IN LIEU OF
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2010

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR
   1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents July Award of Excellence to Public Health Nursing Supervisor Shirley Terry.
   2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will announce of Lincoln Haymarket Arena first bond sale on Tuesday, August 24th, 3:30 p.m. at 555 S. 10th, Room 303.
   3. NEWS RELEASE. Low interest rate on arena bond sale saves taxpayers millions.

RICK HOPPE, CHIEF OF STAFF
   1. Letter to Lincoln citizens regarding clarification on subject of the Mayor’s salary.

DIRECTORS

   PLANNING DEPARTMENT
      1. City Board of Zoning Appeals meeting scheduled for August 27, 2010 has been canceled.

   PLANNING COMMISSION

III. COUNCIL RFI’S AND CITIZEN CORRESPONDENCE TO INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

JONATHAN COOK
   1. Councilman Cook’s reply to constituents regarding fee setting.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
   1. Email stating the audio during the August 23, 2010 meeting was poor quality, often times going blank.
   2. InterLinc correspondence from Spencer Ashburn in favor of changing closing time of bars to 2 p.m.
   3. Email from Tom Wanser. No to transferring fee adjustment to the Mayor’s office.
   4. Email from Peter Katt. Do not change current requirements that fee increases must go through the City Council.
5. Email from Dennis Erickson. Opposed to proposal to transfer the regulation of fees to the City Department Director with final approval by the Mayor.
6. Email from Boomer’s Printing Company. Strongly oppose any fees that voters have no opportunity to present their view.
7. Email from Thomas Wright. Do not place the fee setting and approval out of the vote of the Council or the public view and hearing process.
8. Email from Steven Bowen. Not comfortable with allowing unelected bureaucrats the ability to set fees without oversight by the City Council and the citizens.
9. Email from Brian Kamler. Fees must continue to be approved by the City Council so people affected can attend and have a voice.
10. Email from James Brown. Vote no on proposal to transfer fee regulation from City Council to the department directors. Fees is another name for taxes and should have public input.
11. Email from Kevin Steele. Opposed to changing the city codes allowing for regulation of fees by department directors with approval by the Mayor.
12. Email from Scott Becker. Vote against the proposal on business fee increases without a vote of the City Council.
13. Email from Mark Tallman. Opposed to proposal to have city fees changed without a vote of the City Council.
14. Email from Doug Kruce. Very offensive and shady to change the procedure to regulate fees, bypassing the public and going directly to the Mayor.
15. Email from Thor Schrock. Do not give an unelected and unaccountable government employee the ability to assess fees on Lincoln’s businesses.
16. Email from Stan Mills. Vote no on the change regarding the procedure to regulate city fees.
17. Email from Doug Schueeths. Do not change the current method of changing business fees.
18. Email from Dan Klein, Sr. Vote no on the proposal to have increases in fees bypass the City Council and public hearings.
19. Email from Bob Swanson. The current system requiring the City Council to approve changes in business fees must be maintained.
20. Email from Shelley Fritz. Requesting the City maintain it’s current system of having business fee increases/changes presented to the City Council.
21. Email from Dennis Walls. Fees need to go through just like it always has, what’s the reason for this?
22. Email from Jeff Sneller. Highly recommend that no changes be made to fee regulations.
23. Email from Greg Osborn. This proposal is in total violation of citizens right to public input.
24. Email from Mark Hahn. Against the proposal to have city fees changed without a vote and public input. Stop acting like you are our rulers.
25. Email from Daylene Kollmorgen. Urge Council to vote against the proposal to allow business fees to increase without a vote. Public hearings are necessary.
26. Email from Debbie Hayes. Transferring the regulation of fees to the department director with final approval by the Mayor is a bad idea. We need transparency in government.
27. Email from Gene Herzberg. Vote no on the change regarding the procedure to regulate fees. The potential for abuse would be huge.
28. Email from Marvin Souchek. Increased fees with no public input is a dirty way to circumvent the rules so no one is held accountable. Sounds like taxation with no representation policy.

29. Email from Nadine Condello. Imperative any business fee increase proposed be presented to the City Council with the opportunity for public input.

30. Email from Darlene Fletcher. Vote no on fee proposal, the structure in place now allows those affected to voice their thoughts before a public hearing.

31. Email from H. Arnold Wassenberg. Vote against the proposal to let department directors set their own fee schedule.

32. Email from Elizabeth A. Wood. Vote no to the proposal on regulation of fees. This proposal would skip public hearings and eliminate direct public input.

33. Email from Perry Demma. Against the proposal to permit the city department directors to set permit fees.

34. Email from Patrick Barger. Vote no on proposal to transfer the regulation of fees to the city department director with final approval by the Mayor. This skips public hearings and public input.

35. Email from Jim Johnson. As a small business owner urge Council to vote no on the proposal to eliminate hearings on proposed business fees.

36. Email from David Winter. Vote no on proposal to transfer regulation of fees to city department directors with final approval from the Mayor.

37. Email from Doug Pfeifer. As a business person, and member of LIBA, urge Council to vote no on proposal to transfer the regulation of fees to the department directors.

38. Email from Earl Visser, business owner, and LIBA member. Request a no vote on proposal that will allow a non elected person to have power without representation.

39. Email from Tom Gourlay, business owner. Deeply opposed to changing the procedure to regulate fees.

40. Email from John Hoppe. Against giving department heads authority to raise fees with just the signature of the Mayor.

41. Email from Craig Johnson. Consider the quality of life for the entire city and vote no to a 2:00 a.m. bar closing time.

42. Letter from Rev. Judith A. Dye regarding the closing of the Lake Street Senior Center stating why she is opposed to the closing. (Each Council Member received individual letter)

43. Email from Beth Thomas, Lay Leader at St. James Methodist Church, site of the Lake Street Senior Center giving reasons why the Center should not be closed.

44. Email from Deb Hermann. Vote no on the procedure to regulate fees, appalled this would affect non-profits ability to do fund raising events without pulling paying numerous permits.

45. Email from Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Painter. Do not vote for increasing our mayor’s salary now when so many people do not even have jobs.

46. Email from Sheri Neeman. Agree with the proposal to transfer the regulation of fees to city department directors with final approval by the Mayor.

47. Email from Terri Pomajzl. Not appropriate for the Mayor to receive a raise at this time.

48. Email from Wendy Evans. The percentage of the Mayor’s raise is over the top! Where has the common sense gone anyway?

49. Email from Jonathan Hein. Do not vote to raise the Mayor’s salary when the tax payers are
struggling to make ends meet.
50. Email from Andrea Greiff. Please realize the inappropriateness of affording the Mayor of Lincoln a 25% pay raise.
51. Email from Alan Ratkovec. No to a raise for Mayor Beutler.
52. Email from Cheryl Friberg. As taxpayers we cannot afford to give the mayor a 20% raise.
53. Email from Ardith Allison. Do not give the mayor a raise.
54. Email from Van Mueller. Strongly opposed to the mayor receiving a 20% salary increase, that is an outrageous increase.
55. Email from Bernice Polivka. The economic times do not warrant an increase in the Mayor’s salary.
56. Email from Linda Jenkins. Do not feel it would be right for the Mayor to receive a 20% salary raise, especially in the on-going bad economy we have.
57. Email from Bobby Layne, owner of the Pla Mor Ballroom. Definitely against the 2:00 a.m. bar closing time.
58. Email from David Pauley. Vote no to proposal to remove the authority from the City Council to change certain business fees without Council vote.
59. Email from Luetta Sandquist. A $25,000 raise for the Mayor? Too many unemployed, and needy people right here in Lincoln.
60. Email from Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Painter. Extremely inappropriate for the mayor to choose a committee to determine how much salary he should draw. Vote no for the mayor’s raise.

VI. ADJOURNMENT