# AGENDA CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2006 COUNTY/CITY BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM 113

#### I. MINUTES

- 1. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of June 5, 2006.
- 2. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of June 5, 2006.

# II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES - NONE

### **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. Invitation from Parks & Recreation Department On Tuesday, June 13, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. In Breaking Ground For The Jamaica North Trail Groundbreaking will be where the Jamaica North Trail crosses Old Cheney 441-7939 (See Invitation)
  - 2. The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce invites you to attend the following Ribbon Cuttings: Please RSVP to Jaime Henning at 436-2366 or E-Mail:
    - A.) Midwest Physical Therapy, 2801 Pine Lake Road, Suite K on Friday, June 9, 2006 at 4:30 p.m.
    - B.) Holiday Inn Express, 8801 Amber Hill Court on Monday, June 12, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.
    - C.) Help U Sell, 1501 PLR#23 on Friday, June 16, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.
    - D.) Village Gardens, 61<sup>st</sup> & Pine Lake Road (6059 Hidcote Drive) on Tuesday, June 20, 2006 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
    - E.) Cetak Meats, 4107 Pioneer Woods Drive on Friday, June 23, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.
    - F.) QuickTEQ, 415 N. 66<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3 on Thursday, June 29, 2006 at 4:30 p.m.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Council Member Absent: Patte Newman, Chair

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

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Vice-Chair Dan Marvin, by acclamation of the Vice-Chair, approved the minutes. No objections were offered.

# II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES - NONE

#### **OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS: -**

Mr. Svoboda reported we had Railroad Transportation Safety District (RTSD) Meeting this morning. We had our election of officers, Deb Schorr was elected Chair again, he was Vice-Chair and Bob Workman is Secretary. We had a quick discussion on service providers for the auditing and attorney fees.

We had a good discussion about the Quiet Zone which is something that we all will be taken part of at some point. The Quiet Zone is the issue of investing approximately \$25,000 to \$35,000 per crossing which would eliminate the need for the locomotives to blow their horns through neighborhoods. They have identified five city projects and two possibly in Waverly. Mr. Cook asked if these crossings would have horns on them? Mr. Svoboda answered no, but that is one option. The other option is that we physically change the intersection crossings and provide curbing or an island, so people cannot get around the crossing arms themselves or through the crossing arms. Once you've done that the FRA is satisfied that you've done everything you possibly could to eliminate the sounding of a horn, most of these would be on Cornhusker property, Cornhusker corridor, and on 3<sup>rd</sup> & D Street. Mr. Svoboda commented or closing crossings that we attempted to do and those failed. These were the ones that go through residential neighborhoods that Roger Figard identified. Roger (Figard) is going to bring that to us in September or we will give him better direction from the RTSD in September.

We looked at the budget again and some exposure rates. I think Roger (Figard) identified 20 different crossings that have a significant exposure rate over 50 thousand counts for areas that we might want to look at RTSD money in the future. At SW 40<sup>th</sup> Street, BNSF (Burlington Northern & Sante Fe Railway) are requesting we expand the span of the overpass that would cost the City millions and Roger (Figard) is working with them very closely to try to get them to contribute which at this point they're not willing to do so. BNSF want to put another line or two in there and in doing that they want the City to extend the span which would cost the City, so Roger (Figard) is trying to work with them to contribute.

Ms. Eschliman stated she asked them to do one thing. They had that list and a list of all these other projects around town that they would like to do, and she requested some historical information. Not just traffic counts but on how many accidents and things because this was millions and millions of dollars, so Roger (Figard) said he would bring to the next meeting some historical information as to accidents at all of these locations that were listed.

### **III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS -** Rick Hoppe had nothing new to report.

## IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR -

#### **MARK BOWEN -**

Mark Bowen stated Steve (Hubka) and Patte (Newman) have been exchanging letters back and forth about dates for their hearings on budget in July and as of Friday, I have not seen anything that's been settled. Mr. Cook noted he thinks Wednesday, July 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. was our tentative vote date and there maybe some others for briefing meetings.

Mr. Svoboda stated on that subject, he asked Mark (Bowen) why it is that we sit through jail and corrections and all those when we do our Joint Common Budget Hearings with the County when we have nothing to do with that other than just being a financial side to those. Mark Bowen replied I think informational, if you want, we could ask them to reorganize it so you would not have to sit through them. Mr. Svoboda commented he assumes the County also has a sit down session similar to what the City does with their City Departments, and if the County does the same thing, they could hear jail and corrections and those at that time. Mr. Bowen responded they could, and Mr. Svoboda requested it. Mr. Bowen stated for the Joint Common Budget Hearings schedule we will have them group them having County either being at the beginning or end. Mr. Svoboda noted if we want to stay, we can.

Mr. Marvin stated Council members should check in with Mary Meyer because she has a tentative schedule set up with a 4:00 p.m. break on July 11<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) for the City/County Common Budget Hearings. Mary (Meyer) wanted to know if she could take eliminate the break and then she would rearrange those, we could start at 2:00 p.m. and maybe be done by 5:00 p.m. or so. Ms. McRoy requested a written memo with the dates and times for their Budget Meetings in July and the City/County Common Budget

Hearings schedule as well so they can plan. Mr. Bowen responded yes, when they get it finalized, they will. Mr. Bowen stated he will talk to Mary (Meyer) about the Common Budget Hearings schedule. Mr. Camp commented could we have Tammy (Grammer) send us a schedule of our Budget Meetings and also include on it the Common Budget Hearing, so it is all on one sheet. Ms. Grammer responded yes, she can.

#### **ANN HARRELL - NO COMMENTS**

**DANA ROPER, City Attorney - NO COMMENTS** 

### V. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

#### VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

**JON CAMP - NO COMMENTS** 

### JONATHAN COOK -

Mr. Cook commented he wanted to ask Ken (Svoboda) about something because it may as well involve the Health Board. He received a call from a mail carrier who's concerned about dangerous dogs which he has been a victim of some rather vicious dogs. The caller was interested in finding out if there is some way of requiring some kind of insurance for those who have dangerous dogs, he was particularly concerned about in cases of pit bulls but other breeds as well. The caller was also concerned that there are renters who don't even have any kind of renters insurance and wondering if there even could be something involving landlords in cases taking some responsibility for making sure their tenants don't have dangerous dogs. Mr. Cook commented I don't know what is or isn't practical, but just passing this along to him because this is something that normally would be covered by the Board of Health. Mr. Svoboda stated he will pass this onto the Health Department and then they can pass it onto the Animal Control Advisory Committee. Mr. Svoboda commented I'm not quite sure within our dangerous dog ordinance that it requires liability insurance. Dana Roper responded no, it does not. Mr. Svoboda commented don't know if we can force them to do that or not through the dangerous dog ordinance. Mr. Roper replied I suppose we could, don't know why we couldn't, we will take a look at it.

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN - NO COMMENTS

DAN MARVIN - NO COMMENTS

ANNETTE McROY - NO COMMENTS

PATTE NEWMAN - ABSENT

**KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS** 

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Listed on the Attend Sheet for June 12<sup>th</sup>.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 11:55 a.m.

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