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PLANNING COMMISSION

PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
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URBAN DEVELOPMENT
HOUSING REHABILITATION & REAL ESTATE DIVISION
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III. CITY CLERK

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ROBIN ESCHLIMAN

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

* Held Over from December 8, 2008.
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2008
11:00 a.m.
COUNTY/CITY BUILDING
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

Council Members Present: Robin Eschliman, Chair; Doug Emery, Vice-Chair; Ken Svoboda, Dan Marvin, John Spatz, Jon Camp

Council Member Absent: Jonathan Cook

Others Present: Mayor Chris Beutler, Rick Hoppe, Denise Pearce, Trish Owen, Lin Quenzer, 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 11:06 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 called on Directors. Police Chief Casady reported on the cost of overtime for UNL football games. (See Attachment ‘A’)

Mayor Beutler introduced Fred Hoke, the new Building & Safety Director; and Mark Koller, the new Personnel Director.

Mayor Beutler responded to Mr. Camp’s e-mail asking about information on the West Haymarket Arena project. He will give Mr. Camp a call this afternoon.

The Mayor gave a report on the People’s Health Center.

Ms. Eschliman passed on a letter to the Mayor regarding the Lincoln Housing Authority not paying property tax on large number of units. (This letter listed under ‘V. Miscellaneous- #9’.)

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*2. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Mayor names Hoke Building & Safety Director. - NO COMMENTS

*3. Fiscal Impact Statement from Public Works/Utilities/Water. - NO COMMENTS

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18. NEWS RELEASE - RE: 2015 Vision. - NO COMMENTS

19. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Information on the media having several opportunities to cover the community’s generosity. - NO COMMENTS

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II. DIRECTORS -

HEALTH -
1. Lincoln-Lancaster County Board of Health Meeting minutes of 11/04/08. - NO COMMENTS

2. Lincoln-Lancaster County Board of Health Department Report for November 2008. - NO COMMENTS

PARKS & RECREATION -
1. Response from Steve Hiller, Parks & Recreation Assistant Director to Jeanette Fanmeyer - RE: Her questions on the youth basketball program. - NO COMMENTS

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*1. Action by Planning Commission - December 3, 2008. - NO COMMENTS

PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION . . . .
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URBAN DEVELOPMENT/ HOUSING REHABILITATION & REAL ESTATE DIVISION -
1. Street and Alley Vacation #08006. - NO COMMENTS

III. CITY CLERK -

City Clerk Joan Ross stated on their Agenda today for Item 1, she wanted to point out the Board of Equalization is at 1:30 p.m. and they’re use to having it at 10:00 a.m. [#1, Setting the hearing date of Monday, January 12, 2009, 1:30 p.m. for the Board of Equalization Special Assessment Group by Public Works.]

Under ‘Public Hearing-Liquor Resolutions’ they have quite a line up of liquor applications. Items 8 & 9 will be called together. [#8, Application of DawgHouse, Inc. dba DawgHouse Bar for a Class C liquor license at 2050 Cornhusker Highway.; and #9, Manager application of Ryan D. Worley for DawgHouse, Inc. dba DawgHouse Bar at 2050 Cornhusker Highway.]

Items 10 & 11 will be called together. [#10, Application of BDF, LLC dba Chasers for a Class C and K liquor license at 140 North 12th Street.; and #11, Manager application of Barry D. Franzen for BDF, LLC dba Chasers at 140 North 12th Street.]

Items 12 & 13 will be called together. [#12, Application of Raider, LLC dba Blue Mountain Smokehouse Pizza for a Class I liquor license at 8600 Amber Hill Court, Suite 100.; and #13, Manager application of Kelvin M. Korver for Raider, LLC dba Blue Mountain Smokehouse Pizza at 8600 Amber Hill Court, Suite 100.]

Items 14 & 15 will be called together. [#14, Application of L&M Foods, Inc. dba Sam & Louie’s for a Class I liquor license at 4131 Pioneer Woods Drive, Suite 102.; and #15, Manager application of Larry J. Jurgens for L&M Foods, Inc. dba Sam & Louie’s at 4131 Pioneer Woods Drive, Suite 102.]
Items 16 & 17 will be called together. [#16, Application of Down Home Inc. dba Court Side Banquet for a Class I liquor license at 710 Hill Street.; and #17, Manager application of James E. Joneson for Down Home Inc. dba Courtside Banquet at 710 Hill Street.]

Items 18 & 19 will be called together. [#18, Application of Beacon Hills of Lincoln LLC dba Beacon Hills for an I and K liquor license at 5353 North 27th Street.; and #19, Manager application of Ronnie L. Sorensen for Beacon Hills of Lincoln LLC dba Beacon Hills at 5353 North 27th Street.]

There was discussion about Item 5 under ‘Petitions & Communications’. [#5, Setting the Hearing Date of Monday, January 12, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. for the Application of Nav V. Duong dba Nam’s for a Class C liquor license located at 940 N. 27th Street.]

Items 20 & 21 under ‘Public Hearing - Resolutions’ will be called together. [#20, 08R-311, Authorizing the City’s negotiation team to present the Labor Contract to IAFF Local 644 for the period of August 21, 2008 through August 31, 2009 as the City’s last best offer on the terms as outlined in the proposed contract as Option 1.; and #21, 08R-312, Authorizing the City’s negotiation team to present the Labor Contract to IAFF Local 644 for the period of August 21, 2008 through August 31, 2009 as the City’s last best offer on the terms as outlined in the proposed contract as Option 2.]

Item 29 under ‘Ordinances - 1st Reading’ if you’re watching Planning Commission, there was also a special permit on this and it was a little controversial. They went ahead and got this scheduled and now they have the appeal. The thought would be to suspend 1st Reading on the change of zone today and have it at 1st Reading on January 5, 2009 with the special permit. So, the appeal would be scheduled for 1st Reading-Introduction on January 5, 2009 and 2nd Reading-public hearing on January 12, 2009. [#29, 08-170, Change of Zone 08058 – Application of Brian and Debra Marshall and Earl Visser for a change of zone from R-2 Residential District to R-T Residential Transition District on property generally located at 3333 A Street and 3345 A Street.]

Item 31, they have two Motions-To-Amend and she believes both are substitute agreements. [#31, 08R-170, Approving the Wilderness Commons Conditional Annexation and Zoning Agreement between the City and Lincoln Federal Bancorp, Security Financial Life Insurance, Buffalo Grass LLC, B&J Partnership, Allen R. Hohensee and Susan K. Hohensee, relating to the annexation of approximately 92 acres of property generally located on the west side of South 40th Street and south of Yankee Hill Road.]

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For Item 37, they had a handout for a Motion-To-Amend on that a week ago to correct the dollar amount. [#37, 08-161, Vacation No. 08007 - Application of Hoppe Partners, Ltd. to vacate the west 162 feet of the east-west alley between South 19th Street and South 20th Street and between K Street and L Street.]
IV. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE -

JON CAMP -
Mr. Camp stated he would like to speak with Dave Landis (Urban Development Director) and Fire Chief Ford after the Directors’ Meeting today.

JONATHAN COOK - Absent

DOUG EMERY -
Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and please take that back to your staff and they appreciate what they’ve done over the year. They will start again in January.

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN -
Ms. Eschliman stated she has a letter for Building & Safety and an e-mail for Greg MacLean (Public Works & Utilities Director).

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DAN MARVIN - No Comments

JOHN SPATZ -
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KEN SVOBODA - No Comments

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**ADDENDUM - (For December 15th)**

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II.  **CITY CLERK** - None
III. CORRESPONDENCE -

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE -

JON CAMP -

1. Response Letter from Thomas Shafer, Public Works & Utilities Department to Jon Camp - RE: Request to review the situation described by Mr. Dirk Brom in an email text. - NO COMMENTS

ROBIN ESCHLIMAN -

1. E-Mail from Joani Moore - RE: A claim she filed with the City of Lincoln pertaining to the accident I had on city bus #654, College View route on 12/03/08. - NO COMMENTS

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS -

HEALTH -

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: The Lincoln/Lancaster County Health Department is seeking individuals interested in the local Food Safety Program to apply for the Lincoln/Lancaster County Food Advisory Committee. - NO COMMENTS

C. MISCELLANEOUS -

1. E-Mail from Cathy Pischel - RE: Read an article in the newspaper about the possibility of making dumpster diving illegal. - NO COMMENTS

[End of Addendum]

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately at 11:31 a.m.

*HELD OVER FROM DECEMBER 8, 2008.
Memorandum

To: Mayor Beutler  
CC: City Council Members  
From: Chief Tom Casady  
Date: December 15, 2008  
Re: Cost of Overtime for UNL Football Games

Cost of police overtime per football game, 2002 = $11,592  
Cost of police overtime per football game, 2003 = $10,816  
Cost of police overtime per football game, 2004 = $10,452  
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Base salary during this time period has increased slightly over 20%. As a result, the 2008 dollar amount is actually a reduction of nearly 60% in the per-game overtime costs.