbreaking of The Arbors - A Madonna-Legacy Memory Care Community on Tuesday, October 5, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. at the site of the new facility adjacent to the Legacy Terrace, 58th & Colfax Streets - RSVP by Oct. 4th to Jean Hartnett at 486-9045 or E-Mail - (See Invitation)

3. 12th Annual "Freedom Breakfast" on Friday, January 14, 2005 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. (Doors open at 7:00 a.m.) At the Embassy Suites - RSVP by Nov. 19, 2004 -(See Invitation)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

***HELD OVER FROM SEPTEMBER 27, 2004.**

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING
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Council Members Present: Terry Werner, Chair; Ken Svoboda, Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Glenn Friendt, Annette McRoy, Patte Newman; ABSENT: None

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

I MINUTES

1. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of September 20, 2004.
2. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of September 20, 2004.

Mr. Werner requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Ken Svoboda moved approval of the minutes as presented. Patte Newman seconded the motion which carried by unanimous consent of the Council Members.

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

1. JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE (McRoy/Werner) Ms. McRoy reported that they had gone over the Keno Prevention Guidelines that had also been discussed at the Common meeting. The discussion had been on what to do with the agency proposals that did not get funded by one of the elected boards. There had also been an update on the \$5.00 Low Income Bus Pass program, which Mr. McRoy felt was going well.
2. INTERNAL LIQUOR COMMITTEE (McRoy/Newman/Svoboda) Mr. Svoboda reported that the meeting had been held last week. There wasn't a lot of new discussion...just updates. There was a report from Linda Major on the progress that is being made with the neighborhoods in working with the Police Department and the University.
3. PRT (Newman) Ms. Newman reported that the meeting had consisted of mostly reports and updates on the various houses and properties under investigation.
4. DOWNTOWN LINCOLN B.I.D. ASSOCIATION (Werner) Mr. Werner reported that they had talked about the Harris Over-pass and the timing for that project. Schemmer and Associates, and Karl Frederickson made the presentation. That will be a very important issue. There are lots of ideas and this is a very important entrance into the City of Lincoln. Mr. Werner felt there was concern that this project be well done and that it make a statement to the people coming into Lincoln - as well as to the people on West "O" - offering some "connectivity" between

the two areas. He reported that there had been discussion about hoping that it could possibly be a shorter bridge, which might mean some moving of railroad lines. The biggest concern in that regard was Amtrak, because the discussion was about shortening it on the east side; but they're actually thinking about shortening it on the west side...so there are some complications there.

Mr. Werner reported that they had also talked about the B.I.D. year-end report. He noted that if Council Members had any questions regarding that report, they could call him.

OTHER MEETINGS - Ms. Newman reported on the NU Directions update. She had a copy for all of the Council Members. Mr. Werner noted that each of them had received copies of the update.

Mr. Werner reported that he and Mr. Camp had attended the I-80 Corridor Meeting at S.A.C. Mr. Camp commented that it had been a great meeting with good representation from both Omaha and Lincoln, noting that the Mayor was there for awhile, too. Mr. Camp reported that the latter part of the presentation had some very basic future planning ideas for the I-80 Corridor. Mr. Werner agreed that it had been a good experience for everyone involved.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - Ms. Kiely distributed material showing Appointments/Reappointments through the month of December. [Attached]

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - Mr. Bowen indicated that what he wished to discuss would be brought forward under the "MISCELLANEOUS" portion of this Agenda.

V. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Noted Without Significant Comment

VI. MISCELLANEOUS -

1. Discussion regarding the Council Retreat for either November 3rd or November 10th. After considerable discussion, (which included the possibility of designating a portion of the meeting as a Pre-Budget discussion as ground work for the Budget Retreat scheduled for December of this year), and much individual calendar reading, the Council scheduled the Council Office Direction and Growth Comp Plan meeting for Thursday, November 18th, from 1-4:00 p.m. at the Apothecary Loft in the Haymarket. (Council decided that there would be no inclusion of Pre-Budget issues, which would instead be addressed at the Joint Omaha/Lincoln Council Meeting traditionally held in November prior to the Council's Formal December Budget Retreat)

2. Discussion regarding Agenda Items for the November 1st, 2004 Joint LPS/City County Meeting to be held at 7:30 a.m. in Conference Room 113 on Monday, November 1, 2004. Council Member Friendt mentioned offering for discussion the possibility of setting up an Interlocal Agreement between the City and LPS in a plan to provide on-going maintenance for Cooper Park. He would verify this Agenda Item after he had received Lynn Johnson's response to an inquiry Mr. Friendt had submitted earlier. Ms. Newman suggested that there be an update on the funding for the ambulances at highschool sporting events. Council concurred that this would be an issue they would like to have discussed.

Other Council Members noted that they would submit any additional Agenda Items to Council Staff prior to October 15th.

3. Discussion Regarding Council Members' preferences and needs regarding "File Folder" materials under the new "paperless" system. Council Members agreed that they would prefer to have those former file folder items forwarded to them as the items came in. It was determined that the Planning Department would continue to send hard copies of their Agendas to be sent out with Council Members' file folder materials.

Everyone agreed that the paperless packet concept was an appropriate step in streamlining office procedures.

VII. COUNCIL MEMBERS -

JON CAMP - No Further Comments

JONATHAN COOK - No Further Comments

GLENN FRIENDT - Mr. Friendt asked Mr. Roper if there might be an easy way for him to have his vote on Item Seven on last weeks Agenda changed. Items Six and Seven had been called together for public hearing, When the vote was taken, Mr. Friendt thought that the items had been called together for the vote as well. He had wanted to vote "no" on Item 7 (04R-255 - Water Use Rate Changes). Since he was in the majority, he intended to ask for re-consideration. However, he asked Mr. Roper if there was a parliamentary way to change his vote without going through all this "rigamarole"?

Mr. Roper noted that it would require a motion to reconsider to do that, but he requested some time in which he could check the rules - to be sure. He thought it was probably too late for Mr. Friendt to take a "Mulligan" on it and say that he wanted to do 'other' than what he had appeared to do. Mr. Roper thought the process would have to be accomplished through the "reconsideration" process.

Mr. Cook noted that with reconsideration, the vote would have to be taken the following week. He wondered if the timing would effect the rate implementation. It was asked if the minutes could not be 'corrected' to indicate the vote change. Mr. Roper said that there was something in the rules that might cover that. He would check into it for Council.

ANNETTE McROY - No Further Comments

PATTE NEWMAN - No Further Comments

KEN SVOBODA - No Further Comments

TERRY WERNER - Mr. Werner requested Staff to check with I.S. to see why his Notes messages were not being forwarded to his personal e-mail address. Staff did so on October 4th and I.S. indicated that they will see to it that those messages are forwarded. However, I.S. personnel warned that the messages would not be retained in the Notes system when they were forwarded to the personal e-mail address.

Mr. Werner commented on the Request from LES for a Pre-Council in response to Mr. Cook's RFI. After discussion, it was determined by Council to review the written material LES would be sending before they made a decision as to whether or not a pre-council would be necessary. LES was informed of this decision on October 5th, 2004.

Mr. Werner asked if any of the Council Members knew anything about the Amendment One Resolution? He asked if anyone had a desire to bring forward such a resolution. Mr. Camp offered that the Amendment One legislation would allow a lower County assessment on Historical properties. He noted that it would help in encouraging re-development of older properties by having a lower tax rate on them.

Ms. Harrell commented that Mr. Ed Zimmer, the City's Historical Preservation Officer, would provide the Council with something in writing to explain what Amendment One actually encompasses. Council agreed that this would be helpful. Ms. Kielty noted that the Amendment would allow the Legislature to set those amounts - so there is no amount set right now. Mr. Werner asked what the City's position was on this legislation. Mayoral staff indicated that the Mayor supports it. Discussion continued briefly with a final decision being made to have Mr. Roper draft a resolution and next week Council would discuss the draft at their "Noon" Meeting.

MARK BOWEN - No Further Comments

ANN HARRELL - No Further Comments

CORRIE KIELTY - No Further Comments

DANA ROPER - No Further Comments

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately 12.02 p.m.

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