

**AGENDA**  
**CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2009**  
**(Immediately Following Directors' Meeting)**  
**COUNTY/CITY BUILDING**  
**CONFERENCE ROOM 113**

**I. MINUTES**

1. Minutes from City Council Organizational Meeting of June 1, 2009. - Held over from June 8<sup>th</sup> Agenda, minutes not finished
2. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of June 8, 2009.
3. Minutes from City Council Organizational Meeting of June 8, 2009.

**II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES -**

1. Public Building Commission Meeting (Camp/Cook)
2. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Cook)
3. Board of Health (Snyder)
4. Multicultural Advisory Committee Meeting (Spatz)

**OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:**

**III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced**

**IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced**

1. Letter from Lori Vrtiska-Seibel, Community Health Endowment to Mayor Beutler - RE: To remind that the three-year terms of the following members of the Board of Trustees of the Community Health Endowment (CHE) will expire on August 31, 2009. (See Attached Letter) (Council received their copies in their file folders on 06/08/09)

**V. MISCELLANEOUS - None**

**VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS -**

1. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce invites you to attend the following Ribbon Cuttings:  
- Please RSVP to Kathy Hale at 436-2385 or E-Mail: -  
A.) Balanced Life, 285 S. 68<sup>th</sup> Street Place, Suite 327 (Entrepreneur Center) on  
Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.

- B.) Schworer Volkswagen, 3301 Schworer Drive (1 block N of Saturn Dealer - 33<sup>rd</sup> & Superior) on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 5:00 p.m., Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Open House.
- C.) Mom's (Mom's Mastectomy & Mom's Maternity), 415 N. 66<sup>th</sup> Street (North of McGinnis Ford) on Friday, June 26, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.
2. Lincoln Action Program Community Forum "Success Starts Here" on Thursday, June 18, 2009 - **1<sup>st</sup> Session:** 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. OR **2<sup>nd</sup> Session:** 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at 210 "O" Street (west of downtown over the Harris overpass) - (See Invitation)
  3. Christian Heritage Fatherhood Initiative-2009 Nebraska Father of the Year on Thursday, June 18, 2009 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., Christian Heritage will host its 'Celebration of Fatherhood' luncheon at the Lincoln Embassy Suites - RSVP to 421-5437 - (See Invitation)
  4. Rockin' at the JA 50's Hop-Junior Achievement Dinner & Auction on Friday, September 18, 2009 at The Cornhusker Marriott Hotel - 5:30 p.m., Doors open with bar & silent auction - 6:30 p.m., Dinner & live auction - RSVP your tickets, Terra Norris, 467-4479 - (See Invitation)
  5. Sheldon Museum of Art -Opening Reception for the Exhibition on Friday, June 26, 2009 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - (See Invitation)
  6. Sheldon Museum of Art - Play's the Thing will be one of the exhibitions used to inspire art-making activities during the Museum's Family Fun Event on Friday, July 10, 2009 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - (See Invitation)
  7. Nebraska Heart Institute Heart Hospital - "Nebraska Heart Gives Back" program and to kick-off the "Toys For Tots" campaign, press conference on June 12, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Nebraska Heart campus, 7500 S. 91<sup>st</sup> Street - (See Letter of Invitation)
  8. The Weitz Company -CWS Hospitality Event! On Thursday, June 18, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. through the 7<sup>th</sup> Inning Stretch (Game 10 starts at 6:00 p.m.) at The Weitz Company Tent, 3484 South 13<sup>th</sup> Street - RSVP to Amber Hawley at 402-502-4039 or by e-mail - (See Invitation)

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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CITY COUNCIL  
OFFICE

Community Health Endowment of Lincoln



June 5, 2009

Chris Beutler, Mayor  
City of Lincoln  
555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Mayor Beutler:

The purpose of this letter is to remind you that the three-year terms of the following members of the Board of Trustees of the Community Health Endowment (CHE) will expire on August 31, 2009.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Current Position</u>
Bill Lester	Chair, Board of Trustees
Lois Baldwin	Member, Funding Committee
Alison Larson	Member, Funding Committee
Maria Prendes-Lintel PhD	Member, Administration Committee

Mr. Lester has completed two, three-year terms, the maximum allowed by city ordinance. Ms. Baldwin, Ms. Larson and Dr. Prendes-Lintel are eligible to be re-appointed, at your discretion and with City Council confirmation, to serve an additional three-year term. For your information, Ms. Baldwin, Ms. Larson and Dr. Prendes-Lintel have indicated to me that they would be very pleased to accept a mayoral appointment to serve an additional three-year term. We respectfully request that new and re-appointments to the CHE Board of Trustees be made by August 15, 2009.

**I am compelled to share with you that the void created by Mr. Lester's departure will be significant to CHE. His expertise regarding financial matters has been invaluable to our organization and his departure will coincide with CHE's entrée into a new investment strategy as the result of the passage of Amendment 1.** It should also be noted that Dan Anderson, who has served in the capacity of Board Chair and Chair of the Finance Committee and also has valuable investment experience, will be exiting the CHE Board of Trustees in 2010 due to term limits. The loss of these two Trustees over the course of the next 12 months will reduce the size of our Finance Committee to two members, giving added gravity to the need for an appointment with finance/investment expertise. CHE would be pleased to discuss our request with you in greater detail or to provide you with the names of potential candidates.

If I can be of any other assistance to you or your staff in the appointment process, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your commitment to CHE.

Sincerely,

Lori Vrtiska Seibel  
President/CEO

cc: CHE Board of Trustees  
Members of the City Council

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2009**

**Present:** Doug Emery, Chair  
John Spatz, Vice Chair  
Jon Camp  
Jonathan Cook  
Gene Carroll  
Adam Hornung  
Jayne Snyder

**Others Present:** Rick Hoppe, Aide to the Mayor  
Trish Owen, Aide to the Mayor

Chair Emery opened the meeting at 11:33 a.m, and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

**I. MINUTES**

1. Minutes from City Council Organizational Meeting of June 1, 2009. (Not completed)
  2. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of June 8, 2009.
  3. Minutes from City Council Organizational Meeting of June 8, 2009.
- The minutes of June 8, 2009 approved by acclamation.

**II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES**

**1. Public Building Commission Meeting Camp/Cook**

Cook reported on presentation and discussion of the Development Services Center. Authorized Sinclair Hille for 2<sup>nd</sup> floor design plans, and voted for RFP issuance for 3<sup>rd</sup> floor design. Will not hire until Council makes budget decisions. A pre-council is scheduled to discuss.

Camp stated a new dangerous precedent set with the Mayor doing telephone polls the night before and following with email. The PBC had requested the Mayor talk with Council, which wasn't done, and not having public hearing is not a good precedent. Emery added even with unanswered questions can support the concept without moving forward.

Hornung asked if Cook was comfortable with the process? Cook replied the PBC wanted more Council feedback, and now will have discussion. Hornung asked where the money originates. Discussion on where money would come from. Camp stated he hasn't received all correspondence with Emery adding he and Spatz requested and now everyone should have received.

Hornung asked if the money is part of the whole budget or the SAR fund? Stated if the money was coming from SAR it would be a large concern coming out of infrastructure funds, money intended to build new roads. Hoppe commented to distinguish between Phase 1 and Phase 2. Phase 1 is publication, Phase 2 is the software package and has great expense being around \$1.7 million. Not talked about at the PBC meeting. Hornung stated some Council members would like to discuss the extra money going to approving this project. Hoppe said they have viewed as a second discussion.

Camp added Council should discuss 3<sup>rd</sup> floor costs. Emery stated if Council has specific items for next week's presentation to email him and Hoppe and they will include. Snyder added during the Mayor's budget meeting they went over the process and heard the cost would be identified and presented. They didn't have the material ready then, but we will need before the budget. We knew the detail but first the decision needed to be made to move forward and deal with it in the budget.

Cook stated the PBC also discussed: 1) City Attorney relocation; 2) Juvenile Court status; 3) District Court proposed renovation; 4) Courtroom location; 5) City-County Building displays; 6) Energy stimulus grant applications; 7) Hall of Justice window tinting; 8) Tree City USA flag display; and 9) the next meeting, the same day as the Common budget meeting and Joint County Council comp plan hearing. Chose to meet one day before final budget vote, but any action will be contingent on the final budget vote.

## **2. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Cook**

Cook reported on Boosalis Park master planning; a sports facility done in cooperation with the NE Game and Parks Commission, Lincoln's Trap and Skeet Club, and Prairie Bowmen for skeet shooting and archery; replacement of Sherman Field's restrooms and concessions; voted to name the Jamaica North Trail park shelter and picnic area in memory of Brian Backhaus. Recommended replacement of interpretive signage at Lintel Park, to recognize Deloris Lintel's community contributions. Recognition of landscaping and children's art work at Irving Rec Center. The Golf Committee reports rounds/revenue up 5%/8%. The Parks Foundation planning to purchase "A Street Antiques" and later the City may acquire for parking for trails use and zoo overflow. Belmont Park is the first nature based play area planned. Parks will have a joint tour Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-7 p.m., all Council Members invited, and presented by the Parks Foundation and Parks Board. Also, Parks has a new web site with new logo.

Emery inquired if the web site provides space for people to make recommendations regarding naming areas/items for someone? Cook replied very good idea and will check. Camp stated Parks is using the web versus mailing, and Johnson has been on the radio, is there a separate budget or are the public service announcements free? Hoppe commented Parks saved a great deal not printing, and with the savings have done a number of marketing items, and assume they're paying for part of the radio. Camp asked for a breakdown of printed versus the web site and radio. Snyder added the Council voted last year to do public relations and revamp Parks and Rec and is part of the money which went to this project, with the web site being fantastic. Emery requested the cost for the new Belmont Park Natural Play area which Hoppe will report on.

## **3. Board of Health Snyder**

Due to a conflict was unable to attend.

## **4. Multicultural Advisory Committee Meeting Spatz**

The Committee does not meet over the summer months.

## **OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:**

### **III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**

Hoppe reported there is none at this time.

#### **IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR**

Hopped reported there were none.

1. Letter from Lori Vrtiska-Seibel, Community Health Endowment, to Mayor Beutler, regarding the 3-year terms of members of the Community Health Endowment (CHE) Board of Trustees, to expire on August 31, 2009.

Emery asked with Ms. Seibel's letter, is she asking us to look at extending the appointment, worried about losing expertise? Hoppe thought she was making the point that whoever is appointed have this kind of expertise, very important given the range in which they can invest. Emery added hopefully Council will be able to meet their need.

#### **V. MISCELLANEOUS**

None

#### **VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Cook No comments

Spatz No comments

Camp asked about the Planning Commission appointment. Hoppe replied they are collecting applicants, the Mayor is interviewing, and will present soon.

Snyder No comments

Hornung No comments

Carroll No comments

Emery First, who should attend the Directors Meeting? Possibly Police, Fire, Public Works, Planning, Building and Safety along with Judge Hendry? If we have later meetings Members could call Emery or Hoppe who would try to have requested additional people attend. Cook inquired if Johnson of Parks should regularly attend? Spatz commented Parks seems more plausible than Fire with Hoppe agreeing. Emery asked if Council in agreement with Parks, not Fire, attending with vocal agreement.

Second is acknowledgment of long term employees. Think we should mention publicly. Today before Ross calls the first item will mention. We have two employees with 30 plus years and we should acknowledge their contribution.

Lastly, hope the arena comments in the paper were not taken out of context by Council Members. The intent was not to speak as Council Chairman. While in Denver received call regarding sports and then was asked about the arena, not knowing it would be listed in the paper as spoken by Chair of the City Council.

#### **VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS**

See invitation list.

#### **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Emery adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Mary Meyer  
City/County Clerk