AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2009
(Immediately Following Directors’ Meeting)
COUNTY/CITY BUILDING
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MINUTES


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

1. District Energy Corporation Board Meeting - (Camp)
2. Downtown Lincoln Association Meeting - (Carroll)
3. Lancaster County Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency Meeting - (Emery)
4. Public Building Commission Meeting (Carroll/Cook)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS - None

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS -

1. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce Face the Chamber with Chief of Police Tom Casady on Wednesday, November 11, 2009 from Noon to 1:00 p.m. - Registration begins at 11:45 a.m. at the Country Club of Lincoln, 3200 South 24th Street - $15/person; $20/person at the door - RSVP by Nov. 9th to Jaime Henning by e-mail - (See Invitation)
2. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce “Business After Hours” on Thursday, November 19, 2009 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Tabitha Health Care Services, 4720 Randolph Street - $10/person - RSVP by Nov. 18th by e-mail - (See Invitation)

3. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce invites you to attend the following Ribbon Cutting: - Please RSVP to Kathy Hale at 436-2385 or E-Mail: - - A.) Tarnick Chiropractic & Acupuncture, P.C., 5630 S. 84th Street, Suite 100 on Tuesday, November 3, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

4. LES’ Energy Summit on Thursday, November 12, 2009 at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel, 333 South 13th Street from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. - RSVP by Nov. 5th to Janet Chung at 473-3383 or by e-mail - (See Invitation)

5. CenterPointe, Inc., Annual Luncheon on Friday, November 13, 2009 from 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 2633 “P” Street, Robare Conference Room - RSVP by Nov. 10th to Janine Uldrich at 475-8717 or by e-mail - (See Invitation)

6. Parthenon 7th Anniversary celebration and ribbon cutting on Friday, November 6, 2009 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Parthenon, Edgewood Shopping Center, 56th & Hwy 2 - RSVP to Ross Heusman by e-mail - (See Invitation)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

*HELD OVER FROM OCTOBER 26, 2009.*
Present: Doug Emery, Chair
John Spatz, Vice Chair
Gene Carroll
Jayne Snyder
Jonathan Cook
Jon Camp

Absent: Adam Hornung

Others Present: Rick Hoppe, Aide to the Mayor
Trish Owen, Aide to the Mayor
Patty Pansing-Brooks, Aide to the Mayor

Chair Emery called the meeting to order at 2:33 pm and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I. MINUTES
With no corrections, additions, or deletions the above minutes were approved by acclamation.

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

1. District Energy Corporation Board Meeting (DEC) Camp
Camp stated the DEC received a $5 million dollar award of stimulus funds grant. Their cost on the new jail is $23,500,000 and the grant dollars will be used in this project. The committee also discussed budget projects, such as the jail, Antelope Valley, and Assurry.

2. Downtown Lincoln Association Meeting (DLA) Carroll
Carroll stated the Star City Parade will be held the first Saturday in December, which is their 25th anniversary.

The DLA discussed and took a vote regarding Block 68. A letter is being sent to the Mayor’s Office, and City Council on their position, which includes their concerns.

3. Lancaster County Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency Meeting Emery
Emery did not attend the meeting of the Lancaster County Correction Facility Joint Public Agency.
4. Public Building Commission Meeting  Carroll/Cook

Cook stated the PBC approved the 555 S.10th St. 3rd floor contract for $782,600 which was below the estimate of $826,892. Also approved a 2nd floor change order, reducing the contract by $50,000. Did pass a resolution of intent to reimburse the existing funds with future bond funds up to $1.75 million. Sometimes PBC funds used on projects but want to be know if we should bond for improvements and reimburse existing funds with bond funds. A requirement for tax law purposes.

Under new business was renting out stalls at the K Street lot. We rent 30 stalls, which is most of the lot. On game days people rent the rest. Asked if we would let the additional stalls be rented. They would take half the income, which we agreed to. Did lease vending machines to the Children’s Museum rather then selling them. We receive a small income and retain ownership.

Carroll commented the Developmental Service Center was budgeted at $630,000 and came in at $536,000, which is the center part of second floor.

Camp asked what was covered in the $782,600 on 3rd floor? Cook replied the work for the Mayor’s Office, CIC, and Personnel. Owen added the PBC is adding a conference room. Camp asked if this includes furniture? Owen replied not in the Mayor’s office as they’re moving what is being used. Carroll commented part of the cost is break down and moving existing furniture.

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Hoppe stated Agenda Item, #5, appointing Becky Ferguson to the Police Fire Pension Board needs to be withdrawn. In 2006 Jerry Finnegan was to be reappointed to the Board for a full term, after there had been staggered terms. He was appointed to a three year term which should have been five years. The Council put in Ms. Ferguson but we submit a two year term for Mr. Finnegan to finish the five years. Asking Council to withdraw Ms. Ferguson. The Mayor contacted her and explained. At the end of Finnegan’s two years will appoint Ferguson as we want her on this Board.

Hoppe said the Parks Department has requested an annual meeting of the Lincoln Cares Board, with a Council Member attending. Will set the meeting when a Member agrees to represent the Council. The Lincoln Cares Program is where one can donate a dollar, or more, on their electric bill to projects throughout the City. After discussion Councilman Hornung was elected to attend.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR  (Attachment A)

Hoppe distributed Attachment A, a Pre-Council schedule. On November 9th, have two Pre-Councils. Dog Ordinances scheduled for 45 minutes starting at 12:45 pm, with Problem Properties at 1:30 pm. We would have abbreviated Directors and Organizational Meetings.

On November 16th have Impact Fees update. Owen stated they do an impact fees annual indexing with two options this year. With the economy there is an actual reduction in impact fees close to 1.5%, and therefore will take Council action. Public Works will present the program on indexing. Hoppe asked if the pre-council should be one hour, with time for questions from Council Members. Emery thought 45 minutes, starting at 1:15 pm.

Hoppe stated on November 30th Public Works would present the Water/Wastewater Study at 4 pm. Owen added presenting will be HDR and PFM, the financial analysis firm. Spatz would check if an ILC meeting was scheduled that date. Cook asked if Council would receive study copy before
the meeting? Owen replied the study is to discuss the scope and give a heads up on items they will look at. Cook asked if material could be sent indicating areas, and giving time for feedback? Owen stated there is a tentative scope and will send to Council.

V. MISCELLANEOUS
Emery suggested a discussion regarding the Mayor’s comments on the process for executive orders requesting information. Could discuss at the Organizational Meeting, and see if we want to make changes to the draft language, and what direction to go. If Members have ideas send to everyone so we have some prior discussion and don’t spend a lot of time generating ideas or discussing why we want to go in a certain direction.

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
Snyder No comment  
Carroll No comment  
Camp Mentioned he met with the Lincoln Policy Network and discussed problem properties. Should let them know of the pre-council on problem properties.  
Spatz No comment  
Cook No comment  
Emery No comment

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS
See invitation list.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Emery adjourned the meeting at 2:48 pm.
**Upcoming Pre-Councils**

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*NOTE: We would hold a very abbreviated Directors and organizational meeting to start immediately upon conclusion of the last pre-Council.*

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