

**AGENDA FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2005
CONFERENCE ROOM 113**

I. MINUTES

1. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of October 31, 2005.
2. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of October 31, 2005.
3. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - RE: Emerald Request for Lincoln Water - October 31, 2005.

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

1. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Cook)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS -

1. Lincoln Police Department's -Citizen Academy Graduation & Awards Ceremony on Thursday, November 10, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at Embassy Suites Hotel - (See Invitation)
2. The Downtown Lincoln Association, Historic Haymarket and Updowntowners - Downtown Forum Luncheon on Thursday, November 17, 2005 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at The Cornhusker Marriott, Lancaster 4, 5 & 6 - Cost \$12.00 per person - RSVP by Nov. 14th - (See Invitation)

3. Now it's time to honor her with the naming of Helen Boosalis Trail - Program & ceremonial tree planting on Sunday, November 13, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. - near 38th & Hwy 2 - Reception immediately following at Trinity Baptist Church, 38th & LaSalle Street - (See Invitation)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Council Members Present: Ken Svoboda, Chair; Patte Newman, Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Dan Marvin; Annette McRoy, Robin Eschliman.

Others Present: Mark Bowen, Ann Harrell, Rick Hoppe, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff and Deena Winter, Lincoln Journal Star Representative.

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Chair Ken Svoboda, by acclamation of the Chair, approved the minutes. No objections were offered, the minutes were approved as presented.

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

1. **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Cook)** — Mr. Cook stated he had some discussion with the Board Chair about his communication with the Council on what all he reports to them. He tries to update Council on what went on in the meetings and so he wants to make sure to do that today.
Mr. Cook reported there is an item that will be coming before Council regarding the acceptance of 9 acres of land south of Phillip E. Mendoza Park. The Board discussed this issue and no position was taken at the meeting, but about two months ago at the Retreat, however, they did discuss this and take a position. That there's been land offered to the City the 9 acres and the folks who are offering it want to name it Herizen Park and the Board has concluded that is not in compliance with our naming guidelines. So, it was recommended they not do it that it would be confusing because they actually wanted to separate names for two different parts plus it is a different name than the park next door which this is not the kind of thing that they think is appropriate naming. Mr. Cook indicated the Parks Board may have more comments at the public hearing when this comes up.

They discussed putting in an Urban Archery Range at Boosalis Park. There would be no commitment from the City for any money they would just provide land for construction of an archery range.

The Board voted in support of declaring 17 acres surplus at West Van Dorn Street & Coddington Avenue, to the Sesostris Shrine for development of a community center at that site. The City held meetings with the West A Neighborhood Association and the Yankee Hill Neighborhood Association and they are both in support of this project. Noting, he attended the West "A" Neighborhood Association Meeting. The Parks Department believes it is large enough to put in the facilities that they have a community park which you can't put in Pioneers Park because it is not appropriate for ball fields. So, he's been thinking of putting ballfields and potentially someday a pool there and the money from that would go to the Greenway along the South Beltway.

They voted in favor of declaring 2 acres surplus at 27th & Old Cheney Road and so they might find some alternate uses for it. This could help them pay for some other park land or perhaps also could go partly to the South Beltway Greenway.

Regarding Rounds & Revenue, rounds are up 2%. Revenue is down some from last year due to the fact that membership sales are not being offered this year.

The Infrastructure Committee has been talking about a number of things. They've been discussing making some changes in the kinds of recommendations for the facilities they need, how many acres they need for community parks, whether that should be larger than what they've got, and do they need another regional park that will go with the Stevens Creek with its building. Right now, they are looking at the possibility of do they have additional pool needs, and of course these are just issues of addressing what kind of infrastructure needs as the City grows. Some of these things would probably make changes to the Comprehensive Plan and those things will go through the Parks Board for recommendations and so it will be sometime before they get those recommendations. But, the Infrastructure Committee is definitely working along and he thinks they've got a huge job because there are so many funding needs, so it's too early to see how that is coming out.

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS: -

Mr. Svoboda reported they had the Innovation Zone Commission Meeting last Friday morning. They are still in the visionary stage of what their focus is going to be and whether they are truly visionary from an economic development stand point. What they are looking at doing at their January meeting is doing a bus tour. One of the things that Jon (Camp) suggested at the meeting was that they do something similar to what was done with the Antelope Valley and with floodplain where they did more with virtual reality type of look so they are looking into it. Doing the bus tour is just the ability for them to be able to actually drive the corridor and look at everything from a stand point of infrastructure, zoning, get the interest from the local prospective as to what their vision is and what their jurisdiction is out there. So, they will have experts on the bus giving them highlights and then they're looking at bringing in a facilitator that would help them get the global perspective in place and that's possibly at their February meeting so he will keep everybody informed. Mr. Svoboda noted there will be no meeting in December.

Mr. Svoboda reported the Governor's Summit was in the afternoon which is completely separate from what the Innovation Zone is doing. There were a number of different perspectives shared that afternoon and was well attended. The University made a presentation about the different aspects that their working on currently; the Insurance Industry with some of their interests, Bob Segal's presentation on marketing. Ms. Eschliman commented she thought it was good to see so many Lincoln people attend because it showed that they do care.

Ms. McRoy stated she attended the Harris Overpass Meeting and as they all know the Mayor made a decision regarding phasing. Now they are working on exhibit concerns, arch, structural arch, no arch, suspension bridges, some kind of galvanized weather protective that will tint or just plain concrete and so now they're looking at these type of concerns. They will not meet again until February. Noting, she has a summary that she will make copies of for them by Thursday.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS -

Rick Hoppe noted to Council that they have a lot of Reappointments and Appointments on their Agenda today to be voted on next week and that should take care of them for December.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR -

Mark Bowen stated he wanted to let Council know that they're scheduled for "K" Street and Ann Harrell will explain. Ann Harrell stated as fair as she knows, introduction on November 14th, and Public Hearing would follow on the 28th because there is no meetings on the 21st.

Mark Bowen commented in the absence of Joan Ray the departments have begin to notice a lot of e-mails from Council some repetitive from different members of Council. So, he thinks they are vising them to treat them all as Requests For Information (RFI's) and tried to get the answers down to all of them because they seem to have similar questions on different days. So, the departments are going to respond with one and copy all of them on the response maybe that will cut off some of the additional e-mails that do come in. Ms. McRoy commented Tammy (Grammer) did the RFI's not Joan (Ray). Mr. Bowen replied okay, well, he thinks what the departments are recognizing is that other Council members are also asking similar kinds of questions. Mr. Bowen stated on their end, they will respond back to everybody so they will know what is going on. Mr. Svoboda questioned so Council don't have to do anything more on their side that departments are just going to respond differently. Mr. Bowen replied that's correct, he thinks that would be easier for departments. Mr. Cook commented department heads need to be sensitive to the possibility that some Requests For Information maybe private for that Council Member. Such as maybe their thinking of proposing legislation and they want to just find out some additional information first, and if they don't want that information to go to all the other Council Members, it is not necessarily appropriate to e-mail back a response to everybody when only one Council Member requests something. Mr. Svoboda stated he thinks it would be appropriate for each individual Council Member to express their concerns that they don't want a response to everybody, otherwise, they will assume that it does go to everybody.

MARK BOWEN - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

ANN HARRELL - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

RICK HOPPE - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

DANA ROPER, City Attorney - NO FURTHER COMMENTS

V. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP - NO COMMENTS

JONATHAN COOK - NO COMMENTS

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN -

Ms. Eschliman noted she has something for Rick Hoppe. She had relatives in town from Phoenix over the weekend and she asked them if they have the sexual predator ordinances which they do. She asked how it was working and they said what they're going through right now is that they are congregating to certain neighborhoods particularly apartment buildings. So, now they are looking at an ordinance to restrict a number of sexual predators per apartment building and she thought that was kind of interesting and thought she would share it with them.

DAN MARVIN - NO COMMENTS

ANNETTE McROY - NO COMMENTS

PATTE NEWMAN - NO COMMENTS

KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Listed on the Attend Sheet for November 7th.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 12:05 p.m.