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

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: March 21, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831
Andrew Edwards, Public Works Street Supt., 441-7701

CITY USES CORN-BASED PRODUCT TO FIGHT ICE ON STREETS

Mayor Coleen J. Seng said the City’s use of a corn-based de-icer known as “Ice Ban” helps keep City streets clear, promotes the use of one of the State’s most important crops and protects the environment. The City Public Works and Utilities Department uses about 55,000 gallons of the product each winter.

“Ice Ban prevents snow and ice-pack from bonding to the road surface and is a good corn-based product that promotes our ties to agriculture,” said Mayor Seng. “Because it is an agricultural by-product, Ice Ban is non-toxic, biodegradable and does not accumulate in the environment.”

Andrew Edwards, City Street Superintendent, said Ice Ban is ideal for treating “black ice” and clear-weather frost on roads and bridge surfaces. Ice Ban also has proven to be very effective in the removal of existing snow-packed conditions.

In anticipation of the storm that hit Lincoln this week, City crews applied Ice Ban between midnight and 6 a.m. about 24 hours prior to the storm. The product is used on bridges, overpasses, new pavement and major intersections. Ice Ban also is used to pre-wet salt used on streets because it reduces the City’s salt usage by about 20 percent and helps keep the sprayed areas in relatively good condition prior to the deployment of a full-scale material spreading operation.

Ice Ban is made from the concentrated liquid residue of the processing of corn and other agricultural products. Don Hutchens, Executive Director of the Nebraska Corn Board, said new uses for corn help bridge the gap between the rural and urban parts of the state.

“Thanks to corn growers investing their corn checkoff dollars into research and market development we have new uses and markets for the corn we grow in Nebraska,” said Hutchens. “The use of Ice Ban just makes good sense when you look at the tremendous costs associated with new bridges and new pavement today. You want those bridges and highways to last as long as possible, and once the snow and ice melt, you don’t want to endanger the environment. Most importantly, you want motorists to be able to drive on a dry surface as quickly as possible.”

The City also uses about 20,000 gallons of Ice Ban every year for dust control. Crews spray about 60 blocks of unpaved roads in late spring and late summer.

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March 20, 2006

Dr. E. Susan Gourley  
Superintendent  
Lincoln Public Schools  
5901 O Street  
Lincoln, NE 68510

RE: Arnold Elementary Land Acquisition Proposal

Dear Dr. Gourley:

As a follow up to our discussion of March 8, 2006, the City of Lincoln is interested in exploring options with Lincoln Public Schools (LPS) the possible development of an elementary school on property currently owned by the city. The property is above the minimum 28 acres in size and is located at approximately NW 48th Street and West Cuming Street. It is a part of Lot 17 Irregular Tract, excluding 20.35 acres owned by the Lincoln Housing Authority, in the Section 6, Township 10 North, Range 6 East.

Staff from LPS and various city departments have discussed the potential for a joint use project on this property. We have also discussed involving the Lincoln Housing Authority, which owns the adjacent land, in a potential overall plan for this lot. We look forward to further discussing this property with you.

Sincerely,

Coleen Seng  
Mayor of Lincoln

cc: Lincoln City Council  
Marvin Krout, Tom Cajka, Steve Henrichsen, City-County Planning Dept.  
Karl Fredrickson, Roger Figard, Shane Dostal, City Public Works & Utilities Dept.  
Carol Connor, Mary Johns, Lincoln City Libraries  
Lynn Johnson, Terry Genrich, City Parks & Recreation Dept.  
Dennis Van Horn, Lincoln Public Schools  
Dwayne Odvody, Scott Wieskamp, Lincoln Public Schools  
John Wood, Jon Large, Lincoln Airport Authority  
Larry Potratz, Beverly Fleming, Lincoln Housing Authority
City of Lincoln  
% Real Estate Division  
800 P Street  
Lincoln, NE 68508

Lincoln Public Schools thanks you for your consideration of this proposal for land acquisition. Please take a minute to complete this form and return it in the enclosed postage paid envelope. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact, Dwayne Odvody, (402) 436-1753.

Request for further contact: ___(X)____

I am interested in exploring options for the sale, trade or donation of property to Lincoln Public Schools. Please contact me.

Signed By: Coleen J. Seng

Coleen J. Seng, Mayor  
City of Lincoln, Nebraska
DATE: March 22, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Coleen J. Seng and Volunteer Partners will announce a new community volunteer campaign at a news conference at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 23 in the Mayor’s Conference Room, 555 South 10th Street. The Mayor also will receive recognition from the Sierra Club for signing the U.S. Conference of Mayors resolution on reducing pollution.
Volunteer-a-Thon Seeks Pledges of Hours and Funds

Mayor Colleen J. Seng today announced that a volunteer-a-thon in April will help generate volunteer hours for local non-profit agencies. The Mayor joined members of the Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Board in signing volunteer pledge forms for the campaign that begins April 17. The campaign is a project of Volunteer Partners, the non-profit volunteer resource center for the community.

"I volunteer and encourage others to do it. Volunteers are the heart of our community, providing their time and talents to keep organizations and projects alive and prospering," said Mayor Seng. "By shining the spotlight on volunteerism, we hope to raise awareness of the many ways we can help others in our community. Volunteering is very rewarding, and once people give it a try, they will discover that they truly receive more than they give."

The theme for the volunteer-a-thon is "How About 8?" Wayne Svoboda, Director of Volunteer Partners, said the idea is to encourage residents to give at least eight hours, the length of an average work day, to a non-profit agency every month and/or to donate $8 to support the volunteer center.

"We see this volunteer-a-thon as an opportunity for everyone to help improve the quality of life in our community," said Svoboda. "In return, volunteers can make new friends, build job skills, add to their resumes, use a special talent and get a great feeling of satisfaction."

To make a pledge, residents can call the Volunteer Partners office at 435-2100 or see its Web site at www.volunteerpartners.org. Those who pledge are asked to complete their volunteer hours anytime during 2006. Those who already volunteer are asked to pledge those hours or additional hours this year.

The volunteer-a-thon ends April 29, the final day of National Volunteer Week. Pledge results will be announced at a volunteer recognition event at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 30 at the Lancaster County Extension Education Center, 444 Cherry creek Road. Co-sponsors of "How About 8?" include KLKN-TV, Clear Channel Radio, the Kiwanis Club of Lincoln and Wells Fargo.

In addition to volunteer recruitment and placement, Volunteer Partners provides consultation to non-profit volunteer programs, a resource library and volunteer management training. The organization also coordinates the Citizen Corps and Medical Reserve Corps; operates the Youth Volunteer Corps of America program for at-risk youth ages 11 to 18; and is creating a Corporate Volunteer Council.
 Mayor Coleen J. Seng, announced that a snow emergency will be in effect at 8 a.m. Monday, March 20. At that time, parking will be banned on emergency snow routes, bus routes, and other arterial streets. The ban will stay in effect until further notice.

Overnight, city street crews engaged in a full-fledged material spreading operation on all major arterial routes throughout Lincoln.

Lincoln Police Department reports no major problems relating to accidents at this time. LPD Urges motorists to drive defensively and allow for some extra time when heading out today, as they will encounter slick street conditions.

Star Tran reports no delay at this time.

Please stay informed on traffic conditions and the status of snow operations in Lincoln. Additional information is available on pages 40 and 41 in the blue pages of your Alltel phone directory. If you have questions, you may call the Public Works Snow Center at 441-7644.
CITY OF LINCOLN
SNOW/TRAFFIC CONDITION REPORT

A COMPLETE VOICE REPORT IS AVAILABLE AT 441-7783. THIS NUMBER IS FOR NEWS MEDIA USE ONLY.

For more information:
Public Works Snow Center -- 441-7644
Citizen Information Center -- 441-7547

Date: Monday, March 20, 2006
Time: 4:15 p.m.

SNOW EMERGENCY REMAINS IN EFFECT

As a constant, wet and heavy snowfall continues to pelt the Capitol City, Public Works’ street crews continue their plowing effort that began early Monday morning. A city-wide snow emergency was declared at 8 a.m. today by Mayor Coleen Seng. During a snow emergency, parking is not allowed on emergency snow routes, bus routes and other major arterial streets.

The snow emergency will remain in effect until further notice.

Following the conventional late afternoon commute for residents, City street crews will continue their efforts through the night. At 6 p.m. tonight, over 70 plows and graders will be on the streets in an effort to keep the main roads as clear as possible. The continuing snowfall will keep the focus on the main arterials, snow routes and bus routes this evening. Residential streets are not expected to be addressed at this time. If weather conditions allow, street crews will engage in hauling some of the accumulation away.

Lincoln Police Department (LPD) reports a large number of accidents affiliated with the unseasonable snowfall. LPD urges motorists to be patient and allow more time to reach their destination when driving in these inclement weather conditions.

StarTran reports that some buses are experiencing delays as the accumulation increases.

Residents are reminded that City ordinance requires property owners to clear snow and ice from sidewalks by 9 a.m. the day following the end of a snow storm.

An update on street and traffic conditions will be included at the end of Tuesday morning’s daily law enforcement media briefing at 8:45 a.m. The media briefing will be held at the Justice and Law Enforcement Center, 575 S. 10th St.

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Citizen Information Center -- 441-7547

Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2006
Time: 5:45 a.m.

SNOW EMERGENCY REMAINS IN EFFECT

With the continuing snowfall and blowing wind, city street crews labored through the night as over 70 plows and graders cleared the city’s snow emergency routes, bus routes and major arterials. Mayor Seng’s snow emergency, declared Monday morning, remains in effect as street maintenance crews continue to manage the approximate foot of snow that’s fallen in the Capitol City. During a snow emergency, parking is prohibited on snow emergency routes, bus routes and major arterials.

During the overnight hours, crews also focused on the downtown area, blowing the snow and hauling a lot of it away.

Lincoln Police Department (LPD) reported 63 accidents yesterday, compared to about 25 on a "normal" day where inclement weather isn’t a factor. LPD urges citizens to obey the Mayor’s current snow emergency and its corresponding parking bans. LPD also urges motorists to use extreme caution and patience when driving. Motorists should allow more time to reach their destination and allow for more space between your car and the vehicle you are following.

StarTran reports that the early buses were dispatched on time, but delays along the regular routes are possible as the morning progresses.

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SNOW EMERGENCY LIFTED: RESIDENTIAL PLOWING TO BEGIN NOW

Mayor Coleen Seng has announced that the snow emergency parking ban for Lincoln will be lifted at noon today (Tuesday, March 21). Where allowed, parking will again be available on snow emergency routes, bus routes and major arterials. There is no residential parking ban in effect.

Assistant City Engineer Marc Rosso said that street crews have done a terrific job in clearing the main arterials and began working in residential areas at 8:30 a.m. this morning.

"If anyone is able to voluntarily move their car off of their residential street, that would be greatly appreciated," Rosso said. "There is no residential parking ban in effect at this time, however, if individuals can move their vehicles off of the street, they will avoid the possibility of being plowed in."

It is illegal to push or blow snow into or on any street, alley or sidewalk. Residents are also encouraged to clear snow away from fire hydrants.

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Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2006
Time: 4:30 p.m.

RESIDENTIAL PLOWING CONTINUES;
NO PARKING BANS IN EFFECT

City street crews continue their plowing operation on Lincoln’s residential streets this afternoon,
with the expectation that their snow removal work will be completed sometime tomorrow. There
are no parking bans currently in effect. City Street Maintenance Operations officials urge
citizens to keep their vehicles off of residential streets throughout the evening and into tomorrow
morning, in an effort to assist plows working on their residential streets.

At noon today, Mayor Coleen Seng lifted the snow emergency and its corresponding parking
bans.

Public Works officials cautioned that a temperature drop tonight could produce areas of patchy
ice tomorrow morning. All major arterials have been plowed and are currently in very good
condition.

Citizens are reminded that it is illegal to push or blow snow into or on any street, alley or
sidewalk. Residents are also encouraged to clear snow away from fire hydrants wherever
possible.

Motorists are urged to proceed through intersections with caution at all times, specifically those
where some snow build-up may still exist on the signals.

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Congressman leadership is expected to stick with its October 6 target adjournment date to allow Members plenty of time in their districts to campaign. Combined with three-day work weeks to allow for long weekends home, it has been estimated that there are approximately 40 legislative days until October, leaving little time to address anything beyond FY 2007 appropriations bills. And since Democrats are not in the mood for compromise given that they see opportunities to make inroads in the Republican majority this November, it may even take a post-election session to complete the FY 2007 spending bills.

Standing in the way of Boehner’s ambitious agenda is the Senate, whose rules encourage long debate and provide the minority with more power than their House colleagues to hold up what they view as objectionable legislation. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN) will do his part to keep things moving (see related Immigration story below), but time limitations on the floor and internal Republican struggles are likely to hold up many House-Senate conference committees on any legislation that may make it that far.

Both the House and Senate will be in recess next week and will resume business on March 27.

Budget

Senate votes to bust Bush spending limit, raise debt limit. By a vote of 51-49, the Senate passed the FY 2007 Budget Resolution (S Con Res 83). Considered annually, the Budget Resolution sets broad tax and spending goals to guide Congress. It does not need to be signed by the President but it includes a binding cap on discretionary spending for the coming fiscal year and instructions on how Congress should reconcile existing law with the tax and spending goals it outlines. Congress considers such “reconciliation bills” under special rules, including a protection from filibusters in the Senate.

Immediately after passing the Resolution, the Senate cleared, by a vote of 52-48, another measure (H J Res 47) for the President’s signature that would increase the federal debt limit by $781 billion to $8.184 trillion. Democrats used the timing of the vote to accuse Republicans of fiscal profligacy, pointing out that the Budget Resolution they just passed forecasts deficits for the foreseeable future. The increase in the debt limit was needed, as Treasury Secretary John
Snowe has reportedly started dipping into federal pension funds to avoid defaulting on the federal government’s debts.

As passed by the Senate, the Resolution calls for a total FY 2007 budget of $2.8 trillion. In a rebuke to the Administration, the Budget Resolution passed by the Senate does not include reconciliation protection for any tax or entitlement spending cuts; only legislation to allow ANWR drilling would receive reconciliation protection.

In addition, the Senate approved a series of amendments to increase the discretionary spending cap by $16 billion to $889 billion to provide additional funding for several domestic programs.

By a vote of 73-27, Senator Arlen Specter (R-PA), the Chairman of the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Subcommittee, won approval of an amendment to add $7 billion for discretionary programs under his Subcommittee’s jurisdiction.

The Senate also approved amendments to add:

- $100 million for the stateside grants under the Land and Water Conservation Fund,
- $3.318 billion for the Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program,
- $3.7 billion for Defense,
- $390 million for cancer research, and
- $363 million for increased tax law enforcement.

After one of the most vocal debates of the week, the Senate rejected, 50-50, another Conrad amendment that would have reinstated the “pay-as-you-go” rule that requires increases in entitlement spending and tax cuts to be fully offset.

House Budget Committee Chairman Jim Nussle (R-IA) hopes to mark up a Budget Resolution after next week’s congressional recess. However, he apparently has not yet worked out a deal between the conservative members of the Republican Study Committee, who are calling for tax and entitlement spending cuts as well as a lower discretionary spending cap, and moderate Republicans, most of them from the Northeast, who do not want to have to consider cuts to popular entitlement programs during an election year. In addition, Nussle said this week that the House Budget Resolution will not include ANWR drilling, setting up a potentially difficult if not impossible conference with the Senate.

**IMMIGRATION**

Senate Judiciary makes progress on immigration bill, but not enough for Frist. The Senate Judiciary Committee completed its third week of consideration of comprehensive immigration reform, but since they did not complete action on the bill, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN) yesterday introduced his own immigration measure and will take it to the Senate floor on March 28 if the Judiciary Committee is not ready.

Frist had set a deadline of March 27 for completion of the immigration bill in committee and made good on his threat to introduce his own bill focusing strictly on border security without guest worker provisions. However, Judiciary Committee Chairman Arlen Specter (R-PA) believes that his panel is close to completing his bill and is hopeful that it can be cleared for the floor during the week of March 27, when the Senate returns from a week-long recess.

Reports are that a guest worker compromise is being worked out that would permit illegal immigrants currently in the country to apply for permanent residency, but would require most of those 11 million undocumented immigrants to leave the United States for one year before returning. Those outside the U.S. who would like to enter the country would be able to apply for a two-year temporary work visa, although that number would be capped at 400,000 visas in the first year of the program.

The committee also approved an amendment by Senator Jeff Sessions (R-AL) that would authorize local law enforcement to “investigate, apprehend, arrest, detain, or transfer illegal aliens to federal custody.” However, Specter amended the proposal to specify that the provision was strictly voluntary and would include a mechanism by which state and local law enforcement agencies would be reimbursed for detaining and transporting illegal aliens to federal custody.

**FLOOD INSURANCE**

House panel votes to overhaul flood insurance program. The House Financial Services Committee approved legislation (HR 4973) that would raise the amount that the National Flood Insurance Program can borrow from the federal government from $18.5 billion to $25 billion and would also gradually reform it.

Damage from Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma overwhelmed the program with $23 billion in claims and it will soon have to stop paying claims if Congress does not increase the borrowing limit. Similar legislation (S 2275) is pending in the Senate but has been blocked by Senator Olympia Snowe (R-ME) in an effort to force Senate action on legislation to increase FY 2006 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funding in the wake of the record heating prices her constituents faced this past winter.

As cleared by the Committee, HR 4973 would also gradually phase out subsidized premium rates under the program for vacation homes, second homes and commercial properties. Representative Jeb Hensarling (R-TX) offered an amendment to immediately eliminate subsidized rates for such properties. It was rejected by a vote of 10-45. In a recent study, the Congressional Budget Office found that over 1 million properties benefit from such subsidized rates and that their premiums would rise by 150 percent if the subsidy were eliminated. Hensarling argues that his amendment would put the National Flood Insurance Program in sound financial shape and eliminate the need to increase its borrowing limit each time a natural disaster strikes.

Many in Congress are concerned about the program’s long term financial health and predict premiums will not allow it to pay future claims much less its debts to
the federal government and it will have to borrow more federal money next time a disaster strikes. Last month, the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee held a hearing on the issue that concluded the program is headed for bankruptcy and needs to be overhauled by Congress.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Department of Justice: The Office for Victims of Crime is soliciting applications for Law Enforcement Task Forces and Services for Human Trafficking Victims. The program is intended to enhance law enforcement’s ability to identify and rescue victims of human trafficking, provide law enforcement with the resources and training to identify and rescue victims of trafficking, and ensure that comprehensive services are available wherever trafficking victims are found. The Office expects to award ten cooperative agreements of up to $450,000 for a three-year project period. There is a required match of 25 percent. Applications are due April 25, 2006, and the guidance can be found at: http://www.ovc.gov/fund/pdfxt/FY06_Trafficking_Victims.pdf.

Department of Justice: The Bureau of Justice Assistance is accepting applications for the Bulletproof Vest Partnership. The program funds 50 percent of the cost of each bulletproof vest, and there is $23.6 million available for the program. Applications are due April 18, 2006. For more information, see: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bvpbasi/.

Department of Justice: The Community Capacity Development Office is soliciting applications from continuation and new sites for Weed and Seed grant funding. Only officially recognized Weed and Seed sites are eligible to apply. New and continuation sites may apply for up to $175,000 and $200,000 respectively over twelve months with a required match of at least 25 percent. The deadline for continuation sites is April 27, 2006 and new sites is May 11, 2006. For applications or information on how to become an official weed and seed site, see: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo/funding/appl_kit.html.
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

Name: Lindsey Hinkins
Address: 3835 Baldwin Ave Apt. 67
City: Lincoln, NE, 68504
Phone: 465-0603
Fax: 
Email: divinedesign14@yahoo.com

Comment or Question:
As I'm sure you are aware, pornography is a destructive force in the lives of families and individuals around the country and in our community. It destroys lives by leading people to do perverse things they wouldn't normally do; this process starts out small with pornography that doesn't seem serious, and then develops into a dangerous addiction. That is why I am so alarmed every time I drive down 27th Street near Superior (by the Burger King) and see a pornographic billboard showing a woman with no clothes on, advertising the Sun Palace tanning salon. This shows bad taste by the business and also by the city of Lincoln in allowing this inappropriate material to be shown in a place where everyone driving by will see. I am very disappointed by this, and know of many others who feel the same way. I seriously hope that you as the city council will do something to correct this. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Lindsey Hinkins
March 21, 2006

Lindsey Hinkins
3835 Baldwin Ave., Apt. 67
Lincoln, NE 68504

Dear Ms. Hinkins:

Pursuant to your communications with the Council, the Building and Safety Department forwarded a report concerning the billboard at 27th and Superior to the office. It is our opinion that this image depicted on the billboard would not be considered obscene under the existing law. The Nebraska Supreme Court provided the guidelines for obscenity in *Tipp-It v. Conboy*, 257 Neb. 219 (1999). Here is some of the language from that case:

First, a matter is not obscene under Nebraska law unless, taken as a whole, "an average person applying contemporary community standards would find that the work . . . predominantly appeals to the prurient interest or a shameful or morbid interest [***20] in nudity, sex, or excretion." § 28-807(10)(a). See, also, *Miller v. [***313] California*, supra. To decide this question of fact, the trier of fact must look to the work depicting sexual conduct as a whole to determine whether its dominant theme is one which goes substantially beyond customary limits of candor in appealing to a shameful or morbid interest in sex. See, id.; *Roth v. United States*, 354 U.S. 476, 77 S. Ct. 1304, 1 L. Ed. 2d 1498 (1957).

Second, even though a matter depicts hardcore sexual conduct, which appeals to the prurient interest, it is not obscene unless, taken as a whole, the work "depicts or describes in a patently offensive way sexual conduct specifically set out in sections 28-807 to 28-829." § 28-807(10)(b). As discussed above, the Court in *Miller v. California*, gave various examples of the type of sexual conduct that may be regulated by state law, and the Legislature took occasion to enumerate similar other acts of "sexual conduct" which may be classified as patently offensive. See § 28-807(15).

Third, even though the material appeals to the prurient interest and is patently offensive, it cannot be obscene, constitutionally, [***21] unless the work, as a whole, "lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value." § 28-807(10)(c). Accord *Miller v. California*, supra. Material dealing with sexual conduct in a [*231] manner which advocates ideas, which contributes to or illustrates scientific discussion, or which adds to the general body of art and literature in our culture is protected by the 1st and 14th Amendments to the U.S.
Lindsey Hinkins  
March 21, 2006  
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Constitution. See Miller v. California, supra. Therefore, appellate courts examine decisions on this third prong more closely in order to ensure that First Amendment protection of ideas, however unpopular, is maintained. See Smith v. United States, supra.

I should also point out that Neb. Rev. Stat. § 28-829 preempts a city from legislating or regulating obscenity. This would have to be done by the County Attorney.

Thirdly, it would appear that the billboard at 27th and Superior is commercial speech. It would appear that it has the “communicative aspect” of commercial speech, as opposed to non-communicative aspect. In other words, although commercial speech is afforded less First Amendment protection than non-commercial speech, it does still enjoy certain safeguards that have been set out in Central Hudson:

Finally, in Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. v. Public Service Comm'n, 447 U.S. 557 (1980), we held: "The Constitution . . . accords a lesser protection to commercial speech than to other constitutionally guaranteed expression. The protection available for a particular commercial expression turns on the nature both of the expression and of the governmental interests served by its regulation." Id., at 562-563 (citation omitted). We then adopted a four-part test for determining the validity of government restrictions on commercial speech as distinguished from more fully protected speech. (1) The First Amendment protects commercial speech only if that speech concerns lawful activity and is not misleading. A restriction on otherwise protected commercial speech is valid only if it (2) seeks to implement a substantial governmental interest, (3) directly advances that interest, and (4) reaches no further than necessary to accomplish the given objective. Id., at 563-566.

There may be billboards and images in the future that would give the City a substantial governmental interest in regulating them but this image does not rise to that level of scrutiny.

I appreciate your communication and your concern with our community.

Best wishes,

Dana W. Roper  
City Attorney

DWR/tb  
cc: City Council
OFFICE OF TREASURER, CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

MARCH 17, 2006

TO: MAYOR COLEEN SENG & CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: FINANCE DEPARTMENT / CITY TREASURER

SUBJECT: MONTHLY CITY CASH REPORT

The records of this office show me to be charged with City cash as follows at the close of business February 28, 2006:

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I also hold as City Treasurer, securities in the amount of $24,928,603.94 representing authorized investments of the City’s funds.

**ATTEST:**

Joel Wittrock, Assistant City Treasurer
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HEALTH DIRECTOR’S OFFICE

- The Department’s FY06-07 Budget Request was prepared and submitted to the City Finance Department. Staff will meet with the Finance Department in March to review the proposal.

- Plans continue for the Annual Banquet and Awards Ceremony and Public Health Conference. The events are scheduled for Monday, April 17, 2006 at the UNL East Campus Student Union. Dr. Jody Hershey, Director of the New River Health District - Montgomery County Health Department, Christiansburg, VA, will be the guest speaker.

- Work continues on the preparation of the Pandemic Flu Plan for Lincoln and Lancaster County. Public meetings have been held with medical providers, public safety and infrastructure agencies. Meetings are scheduled with Lincoln Electric System, the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, the Lincoln Independent Business Association, the American Red Cross and Lincoln Public Schools. A briefing was provided to Mayor Seng and her staff. The Mayor held a press conference on February 22, 2006 detailing planning that has occurred in our community.

- Governor Dave Heineman hosted a Pandemic Flu Summit on February 23, 2006. Keynote speaker was US. Health & Human Services Secretary, Michael Leavitt. The Health Director represented the local health directors on a panel presentation.

- Discussions on the kennel contract continue with the Mayor’s Office, the Nebraska Humane Society and other local kennel service providers. The Capital Humane Society will no longer provide services to the City beginning July 1, 2006.

- The Health Director and Environmental Public Health staff continue to meet with Nebraska Department of Roads officials regarding noise variances for the Department of Roads resurfacing of Highway 2 project that is scheduled for later this spring and summer.

- The Health Director continues to meet with members of the medical community regarding ambulance services in our community.

- The Health Director attended the following during the month: Public Health Association of Nebraska Board of Directors meeting, Malone Center Executive Board Meeting and Board of Directors meeting, People’s Health Center Board of Directors meeting, a local health director/Health and Human Services staff planning session, Lancaster County Management Team Meeting, Network of Non-Profit Health Care Providers meeting, Nebraska Public Health Leadership Institute Planning meeting, a meeting with City Finance and Public Works Officials regarding the occupation tax and meetings with various Nebraska Senators regarding LB1219.

- Employee of the Month - Jann Douglas - Community Health Services Division

ASSISTANT HEALTH DIRECTOR

- Considerable progress has been made on the planning for a pandemic flu event. The Department
conducted two staff in-services on pandemic flu, participated in the February 23 Flu Summit sponsored by NHHSS. Board members Ken Svoboda and Ed Schneider attended the Summit.

- Department staff have collected flu pandemic flu plans from hospitals, law enforcement, public works, and Lincoln Fire and Rescue. We met with representatives of OPPD and LES in February. Meetings were also held with Lincoln Public School, Nebraska Retail Grocers, Red Cross, LIBA and Lincoln Chamber of Commerce. There are over 40 partners that are being contacted and invited to be part of the planning process.

- Information about the pandemic is being distributed to the general public. A news conference was held by the Mayor’s Office, Lancaster County Emergency Management and the LLCHD on February 21. During the news conference we announced our website for information on pandemic flu. - [www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov) and click on “pandemic flu” in the center box.

- The Assistant Director is working with food staff on information that went to assisted living facilities that will require permitting beginning this summer.

- A presentation was made to the Nebraska Office of Minority Health and the Nebraska Minority Health Advisory Committee on February 28 reporting on the progress of the Minority Health grant from July-December, 2005.

- The Assistant Director continues to serve on the Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach Board of Directors. “Feeding the Soul of the City” is a fund raiser and awards banquet on March 23rd.

- The Assistant Director attended a two day conference and work session for the Health Partners Initiative to further implement the Outcome Pathways model. This project will bring together health, human service and behavioral health agencies to improve outcomes in program and client health and case management.

- Plans continue for the Board of Health Annual Banquet and Awards Ceremony on April 17, 2006. J. Henry Hershey, MD, MPH will be the keynote speaker. Dr. Hershey has a long history with NACCHO and in the country as a leader on local public health issues. There will be a luncheon in conjunction with this year’s annual banquet and awards ceremony focusing on public health policy issues, our work on land use planning and active living by design, and our work on chronic disease prevention through the diabetes initiative. The luncheon will be at Valentino’s North in their conference room on the lower level. Our community stakeholders, local health directors and local board of health members will be invited to participate.

RESOURCE AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Building Expansion Update

- The property transfer with B & J Properties was approved by the City Council and County Board.

- The landscaping plan is being revised based on the recommendations from Parks and Rec and will go out for bid in March. The plantings will be phased based on the construction schedule.

- Preliminary signage will be completed with the new building with additional signage coming later in the renovation process.
- Modifications to the file server room were made with Computer Resources and Information Services to facilitate the air conditioning equipment and room changes.

- The new east and reconstructed north parking lots have been completed. The new “O” Street entrance still needs to be completed, however, this is delayed due to Public Works concurrent “O” Street work. It is anticipated it will be completed in March.

- Virtually all of the brick work has been completed. The mild January and February weather helped to bring the schedule up to date. All the windows have been set.

- Drywall, painting, and most of the flooring is complete on the second floor. Millwork will be completed by the end of the month. Drywall has been completed on first and lower levels. Painting is being completed on the first floor.

- Tiling began the week of January 30, 2006 with floors and restrooms completed by March.

- The new generator has been installed and the change over will occur March 1.

- New system furniture has been ordered and delivery is anticipated to be March 6. The delivery will be staged from the vacant third floor of the new building and will be assembled from there.

- The loose furniture and waiting and common area furniture has all been selected and approved. The audiovisual equipment will go out for bid during March.

- The tentative renovation schedule has been established and the detailed weekly schedule is still being developed by Sampson.

- The tentative first move in date for Information Services will be March 15th. This date is contingent on receiving our occupancy permit.

- Clark Enersen is preparing an estimate for the costs of replacing the garage.

- County Corrections will be responsible for the majority of our building furniture moves.

**TNR Cat Pilot Project and Kenneling Options**

- A second Trap Neuter and Release project (at no cost to the City) will be a “residential” pilot to see how well the process works when the feral cats are colonized in a residential area. The location for the residential pilot has been selected and it has been approved by Animal Control.

- All Feline Hospital continues to be the vet clinic participating in the process with The Cat House. Becky Arnold, DMV continues to support the pilot project and oversees the veterinary component of the project.

- The Resource and Program Development Coordinator continues to assist the Health Director with discussions regarding potential kenneling options. Nebraska Humane Society has indicated an interest as well as potential local providers. Discussions regarding cat kenneling/shelter options are also being discussed.
ANIMAL CONTROL

- In January, Animal Control Officers responded to 1,182 requests for services or cases (requiring 1,371 visits or investigations) which included 29 bites and 11 attack cases (requiring 103 investigations), 53 injured animal rescues, 43 cruelty/neglect investigations, 156 dead animal pickups, 27 home deliveries of at large animals, 12 wildlife removals, and 193 license/rabies vaccination field follow ups.

- A total of 283 animals (153 dogs, 119 cats, and 11 other animals) were impounded in December. The average claim rate of impounded animals at the shelter is 64.6% in December.

- Additionally, 4,948 licenses were sold or issued, 131 lost and found reports were taken, and 3,035 phone calls for service, animal complaints, or information were handled or processed in December. Fifty-three letters were sent to owners of barking dogs.

- Legal action taken by officers in January was the issuance of 26 court citations and 251 warning/defect tickets.

- Average response time from dispatch to clearing the service request was 37.0 minutes by officers.

- Craig Groat was fined $300 plus court costs for destruction of property. His Wolfhound had fatally injured a Schanuzer at the Oak Lake dog run. Mr. Groat was his own attorney, and failed to prove his case.

- In November 2005, Animal Control Officers attempted to work with an individual having purebred Scottish Fold cats. The Cat House was involved in the process to reduce the number of cats to 15 or less. She was given several extensions to obtain a multi-cat permit and licenses for her cats including reducing the total number. In the latter part of December, she obtained licenses and was to obtain a permit in January. She indicated per licensing of her cats that the total number of cats was 15. On January 13, 2006, Animal Control Officer Cheryl Bomberger was contacted by LPD for assistance to a sanitation problem discovered when the owner was taken to the Bryan/West Emergency Room. Upon arrival, it was determined that an odor/sanitation problem existed along with visible health problems (upper respiratory). The second responding Officer, Melissa Brown, contacted the Manager. The decision was made to impound all cats with visible health problems for a veterinary exam. Thirteen cats were taken to Pitts Veterinary Clinic where they were found to have fleas, ringworm, upper respiratory infections, and matted hair. Seven cats were left at the residence. The Cat House approached the husband who signed over the 20 cats to them. Later it was determined 4 cats were at a boarding facility and one cat at veterinary clinic. The owner was cited for failure to license, failure to vaccinate, failure to obtain a permit, exceeding the limit of cats, sanitation, failure to provide veterinary care, and cruelty.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

ACCESS MEDICAID

Population Focused Projects and Activities
- The call volume this month was 1,637, which is an increase of 157 calls.
- 45 clients accessed Nebraska Health Connection/Kids Connection services in the office this month, which is higher than usual.
- The Client Resource Specialist (CRS) completed 32 homes visits in an effort to reach 46 clients. He was successful in interacting with 19 clients who ended up enrolling and receiving Managed Care education for the month of January. The Client Resource Specialist also tried to reach Medicaid Managed Care clients on the telephone to encourage enrollment. Out of 79 possible participants called, 54% (43 total) were reached successfully and enrolled by a PHN.
- Public Health staff members attended meetings and contributed expertise to the following this month: Community Early Childhood Coalition, LLCHD Domestic Violence Committee, Lincoln Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coalition, Headstart Excite Policy Committee meeting, LLCHD Breastfeeding Committee, and the BryanLGH Medical Center Emergency Department Case Management Committee.

**Community Linkages**

- Access Medicaid provided outreach at several locations throughout the month of January. Community activities gave the CRS the opportunity to provide managed care education or ask questions. The CRS interacted with 20 clients at outreach activities. Visits were made to Peoples Health Center, Ryan White HIV Program, Lincoln Action Program, Pathways, NAP, and Urban Indian Medical Center.
- Access Medicaid Public Health Nurses have provided staffing at the following outstations: People’s Health Center, Nebraska Urban Indian Medical Center, and Lincoln Medical Education Partnership. During the month of January, staff assisted 105 clients, up from 57 in December. They performed enrollment/transfer activities, updated health questions, provided managed care education and answered questions about how to obtain transportation services, eligibility for Medicaid coverage, mental health services, and how to get referrals to see other providers. Informational materials were available to all clients at each clinic.

**New Opportunities**

- The Program Manager continues to serve on the Public Health Association of Nebraska’s Board. She is the Secretary and will chair the Fall Statewide Conference Planning Committee. The Assistant Supervisor is helping with the PHN Section Conference.
- The Clinical Practice Improvement Project on Immunizations met in January. Resource materials related to the project are now in development for provider offices.
- Assistant Supervisor is participating in CHS Division Committee to seek out and review grant opportunities.
- Several meetings regarding Health Partner Initiatives Insurance Committee and other subcommittees were attended along with a 2-day training conference.

**Data Collection/Outcomes**

- 18,127 total clients eligible for Medicaid Managed Care with 17,511 active with a PCP and health plan. This represents an increase of 212 clients as compared to December who are active with a PCP and health plan.
- 780 new clients were eligible for Medicaid Managed Care in Lancaster County.
- 704 clients voluntarily enrolled with a doctor (PCP) and health plan via face to face or telephone contact.
- 102 clients were auto assigned reflecting a 15% auto assignment rate.
There were 1,637 incoming calls in January, which is an increase of 157 calls compared to December. January is typically a very busy month. Staff answered 1,547 calls. This reflects a 6% call abandonment rate, which is down 1% from last month.

Program Summary

- A program wide CRS meeting was held along with the Quality Management part of the program. The community-based organizations are surveyed once a year in the 3rd quarter, so preparations are underway for that.
- 30-hour/week PHN returned from medical leave.

HOME AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Healthy Pregnancies/Healthy Children

- The H&C team works to assure that all women have healthy pregnancies and that all children have healthy birth outcomes in Lancaster County, via a two-pronged approach; (1) home visitation of high-risk families and (2) population-based interventions to improve the overall wellness of men and women of childbearing age (ages 14-44).

Home Visitation

- This month 656 high-risk mothers & infants were visited. An additional 161 families were assessed by telephone. A total of 193 referrals for services were received this month.
- The needs of each family open to H&C services are rated; 1-low, 2-moderate, or 3-high. Average acuity ratings are used to identify trends in needs and nursing interventions. This month’s average acuity was 2.01, which is the highest average acuity since the inception of this performance measure.

Population-Based Interventions:

Asthma Survey for Pregnant Women

- Pregnant women with asthma who are not properly managed are at risk for poor health and poor birth outcomes. H&C receives grant funds from the Community Asthma Education Initiative of the St. Elizabeth Foundation to address this risk. In the first quarter of the grant, 168 asthma screening surveys were completed on high-risk pregnant women. Major findings included:
  - 19% said they had asthma sometime in their lifetime.
  - 13% of all moms had asthma at the time of the survey.
  - Smoking Behaviors: 46% of moms completely prohibit smoking in their household. 36% allow smoking outside of their home. 6% reported no restrictions on smoking.
  - Other asthma triggers reported; 96% of those surveyed have carpeting, 98% have air conditioning, 35% report a cat or a dog in the house, 21% report dust mites, 9% report cockroaches, 7% report mold/mildew, 7% report mice/mouse droppings and 6% report leaky pipes/standing water/moisture in the home.
  - Additional education was completed to address triggers and to promote compliance with medication regimens when pregnant mothers were identified as asthmatic. Education was most often concentrated on modifiable risks. Because the overwhelming majority of mothers visited rent their homes/apartments or are living with parents, they were unable to modify major
structural changes to the home environment such as the presence of carpeting, air conditioning, or the presence of cats or dogs belonging to others in the household. Smoking and practices that encourage the presence of insects, rodents, and dust mites were the most common modifiable triggers addressed by PHNs.

**Preconception Health**

- H&C Services was awarded a March of Dimes Nebraska Chapter Community Grant to determine the level of awareness, knowledge, and practice of preconception care among Lancaster County health care professionals and to recommend ways to improve this service. This is a joint project with the Lancaster County Medical Society. We hope to impact 200 plus health care professionals with the prevention message that the most effective time to reduce modifiable risks to the fetus is before pregnancy occurs; thus women must be assessed for risk on a routine basis during childbearing age.

**Vulnerable Populations**

**Children**

- The medical protocol for children found in methamphetamine labs was presented at three SCIP (School Community Intervention Program) meetings this month. SCIP is a Lincoln Public Schools program designed to identify students who experience problems which interfere with their ability to learn (such as drug use) and to connect students and their families with appropriate resources. The protocol defines "best practice" for law enforcement, Health and Human Services case workers, the medical community, and foster care providers to coordinate efforts on behalf of children who have been exposed to the clandestine manufacture of methamphetamine.

- A special review of families open to H&C services was completed this month to assess how many families continue to exhibit significant risk after the child's first birthday and what those risks were. Sixty four (64) cases were identified. The most common risk factor identified was poor parenting in terms of; (a) unrealistic expectations for the child, (b) low ability to deal positively with stress, (c) substance abuse, (d) mental health concerns, (e) special health condition of the child (e.g. developmental delays, congenital anomalies), and (f) lack of an adequate support system for the parent(s). This information will be studied further in order to develop performance measures for H&C regarding high-risk children/families.

- Eighty (80) nurses attended January's School Nursing Clinical Update. Objectives of the in-service were to improve physical assessment techniques in pediatric populations, to increase knowledge of diabetes management, and to increase knowledge of childhood immunizations. Evaluation scores were excellent.

**Ethnic/Racial Minorities**

- Eighty three (83) people utilized nursing services this month at the Asian Community and Cultural Center and via the Madres Saludables program. Continuation funding for the Madres Saludables program was applied for this month to the Building Strong Families Foundation.

- H&C PHNs provide adult screening services for the Minority Health Grant and the Mobile Health Clinic. For more details regarding outcomes, please refer to the Division of Dental Health & Nutrition section of this report.
Homelessness

- Fifty one (51) people utilized services at agencies serving homeless and near-homeless populations this month for health assessments, case management, and health education. Sites include Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach, the Gathering Place, the People’s City Mission and the Lincoln Action Program (LAP).

PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC

Population Focused Projects and Activities:
- 1,585 Individuals served in the Public Health Clinic.
- 736 Individuals received vaccines in the Public Health Clinic.
- 142 Individuals seen in the Primary Care Clinic.
- 14 PCC chronic disease clients referred to Peoples’ Health Center.
- 5 Children seen in the Child Health Clinic.
- 7 Women seen in the Every Woman Matters Breast and Cervical Screening Clinic.
- 2,401 Calls received in the Every Woman Matters Breast and Cervical Screening Clinic.
- 1,025 Individuals called related to Medicaid Access to Care.
- 122 Families were assisted in establishing a medical home.
- 118 Pregnant women were served.
- 1,039 Rides were approved for transportation.
- 3 Volunteer physicians provided 36 hours of service to clients seen through the Primary Care Clinic.

Total numbers of calls to Information and Referral Services:

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Activities

- PHN provided case management assistance to clients requesting prescription refills. There was a total of 55 refill requests made to staff through local pharmacies.
- 226 prescriptions were received from drug manufacturers and processed through the Patient Assistance Program.
- Staff continue to work with evaluating the data from the Primary Care Clinic.
- Information and Fiscal Management and Public Health Clinic staff met to discuss a short term computer solution for scheduling appointments and transportation vouchers.
- Staff participated in the Schools and Community Coalition meeting.
- Staff attended two meeting with CHS staff that are working on locating suitable grants for CHS to apply for.
- Staff attended the ED Connections meeting.
- Staff attended a one and one half day workshop pertaining to developing “Pathways” for agencies to assist clients in obtaining needed referrals and documentation that clients were able to follow up on the referral.
- Staff attended a Diabetes Coalition Agency meeting and an inter agency diabetes meeting.
- Staff attended a meeting with Youth Service Center (YSC) Staff to discuss the nursing services at YSC.
- Staff provided training to individuals in Winnebago, NE on HIV/AIDS

Program Highlight

- Upon discharge of a client from a special clinic, the staff thanked the client for being so patient during a hectic, busy Clinic. The client was leaving the clinic room at the time and stopped, closed the door and reported that it was fine. The client stated that everyone in the whole clinic had been so kind and “non judgmental”. The client also stated that the reason for coming to LLCHD special Clinic was to follow up from a clinic where the treatment was “unprofessional” and “condescending”. The client also stated that everybody makes bad choices sometimes and it was nice to be treated so professionally.

PROGRAM ACCOUNTABILITY

Community Activities

- Related to CRIB, Community Resources for Infants and Babies this Public Health Nurse (PHN) attended the ‘Pathways’ project of Community Health Access two day workshop presented by Dr. Mark Redding of Ohio. PHN also met with Wende Baker of the Pathways project to discover similarities with the Care Pathway used by PHNs within the CHS division. There are significant opportunities for community collaboration as well as opportunities to mesh communication systems via electronics and the Internet.

- PHN communicated with the Substance Abuse Action Coalition (SAAC) conference planning group. This conference has been moved to the fall.

- PHN has been working with the Public Health Nursing section of the Public Health Association.
of Nebraska in planning the 9th Annual Spring Conference. The application for approved contact hours to the Nebraska Nurses Association is currently in process with the final deadline of February 28, 2006.

- The New American Task Force is currently working with immigrant centers on a grant that would strengthen these centers. Health issues for new Americans continue to be a topic of concern. A letter of support was prepared for this grant. The new director of the Refugee and Immigration office at Nebraska HHSS has been taking a very active role on the task force and with the agreement of the group will be using the meeting four times per year as an open meeting for issues related to refugees and immigrants.

**Department Activities**

- PHN took on the position of Chair of the Quality Improvement Council for the year 2006 at the January meeting. The Council’s Work Plan for 2006 was reviewed and Brian Baker gave a presentation on the Public Health Awareness committee. The plan is that the duties of this committee would be folded into the Council as they have achieved their initial goals and the similarities of their work to the Council’s make it a good match.

- The Maternal Child Block Grant has not yet begun its processes. PHN will provide ‘in kind’ activities regarding education and data analysis for this grant over the next three years. After a meeting with the community partners at Lincoln Action Program, the staff education piece has been set for March 8, 2006 and an application for approved contact hours has been prepared. PHN is beginning to train support staff in the preparation of these applications.

**Division Activities**

- A database for Home and Community PHNs is being developed with the Information and Fiscal Services division. A demonstration model was reviewed. Since it is possible that the database for Home and Community could be used in stead of purchased software, there is closer attention being given to this database.

- Identification of software for the Division is currently on hold during budget preparations. Additional factors to consider in the Public Health Clinic area have been added, which could change the approach. Of major concern is that the database will need to have capacity to share and download information from other systems. By having access to additional community information truly evidenced based analysis of Public Health interventions will become more feasible. A physician centered database was reviewed on-line and the company is sending some materials for review.

- PHN continues analysis of data from Primary Care Clinic that was collected over a six month period from March to September 2005. This data will provide a baseline of information regarding the clientele and the outcomes. Since a Care Pathway was established in March, there will also be the beginnings of information on screening activities and public health preventive teachings done by PHNs in the Primary Care Clinic. A meeting was held with the Assistant Supervisors in the Primary Care Clinic to discover if the database could be of some use in their annual Diabetes Audit. It is possible to use the database to generate a list of the clients for audit and there is some outcome data showing decreasing Hemoglobin A1c in clients seen over time. The latter is most encouraging given the complexity of clients with a diagnosis of diabetes. As data becomes available for the entire year, the database will become more useful.
- The four assistant supervisors identified to work with grants, the Grant Group, met in January and began to develop an idea related to an RFP on Child Abuse Prevention.

- CHS Staff Development in January was a Divisional staff meeting and the annual update on Blood Borne Pathogens by Brenda Christie, RN of Health Data and Evaluation. There was also a round table conversation with two community leaders, Leola Bullock and Lela Shanks on issues of diversity.

- The Evidenced Based Practice Committee for Home and Community met in January and the next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2006.

Program Highlight

- As more requests for assistance with application for approved contact hours for nurses are generated, the need to train support staff is more apparent. The actual planning for the education and conference content remains in the domain of PHNs and educators, while the preparation of the document is now allowed by the Nebraska Nurses Association to be done by support staff. This training is now underway and the assistance in preparation of these documents is most appreciated.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

AIR QUALITY PROGRAM

- Technical assistance was provided to 195 individuals via phone and 20 information packets were mailed. 25 field visits were conducted on 30 IAQ cases

- 28 surveillance checks for odor and opacity (smoke) were completed at various air pollution sources in the City of Lincoln. All were found to be in compliance.

- Staff participated in the Yankee Hill Brick penalty hearing that was conducted on January 24, 2006. YHB will be submitting a SEP to mitigate a portion of the penalty. The penalty is $42,227. $31,707 of the original penalty ($73,934) has been eliminated because the company has been able to demonstrate that changes they made in the dry scrubber prior to issuance of the NOV for emission related violations have been successful in increasing the scrubber’s efficiency from 91% to 97%.

- Staff calculated and issued the civil penalty order for the Firth Princeton COOP’s oil system violations.

- Review of the Other Solid Waste Incinerators (OSWI) rule commenced. Stericycle was informed that the rule will likely apply to their current incinerator. The rule requires emission limitations and annual testing requirements, and the source is required to obtain a Title V operating permit.

- Source inspections were conducted at UNL East Campus Vet Diagnostic Incinerator, UNL East Campus Animal Research Center Incinerator, Kawasaki, UNL East Campus Boiler Plant, Bryan LGH West Boiler Plant, and the Veterans Hospital Boiler Plant.

- Staff commenced reviewing information regarding noise issues that will need to be addressed relative to construction activities associated with the Highway 2 project that is slated to begin
sometime later this Spring. Construction activity during nighttime hours is of particular concern
and measures to mitigate noise during this time are under consideration.

CHILDREN’S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- “Discover Buried Treasure with Health & Safety Policies” training was presented to 20 child care
centers and home providers, and “Make Germs Walk the Plank: Infectious Disease Control”
training was provided to 20 staff members at Trinity Infant and Child Care.

- Asthma and allergy training was provided to Williamsburg Child Care staff. The center currently
has two children with severe peanut allergies and staff needed information on treating the
children in the case of a reaction.

- Onsite visits were conducted at 11 child care facilities in January. Two facilities were visited and
given information about the “Navigate Your Way to Safe & Healthy Child Care Program.” They
are scheduled to complete the Health & Safety Assessment in February. Three child care centers
started the assessment process. Six other visits were made to centers currently in the program.
Illness prevention and exclusion of sick children was a major focus of concern for most of the
centers.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- Staff responded to a call with Southeast Fire/Rescue on the improper disposal of Muriatic Acid.
The acid began to react in the back of a garbage truck after being crushed by the compactor.

- Emergency Response staff attended WMD Terrorist Threat Assessment training.

- Staff completed the review and re-write of the Emergency Response RFP and forwarded it to
Purchasing. Proposals are expected to be back in February.

- One staff member completed the CHMM re-certification process and one staff member was
nominated to be the secretary of the statewide Nebraska Hazardous Materials Association.

- Staff attended a two-day statewide homeland security grant planning meeting.

FOOD PROGRAM

- 31 complaints on food establishments were received, with 7 reports of possible foodborne
illnesses.

- A complaint was forwarded to LLCHD by LPD regarding a tattoo shop set up in an apartment. A
search warrant was issued and served. Tattoo guns, needles, ink, photos of persons worked on
and numerous documents were seized and photos taken of operation set up. The occupant was
cited for numerous violations of LMC 8.08.

- The operating permit of China Inn Restaurant was revoked at an administrative hearing following
an inspection which revealed repeated sanitation and insect problems. The operating permit had
been suspended twice previously for sanitation/infestation problems. The Level IV food manager
permit of the owner was also revoked. The establishment re-opened 10 days later, following
numerous repairs to bring the facility up to current code, the hiring of a new level IV food
manager, and a thorough cleaning. The establishment will remain on a 90 day inspection interval until a satisfactory history has been established.

- A Food Enforcement Notice was issued to the Dairy Queen located in the new Westfield Mall Food Court. A failing cooler and lack of foodhandler permit information were the reasons for the notice.

- There were 789 foodhandlers trained in good hygiene and sanitary practice.

- Food Team member, Maritza Leon, was standardized by the Food Team Standardization and Training Coordinator. The Food Team believes these standardization inspections are essential to maintain inspection consistency throughout the inspection process.

- An FDA Food Specialist visited all the food programs in Nebraska. The official rode along on an inspection and then spent time with the food team supervisor to review our program and our status with FDA’s Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Staff have begun to develop the WorkWell presentations to be given to employees of WorkWell companies on household hazards. The presentations will focus on ways to reduce, reuse, and recycle materials and proper handling, storage and disposal of household hazardous waste.

- Staff reviewed two lab analyses and made hazardous waste determinations based on those lab test results. Provided assistance in disposal options to the waste generators.

- There were 121 solid waste nuisance complaints received.

- Staff sent out permit renewals to Group 1 generators, issued 43 permits and responded to approximately 31 phone calls from generators and the public concerning permit, inventory, and disposal issues.

WATER QUALITY

- The Test*Your*Well program sponsored a display at the State Capital in conjunction with the Wellhead Protection Awareness Week.

- A handout is being developed for establishments that have not developed or are unaware of what a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) is. This handout will assists those facilities in developing a (SWPPP).

- Staff met with representatives from the Douglas County Health Department to discuss certification for Class B pool operators. LLCHD is investigating the possible of certifying Class B pool operators.

- Staff responded to a request from a well driller in the siting of new well in the area near 84th and A street. The concern was locating the new well too close to the sewer lines. After an on-site visit and contact with the Building and Safety Department for a location check of the lines, a new location was determined.
- Staff presented “A Need for Local Sustained Mosquito and Vector Control Program” at the 2006 Nebraska Urban Pest Management Conference. The presentation outlined strategies necessary for a comprehensive mosquito and vector control program to prevent and suppress diseases spread by mosquitoes and other insects.

- Staff received an urgent request to test a farm well for nitrates. The owner has several newborn calves die and veterinarian lab autopsy results indicated nitrate poisoning. Water test results showed low nitrate levels so attention was directed at the cattle feed as a source of the nitrate poisoning.

- Thirteen inspections were conducted at facilities that have issued an NPDES permit from NDEQ.

- Two new indoor swimming pools and three new spas were inspected. These facilities are in conjunction with the remodeling of the Madonna Rehabilitation Center.

- During an inspection of a new on-site wastewater system that will serve a commercial facility on East “O” Street, staff noticed an abandoned well located near the lagoon. Construction was halted and a local well drilling company was contacted to decommission the well.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND LAND USE PLANNING

- Staff conducted 15 land-use reviews and provided written comments to Planning Department.

  Land Use Reviews of Note

- A change of zone application requesting a change of zone from commercial to residential. This change of zone proposed to locate additional residential zoning adjacent to commercial zoning. LLCHD advised noise pollution can be an issue when locating additional residential zoning adjacent to commercial zoning. Lincoln Municipal Code (LMC) 8.24 Noise Control Ordinance addresses noise pollution by regulating source sound levels based upon the receiving land-use category or zoning. However, LLCHD does have case history involving residential uses and abutting commercial uses in which the commercial source does comply with LMC 8.24, but the residential receptors still perceive the noise pollution as a nuisance.

- A CUP application for a proposed residential development. LLCHD provided the following comments. According to LLCHD’s Geographic Information System (GIS) records, a 12-inch high pressure underground natural gas pipeline is located along the eastern edge of this proposed development. LLCHD calculated a hazard area of approximately 221 feet on each side for this pipeline using the hazard area equation. A hazard area or high consequence area is defined as the area within which the extent of property damage and the chance of serious or fatal injury would be expected to be significant in the event of a worst case scenario rupture failure. At this time, there are no current regulations that prohibit the location of occupied buildings within hazard areas. However, LLCHD strongly recommends that occupied dwellings or buildings not be located within projected hazard areas. At the very least, LLCHD recommends that future owners and/or lessees of dwellings or buildings located within the projected hazard area, be advised of the natural gas pipeline’s location. In addition, the proposed development is located within the Pine Lake and Country Meadows Wellhead Protection Area. Best management practices (BMP) should be utilized to decrease the risk of groundwater contamination.
DENTAL HEALTH & NUTRITION

- Direct dental care was provided for 471 patients for 552 client visits during the month of January 2006. Race/Ethnicity: White - 42.78%; American Indian - 2.85%; Black/African American - 11.23%; Asian - 1.96%; Hispanic - 33.16%; Other - 3.92%; Unknown - 4.1%.

COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES

Screening/Treatment/Referral Services

- 22 clients were screened: 8 clients were screened through the LLCHD Dental Clinic; 14 clients were screened on the MHC. 43 clients were referred: 10 clients were referred to the UNMC College of Dentistry for grant funded services; 1 client was reduced to the UNMC College of Dentistry for a reduced fee; 15 clients were referred to the UNMC College of Dentistry on standard fee; 4 clients were referred to the LLCHD Dental Clinic; 7 clients were referred to speciality dentists; 4 clients were referred to a private dentist; and 2 clients were referred to other.

- Provided school-based dental screenings for 500 children at Lincoln High School.

- Dental Screening Summary Report 2005-2006 - In collaboration with Lincoln Public Schools and local dentists, elementary children were screened (Oct. - Dec.) targeting children that had not reported seeing a dentist in the past year during: Total LPS elementary enrollment - 15,067; total children screened - 3,902; children identified with no obvious problem - 2,744; children identified with early dental needs - 768; children identified with emergency need for dental care - 222.

Mobile Health Clinic Site visits/services

- Total contacts for January 2006 - 68 clients/11 site visits (69% of clients served were of racial and ethnic minorities).

Dental Services

- Total Mobile Health Clinic Contacts for January 2006 - 15 clients/4 site visits (60% of clients served were of racial and ethnic minorities).

- Screened 9 clients at the People’s City Mission during 2 site visits (targeting Men’s Program and Family Program). Race/ethnicity: 4 White, 3 Black/African American, 1 Hispanic, 1 Native American (Minority Health Grant sites).

- Screened 3 clients at the Matt Talbot Kitchen during 1 site visit. Race/ethnicity: 2 Black/African American, 1 Hispanic.

- Screened 3 clients at Lincoln Action Program during 1 site visit. Race/ethnicity: 2 White, 1 Black/African American.

Speciality clinics

- Total MHC Contacts for January 2006: 53 clients/ 7 site visits (including 3 Minority Health Grant sites); 43 with abnormal screening results and/or elevated risk factors (81%); 35 clients
referred. Race/ethnicity - 72% of clients were of racial and ethnic minorities served - 15 White, 12 Hispanic, 22 Asian, 3 Black/African American, 1 Native American.

- ALPS: Adult Health Screenings - 3 clients screened: 3 clients had abnormal results and/or elevated risk factors; 1 client self identified as diagnosed diabetics, 3 referrals - 1 to People’s Health Center, 1 to LLCHD and Clinic With A Heart, and 1 to LLCHD and People’s Health Center. Race/ethnicity: 2 White, 1 Hispanic.

- First Presbyterian Church ESL; Adult Health Screenings - Minority Health Grant - 10 clients screened: 5 clients with abnormal screening results and/or elevated risk factors; 6 referrals - 5 to People’s Health Center, 1 to Primary Care Provider. Race/ethnicity: 9 Hispanic, 1 Asian.

- Plaza Mart; Adult Health Screenings - 2 clients screened: 2 clients with abnormal screening results and/or elevated risk factors; 2 clients referred - 1 Primary Care Provider, 1 to People’s Health Center. Race/ethnicity: 1 White, 1 Hispanic.

- Sun Mart West; Adult Health Screenings - 4 clients screened - 4 clients with abnormal screening results and/or elevated risk factors; 1 self reported diagnosed diabetic; 1 client referred to People’s Health Center. Race/ethnicity: 4 White.

- Asian Cultural and Community Center; Adult Health Screenings - Minority Health Grant Clinic

- 11 clients screened - 9 clients with abnormal screening results and/or elevated risk factors; 1 self reported diagnosed diabetic; 6 referred - 2 to People’s Health Center, 3 to primary care provider, 2 to Asian Community Center Health Station. Race/ethnicity: 11 Asian (Vietnamese).

- Clinton Elementary Food Distribution Program; Adult Health Screenings - Minority Health Grant Clinic: 19 clients screened - 17 clients with abnormal screening results and/or elevated risk factors; 17 clients referred - 4 to People’s Health Center, 13 to primary care provider. Race/ethnicity: 10 Asian, 7 White.

- Walgreens (27th & Vine); Adult Health Screening: 4 clients screened - 4 clients with abnormal screening results and/or elevated risk factors; no clients referred. Race/ethnicity: 2 Hispanic, 1 Black/African American, 1 White.

ORAL HEALTH PRESENTATIONS

Total Audience Reached: 30

- One presentation for 30 clients at LAP for Basic Skill Class.

WIC PROGRAM SERVICES

- WIC Caseload for the Month of January 2006: 3,326
  Main Clinic - 2,574
  LMEP - 422
  People’s Health Center - 85
  Access Medicaid Office - 245
LLCHD WIC Racial/Ethnic Distribution Total:
White, Non-Hispanic - 59.14%; Black, Non-Hispanic - 9.47%; Hispanic, White - 19.75%;
American Indian/AK Native, Non-Hispanic - .96%; Asian, Non-Hispanic - 7.82%; Mixed Race/
Unknown/ Other - 2.86%.

Main WIC Clinic: White, Non-Hispanic - 57.77%; Black, Non-Hispanic - 8.74%; Hispanic,
White - 22.46%; American Indian/AK Native, Non-Hispanic - .82%; Asian, Non-Hispanic -
7.30%; Mixed Race/Unknown/Other - 2.91%.

LMEP WIC Clinic: White, Non-Hispanic - 66.59%, Black, Non-Hispanic - 14.22%; Hispanic,
White - 10.66%; American Indian/AK Native, Non-Hispanic - 1.90%; Asian, Non-Hispanic -
3.32%; Mixed Race/Unknown/Other - 3.32%.

People’s Health Center WIC Clinic: White, Non-Hispanic - 24.71%, Black, Non-Hispanic -
12.94%; Hispanic, White - 10.59%; American Indian/AK Native, Non-Hispanic - 1.18%; Asian,
Non-Hispanic - 48.24%; Mixed Race/Unknown/Other - 3.35%.

Access Medicaid WIC Clinic: White, Non-Hispanic - 72.65%; Black, Non-Hispanic - 7.76%;
Hispanic, White - 10.20%; American Indian/AK Native, Non-Hispanic - .82%; Asian, Non-
Hispanic 6.94%; Mixed Race/Unknown/Other - 1.63%.

Food Monthly Obligations - $161,998.75
Food Package Average - $ 52.62
  Women - $ 34.34
  Infants - $110.71
  Children - $ 33.69

Student Mentoring: 1 UNL Graduate Student, 1 UNL Dietetic Intern, 5-7 Nursing Students each week from UNMC, Union College and UNL. 1 UNL volunteer.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Two dental assisting students from Southeast Community College rotated through the Dental
  Clinic.

- Three dental hygiene students from the UNMC College of Dentistry rotated through the Dental
  Clinic.

- One dental student from the UNMC College of Dentistry rotated through the Dental Clinic.

HEALTH DATA & EVALUATION

- Manager is preparing information and working on pandemic flu planning. Along with the
  Communicable Disease Coordinator, the EPH and CHS Division Managers and the Director and
  Assistant Director, the HDE Manager has been attending the meetings with City agencies
  (including Lincoln Water System, Public Works, Lincoln Fire and Rescue, Lincoln Police and the
  Sheriff’s Department, Emergency Management and the 911 Center), the hospitals and Medical
  Society, OPPD and public power, LPS and other community organizations. Other meetings are
  scheduled with the business community and others to help prepare us for a possible pandemic flu.
The HDE Division Manager, along with Emergency Response Coordinator, met with two Project Public Health Ready (PPHR) staff from NACCHO to review the criteria and format so a successful application can be submitted. It was a very productive day, and we appreciate the willingness of NACCHO staff to come to Lincoln and consult with us. As a result of the training requirements for PPHR the Division Manager completed the minimum two courses (ICS 100 and IS 700) on the FEMA virtual campus to see how much time is involved. At this time only those staff who respond to emergencies will be required to have that training, plus higher level training (up to 2 additional courses) depending on their role in incident command.

Given the changes in health threats, and the possible emergence of a pandemic strain of influenza, we have looked at the quarantine and isolation ordinance and an updated version has been drafted. The draft is just now beginning the process.

Contracts, correspondence, and communications have been with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services to continue with the BRFSS and other data collection processes. The slow reporting of vital statistics will be resolved soon since the electronic birth system is working well and the electronic death reporting system is well along in the development process; and the NHHS Vital Records Department has completed their physical relocation so data entry and classification can be more of a focus.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

A draft pandemic flu brochure was created for the public for possible distribution as general information in the event that a person to person transmission occurs anywhere in the world.

Influenza continued to show a gradual increase this month but well below the previous year’s level. The Communicable Disease Program continues to keep the health care provider community updated on local flu activity on a weekly basis.

A Blood-borne Pathogen presentation was provided to the Department’s Community Health Services staff.

Staff investigated Pertussis in a child care center and preschool. The child had been exposed to a confirmed case in home child care, but also attended preschool. The home child care was contacted to determine if there were any other cases or if prophylaxis was indicated.

A staff member participated in CPR planning and training.

Staff member planned and presented illness prevention program at child care along with Environmental Public Health.

An error in the reporting data that was being pulled from NEDSS (Nebraska Electronic Disease Surveillance System). This is the new electronic disease surveillance system. Our Department assisted with the development over the past four years. The error was discovered late in 2005. Due to the miscalculation, our 2006 monthly morbidity reports will have corrected counts for the previous three years.

GRANTS/SPECIAL PROJECTS
Immunization Action Program (IAP)

- General immunization messages have been prepared for broadcast on several non-English radio programs at the community radio station, KZUM.

- Contacts with minority community centers and other groups serving the minority communities in Lincoln continue. Another potential Hispanic mother’s group has been identified as another site to present immunization information.

- Information was sent to physicians’ offices (both pediatricians and family practitioners), to LIVE Coalition members, and to LLCHD staff about the upcoming CDC satellite broadcasts on vaccine-preventable diseases (scheduled for four consecutive weeks in February and March). The first session (Basic Immunology, Vaccine Storage and Administration, Vaccine Cold Chain), will be held at LLCHD, and the final three (information on specific immunizations) will be held at the county extension office.

- The LIVE Coalition exhibited an informational display at the continuing education workshop for community and school nurses.

- A LIVE Coalition meeting was held in January 2006. Beth Carlson of St. Elizabeth regional Medical Center has agreed to serve as Chair of the Coalition for the next year. Barb Schlegel of Family Services WIC will serve as Vice-Chair.

Perinatal Hepatitis B Program (PHBP)

- No cases were opened and one case was closed in January. The current caseload is 17.

- Program Coordinator provided education to two physicians during the month of January.

TB Program

- The TB Program currently has 3 individuals on Direct Observation Treatment (DOT) for TB. This involves a total of 10 home visits a week.

- A total of 23 consultations on TB were provided in January to staff, local health care providers and the public.

- One new TB case was identified this month. The individual is currently being visited for daily DOT. This person had planned an overseas trip and was scheduled to depart two weeks after the discovery of TB. Had the TB not been identified and trip taken place, there would have been a risk of transmission to those seated around this individual on the long overseas flight. A contact investigation was done and TB testing was done at the individual’s work site.

MMRS (Metropolitan Medical Response System)

- The Emergency Response Coordinator (ERC) IS working with Lincoln Water System to create a contaminated water tabletop exercise. This will have participants from LWS, LLCHD, LFR and Emergency Management. The tabletop exercise is set for March 2006.
Capt. Leo Benes of Lincoln Fire Rescue attended a regional meeting of MMRS Coordinators in Kansas City. At this meeting, issues affecting all MMRS cities were discussed. Of particular interest are the conflict issues that have prevented the 2001 cities from completing their original contracts. This issue has been resolved, so the original contract and sustainment should be completed and wrapped up in rapid order.

The ERC attended a Homeland Security conference in Houston. This replaced the conference from last September which was cancelled due to the Hurricanes. Much of the discussion was about the upcoming FY06 grants. There was also discussion of the FY06 MMRS grant. Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) will again be administering this grant for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). NEMA has finally started to move on the FY05 MMRS Grant for Lincoln. The original paperwork had been lost by NEMA, but was eventually located.

A new ERC intern has been hired. One of the intern’s first tasks will be to create a new GIS data map of all fire hydrants in the County. This does not currently exist in the City or County database.

EPIDEMIOLOGY/GIS

The Public Health Epidemiologist provided overweight and obesity data for youth to LPS.

Data from the 2005 YRBS survey on alcohol, tobacco, substance abuse, sexual activity, violence and body weight were provided to a staff member in HPO.

Local BFSS data on women over 40 who have had a mammogram in Lancaster County were provided to HPO staff.

The Public and Assistant Public Health Epidemiologists created a current data fact sheet table based on YBBS, BRFSS, Cancer Registry, Vital Statistics data.

Analyzed vital statistics 2004 data to prepare the annual report. There had been a delay due to the death files being only recently released by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

Quality Improvement Council began the new year with all seats filled. Mary Christensen (Community Health Services) is Chair of the Council and John Hetcko is Chair-elect. The Quality Improvement Council work plan for 2006 is being implemented through cooperation and leadership from Division representatives on the Council.

Continue to keep things current on the 123Action.org website, the diabetes prevention website. The 123ActionNow.org website awaits the “Printer Friendly” capability and then webmaster duties will be passed to the HDE Division from SnitilyCarr once the printer friendly feature is finalized.

Follow-up and evaluation activities for Diabetes Prevention Screenings have continued. Another screening day is being planned and this means gearing up for the data entry, analysis, and reporting that is required.
- The QI Coordinator is currently working on a number of ad hoc groups related to program evaluation for the ActionNow! Diabetes Prevention Coalition.

- Several new translation projects are in progress for WIC and the Diabetes Prevention Coalition.

- The QI Coordinator was contacted by the professor of the Public Relations class of an area college with the request for suggested class projects and contact persons. Seven suggestions were submitted. Hopefully, some will be selected and the Department will benefit from the ideas generated for public relations campaigns that could increase the public’s awareness of what we do.

- The QI Coordinator served as a guest panelist for a Logic Model workshop that was attended by almost 60 health and human services providers.

HEALTH PROMOTION & OUTREACH

ADOLESCENT AND FAMILY HEALTH

- Two interns began work with child abuse prevention programming and tobacco prevention programming.

- We continue to work with Time Warner Cable (TWC) to develop 3 television PSA’s for the Lincoln Fatherhood Coalition. In addition, TWC has asked the Coalition to be part of the Father’s essay contest and promotion at a Saltdogs game in June. The Lincoln Fathers’ Resource Guide has been completed. The Lincoln Fatherhood Coalition will utilize this document as an educational tool and resource for fathers, families, community agencies, educators and personal advocates. The guide includes a message to fathers, tips for healthy father-child interactions, information about discipline, suggested books and web resources, and a listing of community resources for common parenting needs.

- Staff provided assistance to Community Health Services in preparing a child abuse prevention grant to be submitted in March to Nebraska Child Abuse Prevention Fund. Plans are being made to incorporate specific prevention programming efforts during home visits with higher risk clients. Fatherhood Coalition material will also be utilized to help engage fathers.

- Staff attended the Tobacco Free Nebraska quarterly meeting to learn more about what is going on with tobacco prevention across the State. Staff continue to process audits of each School/Community tobacco partner to access progress in workplans and budgets.

- Staff participated in an interview with Lori Palensky, from Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center on Channel 5 City/TV. Information was shared about the Health Department’s comprehensive tobacco control program and how cessation is a key component. Lori discussed what is involved in trying to quit using tobacco and what one can expect when attending her cessation classes.

CHRONIC DISEASE & EVERY WOMAN MATTERS

- During January, 24 enrollment packets were distributed to eligible women, 7 re-screening cards were issued, 4 contacts were made to women who have enrolled but not screened, 198 contacts
were made to women needing rescreening, and 11 contacts were made to women needing mammography.

- **Community Outreach Activities:** Staff met with Carmela Sanchez de Jiminez, new Director of the Hispanic Center, to discuss collaboration on EWM projects. EWM resource/display material will be provided and initial plans were developed to have a Spanish-speaking women’s gathering at that site.

- **Staff provided presentations on women’s health to 4 women at Cornhusker Place; 7 women at Lancaster County Corrections; and 4 women at Touchstone.**

- **Seven women were provided information at two Clinic With A Heart sessions. EWM brochures were provided for Plaza Mart, Jerusalem’s, Hispanic Center, City Mex, Super Saver (48th St.) and Good Neighbor Center. Also, staff participated in 2 Clinic with a Heart sessions and provided 7 interested women with information.**

- **Contractual Outreach Staff:** 21 of the 23 Spanish-speaking women due for rescreening according to the December Recall Management Report were contacted by the Spanish-speaking outreach worker.

- **Staff distributed information on cervical cancer in Vietnamese to the Good Neighbor Center, Vina Market, Oriental Market and the Golden Wok. Posters were also placed in English, Spanish and Vietnamese in women’s bathrooms at Good Neighbor Center, Golden Wok and Matt Talbot.**

- **Coalition for Older Adult Health Promotion (COAHP):** Staff met with Tony Fulton, new Chair of COAHP, regarding future planning for the Coalition. The purpose, the need for revision of outdated by-laws and development of measurable outcomes for Coalition goals were discussed. Tony and Nancy Malone will work on these efforts. The Executive Committee of COAHP met and finalized a new informational brochure which has been sent to the printers.

- **Mobile Health Clinic:** Staff assisted 13 clients at 4 Adult Health Screening Clinics. These included ALPS (3 clients), Plaza Mart (2 clients), SunMart West (4 clients) and Walgreen’s (4 clients). All 13 clients had elevated screening tests or identified risk factors for poor health outcomes.

- **40 clients were assisted at 3 Minority Health Adult Screening Clinics. These included First Presbyterian ESL (10 clients), Asian Center (11 clients) and Clinton Elementary (19 clients). 85% of these clients had elevated screening tests/risk factors identified. Of the 53 clients seen at 7 MHC sites, 75% were seen at the three Minority Health clinics.**

- **Minority Health Grant:** During January, 55 new minority clients established a medical home and 17 established a new dental home at People Health Center; 31 established a dental home at LLCHD. 10 of the 33 minority health clients seen on the MHC were referred to PHC and 5 clients were provided dental service on the MHC. 3 of the 6 clients seen at Clinic With A Heart were referred to PHC. 17 persons attended smoking cessation classes. This included 11 at two classes at St. E’s with 1 minority person attending and 6 at three classes at PHC with 2 minority persons attending. Follow-up will be done with PHC as to how attendance might be increased.

- **The 2nd Quarterly Report was submitted. Highlights include: 340 new minority clients established a medical home at PHC, of the 135 referrals to PHC 38% were from the MCH, 31%**
from Clinic with a Heart and 31% from LLCHD. 318 new minority clients established a dental home (112 at PHC and 206 at LLCHD).

- A Quarterly Partner Meeting was conducted. Partners were commended on the remarkable accomplishments achieved during the past 6 months. As many year goals have already been achieved, capacity and resources were discussed. Partners have been highly creative in managing to leverage additional resources to meet service demands.

- *ActionNow!* Diabetes Prevention Coalition: Staff attended an Implementation Meeting of the Coalition at which work plan accomplishments were identified. Persons and resources for work on designated sub-committees were discussed to further develop action plans.

- Lancaster County Crusade Against Cancer: Monthly Crusade meeting conducted at which FOBT/Pharmacy, Work Site, Health Care Provider Outreach, Education and Advocacy and Budget Subcommittee Reports were given. Meadowlane Pharmacy and Four Star Drugs will also be partners this year which will bring the total of pharmacy sites to 19 stores. 1,680 FOBT kits will be available for distribution. Revised posters, table tents and promotional materials are being developed and pamphlets for distribution with FOBT kits have been ordered. Additional donations include $1,250 by Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center and $400 by the Southeast NE Chapter of the Oncology Nursing Society. The Nebraska Colon Cancer Screening Project (EWM) is planning focus groups in February and intends to be operational in March. Two RFP’s, for Laboratory services and Case Management service, are to be released. It was requested that these be sent to LLCHD.

- Staff and representatives from ACS met with Donell Martinez, Director, Health Resources at Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center regarding partnership activities for colorectal cancer.

**EARLY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COORDINATION**

- During the month of January 2006, there were 54 referrals made to the Early Development Services Coordination Program. Of the 54 referrals, 28 were younger than 2 years of age (program target population). In comparison, the average number of referrals for the month of January for the past ten years (Sept. 1995- August 2005 time period) is 38. These referrals were received from: parents - 18; physicians - 11; other health - 2; other agency - 22 (18 CAPTA); and E.D. transfer - 1. Reasons for referral include the following concerns: speech/language/hearing - 25; hearing only - 1; overall development - 4; motor - 3; diagnosed condition - 4; behavior - 1; and substantiated abuse/neglect - 16. Ages at referral: less than 1 year - 13; 1-2 years - 15; 2-3 years - 19; and 3 years (eligible to 8/31) - 7. The open EDN cases have the following case counts by Race: 4 American Indian or Alaska Native, 4 Asian, 9 Black or African American, 92 White, and 11 Unknown, and the following case counts by Ethnicity: 99 Not Hispanic or Latino, 19 Hispanic or Latino per the HHS Connect database. During January 2006, the Early Development Services Coordination Program billed HHSS for services to 183 children. 125 of the children were Medicaid eligible (68.31%).

- The Early Development Services Coordination (EDSC) Program participated in the following public awareness and community activities: 1) Early Childhood Development Posters were provided to the following for community distribution: 100 posters to the Lincoln Early Childhood Planning Region members; 80 posters to Kathy Karsting, Lincoln Public Schools (LPS) for a school nurse meeting; 20 posters to Helen Burch RN, Lincoln Action Program, Early Head Start; 70 posters & other Program materials to Patty Baker, LLCHD for the 1-17-06 Community
Nurses’ Clinical Update; 10 posters to Linda Thomsen, Goodwill; 50 posters & other Program materials to Pat Enevoldsen, Southeast Community College on for distribution at the “Love & Logic” Child Care Provider Training; 3 posters to the following sites: Family Service Child Care, to LMEF, and to Kidz Play Child Care Center; 2 posters to Laundry Land on 1-13-06; 2 posters to Williamsburg Apartment Complex; and 3 posters were posted by the LPS Center Primary Provider Team at the following sites: at Northbridge, at the Behavior Learning Center at the Cornhusker Visinet site, and at Malone. 2) Spanish Program brochures were provided to Carmela Sanchez de Jimenez, Hispanic Center for public distribution. 3) Program representation was at the following: the Lincoln Early Childhood Planning Region Team meeting; Take A Break Advisory meeting; the LPS Primary Provider Leadership Meeting; the 1-18-06 Services Coordination Regional Meeting at ESU #3; the 1-19-06 Video Conference “No Neurotoxicants For Me, Please!”; the SE area Respite Advisory Committee meeting; the LPS Primary Provider Teams meeting and the Care Giver Educational Group meeting.

HEALTHY HOMES

- Healthy Homes began in August 1993. Since then we have had 2,551 families referred to Healthy Homes. 126 families are actively participating, 143 families are in process of being contacted. We received 24 new referrals this month. The number of contacts to our participating families made by Healthy Homes staff in the month included: 93 home visits, 292 telephone contacts, and 97 accompany clients to physician visits/other community services and agencies.

INJURY PREVENTION

- Staff assisted EPH staff in facilitating the second meeting of the Pool and Spa Fence Code Review Task Force. The Task Force agreed to develop safety guidelines this year to use in educating the public on providing layers of barriers for accessibility of pools to children, and preventing drain entrapment injuries.

- Staff provided the Safe Kids feature on the KLKN TV Mid-Day Forum on preventing furniture-related injuries to young children.

- Staff facilitated the Safe Kids Child Pedestrian Safety Task Force meeting. Task Force members agreed to target Huntington Elementary School with the Safe Kids Walk This Way effort this Fall. Crash data from the Lincoln Police Department and HD & E was used to identify areas in our community where child pedestrian crashes are more prevalent. Task Force goals and strategies will be revisited to provide more structure and direction to Task Force efforts.

- Staff received a mini-grant from NHHSS to provide funding to educate volunteer coaches in area youth sports leagues on the basics of sports injury prevention.

- Staff presented information on Safe Kids Lincoln-Lancaster County and how it works to prevent local childhood injury to the Sunrise Rotary Club.

- Staff co-facilitated the February Safe Kids Lincoln-Lancaster County meeting. By-Laws were voted on and unanimously approved after several previous rounds of revisions. Planning has begun for the 2006 Ultimate Safe Kids Day effort at SouthPointe Pavilions on May 12th. Members were asked to sign up for interviews on the Channel 8 Mid-Day Forum Safe Kids Feature which is scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month this year.
A child passenger safety presentation was given to pregnant employees of State Farm which included employees in Minnesota and Iowa via live video feed.

**LINCOLN ON THE MOVE**

- We are working with the School Health Advisory Committees (SHAC’s) at 5 Middle Schools in the development of social marketing messages focused on healthy nutritional choices and increased levels of physical activity. The SHAC’s are part of the CHE’s mini-grant to LPS that staff have been associated with since last summer. The social marketing messages are being developed using the results of over 2,500 surveys that were completed by students at the five Middle Schools.

- Staff met with the administration of Prescott Elementary School to provide them with information related to programs that are available to promote healthy food choices and increased physical activity. Prescott has received a mini-grant from the Nebraska Center for Children and Families (NCFF) in support of the “Activate America” initiative sponsored by the YMCA. Schools and organizations that implement nutritional and physical activity interventions through the “Activate America” initiative will receive a “Weigh Cool” designation from the NCFF.

- Planning efforts continue with staff and representatives from LPS, LPD, Planning, Public Works, and the Mayor’s Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee on the content of an application for the “Safe Routes to School” grant that will be released later this spring by Department of Roads. “Safe Routes to School” will provide a minimum of $1 million per year for 5 years to Nebraska communities that can develop plans to increase the number of children that live within 2 miles of schools with enrollments of grades K–8 that safely walk or bike to and from their schools.

**TOBACCO**

- Staff presented to a class at Lincoln High School. The tobacco display and information was hosted at a girl’s Junior Varsity and Varsity basketball game at Lincoln High School; a boy’s Junior Varsity and Varsity basketball game at North Star High School (mailed chew information to 2 youth); and staff continue to promote the tobacco display board to County schools. The Malcolm High School principal has agreed to host it there.

- Presentations were given to 40 children and 5 staff at F Street Recreation Center; 20 children and 3 staff at Malone Center Child Care (distributed “Bee Like Me t-shirts and showed Dusty the Dragon); 14 patients and 3 staff at Touchstone (this is being scheduled every other month beginning March 27th); 12 adults at Lancaster County Corrections; 10 moms at Madres Group 2 (gave out bags to moms with tobacco information, bibs in Spanish, quit kits, and information from several Divisions); 10 moms at Madres Group 1 (gave out bags to moms with tobacco information, bibs in Spanish, quit kits, and information from several Divisions); 25 men at Cornhusker Place Day Treatment; 15 HHSS Back to Work Program Trainers; and 1 LLCHD intern.

- Staff distributed 6 quit kits at Clinic With A Heart; 2 quit kits at the MHC at Alps; 2 quit kits at the MHC at SunMart; and tobacco information at MHC adult health clinics at PlazaMart and Walgreen’s.

- The Lincoln Police Department held a tobacco compliance check on January 18th with 100% compliance (37 businesses were checked; none sole tobacco th minors).
- Staff continues to provide tobacco and secondhand smoke information as part of the LSAA as requested. (Superior Bingo, January 27th; Yellowed Pages Used Books).

- The traveling tobacco display was taken to ConAgra, Tobacco Free Nebraska meeting, and LMEP Speedway Motors requested the small tobacco display board for their machine shop after having the large display at their business. 5 businesses are scheduled to host the display board with more to be contacted. The Nebraska Heart Institute and Heart Hospital are preparing for a smoke-free campus and was very happy to be able to have the board and requested to have it whenever it is available. They asked for a minimum of two weeks at a time and quarterly through the end of this year. All businesses have reported positive results with some employees requesting more information about cessation.

- The second State-wide Telehealth conference is set for 2/28/06. Credit hours for dentists and hygienists were applied for and received to complement the nursing contact hours.

WORKWELL

- The 2006 Working Heart Manual has been released. It is a guide to health presentations and screenings that are available to WorkWell members. Forty-five programs from thirteen health and human service providers are listed in the manual. A provider fair was held for WorkWell members to visit with providers and schedule programs.

- Thirty-six individuals from 21 companies attended a Well Workplace training in late January. This training was part I of a two-part training to assist businesses in building a result-oriented wellness program. The three areas covered in the training included, senior management support, wellness teams, and data collection. In between part I and II, companies are asked to implement the WorkWell Health Risk Appraisal and collect other pertinent data (claims, workers compensation claims, etc). At the part II training in April, companies will write a wellness plan with measurable goals and objectives, discuss appropriate health interventions/programs, learn about supportive policies and benefit options, and finally, learn how to evaluate their programs. Presenters at the first training included: Dan Hick, VP Lincoln Plating Company; Becky Stafford, P.A. and wellness team leader at Union College; and Steve Frederick.

INFORMATION & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Permits Plus

- Two Steering Committee meetings were held during the month of February.
- IFM staff met with Environmental Health (EH) staff to prioritize work requests related to the Solid Waste Complaint composition, scheduling and wireless activity.
- Staff have developed a training manual to be used for training EH Air staff and to be used as a reference guide for trained staff.
- A Crystal report was developed to query the number of food borne illness complaints by month.

Partnership with Health Data Evaluation (HDE) staff
- IFM Staff and HDE staff continue to work cooperatively with the Telehealth Video Conference training opportunities for the Department. The most recent was the Governor’s Pandemic Flu Summit with HHS Director, Michael Leavitt. Approximately 25 individuals attended this session.
- IFM and HDE staff worked with Health Promotion staff to prepare for the next Smoking Cessation training that will be broadcast to 12 sites throughout Nebraska.

**Community Health Services Division**

- Database development is underway for the Home & Community client data tracking web based application.
- Staff reviewed the existing Centaurus-Triage application to evaluate the product’s use for appointment scheduling, as an interim solution until a case management application for the Clinic can be acquired.

**Help Desk Activities**

- Two field staff were issued tablets to connect to applications via the internet. A Gateway tablet was issued to Animal Control with a Cingular wireless card and a Toshiba tablet to Service Coordination with an Alltel wireless card. The feedback received from staff related to wireless functionality and connectivity have been positive results.
- Staff have been working with City Information Services staff to resolve infected CHS microcomputers at the Cornhusker office.
- Staff have been testing the Mi-Forms Designer application with an Animal Control (AC) form. The plan is to develop AC forms that could be used for field work and synch the data collected to a database.

**Web Work**

- The following webpages were posted to the City’s Interlinc website: Pandemic Flu, School Health Safe Kids and Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful.
- Staff provided assistance to Service Coordination staff to develop a webpage using the Front Page product. This is joint project between Service Coordination and LPS.

**Information & Referral Database support**

- Staff continued to provide support to the Respite IRIS users across the State.
- Staff participated in an AIRS XML User Group conference call.

**DIVISION ACTIVITIES**

**National Association of Public Health Information Technology professionals**

- Staff participated in a conference call on the use of health information exchange by health departments, presenters included both state and local health departments.

**NACCHO Information Technology Committee**

- The Manager is participating in the development of a business process for local public health practice. This is the first step to developing requirements to be used by vendors to develop
software applications that are specific to the business of local public health departments. The first major report and recommendations will be issued in May 2006.

FISCAL OPERATIONS

Budget

- FY 2007 Budget request was submitted to the City Budget Office, February 24th

Grant

- Staff attended required grant reporting training with the State and completed the audit of subgrantees in the School & Community Tobacco grant program.

Permits

- Staff met with the Water Program Supervisor and Food Program Supervisor to prepare for the 2006 Pool and Spa and Food Establishment permit renewals.
March 21, 2006

To: All Physicians, Administrators and Laboratory Personnel

From: Bruce Dart, Ph.D and Health Director

Subject: Physician Advisory

Hepatitis A

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department is currently investigating a case of Hepatitis A in a four year old male. The child was HAV AB IgM positive and presented to their health care provider on March 17th with a history of diarrhea and vomiting onset of March 8th and a March 15th onset of jaundice. No history of travel in the past month and no known contact to persons symptomatic for or diagnosed with Hepatitis A. The child attends child care and Head Start. The Department has contacted the families of the other children attending the child care and is providing those children with Hepatitis A immune globulin and hepatitis A vaccine for those one year and older. We are also in the process of contacting the families of those children in the same Head Start class and offering prophylaxis treatment as well. Our Department will be monitoring over the next 30 days both facilities and the families of those children having close contact with this case.

At this time, a source has not been identified for the child’s infection. As you know, in many cases, young children infected with Hepatitis A can have no symptoms or very mild symptoms. With no travel history, it is likely that this Hepatitis A infection was acquired locally. Our Department has not received any other lab or provider reports of Hepatitis A this year in Lancaster County. Please contact us as soon as possible if you are aware of any other cases of Hepatitis A within the past two-three months in individuals residing in Lancaster County. In an effort to contain this disease we urge you to have a high index of suspicion when observing any of the prodromal symptoms in your patients.

Standard immune globulin (IG; formerly called gamma globulin) when administered intramuscularly within 2 weeks after exposure is > 85% effective in preventing Hepatitis A. The administration of IG beyond the 14 day exposure interval is of questionable benefit and is not recommended.

(Over)
Please report immediately any suspected or confirmed cases of Hepatitis A to the Communicable Disease Program of the LLCHD at 441-8053 or after hours call 441-8000 (ask for the Communicable Disease Program).

**Mumps Outbreak-Iowa**

The number of reported Mumps cases has increased from 45 to approximately 140. Cases are being reported in persons in central and western areas of the state and in commuters to Iowa from neighboring states.

During the period January 8 through March 9, 2006, a total of 45 probable and confirmed symptomatic cases of mumps had been reported. Nearly half had occurred in college students at several institutions; of these, 65 percent had documentation of two doses of measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine. Most cases had occurred in eastern Iowa.

As of March 20, approximately 140 cases of mumps have been reported in the state, including central and western areas. Possible cases have also been reported in persons working in Iowa but living in neighboring states. At least one dose of MMR vaccination has been documented in most infected persons.

**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 J. Seng
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Steven Rademacher, MD, Medical Consultant
Thomas Stalder, MD, Medical Consultant
James Nora, MD, Medical Consultant
Shelley Jones, MD, Medical Consultant
Joan Anderson, Executive Director, Lancaster County Medical Society
TO : Mayor Coleen Seng  
Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : March 16, 2006

RE : Special Permit No. 1771A  
(Soil extraction - 84th & Adams Streets)  
Resolution No. PC-00982

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, March 15, 2006:

Motion made by Larson, seconded by Strand, to approve Special Permit No. 1771A, with conditions, requested by LeGrande Excavating, for authority to do soil excavation on property located north and east of 84th and Adams Streets.

Motion for conditional approval carried 8-0 (Sunderman, Strand, Esseks, Kriese, Taylor, Larson, Carroll and Carlson voting 'yes').

The Planning Commission's action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

Attachment

cc: Building & Safety  
Rick Peo, City Attorney  
Public Works  
LaGrande Excavating, Inc., P.O. Box 22639, 68542  
Jacoby Farms Limited Partnership, 3001 S. 51st Street, Suite 550, 68542

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RESOLUTION NO. PC- 00982

SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 1771A

WHEREAS, LeGrande Excavating has submitted an application designated as Special Permit No. 1771A for soil excavation on property located north and east of 84th and Adams Streets, and legally described as:

Lots 29, 35, and 36 of Irregular Tracts, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 10 North, Range 7 East, Lancaster County, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has held a public hearing on said application; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole, the surrounding neighborhood, and the real property adjacent to the area included within the site plan for this soil excavation will not be adversely affected by granting such a permit; and

WHEREAS, said site plan together with the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Lincoln and with the intent and purpose of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the application of LeGrande Excavating, hereinafter referred to as "Permittee", to operate a soil excavation be and the same is hereby granted under the
provisions of Section 27.63.360 of the Lincoln Municipal Code upon condition that operation of
said soil excavation be in strict compliance with said application, the site plan, and the following
additional express terms, conditions, and requirements:

1. This permit approves a soil, sand and gravel excavation for a one-year
period which may be renewed by administrative amendment, on an annual basis, for up to three
years from the date of approval of this special permit. Visual screening is waived but the
entrance shall be gated and marked with signs, and the area fenced for safety.

2. Before beginning excavation operations the Permittee must:
   a. Provide a plan showing erosion control measures and phased
      vegetation replacement that is satisfactory to Public Works and
      the Lower Plat South NRD.
   b. Provide a dust control plan to the satisfaction of the Health
      Department.
   c. Submit applications for driveways to be approved by the County
      Engineer and the Public Works Department. The exit shall include
      a rumble bar-type system to prevent tracking of dirt and mud off-
      site. The applicant shall be responsible to maintain the adjacent
      public street surfaces free from mud and soil from this operation.
   d. Notice signs shall be posted and gates installed at the truck
      entrance and exit. The area shall also be fenced for safety.
   e. Provide an agreement to the satisfaction of the Health Department
      to immediately clean up any fuel, petroleum product material spills
      or other potentially hazardous material spills, and clean any
      resulting contaminated soil or material and properly dispose of the
      same.

3. The excavation operation shall comply with the approved plans.
4. All privately-owned improvements shall be permanently maintained by the owner.

5. This resolution's terms, conditions, and requirements bind and obligate the Permittee, its successors and assigns.

6. The City Clerk shall file a copy of the resolution approving the permit and the letter of acceptance with the Register of Deeds. The Permittee shall pay the recording fee in advance.

7. The applicant shall sign and return the letter of acceptance to the City Clerk within 30 days following the approval of the special permit, provided, however, said 30-day period may be extended up to six months by administrative amendment. The clerk shall file a copy of the resolution approving the special permit and the letter of acceptance with the Register of Deeds, filling fees therefor to be paid in advance by the applicant.

8. The site plan as approved with this resolution voids and supersedes all previously approved site plans, however all resolutions approving previous permits remain in force unless specifically amended by this resolution.

The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission on this 15 day of March, 2006.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]
Chief Assistant City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : March 16, 2006

RE : Special Permit No. 06010
     (Outdoor Recreational Facility - N. 9th Street and Garber Avenue)
     Resolution No. PC-00983

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their
regular meeting on Wednesday, March 15, 2006:

Motion made by Larson, seconded by Strand, to approve Special Permit No.
06010, with conditions, requested by Jason Von Kaenel, for authority to allow an
outdoor recreational facility for gaming activities such as paintball, on property
generally located north at North 9th Street and Garber Avenue.

Motion for conditional approval carried 8-0 (Sunderman, Strand, Esseks, Krieser, Taylor,
Larson, Carroll and Carlson voting 'yes').

The Planning Commission's action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter
of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning
Commission.

Attachment

cc: Building & Safety
    Rick Peo, City Attorney
    Public Works
    Jason Von Kaenel, 2430 Northline Court, 68521
    Tom Ball, 6200 Andrew Court, 68512

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RESOLUTION NO: PC-00983

SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 06010

WHEREAS, Jason Von Kaenel has submitted an application designated as Special Permit No. 06010 for authority to allow an outdoor recreational facility for gaming activities such as paintball on property generally located at N. 9th Street and Garber Avenue, and legally described as:

The north 248 feet of the west 160 feet, Lot 1, Belmont Shopping Center, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska;

WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has held a public hearing on said application; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole, the surrounding neighborhood, and the real property adjacent to the area included within the site plan for this outdoor recreational facility will not be adversely affected by granting such a permit; and

WHEREAS, said site plan together with the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Lincoln and with the intent and purpose of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:
That the application of Jason Von Kaenel, hereinafter referred to as "Permittee", to allow an outdoor recreational facility for gaming activities such as paintball on the property described above be and the same is hereby granted under the provisions of Section 27.63.130 the Lincoln Municipal Code upon condition that construction and occupancy of said outdoor facility be in strict compliance with said application, the site plan, the requirements of Section 27.63.130 and the following additional express terms, conditions, and requirements:

1. This approval permits 39,680 square feet of outdoor recreational area for two 80' x 144' playing fields with 12' high netting.

2. No outdoor lighting shall be allowed.

3. Hours of operation shall not extend past 9:00 pm daily.

4. Before receiving a Building Permit the permittee shall submit a revised site plan including five copies showing the following revisions to the Planning Department office for review and approval.

   a. A revised site plan including 5 copies showing the following revisions:

   b. A parking table showing all uses on the property and the square footage of each use.

   c. Clarify if the 34 parking stalls are for this special permit. If so, the 34 parking stalls may be reduced to 20 parking stalls.

   d. Show the two 80' x 144' playing fields on the site plan. The playing field must be setback a minimum of 20' from the right-of-way line of N. 9th St.
5. Before occupying this recreational facility, all development and
construction is to comply with the approved plans.

6. This resolution's terms, conditions, and requirements bind and obligate the
permittee, its successors and assigns.

7. The applicant shall sign and return the letter of acceptance to the City
Clerk within 30 days following the approval of the special permit, provided, however,
said 30-day period may be extended up to six months by administrative amendment.
The clerk shall file a copy of the resolution approving the special permit and the letter of
acceptance with the Register of Deeds, filling fees therefor to be paid in advance by the
applicant.

The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster
County Planning Commission on this 15th day of March, 2006.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]
Chief Assistant City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : March 17, 2006

RE : Preliminary Plat No. 06002 - Schworer Addition
     (North 33rd and Superior Streets)
     Resolution No. PC-00985

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, March 15, 2006:

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Strand, to approve Preliminary Plat No. 06002, Schworer Addition, with conditions, as revised by staff on March 15, 2006, requested by Dennis Schworer, to develop four lots for commercial development, including requests to waive the Land Subdivision Ordinance and Design Standards for Land Subdivision Regulation requirements in order to allow a two-year time frame for improvements; to waive the sureties until Lot 2, Block 1, and Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, are platted; and to waive the on-site stormwater detention, on property generally located at North 33rd and Superior Streets.

Motion for approval, with conditions, as amended, carried 8-0: Sunderman, Strand, Esseks, Krieser, Taylor, Larson, Carroll and Carlson voting 'yes'.

The Planning Commission action on this preliminary plat is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

The associated Annexation, Annexation Agreement and Change of Zone requests are scheduled for public hearing before the City Council on Monday, April 3, 2006, 1:30 p.m.

Attachment
cc: Building & Safety
    Rick Peo, City Attorney
    Public Works
    Mark Hunzeker, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 95109, 68509
    Don Day, Olsson Associates, 1111 Lincoln Mall, 68508
    Bob Rokeby <rokeby@ipa.net>
    J.D. Burt, Design Associates, 1609 N Street, 68508
Preliminary Plat 06002

RESOLUTION NO. PC-00985

WHEREAS, Dennis Schworer has submitted the preliminary plat of Schworer Addition for acceptance and approval together with a request to waive Land Subdivision Ordinance and Design Standards for Land Subdivision Regulation requirements in order to allow a two year time frame for improvements; waive the sureties until Lot 2, Block 1 and Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, are platted; and waive the on-site storm water detention, on property generally located at North 33rd and Superior Streets.; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Director has recommended conditional approval of said preliminary plat.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission that the preliminary plat of Schworer Addition, generally located at North 33rd and Superior Streets as submitted by Dennis Schworer is hereby accepted and approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. After the subdivider completes the following instructions and submits the documents and plans and 6 copies to the Planning Department office, the preliminary plat will be signed by the Chair of the Planning Commission certifying approval: (NOTE: These documents and plans are required by ordinance or design standards.)

   a. Rename Schworer Auto Drive with a new name acceptable to the Planning Department.

   b. Revise the boundary of the plat to include the entire lot.

   c. Provide additional easements as requested by LES.

   d. Show the extension of the east/west street and North 35th Street for 300' beyond the eastern boundary of this plat.

   e. Make revisions and submit documentation as requested in the Review Comments for Application #PP06002 from the Public Works and Utilities, and Health Departments which are attached to the Lincoln City/Lancaster
2. The waivers to subdivision regulations requiring that street improvements be completed or guaranteed by surety prior to a final plat and installed within a specified time after approval of a final plat are hereby approved, provided:

   a. The street right-of-way shall be dedicated, as required by the subdivision ordinance, with each final plat.

   b. It is expected Lot 1, Block 1 will be final platted first, with the remainder of the property platted as an outlot. If so, improvements in the east/west street must be installed to a point east of the frontage road, which is satisfactory to Public Works, in order to provide access to the lot. The remainder of the street shall be improved prior to approval of a subsequent final plat.

3. Final Plats will be approved by the Planning Director after:

   a. The sidewalks, streets, utilities, drainage facilities, street lighting, street trees, and street name signs have been completed or the subdivider has submitted a bond or an escrow of security agreement to guarantee their completion.

   b. The subdivider has signed an agreement that binds the subdivider, its successors and assigns:

      (1) to complete the public street paving of streets shown on the final plat within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

      (2) to complete the installation of sidewalks along both sides of public streets as shown on the final plat within four (4) years following the approval of the final plat.

      (3) to complete the public water distribution system to serve this plat within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

      (4) to complete the public wastewater collection system to serve this plat within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

      (5) to complete the enclosed public drainage facilities shown on the approved drainage study to serve this plat within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

      (6) to complete land preparation including storm water detention/retention facilities and open drainageway improvements to serve this plat prior to the installation of utilities and improvements but not more than two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.
(7) to complete the installation of public street lights along public streets within this plat within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

(8) to complete the planting of the street trees along public streets within this plat within four (4) years following the approval of the final plat.

(9) to complete the installation of the street name signs within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

(10) to complete any other public or private improvement or facility required by Chapter 26.23 (Development Standards) of the Land Subdivision Ordinance in a timely manner which inadvertently may have been omitted from the above list of required improvements.

(11) to complete the public and private improvements shown on the preliminary plat.

(12) to retain ownership of or the right of entry to the outlots in order to maintain the outlots and private improvements on a permanent and continuous basis. However, the subdivider may be relieved and discharged of this maintenance obligation upon creating, in writing, a permanent and continuous association of property owners who would be responsible for said permanent and continuous maintenance. The subdivider shall not be relieved of such maintenance obligation until the private improvements have been satisfactorily installed and the documents creating the association have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney and filed of record with the Register of Deeds.

(13) to properly and continuously maintain and supervise the private facilities which have common use or benefit, and to recognize that there may be additional maintenance issues or costs associated with providing for the proper functioning of storm water detention/retention facilities as they were designed and constructed within the development, and that these are the responsibility of the land owner.

(14) to comply with the provisions of the Land Preparation and Grading requirements of the Land Subdivision Ordinance.

(15) to submit to the Director of Public Works a plan showing proposed measures to control sedimentation and erosion and the proposed method to temporarily stabilize all graded land for approval.

(16) to submit to the lot buyers and home builders a copy of the soil analysis.
4. The waiver to the design standard requiring on-site stormwater detention is hereby approved.


ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]
Chief Assistant City Attorney
PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

TO : Mayor Coleen Seng
     Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Walker, Planning

DATE : March 22, 2006

RE : Special Permit No. 06001, Grand Terrace Community Unit Plan
     (South 84th Street and Highway 2)
     Resolution No. PC-00984

The Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission took the following action at their regular meeting on Wednesday, March 15, 2006:

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Strand, to approve Special Permit No. 06001, with conditions, with amendments, requested by Dubois, LLC, for authority to develop Grand Terrace Community Unit Plan for 485 dwelling units, together with requested waivers of the Zoning Ordinance, Land Subdivision Ordinance and City of Lincoln Design Standards to allow sanitary sewer to flow opposite street grades; to allow double frontage lots; to allow block length in excess of 1,320 feet; to not require a pedestrian easement in a block in excess of 1,000 feet in length; to allow lots less than the required width and area; and to allow a permanent dead-end street with a hammerhead turn-around, on property generally located at South 84th Street and Highway 2.

Motion for conditional approval, with amendments, carried 8-0 (Sunderman, Strand, Esseks, Krieser, Taylor, Larson, Carroll and Carlson voting ‘yes’).

The Planning Commission’s action is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a Letter of Appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the date of the action by the Planning Commission.

Attachment
cc: Building & Safety
    Rick Peo, City Attorney
    Public Works
    Peter Katt, Attorney at Law, P. O. Box 95109, 68509
    Engineering Design Consultants, 2200 Fletcher Ave., #102, 68504
    Dubois, LLC, 2045 S. Folsom Street, 68522
    Amber Hills Estates Association (2)
    Pine Lake Association
    Family Acres Association (2)
    Cheney SID #5
    Cheney CIP
    Vintage Heights Homeowners Association (2)
    Stan & Grace Portsche, 5020 M Street, 68510
RESOLUTION NO. PC-00984

SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 06001

WHEREAS, Dubois, LLC has submitted an application designated as Special Permit No. 06001 for authority to develop Grand Terrace Community Unit Plan for 485 dwelling units, together with requested waivers of the Zoning Code, Land Subdivision Ordinance, and City of Lincoln Design Standards to allow sanitary sewer to flow opposite street grades; to allow double frontage lots; to allow block length in excess of 1,320 feet; to not require a pedestrian easement in a block in excess of 1,000 feet in length; to allow lots less than the required width and area; and to allow a permanent dead-end street with a hammerhead turn-around, on property generally located at South 84th Street and Highway 2, and legally described as:

The remaining portion of Lot 59 Irregular Tract located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 9 North, Range 7 East of the 6th P.M., and being more particularly described as follows:

Referring to the east quarter corner of said Section 22; thence on the south line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section north 89 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds west, 130.83 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 89 degrees 47 minutes 29 seconds west, 274.95 feet; thence north 89 degrees 46 minutes 28 seconds west, 505.25 feet; thence north 89 degrees 46 minutes 48 seconds west, 300.14 feet; thence north 89 degrees 51 minutes 01 seconds west, 60.06 feet; thence north 89 degrees 45 minutes 58 seconds west, 294.90 feet; thence north 89 degrees 45 minutes 49 seconds west, 294.97 feet; thence north 89 degrees 45 minutes 19 seconds west, 314.54 feet; thence north 89 degrees 48 minutes 04 seconds west, 207.98 feet; thence westerly on a 910.27 foot radius curve to the right, an arc length of 234.61 feet (long chord bears north 81 degrees 55 minutes 30 seconds west, 233.96 feet); thence north 00 degrees 04 minutes 24 seconds east, 555.09 feet; thence north 00 degrees 00 minutes
08 seconds west, 245.08 feet; thence north 00 degrees 01
minutes 41 seconds east, 481.52 feet; thence south 89 degrees
49 minutes 12 seconds east, 1538.96 feet; thence south 89
degrees 50 minutes 56 seconds east, 210.68 feet; thence south
56 degrees 57 minutes 12 seconds east, 193.02 feet; thence
south 49 degrees 09 minutes 10 seconds east, 301.29 feet;
the south 53 degrees 30 minutes 20 seconds east, 300.04
feet; thence south 10 degrees 15 minutes 34 seconds east,
164.12 feet; thence south 25 degrees 21 minutes 05 seconds
east, 12.51 feet; thence southerly on a curve to the left with a
radius of 469.95 feet, an arc length of 171.83 feet (long chord
bears south 09 degrees 11 minutes 28 seconds east, 170.87 feet;
thence southerly on a curve to the left with a radius of 585.00 feet,
an arc length of 413.96 feet (long chord bears south 11 degrees
24 minutes 16 seconds east, 405.38 feet); thence south 31
degrees 40 minutes 37 seconds east, 115.97 feet to the point of
beginning, containing 3,036.268 square feet (69.70 acres) more or
less;

WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has held a
public hearing on said application; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole, the surrounding neighborhood, and the
real property adjacent to the area included within the site plan for this community unit plan will
not be adversely affected by granting such a permit; and

WHEREAS, said site plan together with the terms and conditions hereinafter set
forth are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Lincoln and with the intent and
purpose of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to promote the public health, safety, and
general welfare; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County
Planning Commission of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the application of Dubois, LLC, hereinafter referred to as "Permittee", to
develop Grand Terrace Community Unit Plan for 485 dwelling units be and the same is hereby
granted under the provisions of Section 27.63.320 and Chapter 27.65 of the Lincoln Municipal
Code upon condition that construction of said dwelling units be in strict compliance with said
application, the site plan, and the following additional express terms, conditions, and
requirements:

1. This approval permits up to 485 dwelling units with waivers to the Zoning Code,
the Land Subdivision Ordinance, and City of Lincoln Design Standards to allow sanitary sewer
to flow opposite street grades, to allow block length in excess of 1,320', to eliminate the required
pedestrian easement in a block in excess of 1,000' in length to allow lots with less than required
width and area, and to allow a permanent dead-end street with a hammerhead turn-around.
This permit does not approve double frontage lots unless said waiver is approved by City
Council.

2. Final plats within this community unit plan must be approved by the City.

3. If any final plat on all or a portion of the approved community unit plan is
submitted five (5) years or more after the approval of the community unit plan, the City may
require that a new community unit plan be submitted, pursuant to all the provisions of section
26.31.015. A new community unit plan may be required if the subdivision ordinance, the design
standards, or the required improvements have been amended by the City; and as a result, the
community unit plan as originally approved does not comply with the amended rules and
regulations.

4. Permittee agrees:

a. to complete the street paving of public streets shown on the final plat
within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

b. to complete the paving of private roadway shown on the final plat within
two (2) years following the approval of this final plat.

c. to complete the installation of sidewalks along both sides of the streets
and the west side of South 84th Street as shown on the final plat within
four (4) years following the approval of the final plat.

d. to complete the public water distribution system to serve this plat within
two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

e. to complete the public wastewater collection system to serve this plat
within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.
f. to complete the enclosed public drainage facilities shown on the approved
   drainage study to serve this plat within two (2) years following the
   approval of the final plat.

   g. to complete the enclosed private drainage facilities shown on the
      approved drainage study to serve this plat within two (2) years following
      the approval of the final plat.

   h. to complete the installation of public street lights within this plat within two
      (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

   i. to complete the installation of private street lights within this plat within
      two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

   j. to complete the planting of the street trees along both sides of all streets
      within this within four (4) years following the approval of the final plat.

   k. to complete the planting of street trees along South 84th Street within two
      (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

   l. to complete the planting of the landscape screen along South 84th Street
      within two (2) years following the approval of the final plat.

   m. to complete the installation of the street name signs within two (2) years
      following the approval of the final plat.

   n. to complete any other public or private improvement or facility required by
      Chapter 26.23 (Development Standards) of the Land Subdivision
      Ordinance in a timely manner which inadvertently may have been omitted
      from the above list of required improvements.

   o. to submit to the Director of Public Works a plan showing proposed
      measures to control sedimentation and erosion and the proposed method
      to temporarily stabilize all graded land for approval.

   p. to complete the public and private improvements shown on the
      Community Unit Plan.

   q. to retain ownership of or the right of entry to the outlots in order to
      maintain the outlots and private improvements on a permanent and
      continuous basis and to maintain the plants in the medians and islands on
      a permanent and continuous basis. However, the subdivider may be
      relieved and discharged of this maintenance obligation upon creating, in
      writing, a permanent and continuous association of property owners who
      would be responsible for said permanent and continuous maintenance.
      The subdivider shall not be relieved of such maintenance obligation until
      the private improvements have been satisfactorily installed and the
      documents creating the association have been reviewed and approved by
      the City Attorney and filed of record with the Register of Deeds.
r. to continuously and regularly maintain the street trees along the private roadways and landscape screens.

s. to submit to the lot buyers and home builders a copy of the soil analysis.

t. to pay all design, engineering, labor, material, inspection, and other improvement costs.

u. to comply with the provisions of the Land Preparation and Grading requirements of the Land Subdivision Ordinance.

v. to protect the trees that are indicated to remain during construction and development.

w. to properly and continuously maintain and supervise the private facilities which have common use or benefit, and to recognize that there may be additional maintenance issues or costs associated with providing for the proper functioning of storm water detention/retention facilities as they were designed and constructed within the development, and that these are the responsibility of the Permittee.

x. to relinquish the right of direct vehicular access to South 84th Street and Highway 2 except at Renatta Drive.

y. to inform potential buyers and tenants the property or building is located within a projected hazard area to a natural gas pipeline.

5. Before receiving final plat approval:

a. The Permittee shall complete the following instructions and submit the documents and plans to the Planning Department office for review and approval.

i. Five copies of a revised site plan showing the following revisions:

(1) Revise the phasing plan to include the specific off-site street improvements associated with each phase to the satisfaction of Public Works. Also include a statement that the water main across Highway 2 must be built at the time of any final plat in Phases 4 and 5.

(2) Modify Site Specific Note #16 to delete the reference to the City being obligated to reimburse the owner of Outlot C, and by deleting “The payment to the Outlot C owner shall not be less than $ _____ or more than $ _____."

(3) Modify Site Specific Note #9 by deleting “except where shown.”

(4) Modify General Site Note #15 to read as “.....along all public streets and private roadways.....”
(5) Delete waivers #2, 5 and 6 from Sheet 1 of 8.

(6) Show parkland dedication to the satisfaction of the Parks and Recreation Department.

(7) Substitute Scotch Pine with a plant from the City's approved plant list.

(8) Change the names of Carmelle Drive, Tuscany Drive, and Sonoma Drive to the satisfaction of 911 Communications.

(9) Show the 12" high-pressure gas line.

(10) Indicate the paving width of all streets.

(11) Show a 200'-long right-turn lane in South 84th Street at Renatta Drive.

(12) Show the design along the extent of Renatta Drive including alignment and grading to the satisfaction of Public Works and Utilities.

(13) Show the required public street paving and grading for Lots 16-20, Block 2.

(14) Show easements per L.E.S. review.

(15) The landscape screen and street trees shall be planted on private property along Highway 2 unless written approval is granted by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

(16) The landscape screen along South 84th Street shall be on private property.

(17) Revise Site Specific Note #13 as follows “The site layout of the of the townhouse/multiple-family area must be approved by administrative amendment prior to final plat.”

(18) Show required recreation facilities to the satisfaction of the Parks and Recreation Department.

ii. Revise the grading and drainage and utilities plans and other corrections to the satisfaction of Public Works and Utilities.

iii. Five copies of the revised final plan as approved.

b. City Council approves associated requests AN#06001 and CZ#06001.

c. The construction plans comply with the approved plans.
6. Before occupying any dwellings all development and construction is to comply with the approved plans.

7. All privately-owned improvements, including landscaping and recreational facilities, are to be permanently maintained by the owner or an appropriately established homeowners association approved by the City.

8. The site plan accompanying this permit shall be the basis for all interpretations of setbacks, yards, locations of buildings, location of parking and circulation elements, and similar matters.

9. This resolution's terms, conditions, and requirements bind and obligate the Permittee, its successors and assigns.

10. The applicant shall sign and return the letter of acceptance to the City Clerk within 30 days following the approval of the special permit, provided, however, said 30-day period may be extended up to six months by administrative amendment. The clerk shall file a copy of the resolution approving the special permit and the letter of acceptance with the Register of Deeds, filling fees therefor to be paid in advance by the applicant.

The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission on this 15 day of March, 2006.

ATTEST:

/S/ Original signed by
Jon Carlson
Chair

Approved as to Form & Legality:

Chief Assistant City Attorney
Nebraska Highway 2, Van Dorn to 59th Street (NDOR Project)  
14th and Highway 2 Intersection (City Project 701908)  
14th and Warlick Intersection (NDOR Project)

The Nebraska Department of Roads along with the City of Lincoln Department of Public Works and Utilities would like to take this opportunity to invite you to an open house regarding the rehabilitation of Nebraska Highway 2 between Van Dorn and 59th Street, the safety improvement project at 14th and Highway 2 and the turn-lane modifications near 14th and Warlick.

On Tuesday April 4, 2006 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at NDOR Headquarters in the auditorium, 1500 Highway 2, engineers from the Nebraska Department of Roads and the City of Lincoln Public Works and Utilities Department will be available to answer questions about the projects. Work on Nebraska Highway 2 will consist of repairing the existing pavement and curb, adding and extending turn lanes, upgrading guardrail, and milling and resurfacing the highway. Work at the 14th Street intersection will consist of adding additional turn lanes and signal enhancements to improve the safety of the intersection. Work near 14th and Warlick will consist of lengthening a turn lane and adding a southbound through lane north of 14th and Old Cheney to improve intersection operations. The projects are scheduled to be let to contractors April 2006 with construction of the project anticipated to begin in June. For additional information see www.dor.state.ne.us/news/.

Members of the public may attend anytime it is convenient between the hours of 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and will be able to get information and provide input for the projects.

If you cannot attend the open house and have questions, please contact the project representatives listed below.

Mark Osborn  
Nebraska Dept. of Roads  
(402) 479-4443

Kris Humphrey  
City of Lincoln, Engineering Services  
(402) 441-7711
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

Name: Linda Halvorsen
Address: 509 N. 24th RD
City: Syracuse, NE 68446
Phone: 402-828-5805
Fax:
Email: hunny_halvorsen@yahoo.com

Comment or Question:
I agree that northeast Lincoln needs to grow and offer more to its residences in the area but a Wal-Mart is not the right store. Wal-Mart needs to clean up there act in the other stores before adding another one. The emlpées are under payed, over worked, and treated unfairly. I know because I am one of them. I have been on medical leave for a year, with perminant damage do to faulty equipment that thay refused to fix due to the cost. Please think this over very carefully.
Linda Halvorsen
Dear Rod & Nancy Johnson:  Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

Tammy J. Grammer
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To Council Members:

Please consider how ethical or even legal it is for you to consider Keno satellite, or all Keno for that matter, based on what the people of Nebraska have stated very clearly when they voted against gambling. There should be at least some embarrassment if not shame when bit by bit gambling is sneaked around the strong No Gambling vote of the people.

For the sake of the franchise, vote No on any further intrusion of Keno or any other gambling.

Sincerely concerned,

Rod and Nancy Johnson
3821 Mill Rd.
Davey, NE  68336
Dear Barbara Gaskell:  Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

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“Martin and Barbara Gaskell” <gaskell@inetnebr.com>

Dear Council members,

Please do not allow any more Keno Satellite  locations in the city of Lincoln!

The citizens of Nebraska voted 2 to 1 against bringing Casinos and electronic gaming devices into our state. We want to preserve our good life the way it is. The expansion of Keno is expanding gambling in Nebraska by stealth, a little bit at a time, below the radar screen of most citizens. this is not what Nebraskans want. Please do not allow it.

With thanks for common sense

Barbara Gaskell
Dear Terra Gibson:

Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

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I personally think it makes much more sense for a stop light to be installed at 27th and Wildcat.

Terra
Dear Ginny Wright: Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

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Ginny Wright

Hello Council Members,

I was visiting the American Rights At Work website (www.americanrightsatwork.org), and I saw information on this page that I thought you'd find interesting.

Click on the link below to read it.

http://www.americanrightsatwork.org/walmart/leescottadvice.cfm

Dear Council Members – it is about zoning AND Wal-Mart, both. There are other big box retailers that would accept the zoning standards for our quality of life. Wal-Mart must be held accountable by the democratic processes for its abuse of employee rights, flagrant violations of environmental laws, & the hidden costs that show up later. As elected officials, you are to serve the public interests, not bow to any private sector company's will. The documentation on the negative Wal-Mart effect is extensive & accurate.

What are the schemes for the next 4 or 5 locations they were pondering? Unless the Wal-Mart tiger changes its stripes forever to conduct business as a decent corporate citizen, it is unwelcome in Lincoln, NE.

Ginny Wright
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Hi Council Members,  
Ginny Wright has recommended this article entitled 'Wal-Mart’s ‘Everyday Low Vices’" to you.  

Here are his/her remarks:  
More discussion about why Wal-Mart is a unique concern.  

Wal-Mart’s ‘Everyday Low Vices’  
Posted By James Parks On 12th March 2006 @ 04:00 In Corporate Greed  

It hurts the economy and the national quality of life if a company treats its employees badly. But when the largest retailer in the world does that, the consequences could be enormous. So it is with Wal-Mart, says T.A. Frank in “Everyday Low Vices,” an article in Washington Monthly, which is posted on the Alternet website.  

Frank says the current generation of Wal-Mart bosses seems to have forgotten founder Sam Walton’s second tenet of doing business—make your employees feel like they’re part of the company.  The first, of course, is to make as much money as you can.
As ...

Article taken from AFL-CIO Weblog - http://blog.aflcio.org
URL to article: http://blog.aflcio.org/?p=232
Dear Darlene Moore: Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

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"Darlene Moore" <dmoore@neb.rr.com>

City Council Members,

My name is Darlene Moore and I live at 3333 Mohawk  St. in Lincoln. I'm asking that you all would please vote No to the expanding of Keno gambling in our "Great City of Lincoln.

Thank You,
Darlene Moore
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

Name: Donna Justsen
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Comment or Question:
Dear City Council Members,

This message is in regards to a recent article in the Lincoln Journal-Star concerning Mayor Coleen Seng’s desire to demolish the Star Ship theater. I am very disappointed to hear this as this theater, even though their movies are second-run, has provided much entertainment at a low cost to many who cannot afford the higher ticket cost of all other theaters. By tearing down this theater, the mayor will be putting an end to this entertainment for many, including children, older adults and students.

I realize that there appears to be a major concern to keep downtown Lincoln going but from my observation, there is a lack of shopping in downtown Lincoln; however there seems to be a great abundance of bars for entertainment. Is it that we need more parking for the patrons of these bars?

In addition, I feel that preventing a theater to be built in southeast Lincoln is against the principles of free enterprise. Does it not seem odd that all of the theaters in a city this size are all owned by one company?

It is my hopes that that the mayor’s desires not be met concerning getting rid of our low-cost theater, the Star Ship. I realize this may already have been voted upon but do hope the City Council will review this and to perhaps see the value of a low-cost theater in this city. This is a great city with the Children’s Museum, Children’s Zoo, Lied Center, etc. However, all of these are certainly a bit pricey for many families and others as well.

Sincerely yours,

Donna Justsen
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CDR Secures New Market Tax Credits

(LINCOLN) On March 14, 2006, Community Development Resources (CDR) signed agreements with Community Reinvestment Fund of Minneapolis, MN to secure New Market Tax Credits for the State of Nebraska. CDR is a designated Community Development Financial Institution as determined by the U. S. Treasury Department. CDR has established a Community Development Enterprise (CDE) that will administer the program.

New Market Tax Credits are an economic development tool originated during the Clinton Administration that focus development capital into designated areas which have been determined by the U. S. Treasury Department. Tax credits are awarded to investors who invest in qualified New Market Tax Credit eligible census tracts for economic development projects. The credits, totaling 39%, are distributed over a 7 year period at a pre-determined rate. The funds generated by the investments are then used to fund qualified economic development and community projects.

“By introducing new financial products for communities and organizations that can create significant economic and community impact, CDR has positioned itself to be an important contributing partner in bringing opportunity to the city, region and state’ said Rick Wallace, Executive Director of CDR. “CDR continues to serve as a clearing house for community development resources and anticipates tremendous interest in applying New Market Tax Credits.”

New Market Tax Credits are one of three new financial tools that CDR will be introducing into the community and the state in 2006.
ADDENDUM TO DIRECTORS' AGENDA
MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2006

I. MAYOR -

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Mayor Seng's Public Schedule Week of March 25 through 31, 2006-Schedule subject to change -(See Release)

2. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Mayor Seng will have a news conference in conjunction with the Earth Wellness Festival at 10:00 a.m., Monday, March 27th at Southeast Community College -(See Advisory)

3. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Seventh Annual "Clean Your Files Week" Set For April 17 through 21 - (See Release)

4. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Separation Of Grass and Leaves Begins April 1 - (See Release)

5. NEWS RELEASE - RE: South 17TH Street Traffic To Be Restricted Beginning Tuesday - (See Release)

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS - NONE

C. MISCELLANEOUS -

1. E-Mail from William Carver, President, Near South Neighborhood Association - RE: Disorderly Household Ordinance -(See E-Mail)

2. E-Mail from Delores Lintel - RE: Disorderly Household Ordinance -(See E-Mail)

3. E-Mail from Mary Jo Bousek, President, Real Estate Owners & Managers Association - RE: Disorderly Household Ordinance -(See E-Mail)
4. E-Mail from Barbara Cornelius, President, Hartley Neighborhood Association - RE: Support for ordinance for “Disorderly House” fines -(See E-Mail)

5. E-Mail from Peggy Struwe, President, Hawley Area Association - RE: Disorderly Houses -(See E-Mail)

Date: March 24, 2006
Contact: Dave Norris, Citizen Information Center, 441-7547

Mayor Seng's Public Schedule
Week of March 25 through 31, 2006
Schedule subject to change

Saturday, March 25
- Food Share, volunteering - 7:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 5200 Francis

Monday, March 27
- Earth Wellness Day News Conference - 10 a.m., Southeast Community College, 8800 "O" St., Room B7

Tuesday, March 28
- KLIN 1400AM call-in show - 8:10 a.m., Broadcast House, 4343 “O” St.
- Rotary Clubs and Lincoln Chamber of Commerce's “Salute to Business,” remarks, present award - 11:30 a.m., Cornhusker Marriott Hotel, 333 S. 13th St.
- International Visitors from Arabic countries - 4:30 p.m., Mayor's Conference Room, 555 S. 10th St.
- Public Works and Utilities Intersection Safety Project open house (9th/10th streets and Van Dorn) - 5:30 p.m., Irving Middle School, 2745 S. 22nd St.
- Lincoln Elks Club Award Ceremony, remarks and award presentation (5th through 8th grade students essay contest winners) - 6:30 p.m., Lincoln Elks Lodge, 5910 S. 58th St.

Wednesday, March 29
- Lincoln Chamber of Commerce Governor's Chamber Address - noon, Embassy Suites, 1040 "P" St.

Thursday, March 30
- Design session for Haymarket West area, remarks - 8:30 a.m., Pershing Center, 226 Centennial Mall South
- News Conference - 10 a.m., topic and location to be announced
- International Visitor from Japan - 4 p.m., Mayor’s Office
- "The Collector of Bedford Street" film screening, remarks, Key to the City presentations to Larry Selman and Alice Elliott - 7 p.m., Ross Theater, 313 N. 13th St.

Friday, March 31
- Cesar Chavez Day, remarks and proclamation - 4:15 p.m., Hispanic Center, 2615 “O” St.
DATE: March 24, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Dave Norris, Citizen Information Center, 441-7547

Mayor Coleen J. Seng will have a news conference in conjunction with the Earth Wellness Festival at 10 a.m. Monday, March 27 at Southeast Community College, 8800 "O" St, in Rooms B-7 and B-8. The Mayor will highlight current environmental issues as well as activities at this year's Earth Wellness Festival.
SEVENTH ANNUAL “CLEAN YOUR FILES WEEK” SET FOR APRIL 17 THROUGH 21

The seventh annual “Clean Your Files Week” in Lincoln begins Monday, April 17. The program supports Earth Day 2006 by offering office workers the opportunity to empty file drawers and fill recycling bins through April 21. Recyclable items include computer paper, letterhead, white and colored ledger paper, phone books, cards and envelopes.

City Recycling Coordinator Gene Hanlon said that in the first six years of “Clean Your Files Week,” businesses, government, office buildings and educational institutions have recycled more than 200,000 pounds of paper.

“Mayor Seng’s office led local government last year in the ‘Clean Your Files’ effort by recycling 50 pounds of office paper per employee,” said Hanlon. “She’s an active and avid recycler. By encouraging employees to recycle old files, we hope to increase the recovery of office paper and teach people how to recycle at work every day. By participating in ‘Clean Your Files Week,’ businesses can support Earth Day, increase awareness about recycling and help to conserve valuable resources.”

Hanlon said there would be a competition among the participants with the business or organization collecting the most office paper per employee receiving a plaque recognizing them for their efforts.

Individuals with home businesses also are encouraged to participate. They can deposit their old files in the residential mixed paper recycling container at recycling drop-off sites located throughout the city. Drop-off sites can be found on blue pages 42 through 44 in the Alltel phone directory.

“Clean Your Files Week” is organized by Recycling at Work, a campaign of the National Office Paper Recycling Project. This is a public-private partnership managed by the U.S. Conference of Mayors, with the help of “Clean Your Files” national sponsors. Local sponsors include the City of Lincoln, Midland Recycling and WasteCap Nebraska.

To learn more about “Clean Your Files Week” or to register your business, call 441-8215 or 436-2383.

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PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
Solid Waste Operations, 2400 Theresa Street, Lincoln, NE 68521, 441-7043, fax 441-8735

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: March 27, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Gene Hanlon, Recycling Coordinator, 441-7043
Dan Kurtzer, President, Lincoln Solid Waste Management Association, 423-3708

SEPARATION OF GRASS AND LEAVES BEGINS APRIL 1

Beginning Saturday, April 1, waste haulers will collect grass and leaves separately from household trash. State law requires that citizens separate grass and leaves from household trash from April 1 through November 30. Individuals can subscribe to a separate collection of grass and leaves that is provided by local waste haulers. There is a separate fee for this collection service.

If individuals don’t wish to have their grass clippings and leaves collected separately by their hauler, they have three options. They can haul the grass and leaves themselves to the 45th Street Transfer Station, hire a lawn service, or mulch and compost their grass clippings and leaves. The University of Nebraska Lancaster County Extension Office will provide a series of backyard composting workshops in April.

This is the thirteenth year of the composting program. Since 1992, City officials estimate that Lincoln has diverted more than 183,260 tons of grass and leaves and 64,230 tons of tree trimmings from the landfill. To date, the composting program and annual wood-grinding operation has added almost 20 months to the life of the landfill. If the City stopped its composting and wood waste diversion program today and buried the yard waste in the landfill, it would close in the year 2027 instead of the current projection of 2030.

Dan Kurtzer, President of the Lincoln Solid Waste Management Association, said people who subscribe to the special collection of grass and leaves must separate the material after the last waste collection in March. “Grass and leaves must be in approved containers,” Kurtzer said. “This includes paper lawn bags that are available at area retailers, a 32-gallon waste container with a tight-fitting lid, or a 90-gallon container provided by the waste hauler. People who use plastic trash bags for their yard waste will run the risk of having the material left at the curb.”

The City does not allow grass and leaves to be placed in plastic bags because they do not decompose and cause litter problems at the City’s compost operation.

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City Recycling Coordinator Gene Hanlon said that the City conducts inspections of loads coming to the Bluff Road Landfill and composting site. If household trash is found mixed with grass and leaves, the City can assess the haulers a $50 clean-up fee. Kurtzer said this cost may be passed on to the property owner who mixed grass and leaves with the household trash.

Hanlon also said that with the start of spring, people can obtain wood chips and compost from the City. To obtain more information on the City’s composting program or the availability of compost and wood chips, contact the City of Lincoln Recycling Office at 441-8215.

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PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
Engineering Services, 531 Westgate Blvd., Lincoln, NE 68528, 441-7711, fax 441-6576

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: March 27, 2006
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Charles Wilcox, Public Works and Utilities, 441-7532

SOUTH 17TH STREET TRAFFIC
TO BE RESTRICTED BEGINNING TUESDAY

Beginning at about 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 28, South 17th Street (one-way, northbound) from Garfield Street to "A" Street will be restricted to one lane of traffic. The closure is due to a new storm sewer pipe being placed in the east through lane of 17th St.

The project is expected to last about six weeks. During this time, two lanes of traffic will be maintained from 6 p.m. until 9 a.m. From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day, the area between Garfield and "A" streets will be reduced to a single lane.

Additional information can be found on this and other City Public Works and Utilities construction projects by visiting the City Web site at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: projects).

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Dear William Carver:

Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

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"williamc" <williamc@team-national.com>

Dear City Council Members,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Near South Neighborhood Association Executive Board. We support the changes to the Disorderly Household Ordinance.

Increasing the penalties will help support better neighbors and neighborhoods. Party houses with repeat offenders drive down property values of the surrounding homes. They also ruin the quality of life for the families that have to suffer night after night of disturbances.

We believe it is good city policy to create substantial consequences for those that engage in this kind of disorderly behavior. The changes to increase minimum fines and focus on repeat offenders will support public and private efforts to help keep Lincoln’s neighborhoods outstanding places to live.

Please vote to support the changes to the Disorderly Household Ordinance.

Sincerely,

William Carver  
President - Near South Neighborhood Association
Dear Members of the City Council,

I was a resident of the Clinton Neighborhood for over 40 years and from time to time have experienced the wild and disruptive parties by college students who rented houses in that area.

It is equivalent to being "HELD HOSTAGE" in your own home and neighborhood by a group of disrespectful, often hostile young people bent on disrupting your individual peace and sleep; disturbing the whole neighborhood with noise, cars and trash; and damaging and/or destroying property without regard... to say nothing about the image and reputation of the neighborhood in general.

I am very pleased that steps are being taken for a consistent, comprehensive and effective way to deal with it (and them). It is time the students and the irresponsible landlords are made accountable for their actions.

Please support the Disorderly House Ordinance.

Sincerely,

Delores Lintel
Dear Mary Jo Bousek: Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

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Mary Jo <mjbousek@peoplepc.com>

Dear Council Members,

At our monthly meeting of Monday March 20, 2006, The Real Estate Owners and Managers Association board of directors voted to support the changes to the disorderly house ordinances. The REOMA board feels that increasing the penalties will help support better neighborhoods and better accountability for tenants and owners. REOMA also has consistently supported efficiency in government. These changes to increase minimum fines and focus on repeat offenders is a good use of police and other government resources.

Please support these important changes.

Sincerely,

Mary Jo Bousek
President - Real Estate Owners and Managers Association

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Barbara Cornelius <bac@NebrWesleyan.edu>

Hi - Hartley Neighborhood Association is in favor of the proposed ordinance for Disorderly House fines. As homeowners, renters, and also landlords, we are all too aware of the problems created by the behavior of bad tenants (and the landlords who allow them to behave badly). The city needs this tool as a 'stick' to encourage landlords to put a stop to the wild parties at their properties.

Sincerely,

Barbara Cornelius, President  
Hartley Neighborhood Association
Dear Peggy Struwe:
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Peggy Struwe <pstruwe@unlnotes.unl.edu>

03/27/2006 12:48 PM

Dear City Council members,
On behalf of the Hawley Area (Neighborhood) Association, I am writing to support increased fines for disorderly houses. Landlords should also be held accountable for problem tenants after a warning has been given to the landlord. We need to hold the landlords accountable.
We have 2 houses in our area in particular that have been problem properties for years (25th from P to S). The landlords continue to rent to tenants that continue the same kind of problems in the neighborhood. So even if tenants change, the problems remain the same.

Tim Francis will be testifying in our associations behalf.

Peggy Struwe

President, Hawley Area Association
Dear Michael Cornelius:

Your message has been received in the Council Office and will be forwarded to the Council Members. Thank you for your input on this issue.

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Michael Cornelius <michael@ninthorder.com>

Michael Cornelius
03/27/2006 01:16 PM
To council@lincoln.ne.gov
cc
Subject Change of ordinance 06-43

Dear Council Member:

As a landlord and central Lincoln resident, I'm writing you in support of the proposed change of ordinance 06-43.

A clear set of minimum penalties, which increase with repeat offenses, sends a signal that neighborhood disturbances will be treated seriously. Adding language that allows property owners or managers also to be cited in cases where they are aware of on-going problems encourages them to carefully screen potential tenants and establish clear expectations for the tenants' behavior, not to mention take action when if those tenants are involved in disturbances.

Please support this change of ordinance.

Sincerely,

Michael Cornelius
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