THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MONDAY, MAY 5, 2008 AT 1:30 P.M.

The Meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. Present: Council Chair Marvin; Council Members: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Spatz, Svoboda; City Clerk, Joan E. Ross.

Council Chair Marvin asked all present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and observe a moment of silent meditation.

READING OF THE MINUTES

EMERY Having been appointed to read the minutes of the City Council proceedings of April 28, 2008 reported having done so, found same correct.
Seconded by Eschliman & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING

APPLICATION OF ALLEY, INC. DBA THE ALLEY TO EXPAND ITS PRESENTLY LICENSED PREMISES BY THE ADDITION OF A BEER GARDEN SPACE MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 51 FEET BY 44 FEET TO THE NORTH AT 1029 - 1031 M STREET - Josh Hallett, 931 Lamont Dr., came forward to take oath and answer questions.
This matter was taken under advisement.

APPLICATION OF 55 DEGREES, INC. FOR A SPECIAL DESIGNATED BEER LICENSE TO COVER AN AREA MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 115 FEET BY 15 FEET ALONG THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF THE SAWMILL BUILDING AT 440 N. 8TH STREET ON THE 9TH DAY OF MAY FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M. - Karen Shinn, 356 S. 53rd St., came forward to answer questions.
This matter was taken under advisement.

CHANGE OF ZONE 08011 - APPLICATION OF THE CEDARS HOME FOR CHILDREN FOR A CHANGE OF ZONE FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO R-1 RESIDENTIAL PUD ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT S. 66TH STREET AND PIONEERS BLVD. TO PERMIT A NONPROFIT RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL AND PHILANTHROPIC INSTITUTION WITH DOMESTIC SHELTER, CHILDREN’S HOME AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE IN THE R-1 ZONING DISTRICT - DeNay Kalkowski, Seacrest & Kalkowski, 1111 Lincoln Mall, Suite 350, came forward to request approval and to state the change of zone will cover the entire six acre campus allowing flexibility in its use as a children’s home and domestic shelter.
Jim Blue, President & CEO of Cedars, came forward to share the history of Cedars which originated at this location in 1948. He stated the northwest corner, erected in 1953, currently houses the only emergency shelter in all of Southeast Nebraska and the addition will update the facility to meet the needs of children & families today.
This matter was taken under advisement.

APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE 3 AMIGOS PROPERTIES FOR A LEASE OF SPACE FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR USE BY THE LINCOLN POLICE DEPARTMENT - Richard Anderson, Police Legal Advisor, came forward to state that this space is utilized for the narcotics office.
This matter was taken under advisement.

COMP. PLAN CONFORMANCE NO. 08003 - AMENDING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN TO ADD A MIXED-USE, RETAIL, OFFICE AND BANQUET HALL PROJECT WITH ADJACENT PARKING LOT ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN S. 19TH STREET AND S. 20TH STREET BETWEEN K AND L STREETS - David Landis, Director of Urban Development, came forward to answer questions and clarify that the redevelopment plan encompasses a total of 39,000 sq. ft. with 140 stalls of screened parking which estimates generating $565,000 of TIF to be expended. He said current assessed value amounts to $816,000 and will wind up being worth 4.7 million dollars at project completion. He stated with growth, the bonds may be paid back in less
than 15 years. He clarified the use of the method of 20% hold back. Mr. Landis said there is an option to use developer purchase bonds which is a common statewide practice.

Council Chair Marvin clarified with Mr. Landis that the City of Lincoln’s Law Department pursues a more flexible view of how we allow the use of TIF.

Hallie Salem, Urban Development, came forward to clarify figures stating that the City will invest an estimated $565,000, projecting that upon completion the project will produce an estimated $78,000 annually.

Richard Halvorsen, 6311 Inverness Rd., came forward to state that he does not agree with the use of TIF.

This matter was taken under advisement.


APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS FOR THE WEST O HISTORIC HIGHWAY PROJECT FOR IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED ON A FOUR-BLOCK SEGMENT OF WEST O STREET BETWEEN 3RD STREET AND THE SALT CREEK BRIDGE - David Landis, Director of Urban Development, came forward to clarify that a federal grant of $380,000 has been secured to unify a streetscape look on West O. He stated the four elements necessary to secure this grant are as follows: 1) complete three to four blocks of streetscape on both sides of West O; 2) place an interpretive center identifying the history of transportation as the Denver/Lincoln/Detroit Highway including original paving; 3) provide protection for the historical marker; and 4) to connect the bike/walking trail. He responded to Council Member Eschliman’s question stating there would be no impact fees as the development is in Antelope Valley.

This matter was taken under advisement.

AMENDING THE FY 2007/08 TO 2012/13 SIX YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH THE BOOGALIS TRAIL PROJECT-PHASE I FOR A 10 FOOT WIDE CONCRETE TRAIL FROM 20TH TO 27TH STREET ALONG HIGHWAY 2 AND TO IDENTIFY THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THAT PROJECT - Terry Genrich, Parks & Recreation Dept., came forward to state that the asphalt installed in 1993 has deteriorated, matching funds have been raised, and they plan to complete the project by the 2009 marathon date. He answered Council questions stating that in the long term, Phase II Trail Project donations are already in place.

This matter was taken under advisement.

APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE LINCOLN CHAMBER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (LCEDC) FOR THE PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN LINCOLN FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 2007 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2011 - Wendy Birdsell, President, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce & Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development, came forward to express appreciation for the partnership and community commitment to create over
8,000 new jobs in the past five years and over $420 million into investment in Lincoln. To answer Council questions, Ms. Birdsall stated that progress is being made in improving public perception of starting or expanding businesses in Lincoln by talking with the Mayor’s Office and working with the Planning Department to eliminate delays in the permitting process. She clarified the past contract ended in August 2007 and creating/negotiating the new contract was delayed due to the mayoral election. She shared that any delay in approval would jeopardize partnership funding.

Bruce Bohrer, Executive Vice President/General Counsel, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, came forward in support of the agreement stating that economic growth helps pay for needed programs rather than reliance on tax increases.

John Hendry, City Attorney, came forward to clarify the termination clause in the contract.

Steve Hubka, Budget Officer, came forward to answer questions regarding payment to LPED.

This matter was taken under advisement.

** END OF PUBLIC HEARING **

COUNCIL ACTION

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

RESOLUTION LEVYING THE SPECIAL TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE COSTS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NORTH 27TH STREET BUSINESS MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AGAINST THE BENEFITED PROPERTIES - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Robin Eschliman, who moved its adoption:

A-84837
BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, that:

The special taxes assessed April 14, 2008, to pay the costs of the improvements in the North 27th Street Business Maintenance Improvement District are hereby levied and shall bear interest at 14% and that the period of time in which the assessments are to be paid shall be one (1) year.

Introduced by Robin Eschliman
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION LEVYING THE SPECIAL TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE COSTS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE UNIVERSITY PLACE BUSINESS MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AGAINST THE BENEFITED PROPERTIES - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Robin Eschliman, who moved its adoption:

A-84838
BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, that:

The special taxes assessed April 14, 2008, to pay the costs of the improvements in the University Place Business Maintenance Improvement District are hereby levied and shall bear interest at 14% and that the period of time in which the assessments are to be paid shall be one (1) year.

Introduced by Robin Eschliman
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

APPROVING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS REPRESENTING INTEREST EARNINGS ON SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS OF IDLE FUNDS FOR THE MONTH ENDED MARCH 31, 2008 - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Robin Eschliman, who moved its adoption:
REGULAR MEETING  
May 5, 2008  
Page 18

A-84839  BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln,  
Nebraska:  That during the month ended March 31, 2008, $720,686.39 was earned  
from the investments of “IDLE FUNDS”. The same is hereby distributed to  
the various funds on a pro-rata basis using the balance of each fund and  
allocating a portion of the interest on the ratio that such balance  
bears to the total of all fund balances.  

Introduced by Robin Eschliman  
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp,  
Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

CLERK’S LETTER AND MAYOR’S APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES PASSED BY  
CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 21, 2008 - CLERK presented said report which was  
placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.  

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

SETTING THE HEARING DATE OF MAY 19, 2008 AT 1:30 P.M. FOR THE APPLICATION OF  
SWIG, LLC DBA BILLY BROWNS FOR A CLASS I LIQUOR LICENSE LOCATED AT 1422  
O STREET - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Robin  
Eschliman, who moved its adoption:  

A-84840  BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, of the City of Lincoln, that a  
hearing date is hereby set for Monday, May 19, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. or as  
soon thereafter as possible in the City Council Chambers, County-City  
Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, NE, for the application of Swig LLC  
dba Billy Browns for a Class I liquor license located at 1422 O Street.  
If the Police Dept. is unable to complete the investigation by  
said time, a new hearing date will be set.  

Introduced by Robin Eschliman  
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp,  
Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

LIQUOR RESOLUTIONS

APPLICATION OF BOX AWESOME LLC DBA BOX AWESOME TO EXPAND ITS PRESENTLY  
LICENSED PREMISES BY THE ADDITION OF A BASEMENT AREA MEASURING  
APPROXIMATELY 130 FEET BY 25 FEET AT 815 O STREET - CLERK read the  
following resolution, introduced by Jon Camp, who moved its adoption for  
approval:  

A-84841  BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln,  
Nebraska:  That after hearing duly had as required by law, consideration of  
the facts of this application, the Nebraska Liquor Control Act, and the  
pertinent City ordinances, the City Council recommends that the  
application of Box Awesome LLC dba Box Awesome to expand its licensed  
premises by the addition of a basement area measuring approximately 130  
feet by 25 feet in the presently licensed premises located at 815 O  
Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, be approved with the condition that the  
premise complies in every respect with all City and State regulations.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to transmit  
a copy of this resolution to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission.  

Introduced by Jon Camp  
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp,  
Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

APPLICATION OF ALLEY, INC. DBA THE ALLEY TO EXPAND ITS PRESENTLY LICENSED  
PREMISES BY THE ADDITION OF A BEER GARDEN SPACE MEASURING APPROXIMATELY  
51 FEET BY 44 FEET TO THE NORTH AT 1029 - 1031 M STREET - CLERK read the  
following resolution, introduced by Jon Camp, who moved its adoption for  
approval:  

A-84842  BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln,  
Nebraska:
That after hearing duly had as required by law, consideration of the facts of this application, the Nebraska Liquor Control Act, and the pertinent City ordinances, the City Council recommends that the application of Alley, Inc. dba The Alley to expand its licensed premises by the addition of a beer garden area measuring approximately 51 feet by 44 feet to the north of the presently licensed premises located at 1029 - 1031 M Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, be approved with the condition that the premise complies in every respect with all City and State regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission.

Introduced by Jon Camp
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

APPLICATION OF 55 DEGREES, INC. FOR A SPECIAL DESIGNATED BEER LICENSE TO COVER AN AREA MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 115 FEET BY 15 FEET ALONG THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF THE SAWMILL BUILDING AT 440 N. 8TH STREET ON THE 9TH DAY OF MAY FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M. - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Jon Camp, who moved its adoption for approval:

A-84843 BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That after hearing duly had as required by law, consideration of the facts of this application, the Nebraska Liquor Control Act, and the pertinent City ordinances, the City Council recommends that the application of 55 Degrees, Inc. dba Bread & Cup for a Special Designated License to cover an area measuring approximately 115 feet by 15 feet along the southwest side of the Sawmill Building at 440 N. 8th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, on the 9th day of May, between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., be approved with the condition that the premise complies in every respect with all City and State regulations and with the following requirements:

1. Identification to be checked, wristbands required on all parties wishing to consume alcohol.
2. Adequate security shall be provided for the event.
3. The area requested for the permit shall be separated from the public by a fence or other means.
4. Responsible alcohol service practices shall be followed.

Introduced by Jon Camp
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

ORDINANCES - 2ND READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (as required)

APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND SCOTT & CINDY JENSEN FOR THE LEASE OF OFFICE SPACE BY THE LINCOLN AREA AGENCY ON AGING FOR ITS LINCOLN INFORMATION FOR THE ELDERLY (LIFE) PROGRAM AT 320 N. STATE STREET, OSCEOLA, NEBRASKA - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Doug Emery, accepting and approving a Lease Agreement between the City of Lincoln and Scott & Cindy Jensen for the lease of office space by the Lincoln Area Agency on Aging for its Lincoln Information For the Elderly (LIFE) Program located at 320 N. State Street, Osceola, NE 68651, for a 12-month term from June 1, 2008 through May 31, 2009, the second time.

CHANGE OF ZONE 08011 - APPLICATION OF THE CEDARS HOME FOR CHILDREN FOR A CHANGE OF ZONE FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO R-1 RESIDENTIAL PUD ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT S. 66TH STREET AND PIONEERS BLVD. TO PERMIT A NONPROFIT RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL AND PHILANTHROPIC INSTITUTION WITH DOMESTIC SHELTER, CHILDREN’S HOME AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE IN THE R-1 ZONING DISTRICT - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Doug Emery, amending the Lincoln Zoning District Maps attached to and made a part of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, as provided by Section 27.05.020 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, by changing the boundaries of the districts established and shown thereon, the second time.
APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE 3 AMIGOS PROPERTIES FOR A LEASE OF SPACE FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR USE BY THE LINCOLN POLICE DEPARTMENT - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Doug Emery, accepting and approving the 1st Lease Addendum to the previously approved Lease Agreement between The 3 Amigos Properties, LLC and the City of Lincoln for a lease of space for an additional term of November 1, 2008 through October 31, 2011, for use by the Lincoln Police Department, the second time.

PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTIONS

COMP. PLAN CONFORMANCE NO. 08003 - AMENDING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN TO ADD A MIXED-USE, RETAIL, OFFICE AND BANQUET HALL PROJECT WITH ADJACENT PARKING LOT ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN S. 19TH STREET AND S. 20TH STREET BETWEEN K AND L STREETS - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Doug Emery, who moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City Council on July 21, 2003, adopted Resolution No. A-82222 finding an area generally bounded by C Street on the south, 17th Street on the west, the Burlington Northern Railroad on the north, and 28th Street on the east (comprising parts of the Near South, Woods Park, Malone, Clinton, Hawley, Hartley, and Downtown neighborhoods), and an area generally bounded by the Burlington Railroad on the south, Interstate 180 on the west, Salt Creek on the north, and 14th Street on the east (comprising the North Bottoms neighborhood) to be blighted and substandard as defined in the Nebraska Community Development Law (Neb. Rev. Stat. § 18-2101, et seq. as amended) and in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council on November 29, 2004, adopted Resolution No. A-83093, the Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan (hereinafter the "Plan") including plans, projects, and concepts for various redevelopment activities within said area in accordance with the requirements and procedures of the Nebraska Community Development Law; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Urban Development Department has filed with the City Clerk the Antelope Valley Redevelopment Plan Amendment #3 ("Antelope Valley Parkway-WJS Redevelopment Project") hereinafter "Amendment #3" to amend the Plan to provide for the project within said blighted and substandard area, which is attached hereto, marked as Exhibit "A", and made a part hereof by reference, and has reviewed said Amendment and has found that the Amendment meets the conditions set forth in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 18-2113; and

WHEREAS, the City Council on March 28, 2008 notice of public hearing was mailed, postage prepaid, to the president or chairperson of the governing body of each county, school district, community college, educational service unit, and natural resource district in which the real property subject to such plan is located and whose property tax receipts would be directly affected and to all registered neighborhood associations located in whole or in part within one mile radius of the area to be redeveloped setting forth the time, date, place, and purpose, of the public hearing to be held on April 9, 2008 before the Lincoln City - Lancaster County Planning Commission regarding the Amendment, a copy of said notice and list of said registered neighborhood associations having been attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and "C" respectively; and

WHEREAS, said proposed Amendment to the Plan has been submitted to the Lincoln City - Lancaster County Planning Commission for review and recommendation, and said Planning Commission on April 9, 2008 found said request to be in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan and recommended approval thereof; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2008 a notice of public hearing was mailed, postage prepaid, to the foregoing governing bodies and registered neighborhood associations setting forth the time, date, place, and
purpose of the public hearing before the City Council to be held on May 5, 2008 regarding the proposed Amendment, a copy of said notice having been attached hereto as Exhibit "D"; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2008 and April 25, 2008, a notice of public hearing was published in the Lincoln Journal Star newspaper, setting forth the time, date, place, and purpose of the public hearing to be held on May 5, 2008 regarding the proposed Amendment to the Plan for said blighted and substandard area, a copy of such notice having been attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "E"; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2008 in the City Council Chambers of the County City Building, 555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, the City Council held a public hearing relating to the proposed Amendment and all interested parties were afforded at such public hearing a reasonable opportunity to express their views respecting said proposed Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has duly considered all statements made and materials submitted relating to said proposed plans.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS FOUND AND DETERMINED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska as follows:

1. That Amendment #3 to add a mixed use, retail, office and banquet hall project with adjacent parking lot is described in sufficient detail and is designed with the general purpose of accomplishing a coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious development of the City which will promote general health, safety, and welfare, sound design and arrangement, the wise and efficient expenditure of public funds, and the prevention of the reoccurrence of unsanitary or unsafe dwelling accommodations or conditions of blight.

2. That Amendment #3 is feasible and in conformity with the general plan for the development of the City of Lincoln as a whole and said Amendment #3 is in conformity with the legislative declarations, and the determinations set forth in the Community Development Law.

3. That the acquisition by the City of real property as set forth in Amendment #3 is necessary for implementation of Amendment #3 and is in conformity with the Plan and the public purposes under the provisions of the Community Development Law.

4. That the project in Amendment #3 would not be economically feasible without the use of tax-increment financing.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That, pursuant to the provisions of the Nebraska Community Development Law and in light of the foregoing findings and determinations, Amendment #3 attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby accepted and approved by the City Council as the governing body for the City of Lincoln.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Urban Development Director or the Director’s authorized representative is hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to implement the provisions of said Amendment.

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the Urban Development Director, or the Director’s authorized representative, is hereby authorized and directed to contact the owners and tenants of those properties listed herein for the purpose of negotiation of contracts or options for the acquisition of all interests in said real estate in accordance with the land acquisition procedures of the City of Lincoln; and to take all steps necessary for the acquisition of said property by purchase, if possible.

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be drafted and submitted to the City Council any appropriate ordinances and documents for the authorization to provide necessary funds, including Community Improvement Financing in accordance with the provisions of the Community Development Law, to finance the related necessary and appropriate public acquisitions, improvements, and activities set forth in said Amendment #3 and the Plan.
BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that it is intended that this resolution and the modifications adopted herein are supplemental to the findings, approvals, and authorizations as set forth in Resolution No. A-82222, Resolution No. A-83093, Resolution No. A-83223, Resolution No. A-84477 and Resolution No. A-84631.

Introduced by Doug Emery
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

APPROVING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND FILE APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FOR FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Doug Emery, who moved its adoption:

A-84845
A Resolution authorizing the filing of applications with the Federal Transit Administration, an operating administration of the United States Department of Transportation, for Federal transportation assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C chapter 53, title 23 United States Code and other Federal statutes administered by the Federal Transit Administration.

WHEREAS, the Federal Transportation Administrator has been delegated authority to award Federal financial assistance for a transportation project;

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for Federal Financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the Applicant, and may require the Applicant to provide the local share of the project cost;

WHEREAS, the Applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

1. The Mayor of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska or his designee is authorized to execute and file application for Federal assistance on behalf of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska with the Federal Transit Administration for Federal Assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23, United States Code, or other Federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration.

2. That pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5307(a)(2) for Urban Formula Program, 49 U.S.C. 5316(a)(3) for the Job Access Reverse Commute Program ("JARC"), and 49 U.S.C. 5317(a)(1) for the New Freedom Program, the Governor of Nebraska has designated the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, as the Designated Recipient of the Lincoln, Nebraska urbanized area.

3. The Mayor of the City of Lincoln or his designee is authorized to execute and file with its application the annual certification and assurances and other document the Federal Transportation Administration requires before awarding a Federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement.

4. The Mayor of the City of Lincoln or his designee is authorized to execute grant and cooperative agreements with the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of City of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Introduced by Doug Emery
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

AMENDING THE FY 2007/08 TO 2012/13 SIX YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) TO DESIGNATE FUNDING IN THE FIRST YEAR (2007/2008) OF THE CIP, IDENTIFY FUNDING SOURCES, ESTABLISH A PROJECT FOR THE WEST O HISTORIC HIGHWAY PROJECT, AND ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR THAT PROJECT. (RELATED ITEMS: 08R-99, 08R-100) - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Doug Emery, who moved its adoption:

A-84846
WHEREAS, Resolution No. A-84483, adopted by the City Council of Lincoln, Nebraska on August 20, 2007, adopted the fiscal year 2007-2008 annual budget for the City of Lincoln and further adopted the Capital Improvement Program attached to Resolution No. A-84483 as Schedule No. 5; and
WHEREAS, Resolution No. A-84483 appropriated all money received or to be received from the County of Lancaster, the State of Nebraska, or the United States, as well as from any grants, donations, or contributions received for public purposes and the interest thereon notwithstanding any sum limitation set forth in the annual budget; and
WHEREAS, the City of Lincoln has adopted the West "O" Historic Highway Project as an approved project within the West "O" Street Redevelopment Plan; and
WHEREAS, a capital improvement project for the West "O" Historic Highway Project was not included within Schedule No. 5 of the Annual Budget as a capital improvement project to be funded in fiscal year 2007-2008; and
WHEREAS, the City desires to amend Project 071300000389, West "O" Redevelopment Plan, in the first year (2007-2008) of the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 - 2012/2013 Six Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to establish a project for the West "O" Historic Highway Project, and establish appropriations for that project; and
WHEREAS, Article IX-B Section 7 of the Lincoln City Charter states that, "The [city] council shall not appropriate any money in any budget for any capital improvements project unless and until the conformity or non-conformity of the project has been reported on by the Planning Department by special report or in connection with the Capital Improvements Programming process." The Charter definition of "Planning Department" includes the Planning Commission; and
WHEREAS, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission has reviewed the West "O" Street Historic Project for conformity or nonconformity with the Comprehensive Plan as a capital improvement project as part of the review of the West "O" Street Redevelopment Plan approved by Resolution No. A-81550; and
WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed West "O" Historic Highway Project to be in conformity with the Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:
That the implementation of the West "O" Historic Highway Project to construct an historic highway interpretative plaza, streetscape improvements to West "O" Street, and a Salt Creek Levee Connector Trail, is hereby established as a capital improvement project within the Capital Improvement Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capital Improvement Program on Schedule 5 of Resolution No. A-84483 be amended by adding the West "O" Historic Highway Project to the Urban Development Department's list of capital of improvement projects on Schedule 5 under Project 071300000389 - West "O" Redevelopment Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby appropriates and directs the Finance Director to make the necessary adjustments to the annual budget in the amount of $630,000 to designate $380,036 from Federal Funding (Transportation Enhancement Funds), $99,964 from Tax Increment Financing, $20,000 from Private Funding (donations), and $130,000 from Advance Acquisition (AQ) for this West "O" Historic Highway Project.

Introduced by Doug Emery
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS FOR THE WEST O HISTORIC HIGHWAY PROJECT FOR IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED ON A FOUR-BLOCK SEGMENT OF WEST O STREET BETWEEN 3RD STREET AND THE SALT CREEK BRIDGE (RELATED ITEMS: 08R-99, 08R-100) - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Doug Emery, who moved its adoption:

A-84847
BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:
That the attached Agreement between the City of Lincoln and the State of Nebraska Department of Roads for Project No. ENH-5266(2), State CN-12946, for federal funds for the Lincoln West "O" Historic Highway
Project, in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in said Agreement, is hereby approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City of Lincoln.

The City Clerk is directed to return the executed copies of the Agreement to the Urban Development Department, for transmittal and execution by the State Department of Roads.

Introduced by Doug Emery
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

AMENDING THE FY 2007/08 TO 2012/13 SIX YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH THE BOOSALIS TRAIL PROJECT-PHASE I FOR A 10 FOOT WIDE CONCRETE TRAIL FROM 20TH TO 27TH STREET ALONG HIGHWAY 2 AND TO IDENTIFY THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THAT PROJECT - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Doug Emery, who moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. A-84483, adopted by the City Council of Lincoln, Nebraska on August 20, 2007, adopted the fiscal year 2007-2008 annual budget for the City of Lincoln and further adopted the Capital Improvement Program attached to Resolution No. A-84483 as Schedule No. 5; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. A-84483 appropriated all money received or to be received from the County of Lancaster, the State of Nebraska, or the United States, as well as from any grants, donations, or contributions received for public purposes and the interest thereon notwithstanding any sum limitation set forth in the annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lincoln has received a Recreational Trails Program grant and donations from the Great Plains Trails Network for the Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I; and

WHEREAS, a capital improvement project for the Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I was not included within Schedule No. 5 of the Annual Budget as a capital improvement project to be funded in fiscal year 2007-2008; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to amend the first year of the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 - 2012/2013 Six Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to establish a project for the Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I, and establish appropriations for that project; and

WHEREAS, Article IX-B Section 7 of the Lincoln City Charter states that, "The [city] council shall not appropriate any money in any budget for any capital improvements project unless and until the conformity or non-conformity of the project has been reported on by the Planning Department by special report or in connection with the Capital Improvements Programming process." The Charter definition of "Planning Department" includes the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2008 the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission reviewed the Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I for conformity or nonconformity with the Comprehensive Plan as a capital improvement project and found the proposed Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I to be in conformity with the Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the implementation of the Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I to replace the existing 8-foot wide asphalt trail with a 10-foot wide concrete trail from 20th to 27th Streets along Highway 2, is hereby established as a capital improvement project within the Capital Improvement Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capital Improvement Program on Schedule 5 of Resolution No. A-84483 be amended by adding the Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I to the Parks and Recreation Department’s list of capital improvement projects on Schedule 5.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby appropriates and directs the Finance Director to make the necessary adjustments to the annual budget to designate $129,100 from Private Funding (grants) and $25,000 from Private Funding (donations) for this Boosalis Trail Project - Phase I.

Introduced by Doug Emery
Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE LINCOLN CHAMBER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (LCEDC) FOR THE PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN LINCOLN FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 2007 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2011 - CLERK read the following resolution, introduced by Doug Emery, who moved its adoption:

A-84849

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

That the Economic Development Agreement between the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln Chamber Economic Development Corporation (LCEDC) for the promotion of economic development in Lincoln, a copy of which is attached hereto, marked as Attachment "A" and made a part hereof by reference, is hereby approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the City.

The City Clerk is directed to return one fully executed copy of said Agreement to the Lincoln Chamber Economic Development Corporation.

Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

ORDINANCE - 1ST READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (AS REQUIRED)

APPROVING THE PLATTE RIVER WELL FIELD FARM LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY (OWNER) AND DENNIS M. THOMAS (TENANT) FOR THE LEASE OF APPROXIMATELY 240 ACRES AROUND THE CITY OF LINCOLN ASHLAND WELLHEAD WATER OPERATIONS IN ASHLAND, NEBRASKA FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM FROM JUNE 1, 2008 THROUGH MAY 31, 2009 - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Robin Eschliman, accepting and approving the Platte River Well Field Farm Lease Between the City of Lincoln and Dennis M. Thomas for a lease of approximately 240 acres of property generally located around the City of Lincoln Ashland Wellhead Water Operations in Ashland, Nebraska for farming operations, the first time.

COMP. PLAN CONFORMITY 08005 - DECLARING APPROXIMATELY 19.37 ACRES OF PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT N. 56TH STREET AND BLUFF ROAD AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE THEREOF TO THE NEBRASKA GAME AND PARKS COMMISSION - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Robin Eschliman, declaring approximately 19.37 acres of City-owned property generally located at N. 56th Street and Bluff Road as surplus and authorizing the sale thereof, the first time.

CHANGE OF ZONE 08015 - APPLICATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FOUNDATION FOR A CHANGE OF ZONE FROM I-2 INDUSTRIAL PARK DISTRICT TO O-3 OFFICE PARK DISTRICT ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT N.W. 7TH STREET AND HIGHLAND BLVD (RELATED ITEMS: 08-56, 08-57) - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Robin Eschliman, amending the Lincoln Zoning District Maps attached to and made a part of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, as provided by Section 27.05.020 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, by changing the boundaries of the districts established and shown thereon, the first time.

CHANGE OF ZONE 2938C - APPLICATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FOUNDATION TO EXPAND THE AREA OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA TECHNOLOGY PARK SPECIAL SIGN DISTRICT BY APPROXIMATELY 12 ACRES ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT N.W. 7TH STREET AND W. HIGHLAND BLVD (RELATED ITEMS: 08-56, 08-57) - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Robin Eschliman, amending the "Standards of University of Nebraska Technology Park Special Sign
District" originally adopted by Ordinance No. 16901 passed by the City Council on December 4, 1995, designating the University of Nebraska Technology Park as a special sign district, and subsequently amended by Ordinance No. 17504 on May 10, 1999 and Ordinance No. 18936 on June 11, 2007, to expand the area of the University of Nebraska Technology Park Special Sign District to include approximately 12 acres of property generally located at N.W. 1st Street and W. Highland Boulevard and legally described as: Lot 78 I.T., in the North Half of Section 10, Township 10 North, Range 6 East of the 6th P.M., Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, the first time.

ORDINANCES - 3rd READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (as required)

CREATING AND ORDERING CONSTRUCTED SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1183 FOR AN 8-INCH DIAMETER SANITARY SEWER ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF L STREET FROM CHRISTENSEN COURT TO THE EAST APPROXIMATELY 170 FEET AND ASSESSING THE COST THERETO AGAINST THE BENEFITED PROPERTIES - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, creating Sewer District No. 1183, designating the real estate to be benefitted, providing for assessment of the costs of the improvements constructed therein, providing for the acquisition of easements and additional right-of-way, if necessary, and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, the third time.

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as read.

Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

The ordinance, being numbered #19076, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page 53.

REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 18907 CREATING ALLEY RE-PAVING DISTRICT No. 48, IN THE EAST/WEST ALLEY, BETWEEN 17TH TO 18TH STREETS, O TO P STREETS DUE TO THE LACK OF MAJORITY PETITION - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, re-pealing Ordinance No. 18907 which created Alley Re-paving District No. 48, which Alley Re-paving District included all that portion of Kinney's "O" Street Addition, Block 30, Lot 01 South 71 feet, Lots 2 through 18 all in the Southwest Quarter of the South one half of Section 24, Township 10, Range 6 East of the Sixth Principle Meridian, in the City of Lincoln, Lancaster, County, Nebraska describing the benefitted property and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, the third time.

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as read.

Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

The ordinance, being numbered #19077, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page 53.

MISCELLANEOUS 05004 - APPLICATION OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH TO VACATE PORTIONS OF WOODS BROTHERS BRYAN SUMNER ACRES AND ADJACENT PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, GENERALLY LOCATED AT 43RD AND SUMNER STREETS - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, vacating portions of Woods Brothers Bryan Sumner Acres Addition and vacating the remaining portion of S. 43rd Street generally located at S. 43rd and Sumner Streets, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, and retaining title thereto in the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, the third time.

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as read.

Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None; ABSTAIN: Marvin.

The ordinance, being numbered #19078, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page 53.

CHANGE OF ZONE 08012HP - APPLICATION OF NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOUNDATION TO DESIGNATE THE LEWIS-SYFORD HOUSE AT 700 NORTH 16TH STREET AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, amending the City of Lincoln District Map attached to and made a part of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal code by designating certain property as a Landmark, the third time.
REGULAR MEETING
May 5, 2008

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as read.
Secended by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.
The ordinance, being numbered #19079, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page

CHANGE OF ZONE 08013HP - APPLICATION OF SIGMA CHI BUILDING ASSOCIATION TO DESIGNATE THE SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY HOUSE AT 1510 VINE STREET AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, amending the City of Lincoln District Map attached to and made a part of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code by designating certain property as a Landmark, the third time.

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as read.
Secended by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.
The ordinance, being numbered #19080, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page

CHANGE OF ZONE 08014HP - APPLICATION OF NEBRASKA ALPHA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO DESIGNATE THE PHI KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY HOUSE AT 1548 S STREET AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, amending the City of Lincoln District Map attached to and made a part of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code by designating certain property as a Landmark, the third time.

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as read.
Secended by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.
The ordinance, being numbered #19081, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page

CHANGE OF ZONE 2751B - APPLICATION OF SFI PARTNERSHIP TO AMEND THE SIGN REGULATIONS FOR THE COMMERCIAL PORTION OF VAN DORN ACRES PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW AN ADDITIONAL GROUND SIGN AND A FREE-STANDING MENU BOARD ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT S. 84TH STREET AND VAN DORN STREET - CLERK read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, amending the development plan for the Van Dorn Acres Planned Unit Development to amend the sign regulations for the commercial portion of the R-3 PUD to allow an additional ground sign, to reduce the minimum frontage requirement for a ground sign from 300 feet to 245 feet, and to allow menu boards in the R-3 Residential District, on property generally located at S. 84th Street and Van Dorn Street, the third time.

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as read.
Secended by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.
The ordinance, being numbered #19082, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page

CHANGE OF ZONE 08010 - APPLICATION OF HUB HALL REAL ESTATE FOR A CHANGE OF ZONE FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO B-2 PLANNED NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT PUD TO DEVELOP UP TO 70,000 SQUARE FEET OF COMMERCIAL FLOOR AREA ON PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT N.W. 48TH STREET AND W. HOLDRIDGE STREET - PRIOR to reading:

SVOBODA Moved to amend Bill No. 08-50 as follows:
1. On page 6, line 17, delete “N.W. 48th St.”
2. On page 7, line 19, delete the word “REMOVE”, and insert the following in lieu thereof: “Show a 250 Foot – Turn lane to serve”.

Secended by Camp & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: Marvin.

CLERK Read an ordinance, introduced by Jonathan Cook, amending the Lincoln Zoning District Maps attached to and made a part of Title 27 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, as provided by Section 27.05.020 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, by changing the boundaries of the districts established and shown thereon, the third time.

COOK Moved to pass the ordinance as amended.
Secended by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.
The ordinance, being numbered #19083, is recorded in Ordinance Book #26, Page
REGISTERED TO SPEAK SESSION - NONE

OPEN MICROPHONE SESSION - NONE

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

PENDING -

CAMP Moved to extend the Pending List to May 12, 2008. Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

UPCOMING RESOLUTIONS -

CAMP Moved to approve the resolutions to have Public Hearing on May 12, 2008. Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None.

ADJOURNMENT 3:18 P.M.

CAMP Moved to adjourn the City Council meeting of May 5, 2008. Seconded by Svoboda & carried by the following vote: AYES: Camp, Cook, Emery, Eschliman, Marvin, Spatz, Svoboda; NAYS: None. So ordered.

Joan E. Ross, City Clerk

Sandy L. Dubas, Senior Office Assistant