AGENDA
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2008
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 113
11:00 A.M.

I. MAYOR
1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents September Award of Excellence to Firefighter Tod Sehnert.
2. Letter from Trish Owen, Deputy Chief of Staff, to Council Members regarding landfill gas recovery/utilization system. (Letters delivered to each Council Member on 10/14/08)
3. NEWS ADVISORY. Three major events for Mayor Beutler on Thursday, October 16th.
   a) News Conference at 11:00 am at the Prairie Building at Pioneers Park Nature Center as an addition to the building is receiving LEED®Silver certification from the U.S. Green Building Council.
   b) Lights On Afterschool event at 5:30 pm at McPhee Elementary, 820 So. 15th Street. The Mayor will issue a proclamation and visit with Community Learning Centers’ Lights On Youth Ambassadors.
   c) Open house and candlelight vigil at 7:30 pm at Voices of Hope, 2545 N Street where the Mayor will issue a proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness. (Information forwarded to City Council on 10/15/08)
4. NEWS RELEASE. Prairie building addition earns LEED certification.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Manhole project to begin October 15, 2008.
6. NEWS RELEASE. Open house set on improvements at Superior and I-I80.

II. DIRECTORS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT
1. Volunteers needed to make Star City Holiday Parade litter free.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Metropolitan Planning Organization Officials Committee Agenda for October 17, 2008.

PARKS AND RECREATION
1. Letter to Henry Cech from Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director, regarding the storm water detention area east of Clifford Drive.

PUBLIC WORKS/STARTRAN
1. Reply letter to Sidney Smith from Larry Worth, Transit Manager, in regard to the #50 College View bus operating late and letter from Sidney Smith, September 30, 2008.

III. CITY CLERK
1. Letter to City Clerk, Joan Ross, from Sue Gilleland, stressing the importance of StarTran bus service. (Letter also sent to City Council, listed under Miscellaneous)
IV. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE

V. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Email from Fred Marks inquiring why there are seven different locations for various Veteran services in Lincoln instead of being located at one location they own at 600 S. 70th Street.

   1b) List of Veteran services available in Lincoln, along with their addresses and map.

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3. Letter sent to each City Council member from Arlon and Corrine Bartels requesting deletion of Area 12 from proposed annexations for 2009.

4. Email from Anne K. Vidaver regarding having all businesses and private organization list their address numbers on their buildings.

5. Email from Cynthia Hendel regarding support proposal to amend city ordinance allowing use of segways in Lincoln.

6. Letter from Sue Gilleland stressing the importance of StarTran bus service. (Letter also sent to, and listed under, Joan Ross, City Clerk)

7. Letter from Area 12 residents, Evelyn, Francis, Ed Molds and Jessce Gole, are requesting Area 12 be deleted from proposed annexations for 2009.

8. Letter from Area 12 residents, M.L and A.A. Lesalniekj, requesting Area 12 be deleted from proposed annexations for 2009.

9. Copy of letter to Greg MacLean, Director of Public Works and Utilities, from Lincoln Chamber of Commerce. Thanks extended for presentation regarding the Development Services Center with suggestions/comments of ways to improve buy-in for the DSC. (Each Council Member received copy on 10/16/08)

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

Council Member Absent: John Spatz

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

Ms. Eschliman opened the meeting at 11:03 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 had nothing to report. Mayor Beutler called on Directors. Greg MacLean (Public Works & Utilities Director) stated as you know last week they had a party to say good-bye to Margaret Remmenga after 40 years servicing the City as the Business Manager for Public Works & Utilities Department. In the prior months, they launched a national search, sorted through a lot of candidates, had interviews, and made a selection. Fran Mejer who was above all of the candidates. They’re happy to announce this morning that Fran will be the new Business Manager for Public Works. Everyone congratulated Ms. Mejer. Fran Mejer stated she’s looking forward to the job and thanked everyone.

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4. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Prairie Building Addition Earns LEED Certification. - NO COMMENTS

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6. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Open House Set on Improvements at Superior & I-I80. - NO COMMENTS

7. The Department of Defense Visits Lincoln in Preparation for the 2010 USA National Games for Special Olympics. - NO COMMENTS

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PARKS & RECREATION -
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PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/STARTRAN -

1. Response Letter from Larry Worth to Sidney Smith - RE: The #50 College View bus operating late and copy of letter from Sidney Smith, September 30, 2008. - NO COMMENTS

III. CITY CLERK -

City Clerk Joan Ross stated on their Agenda today, Items 6, 7, & 8 will be called together.  [#6, Application of Red9, LLC dba Red9 for a Class I liquor license at 322 S. 9th Street.; #7, Manager application of Jill S. Cockson for Red9, LLC dba Red9 at 322 S. 9th Street.; and #8, Application of Red9, LLC dba Red9 for a catering license to its proposed Class I liquor license at 322 S. 9th Street.]

Items 9, 10, 11, & 12 will be called together.  [#9, Application of Hergert Oil Company dba Super C #2 for a Class D liquor license at 3202 S. 10th Street.; #10, Manager application of Joel B. Larson for Hergert Oil Company dba Super C #2 at 3202 S. 10th Street.; #11, Application of Hergert Oil Company dba Super C #5 for a Class D liquor license at 3400 Village Drive.; and #12, Manager application of Joel B. Larson for Hergert Oil Company dba Super C #5 at 3400 Village Drive.]

Items 15, 16, & 17 will be called together.  [#15, 08R-260, Approving the Pine Woods Conditional Annexation and Zoning Agreement between the City and Realty Trust Group relating to the annexation of approximately 4.87 acres of property generally located on the west side of South 70th Street and south of Pine Lake Road.; #16, 08-145, Annexation #08006 – Application of Realty Trust Group to amend the Lincoln Corporate Limits Map by annexing approximately 4.87 acres of property generally located at South 70th Street and Pine Lake Road.; and #17, 08-146, Change of Zone 08041 – Application of Realty Trust Group for a change of zone from AGR Agricultural Residential District to R-3 Residential District PUD and for approval of a development plan for modifications to the Zoning and Land Subdivision Ordinances to develop approximately 11 dwelling units and approximately 53,000 square feet of office, retail and/or commercial floor area on property generally located at South 70th Street and Pine Lake Road.]
Items 19, 20, 21, & 22 will be called together. [#19, 08R-262, Approving a two-year Grant Contract between the City of Lincoln and Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital to provide grant funds in the amount of $26,000.00 per year for its Community Medical Transportation Program.; #20, 08R-263, Approving a two-year Grant Contract between the City of Lincoln and Voices of Hope to provide grant funds in the amount of $22,500.00 per year for its Crisis Intervention Program.; #21, 08R-264, Approving a two-year Grant Contract between the City of Lincoln and Matt Talbot Kitchen to provide grant funds in the amount of $15,000.00 per year for its Food/Shelter Security Program.; and #22, 08R-265, Approving a two-year Grant Contract between the City of Lincoln and Lighthouse, Inc. to provide grant funds in the amount of $25,000.00 per year for its Lighthouse After-school Program.]

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JON CAMP -

Mr. Camp commented a question for Information Services. No one is present from that department, but have they gotten a new spam control. Last week there were e-mail’s that he sent that did not get through, so he was just wondering if they’ve had some other difficulties. Don Herz (Finance Director) stated he thinks Doug Thomas (Information Services) responded to his e-mail, but doesn’t know if you have seen that yet. Mr. Camp replied he received something from Jeff Jones (Information Services). Mr. Herz commented they are actually looking at some other products that may help in that processing. Mr. Camp commented he just wants to make sure that other people in the public are able to get through on it.

JONATHAN COOK - NO COMMENTS

DOUG EMERY - NO COMMENTS
ROBIN ESCHLIMAN -

Ms. Eschliman asked Mike Merwick (Building & Safety Director) how they are coming along with getting an inspector person that would be inspecting for ice removal, snow removal, graffiti, couches, weeds and all those kinds of things? Mike Merwick replied they take care of the couches without that. They met on that last week. They’re resolving those issues and getting things ready, so they’ll be ready when the snow comes. Ms. Eschliman commented so you’ve got a job description put together, and just haven’t started advertising yet? Mr. Merwick stated they’re working on a plan to put all that together and how they’re going to do it. Mr. Marvin commented he happened to be an attendee to that meeting, so he would be happy to give an update at the “Noon” Meeting today. Mr. Merwick noted people are turning in a wide variety of different things. They’re catching all of them and they are addressing all of those things. Mr. Marvin will give an update of the inspection meeting at the “Noon” Meeting today.

Mr. Cook mentioned to Mike Merwick that he sent him an e-mail a couple of weeks ago regarding inspecting the increase in apartment inspection fees. Did you receive it? Mr. Merwick replied no. Mr. Cook commented he will send that to him again because there is some information that was requested by a constituent and he will give him an update of it.

DAN MARVIN - NO COMMENTS

JOHN SPATZ - ABSENT

KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

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[No Directors’ Addendum for October 20th]

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