DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 14, 2008
COUNTY/CITY BUILDING
ROOM 113, 11:00 A.M.

I. MAYOR
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5. NEWS RELEASE. Public Invited to Open House on Yankee Hill Road Water Main and Paving Projects.
6. NEWS RELEASE. Repair, Replacement Work Planned for City Trails.

II. DIRECTORS

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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HUMAN SERVICES
1. Expansion of “Ride For Five” Bus Program Support Letter from Kit Boesch, Administrator.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
2. Information and Materials for Pre-Council Meeting on Monday, July 14, 2008 at 10:15 a.m. – Downtown/Antelope Valley Standards.
   a. Information for Downtown/Antelope Valley Standards Pre-Council;
   b. Change of Zone No. 08027;
   c. Miscellaneous No. 08007; and
   d. Change of Zone No. 08026.

PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
1. Special Permit No. 08025. Planned Service Commercial: Lancaster County Agricultural Society - Lancaster Event Center - No. 84th Street and Havelock Avenue. Resolution No. PC-01124.
4. Special Permit No. 1624A. Expansion of Domiciliary Care Facility, Bickford Cottage, So. 45 th Street and Old Cheney Road. Resolution No. PC-01125.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES
1. ADVISORY. Water Main and Roadway Projects Open House. 36” Water Main in Yankee Hill Road; 56 th - 84 th Street, Project #803613. Yankee Hill Road Paving from 70 th - 84 th Streets, EO Project #801605.

WEED CONTROL

III. CITY CLERK

IV. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE

JON CAMP
1. Request to Jim Weverka, Animal Control - RE: Pit bulls outlawed in Lincoln - (RFI#89-07/09/08)
2. Correspondence from Milo Cress, No New Taxes.
3. Email from Wes Hager Regarding Problems of City Buses.
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9. Email from Dean and Jo Ann Auman. The $1,000 Stimulus Money Should be Benefitting Many People Instead of Just Builders.
10. Letter with Attachments from Ron Davis Regarding StarTran and Health Issues.

VI. ADJOURNMENT
Council Members Present: Robin Eschliman, Chair; Doug Emery, Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Dan Marvin, John Spatz, Ken Svoboda, Jonathan Cook (arrived late).

Others Present: Mayor Chris Beutler, Rick Hoppe, Trish Owen, Denise Pearce, Lin Quenzer, Mayor’s Office; City Clerk Joan Ross; John Hendry, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; and Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff.

Meeting convened at 11:05 a.m.

Location Announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act: A Copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is Located on the Wall at the Rear of this Room.

I. MAYOR - Mayor Chris Beutler and Directors had nothing to report.

   Mr. Camp stated it was reported in the newspaper about the one union appealing the CIR. He knows there is certain things you cannot talk about publicly, but will they be informed a little bit more of that at some point. Mayor Beutler replied as you know he’s having some private conversations with them later this afternoon and with some of them tomorrow. An update on those negotiations he thinks would be entirely in order and they can talk about that, they will talk about things on his agenda and anything that is on their agenda.

   Ms. Eschliman stated to Mayor Beutler there are two items on the Directors’ Addendum, there is some paperwork about the Stimulus Program and Alcohol Liquor issue. Does he want them to get back to him by a certain deadline with some sort of feedback from each member on those items or is it going to be through meetings that he is going to be holding in the next couple of days. Mayor Beutler stated they will be talking about this in the meetings that they have set up with them, so if it seems appropriate to them they can talk about those topics as well. Ms. Eschliman commented if you need us to give you responses by certain times just let us know in the meetings when you need a reply from each of us.

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HUMAN SERVICES -
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PLANNING -
1. Correspondence from Debbi Barnes-Josiah with Reply from Jean Preister, Planning on Bill #08R-163, Conditioning Zoning and Development Agreement, Whitehead Oil Company, 21st & K Streets. - NO COMMENTS

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2. Special Permit #08026 - Expansion of Nonstandard Single-Family Dwelling, So. 15th & C Streets - Resolution No. PC-01127. - NO COMMENTS

3. Special Permit #1658A - Expansion of Nonstandard Single-Family Dwelling, 1529 So. 8th Street - Resolution No. PC-01126. - NO COMMENTS

4. Special Permit #1624A - Expansion of Domiciliary Care Facility, Bickford Cottage, So. 45th Street & Old Cheney Road - Resolution No. PC-01125. - NO COMMENTS

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III. CITY CLERK -

City Clerk Joan Ross stated on their Agenda today, Items 8 & 9 will be called together. [#8, Application of Hummerz Bar & Grill, Inc. dba Hummerz Bar & Grill for a Class I liquor license at 501 West A Street, Suite 103.; and #9, Manager application of Luis D. Garay for Hummerz Bar & Grill, Inc. dba Hummerz Bar & Grill at 501 West A Street, Suite 103.]

Items 10 & 11 will be called together. [#10, Application of Midtown Drifters Inc. dba Drifters for a Class C liquor license at 3223 Cornhusker Highway.; and #11, Manager application of Eugene F. Flynn for Midtown Drifters Inc. dba Drifters at 3223 Cornhusker Highway.]

On Item 12, Reyes is an owner and manager, so he will not have a manager application. [#12, Application of Gilberto Reyes Jr. dba Reyes Club for a Class I liquor license at 2608 Park Boulevard.]

For Item 15, they have a Motion-To-Amend which was attached on-line and this item is for public hearing only. [#15, 08-80, Street Name Change 08001 - Renaming Montello Road and South 91st Street from 84th Street to the existing Firethorn Lane as “Firethorn Lane”.]
Council agreed Items 13 & 14 can be called together.  [#13, 08-78, Approving a lease agreement between the City and First United Methodist Church/Waverly, for the lease of space by the Lincoln Area Agency on Aging for its ActivAge Center Program at 14410 Folkestone Street, Waverly, Nebraska for a one-year term from September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009.; and #14, 08-79 Approving a lease agreement between the City and the Asian Community & Cultural Center, for the lease of space by the Lincoln Area Agency on Aging for its ActivAge Center Program at 2615 O Street, Lincoln, Nebraska for a one-year term from September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009.]

Mr. Marvin stated he has a substitute Resolution for Item 23 and he will talk about it at the “Noon” Meeting today.  Mr. Marvin gave City Clerk Joan Ross a copy of the substitute.  [#23, 08R-158, Approving a request to the City Audit Advisory Board pursuant to Chapter 4.66 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to consider the appropriateness and desirability of performing an audit of the City’s fund account balances.]

Ms. Eschliman stated she has a question regarding Item 43 on the Pending list, which is a piece of land that was going to be surplus.  She seems to remember a vote on it, but not an agreement on what the funds were to be used for and she thinks the Council has to approve the funds.  Ms. Eschliman asked if it was a two part vote or was that one vote and it never happened.  City Clerk Joan Ross stated she will look back at the minutes and see if there was a Motion-To-Amend attached but as far as she knows it just addressed the item that was on the agenda.  Ms. Eschliman commented she thought they voted affirmatively for it but they just didn’t decide what it was to be used for.  Ms. Eschliman noted the Mayor asked her the other day where they were on it and she said if it’s still on pending they will dust it off, but if they did not finish something she will let him know.  City Clerk Joan Ross stated she will look through the minutes and see what is attached to the actual document and will let them know at 1:30 p.m., or if she gets a chance before the meeting.  [#43, 08-5, Comp. Plan Conformity 07025 - Declaring approximately 43,200 square feet generally located at N.W. 52nd Street and West Huntington Ave. as surplus property and authorizing the sale thereof.]

IV. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE -

JON CAMP -

Mr. Camp stated to Fire Chief Ford that he had a call from a constituent today regarding the fire on Saturday at the complex saying that there was a lack of water pressure.  Could you give us a brief scenario on that is there anything in particular that he can share with them, if there is a water pressure problem in that part of the City.  Mr. Camp commented he will give him more information and he can get back to her individually.  Fire Chief Ford stated from his understanding that apartment complex has a closed circuit water supply, where the water goes in one-way and then circulates through that area and it comes back out through the same way.  Consequently, when they connected to that line they were
drawing water from only one line and when they did that putting two ladder trucks out and
used thousand gallons of water a minute also having engines there. They basically
devastated the amount of water that was coming and they didn’t have enough water for all
when trying to use it to put out that fire. Mr. Camp commented is that something they put
in being a private complex or is this a City issue. Chief Ford replied he thinks it’s City.
Mr. Camp noted to Chief Ford that he will give him her name after the meeting.

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   COMMENTS

6. E-Mail from Bob Fillaus - RE: Reject Mayor’s Budget, City Needs Fiscal Restraint. -
   NO COMMENTS

JONATHAN COOK - NO COMMENTS

DOUG EMERY - NO COMMENTS

DAN MARVIN -

Mr. Marvin stated he would like to speak with Don Herz (Finance Director) after the
Directors’ Meeting today.

JOHN SPATZ - NO COMMENTS

KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN - NO COMMENTS
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ADDENDUM - (For July 14th)

I. MAYOR -

1. NEWS ADVISORY - RE: Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule Week of July 12 through July 18, 2008 - Schedule subject to change. - NO COMMENTS

2. E-Mail Memo & Material from Mayor Beutler - RE: Home Owner’s Stimulus Program (Forward to Council on 07/11/08). - Ms. Eschliman mentioned this material under “II. City Clerk”. See that discussion.
3. E-Mail Material from Mayor Beutler - RE: Parks & Recreation Ordinance changes. Ms. Eschliman mentioned this material under “II. City Clerk”. See that discussion.

4. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Public Invited To Open House On Storm Drain Construction. NO COMMENTS

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE -

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS -

BUILDING & SAFETY -

1. Letter from Mel Goddard to Mike Morosin and Attached Letter - RE: Illegal Construction. NO COMMENTS

C. MISCELLANEOUS -

1. Media Release from Lori Seibel, Community Health Endowment - RE: Graduates of Project A.L.L. (Academy for Local Leadership) Announced. NO COMMENTS

2. E-Mail from Julie Banks - RE: The Mayor’s proposed budget service revisions are being heard on Thursday, July 17th. NO COMMENTS

[End of Addendum]

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 11:15 a.m.