AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS’ “NOON” MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 1, 2006
COUNTY/CITY BUILDING
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MINUTES

*1. Minutes from Directors’ Meeting of April 17, 2006.

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

*1. Joint Budget Committee (McRoy/Newman)
*2. Board of Health Meeting (Svoboda)
*3. DEC Board of Directors Meeting (Svoboda)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS -

1. The Lincoln Police Department cordially invites you to the Nebraska Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Ceremony observance on Monday, May 15, 2006 at Noon on the east steps of the Justice & Law Enforcement Center - A Reception will follow immediately after the ceremony in classrooms A & B at the Police Department - RSVP by May 4th to Michele Selvage at 441-7216 - (See Invitation)
2. Open House Public Meeting for three Southwest Lincoln projects: South Coddington Avenue Roadway Design; West “A” Street Roadway Design; and Southwest 40th Street Viaduct; on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Roper Elementary School, 2323 S. Coddington Avenue - (See Invitation)

3. Youth Leadership Lincoln Class X Graduation Dinner-Celebrating the 80% on Wednesday, May 17, 2006 - 6:00 p.m. Social - 6:30 p.m., Dinner served - 7:00 p.m., Program - at BryanLGH East Plaza, 1600 South 48th Street - Cost $20.00 per person - RSVP by May 10th - (See Invitation)

4. Laramie River Station (LRS) Generation Facility Tour, Trip to LRS in Wheatland, Wyoming - Our plans are to charter a plan and visit the plant on Thursday, May 4, 2006 - (The schedule would be to leave from Lincoln early Thursday morning and return late afternoon or early evening the same day)- RSVP to Mary Tomlinson, LES at 473-3202 - (See Invitation)

5. Please Join Harvey Perlman, Chancellor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln & Terry L. Fairfield, CEO, University of Nebraska Foundation, for the groundbreaking of the International Quilt Study Center on Friday, May 12, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. at 33rd & Holdrege Streets - (See Invitation)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

*HELD OVER FROM APRIL 24, 2006.
Council Members Present: Ken Svoboda, Chair; Patte Newman, Vice-Chair; Jonathan Cook, Dan Marvin, Robin Eschliman, Jon Camp, Annette McRoy.

Others Present: Mark Bowen, Ann Harrell, Rick Hoppe, Mayor’s Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; and Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff.

I. MINUTES

*1. Minutes from Directors’ Meeting of April 17, 2006.

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

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

*1. Joint Budget Committee (McRoy/Newman) — Newman stated it was a standard meeting, she then called on Rick Hoppe. Hoppe reported preparation started for reviewing the United Way Review Teams’ recommendations. Newman added they are emphasizing funding programs and not people this year so will be a major change for the United Way. Hoppe stated they discussed each individual recommendation for the JBC and it didn’t appear there was any significant changes from previous years.

*2. Board of Health Meeting (Svoboda) — Svoboda stated he and Hoppe, because of other commitments, only attended the last ten minutes of the meeting. He thought the meeting mostly consisted of a recap of the 2005 activities, which was also presented the same evening at the Board of Health annual awards banquet.

*3. DEC Board of Directors Meeting (Svoboda) — Svoboda reported they had a meeting last week in which they presented data showing 10% increases from budgeted energy sales over the previous year. He stated it is based on the fact we’re 4% below on budget and also due to being able to purchase natural gas at a lower rate. There was also a vote for expenditures to spend up to $15,000, but hope it is considerably less than this figure for the feasibility study of adding the 233 Building, Election Commissioners Office, and The Courthouse Plaza to DEC. Will be reviewing and presenting the information at our next meeting in June. Svoboda reiterated it was just a feasibility study at this time.
OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

Newman reported she attended the final red-tag, or disorderly house, meeting. Stated they have had three meetings and also have addressed items which Eschliman had spoken to Chief Casady about. Newman said they developed a flow chart as to what the police do when they receive a call of a wild party, and then went through the different steps to resolve. Newman stated she would distribute the flow chart they created, which is important for educational purposes. She stated they are trying to monitor and if they’re dealing with the problems correctly. Newman said they will try to do educational TV on Channel 5, with dispatch also wanting to be involved and will do their own educational campaign. Newman stated both will try to influence some bad landlords to take more pro-active action when dealing with some of the problems. She stated it is a good process and thinks they’ll continually move forward.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS -

RICK HOPPE
Hoppe stated no new appointments. He stated he wanted help in correcting staff instances, which is on today’s agenda.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR -

MARK BOWEN
Bowen said they looked over the pending list, which was talked about a couple of weeks ago, and taken off of today’s agenda were Items 30, 31, 37, and 38. Bowen said one question was No. #44, and questioned if they should take off. Svoboda answered to also take Item 44 off.

Bowen stated the other item was the sex offender legislation. He said our intention was the new legislation would get substituted, with the current item number 42 being substituted with a newer version to be compliant with the State law. Bowen stated it was included in the Council packet for the coming week with everyone having the substitute in hand before the meeting.

Bowen said Item number 43 would be taken off the pending list.

Newman asked if Council could get a copy of what the State passed, as well as background information? Bowen said it was included with the substitute. Newman said she appreciated a summary. Cook commented might be a 50 page summary. Newman said a standard reply is, no, we don’t want the 500 page version. Cook said he had seventeen pages. Cook said since no one knows the timing of when this might be acted on and there should be time for proper advertising and posting, your substitute will be done by Thursday? So, it can go in the packets, and on-line, the substitute item for people to click on.

Cook said he would make the motion to have public hearing on the 15th and action on the 22nd.

ANN HARRELL - No comments.

DANA ROPER, City Attorney - No comments.
V. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

Svoboda stated the Council will have officer elections on the 15th of May. Newman will be taking over as chair, and as members were talking it was noted the comments were to offer the vice-chair to either Eschliman or Marvin. Eschliman has offered not to put her name into nomination. Marvin said stated he will. Svoboda said that may be what comes forward unless someone has other suggestions prior to the meeting.

Marvin stated Svoboda has been a good Council chairman.

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JON CAMP - No comments.

JONATHAN COOK - No comments.

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN - No comments.

DAN MARVIN - No comments.

ANNETTE McROY - McRoy stated just for informational purposes, she will be gone on Monday, the 22nd. Will be at a work convention in Las Vegas and also may be late to Council on the 15th. Grammer stated the 22nd is a night meeting and she will be gone on the 22nd and 23rd. Svoboda said he didn’t know if the 22nd needed to be a night meeting, as in the past Council have done it both ways. Svoboda stated in order to have a night meeting we have to schedule as such. Grammer said it was scheduled on the 22nd as the 29th is a holiday, and she asked if Meyer should stay for the night meeting. Svoboda asked if it was important to have a night meeting in May? Continuing he said there have been years when the Council has not kept the practice and not had a night meeting in a given month, because of a holiday, and this is up to the Council. Svoboda said the Council should decide now in order to give plenty of notice if we wanted to reschedule as an afternoon meeting. Short discussion among Members. Svoboda stated the Council would leave as a night meeting.

PATTE NEWMAN - No comments.

KEN SVOBODA - No comments.

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Listed on the Attend Sheet for May 1st.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 11:51 am.

*HELD OVER FROM APRIL 24, 2006.