AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, 555 S. 10TH STREET
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIRECTORS MEETING

I. MINUTES
   4. Executive Session; Litigation, June 28, 2010.

II. REPORTS ON BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONFERENCES
   1. Downtown Lincoln Association (DLA) - Carroll
   2. Problem Resolution Team (PRT) - Emery
   3. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency - Snyder
   4. MPO Officials Committee - Carroll, Spatz
   5. Internal Liquor Commission - Hornung, Snyder, Spatz
   6. Lancaster County Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency - Spatz
   7. Information Services Policy Committee - Carroll
   8. Joint Meeting of Parks & Rec Advisory Board - Cook
   9. Joint Budget Committee (JPA) - Emery, Hornung
  10. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency - Snyder
  11. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce “Chamber Coffee”- Members who attended

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS
   To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR
   To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

   1. LincOne Federal Credit Union’s New Branch Grand Opening
      Wednesday
      5705 S. 86th Drive
      11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
      Ribbon Cutting at 1:00 p.m.
      (2 blocks east of 84th & Old Cheney)
      RSVP: Roger Smid, 441.3563 by 07.21.10

   2. Chamber Ribbon Cutting for Bella Boutique
      Thursday
      5500 Cheney Road, Suite 7
      10:00 a.m.
      August 5, 2010
3. Chamber Ribbon Cutting for
Express Employment Professionals
4955 O Street, Suite C
Thursday
September 16, 2010
1:00 p.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT
Present: John Spatz, Chair  
Gene Carroll, Vice Chair  
Jon Camp  
Jonathan Cook  
Doug Emery  
Jayne Snyder  

Absent: Adam Hornung  

Others Present: Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff  
Trish Owen, Deputy Chief of Staff  
Rod Confer, City Attorney  
Denise Pearce, Senior Policy Aide  

Chair Spatz opened the meeting at 1:49 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Law.  

I. MINUTES  
4. Executive Session; Litigation, June 28, 2010.  
With no corrections the above minutes were approved.  

II. REPORTS ON BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONFERENCES  

1. Downtown Lincoln Association (DLA) Carroll  
Carroll stated the DLA finished their financial reports and budget to the City, with a zero increase. They nominated their Board of Directors and other positions. Discussed “Go Lincoln Go”. Camp asked if the meeting was before or after the Tier One deal? Carroll replied after, and the Board decided to keep their representative on the Board, as the Chair.  

2. Problem Resolution Team (PRT) Emery  
Emery stated they have a record number of houses. Many submissions do not qualify as they need to be cited by two entities. He commented on success stories, such as the Rosewood Inn. Camp asked for the average number of houses, and the number presently. Emery replied now have accepted and are monitoring 20, with approximately 10 being the average. Probably another 50 to 60 not accepted, not meeting multiple criteria. He stated 2 list burned down in the last month. Spatz suggested a fall pre-council with the committee explaining their procedure. Emery added the PRT did a great job adjusting the standards and fines.  

3. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency Snyder  
Snyder stated Council received meeting minutes, and a draft of the Facilities Agreement, which the JPA is holding for language changes. The University of Nebraska attorney, and our attorney, will review making sure this is in full agreement. Camp asked will the JPA bonds be part of the
City’s bond rate? He stated the City has a reserve of X percent of our operating budget which helps our bond rating. How does it work to not jeopardize the bond rating? Owen replied this essentially is not on our books, a benefit of a Joint Public Agency and will not show the city’s bonded indebtedness. Camp asked if the bonds purchaser, the rating agency, would see a footnote? Owen said it would be a separate section in our Caper. Camp stated no one wants to jeopardize the City’s rating, but do want to understand the dynamics, and implications.

Snyder stated the JPA general budget is being filed with the State of Nebraska, but still don’t know the final decision on the State Auditor. They agreed the JPA and State Auditor should wait and not have an audit until fiscal year end of 2011. The JPA is looking into environmental insurance, and JPA officers liability insurance. The bonding will come to Council, and members should receive information on the line of credit.

Camp asked if the minutes will be put on a web site? Owen stated they will have a separate web page. Camp thought the officers insurance was $20,000, which seems too high for the length. Snyder will check, stating they have not yet selected a liability insurance carrier.

4. MPO Officials Committee  Carroll, Spatz
Spatz said the Metropolitan Planning Organization includes the Chair and Vice Chair of the City Council and County Commissioners, who work with the Nebraska Department of Roads, and other organizations. Spatz stated their first motion was electing Carroll as Chair.

Carroll stated they discussed 2010 certification to federally comply for money on planning, transportation, and inner City and County. The MPO discussed the Lincoln Lancaster County Unified Working Program, working with the Comp Plan 2010-2040 update so the TIP will coordinate on the same infrastructure transportation. Talked about the Transportation Improvement Program and the draft report. Anything in the Transportation Plan for the City of Lincoln has to go through the MPO, and the Transportation Improvement Program, in order to fund with the Federal and State Improvement Fund.

Carroll stated there is a technical team which completes all the draft work, who then hands to the Officials Committee. Spatz said in the Transportation Improvement Program for 2011-2014 noticed there is funding for East Beltway right of way purchasing, but not for the South Beltway. Carroll commented the South Beltway is almost done as far as right of way. Camp asked if we own the South Beltway corridor? Owen replied it is the State of Nebraska, an NDOR project, and we participate. Carroll stated there is no money to build the South Beltway as it’s not on the MPO, and it’s not on the State list.

5. Internal Liquor Commission (ILC)  Hornung, Snyder, Spatz
Spatz stated the ILC is waiting for legislation, and then will discuss the 2:00 a.m. bar closing time. Members will then present a formal recommendation to the ILC. There was a question on Sunday morning sales and understanding the prohibition.

Snyder stated they discussed different kinds of alcohol issues. Spatz added Omaha hired consultants to look at their policy dealing with alcohol use. Linda Major, UNL, was able to direct some funds to bring in consultants to look at Lincoln, and our arena project. Linda is asking for them to give examples of successful arenas and projects which are not successful, regarding policy in and around arenas dealing with alcohol. Ideally the 24 hour attraction, not just 11:00 pm to 2:00 am bar attraction, more family during the day and eating establishments. Looking at policies, and are putting data together. In September should have a pre-council. Snyder stated the intention was to keep the environment similar to what we see in the Haymarket now, so that we don’t duplicate the O Street scene.
6. **Lancaster County Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency**  Spatz
Spatz stated it was a short meeting. Did approve fees to Wells Fargo and discussed parking manager. The cell blocks are now being delivered and they may organize tours.

7. **Information Services Policy Committee**  Carroll
Carroll said they have hired a new IS Manager, Steve Henderson. Requested his presence at the City County Common Meeting. Hoppe said Henderson was the number two at the State and is very qualified. He has been involved in major outsourcing and possesses a combination of talents with working with large organizations, IT skills. Carroll stated they are still working on voice and it looks as if the Company and NSI will finance. We’ll have less than a two year pay back, which matches what we pay for our system now. Discussed a new docket management system, which the State of Nebraska uses. The County updated their website, and we discussed direct deposit.

Spatz asked if the City is working with the State Treasurer for the banking service? Carroll stated the City uses, through the State, the debit cards some people receive and we pay back with a very low fee. Spatz said from what people have communicated there are about 15 different things they’re doing. Carroll said the County uses a different bank and they can’t use.

Camp asked with the County having their own website, is it no longer connected to the City? Carroll replied the format is the same, but when clicking on the County part it goes to a different part of the website. Cook thought they primarily reformatted the entrance. Carroll said it may be slower as some people in the County may not have high speed. Cook stated perhaps some day someone will solve the problem of why our City website is so slow with the Roadrunner. It’s been 2 to 3 years and no one has figured it out. Possibly the ISP committee could follow up.

8. **Joint Meeting of Parks & Rec Advisory Board**  Cook
Cook was unable to attend the meeting.

9. **Joint Budget Committee (JBC)**  Emery, Hornung
Emery stated the JBC reduced the county’s share to approximately $1,200,000, and Region V agreed to some items on a one year basis, freeing up some funds. Most issues dealt with what we could fund. Next year will look differently at the programs, what we try to accomplish, and use in the context of what we do on a daily basis. Originally there was an attempt to have the JBC do proactive and preventive projects. Over the good money years, we possibly got away from the core functions, and now we look at going back. The agencies currently funded are worthwhile, but what we do affects the overall city. During the last few years we don’t have the means for some agencies but have to realize how it affects us when there is an influx of cultures. What happens if we don’t deal with them so everyone gets assimilated in the process? What cost in the long run? Next year while discussing the two year cycle we’ll talk about our funding. The County also wants to do along with the City.

Snyder asked if the email and worksheet for 2010-2012 received was part of the process? Emery replied for budget purposes we cap the City’s involvement at $500,000, or possibly a little less. This was for levy purposes. We’re the smaller player, with the County being about three to one for us. We made very few changes to what we had, being under $500,000.00.

Camp stated the worksheet from Boesch had an error of 2010-2012 at the top, should be 2011. Snyder said as we immerse more into the budget, we have to realize some organizations have their own foundations to raise money. Emery added we need to see what specifically we subsidize. In some cases the agency is the only one which can do the specific function for the
City and County. We need to discuss this and also possibly capping how much we give anyone. He stated it’s not how much money one agency receives but depends on the specific purpose they render to the City or County. In some cases because they have other resources they save the City money. The JBC will have to look at all in the context of their involvement.

**10. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency**  
**Snyder**  
See II, #3 for complete report.

Snyder stated she had an addendum, saying Councilman Camp was correct in stating the amount of $20,000 for liability insurance for the rest of this fiscal year. She thought this was an estimate as they not know a definite cost at this time.

**11. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce “Chamber Coffee”**  
**Members who attended**  
Emery stated Dr. Joel, the new LPS Superintendent, attended.

**OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:**

**III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**  
Pearce stated there are many appointments and/or reappointments and we’ll have another list next week. (Handout) LIBA and the Chamber have asked updates which we will send.

**IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR**  
Hoppe and Council staff have been discussing the schedule for pre-council for next week, July 26th. Discussion. Times and dates agreed upon.

Hoppe stated he needs a Council representative for the Antelope Creek Watershed Basin Plan Citizens Advisory Committee. Hornung was suggested to represent Council with members in attendance agreeing.

**V. MISCELLANEOUS**  
Hoppe stated the Mayor will present the City’s budget today.

Confer stated regarding the occupation tax on hotels there was an error on the first page of Motion to Amend, No. 1, Bill 1072, paragraph 4. We did not have a line dealing with it but now have a substitute page 1 for the Motion to Amend which he will distribute.

Confer stated Council has probably been receiving inquiries from people interested in the RFP’s going out on the Haymarket Project. Under the political subdivision alternatives instruction pack, under which these are being bid, there is a selection process. A selection committee has been appointed, who then weighs certain factors with a weighing formula, with the City Council not having real impact in the selection process. Council Members can indicate this to folks who have inquiries. The selection committee will then make recommendations to the Mayor for selection, with everything under regulations.

Spatz expressed his appreciation for the process and stated tomorrow will start budget hearings.

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See invitation list.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**  
Chair Spatz adjourned the meeting at 1:38 p.m.