DIRECTORS’ MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2010  
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 113  
2:00 P.M.

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR
1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler and Public Works and Utilities representatives will hold a news conference on Tuesday, November 9th, 10:00 a.m. in the Mayor’s Conference Room, 555 S. 10th Street, to discuss improvements to the City’s snow operations plan.
2. NEWS RELEASE. City has new tools to handle winter weather.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Deadline is Monday, November 15th for Artistic Birdhouse applications.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Time running out to make recycling pledge.

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY
1. Emergency meeting of the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency.

DIRECTORS:

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
1. Email from Scott Keene, Ameritas, in response to Councilman Camp’s questions.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT
1. Board of Health meeting minutes of October 12, 2010.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Administrative Amendment No. 10060, to Special Permit No. 10001, for historic preservation of the Tuttle-Schaup House approved by the Planning Director on November 4, 2010.
2. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce letter to the Planning Department on LPlan 2040 Growth Scenarios.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
1. Meeting agenda for Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Lincoln Parks Foundation Board of Directors on Thursday, November 18, 2010.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT
1. Memo to City Council from David Landis regarding presenting Block 38 at the pre-council on Monday, with question from Councilwoman Jayne Snyder.

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

JONATHAN COOK
1. Correspondence from David & Elaine Dirksen in opposition to the proposed building of a CVS pharmacy on the corner of 27th and Old Cheney.
2. mail from David Harms opposed to the rezoning of 27th Street and Old Cheney Road and a CVS pharmacy moving into this area.
3. Email from Bill and Judy Wertz stating reasons for opposing the proposed rezoning of 27th and Old Cheney Road.
4. Email from Paul Horton giving his reasons to vote against the proposal to rezone Southwood.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
A. Emails from constituents opposed to the rezoning of 27th Street and Old Cheney Road listing reasons such as: increased traffic, decreased home values, too many pharmacies in area now, open retail space throughout Lincoln, numerous young families with children in the neighborhood, now have a safe environment, area does not need further business saturation, not informed in timely manner, elementary school extremely close, do not want business that sells alcohol and tobacco near school, Assurity, CVS Pharmacy & developers will make millions at the neighborhood’s expense, increased crime, nursing home very close, this intersection is dangerous for bikers, close daycare center, fire station on 27th Street -
and received from:
1. Ron Suing, President of the Southwood Neighborhood Association
2. Jason and Sarah Opp
3. Bev Taylor
4. Mickey Scheidt
5. Arthur and Si-Man Ma
6. Christopher and Madea Ouellette
7. Dale and Jean Piper
8. Noelle Ackermann Sherdon
9. Ruth Foster
10. Marche’ Cepure (Individual letter to each Council member)
11. Wilma Ackermann
12. Elizabeth Wilson
13. M. Christensen
B. Telephone messages received in opposition to the proposed rezoning of 27th Street and Old Cheney Road from:
1. Rollan Bretos
2. Merna Meter
3. Jan Simodynes
4. Janice Barr
5. Ruth Foster
6. Elvera and LaVaughn Leopold
7. Rita Kradle
8. Jim and Linda Egger
C. InterLinc correspondence from Lee Lamson. What is the wheel tax monies used for? Do not see improvements in city streets.

VI. ADJOURNMENT
DATE: November 8, 2010
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Chris Beutler and representatives of the City Public Works and Utilities Department will discuss improvements to the City’s snow operations plan at a news conference at 10 a.m. Tuesday, November 9 in the Mayor’s Conference Room, third floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

Following the news conference, a new piece of snow removal equipment will be on display in the lot/garage just north of the County-City Building across “K” Street.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7511, Fax 441-7120

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: November 9, 2010
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831
                        Greg MacLean, Public Works and Utilities, 441-7548

CITY HAS NEW TOOLS TO HANDLE WINTER WEATHER
   Cell phone users urged to sign up for parking ban notices

Mayor Chris Beutler said the City is prepared for winter weather with new snow removal districts, new equipment and new ways to keep the public informed. The City has about $3.65 million available for snow operations this winter.

“For the Public Works and Utilities Department, snow is a year-round issue,” said Mayor Beutler. “They use the warmer months to update procedures and research the latest tools for keeping streets clear, traffic moving and people safe. We’re also employing new technology this year to better respond to complaints and to keep residents informed on snow operations and parking bans.”

Monday, the City Council approved the creation of eight snow removal districts. In these areas, the snow is plowed into windrows, loaded into trucks and hauled out of the area between midnight and 8 a.m. To assist with snow removal, the Mayor may prohibit parking on both sides of the street in the districts, which include streets in Downtown; University Place; Havelock; Bethany; College View; 11th and “G”; 17th and Washington; and 25th and Sumner. Maps can be found at lincoln.ne.gov.

The Mayor said the City’s biggest tool is the cooperation of the public. “Our crews can do the most effective job in the shortest amount of time if residents move their cars off the streets,” he said. “We know that parking bans are inconvenient, but they are sometimes necessary to keep streets safe.”

In a snow emergency, parking may be banned on both sides of emergency snow routes, arterial streets and City bus routes (maps are available on the City website and in the Windstream phone book). During a residential parking ban, parking is first banned on the even-numbered (north and east) side of the street. Once the Mayor has terminated that ban, parking will be banned on the odd-numbered (south and west) side of the street, and parking is again permitted on the even side.

To notify the public of parking bans, the City has two new tools this year:
• All land line phones in the City limits will be called using Lancaster County Emergency Management’s “First Call” system.
• Residents also can sign up to be notified of snow operations through Twitter at twitter.com/lincolnsnow.

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Information on snow operations also is available through local news media, government access cable channels 5 and 10, and the City website (lincoln.ne.gov), which also allows residents to sign up for RSS feeds.

Vehicles parked illegally during snow emergency, snow removal district or residential parking bans are subject to fines, towing and storage costs at the owners’ expense. Vehicles parked in a way that does not allow emergency vehicles to pass may be ticketed for obstructing a public street.

In the area of equipment, the City is testing the use of a “belly plow,” which is attached under a snow removal truck. While the regular plow on the front end of the truck pushes the snow, the belly plow acts as a grader to remove packed snow. The cost to add belly plows to trucks is a fraction of the cost of a grader. The City also is looking into the use of wing plows, which allow a truck to plow two lanes of traffic with one pass.

The City has installed automatic vehicle locators (AVLs) on two trucks and has another three portable AVLs available to monitor the progress of the snow plows. The City also has a new system of monitoring complaints. Instead of keeping a list of problem locations, operators are now able to plot them on a computer map, allowing for a more effective and coordinated response.

The City’s 2,700 lane miles of streets are divided into 19 routes for snow removal and material spreading operations. The City will again be proactive by applying anti-icing materials, which help minimize frost build-up and the development of “black ice” on streets and bridges and make removal of snow and ice build-up easier.

The City reminds residents that it is illegal to push or blow snow into or on any street, alley or sidewalk. When clearing sidewalks, residents should also clear wheelchair ramps, curb cuts and access to fire hydrants.

To find out about parking bans and snow removal operations, the public can call the City Snow Center at 441-7644. The public should report street condition emergencies immediately by calling 441-7701. To report non-emergency situations and potholes, the public can call 441-7646.

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DEADLINE MONDAY FOR ARTISTIC BIRDHOUSE APPLICATIONS

Time is running out for individuals interested in submitting applications for Artistic Birdhouse fund-raiser, a project of the Friends of Pioneers Park Nature Center. The deadline for submitting designs is Monday, November 15. Thirty applicants will be chosen to create birdhouses for an auction at Nature’s Market on April 16, 2011. Proceeds will support the Nature Center’s scholarship programs and animal care.

“It’s been fun seeing what people are proposing,” says Nancy Furman, Nature Center Coordinator. “But at the same time, we’re still looking for more applications with that unique ‘wow’ factor. I hope those still planning on sending in a design will let their imaginations run wild and have a lot of fun with it.”

Furman said she hopes more students will be encouraged to submit an application before the deadline. She said interested applicants may get some ideas by seeing some of the birdhouses submitted for a benefit in Southampton, New York, which inspired the Lincoln event. The website is http://southforkbreastbirdhouseauction.wordpress.com/.

The birdhouses can be built of any material, but environmental concepts are encouraged, and the total area can be no larger than four square feet. Photos of all 30 birdhouses will be displayed at lincoln.ne.gov and in all Nature’s Market promotion. The birdhouses also will be displayed throughout the community March 5 through 31 and then brought together April 1 at the Grand Manse as part of the First Friday Art Walk. After the auction, the top three sellers will be featured in a Lincoln Journal Star advertisement. Birdhouses become the property of the Pioneers Park Nature Center.

Applications are available on the Parks and Recreation website, parks.lincoln.ne.gov; at the Parks and Recreation office, 2740 “A” St.; and at the Pioneers Park Nature Center, 3201 S. Coddington. More information is available on the website and by calling 441-8709.
TIME RUNNING OUT TO MAKE RECYCLING PLEDGE

The City Recycling Office reminds residents that they have until Monday, November 15 to make a pledge to improve their recycling habits over the next year. Everyone who turns in a pledge card will be eligible to win prizes as part of Lincoln Recycles Day.

Pledges may be submitted online at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: recycle). Pledge cards also may be picked up and dropped off at all Lincoln City Libraries; the Irving, “F” Street, Easterday and Belmont recreation centers; all Russ’s Market stores; and the following locations:

- Sadoff Iron and Metal, 5020 N.W. 39th St.
- Midwest Refuse and Recycling Service, 2101 Judson
- Midland Recycling, 440 “J” St.
- Lincoln Journal Star, 920 “P” St.
- Fallbrook YMCA, 700 Penrose Dr.
- Cooper YMCA, 6767 S. 14th St.
- Alter Scrap Processing, 525 “N” St.
- A&J Recycling, 3250 N. 20th St., Suite 8
- A-Can Recycling, 3255 S. 10th St.

Two other recycling events will occur on Saturday, November 13:

- Free wood waste recycling (no painted wood) will be available from 8 a.m. to noon at Hofeling Enterprises, 2200 S. Folsom Ct.
- A latex paint exchange ($2 charge for unusable paint) will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at EcoStores Nebraska, 530 West “P” St. (fees apply).

Through November 13, Interstate All Batter Center, 4310 N. 27th St., is giving a $5 coupon to every person who brings in a rechargeable battery for recycling.

The pledge drive and collection events are part of the 13th annual America Recycles Day, which is celebrated November 15. It is the only nationally recognized day dedicated to encouraging Americans to recycle and to buy recycled products. Lincoln Recycles Day is sponsored by the City’s Solid Waste Operations Division of Public Works and Utilities, WasteCap Nebraska, Lincoln Public Schools, the AmeriCorps volunteer program and local recyclers. More information is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: recycle) or by calling 441-8004 or the Recycling Hotline at 441-8215.
POSTED NOTICE OF AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF
THE WEST HAYMARKET
JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY (JPA)
TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2010 AT 4:00 P.M.

CITY-COUNTY BUILDING
555 S. 10TH STREET
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 112
LINCOLN, NE 68508

1. Introductions and Notice of Open Meetings Law Posted By Door (Chair Snyder)

2. Selection of Construction Manager at Risk Firm for the West Haymarket Arena.
   ➢ Greg MacLean-Chair, Selection & Interview Committee
   ➢ Mayor Chris Beutler
   ➢ Comments and action from the JPA Board

3. Notice of next meeting: November 18, 2010 3:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers

4. Motion to Adjourn
Response to Jon Camp questions.

Don - Jon had asked about the amount of debt outstanding for the PBC. Would you let him know that there are currently $42,540,000 of bonds outstanding. Also, I misspoke in one of my answers to Jon yesterday. The total outstanding for the two issues to be refunded is $7,585,000. We expect the refunding to come in around $7,365,000, and the difference will come from debt service funds as required by the IRS. Sorry for the error and thanks.

Scott

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LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health
October 12, 2010

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:05 PM by Karla Lester at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members present: Rodrigo Cantarero, Tony Messineo, Lisa Peterson, Ed Schneider; Deb Schorr, David Smith, Heidi Stark, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Rick Hoppe (ex-officio), Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Karla Lester.

Members Absent: Jayne Snyder.

Staff Present: Judy Halstead, Scott Holmes, Steve Frederick, Steve Beal, Kathy Cook, Andrea Mason, Gwendy Meginnis, Charlotte Burke, Mike Heyl, Rick Thorson, Gary Bergstrom, and Elaine Severe.

Others Present: Steve Joel.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Lester asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion: Moved by Mr. Messineo that the Agenda be approved as mailed. Second by Dr. Stark. Motion carried by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Lester asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Stark that the September 14, 2010 Minutes be approved as mailed. Second by Mr. Messineo. Motion carried by acclamation.

PUBLIC SESSION

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Dr. Steve Joel - Lincoln Public Schools

Dr. Joel, Lincoln Public Schools Superintendent and Board of Health members introduced themselves. Dr. Joel spoke about his background and previous experiences. He spoke about several issues Lincoln Public Schools is addressing. Issues include an increase in growth in the student population, Lincoln’s 40% poverty rate, and increasing numbers of homeless students. He stated partnerships with other community agencies are very important to Lincoln Public Schools.
B. Division Managers Report on LLCHD in LPS

Division managers provided information for Dr. Joel about their Division and their involvement and collaboration with Lincoln Public Schools.

Dental Health & Nutrition Division - Ms. Meginnis stated Dental staff provide dental screenings in the schools, and dental care and transportation for those students who need care.

Community Health Services - Ms. Mason stated Community Health Services staff provide immunizations, refugee screenings, STI clinics, and services for the homeless population.

Health Data & Evaluation Division - Mr. Frederick stated the Health Data and Evaluation Division conducts the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, does pandemic planning for the community, staffs mass clinics, and oversees the Communicable Disease Program.

Health Promotion & Outreach Division - Ms. Burke stated Health Promotion staff are involved in the Tobacco Prevention Program, the Early Development Network, the Summer Food Program and numerous worksite health initiatives.

Environmental Public Health - Mr. Holmes stated Environmental Public Health staff provide food inspections, pool inspections, emergency response, child care inspections, and work with the LPS facilities managers regarding environmental air issues.

Dr. Joel thanked the staff and Board of Health for the information and was pleased Lincoln Public Schools has such a good working relationship with the Health Department.

C. Health Director Update

Ms. Halstead stated Dr. Dart’s last day will be October 22, 2010. Division Managers will host a farewell reception for him on Friday, October 22, 2010 from 3:00-4:30 PM in the Training Center.

Ms. Halstead provided an update on the Bar Observation Walk. Tonya Peters, legal counsel for the Lincoln Police Department, has arranged for Board members to accompany Lincoln police officers on October 29, 2010 at Midnight until 2:00 AM on October 30, 2010 on an observation walk through downtown Lincoln. Board members attending will receive specifics from Ms. Peters.

Dr. Smith asked about the increase in the number of Animal Control calls regarding bats. Mr. Beal responded the numbers are up due to the time of year. Many are found in people’s homes.
VI. CURRENT BUSINESS (Action Items)

A. Proposed Revisions to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Air Pollution Control Program Regulations and Standards - Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule

Mr. Thorson reviewed the proposed revisions to the Air Pollution Control Regulations and Standards. He stated the GHG Tailoring Rule went into effect on August 2, 2010. The Department responded to Region 7 stating we would be required to make regulatory changes to the rule and would complete the changes by January 2, 2010. Mr. Thorson reviewed the changes and stated the Air Pollution Control Advisory Board approved the revisions.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Schneider that the Board of Health approve the revisions to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Air Pollution Control Program Regulations and Standards and forward them to the Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Board of Commissioners for approval. Second by Mr. Messineo. Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

B. Proposed Appointment of Judith A. Halstead as Health Director

Mr. Hoppe stated Mayor Beutler selected Judy Halstead to be the Health Director effective October 23, 2010. Mr. Hoppe noted Dr. Dart’s last day will be October 22, 2010. Mayor Beutler saw no need to do a national search and said the Department would go forward under Ms. Halstead’s leadership. Her appointment must be confirmed by the Board of Health, City Council and County Board of Commissioners. Ms. Schorr noted the County Board of Commissioners confirmed her appointment on October 12, 2010. Mr. Messineo expressed his approval of Ms. Halstead’s nomination.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Schneider that the Board of Health approve the appointment of Judith Halstead as the Health Director. Second by Dr. Stark. Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

VII. CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)

A. Summer Food Program Report

Mr. Heyl provided an update on the Summer Food Program. This was the 30th year for the Health Department providing the program. The program operated at 49 sites and served an average of 1,932 meals per day. A total of 94,677 meals were served, an increase of over 12,000 means compared to 2009. He noted participation in the program was very diverse, serving 43% of the meals to non-white children. He stated the Department sponsors the program as an extension of the National School Lunch Program. The menu planning and preparation was done through a contract with
Lincoln Public Schools. Meals ordered and not served after two days were donated to the People’s City Mission Distribution Center. The Food Bank donated a truck to assist with transportation for delivery of the meals. Staffing for the program included three coordinators, five assistants and three site supervisors. He also noted United Way has provided funding over the past several years, but was not sure about future funding. Mr. Messineo complimented the staff for a wonderful job with the program. He encouraged Board of Health members to visit one of the sites to see the program in action.

VIII. FUTURE BUSINESS

Future Agenda Items - November 9, 2010 Meeting: 1) Pipeline Presentation - Mr. Holmes and 2) Bar Observation Walk Update - Drs. Schneider and Smith.

Dr. Schneider distributed a report about his meeting with the staff of Community Health Services. Board members are encouraged to bring reports to the Board of Health as they meet with their respective Divisions.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting is November 9, 2010 at 5:00 PM

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 PM.

Elaine Severe
Recording Secretary

Heidi Stark
Vice-President
HEALTH DIRECTOR

- Ms. Halstead began her duties as Health Director on October 23, 2010. Her nomination was confirmed by the Board of Health, Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Board of Commissioners.

- Dr. Dart’s last day as Health Director was October 22, 2010. Division Managers hosted a farewell reception for him. He will begin his duties as Health Director of the Tulsa, Oklahoma Health Department on November 1, 2010.

- The Department participated in the Combined City/County Campaign for the United Way, Community Health Charities and the Community Services Fund of Nebraska.

- Employee of the Month - Pam Rowe - Health Promotion & Outreach Division.

RESOURCE & PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

- As noted in the Community Health Services Division report, there was a significant reduction in funding from the previous Medicaid Access to Care contract (over $200,000) with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. The new contract, effective November 1, 2010, will focus on non-managed care eligible clients. Through a realignment of Department resources and increased revenue in other sections/divisions, all staff kept their jobs. Two staff were shifted to other programs and one staff member was reduced in hours, but all retained their seniority and their benefits.

- NAIFMA Realty leases for the Women, Infant, Children (WIC) program out offices were approved by the City Council. The State requires services be provided where clients are already accessing services and supports.

- Coordinated work on a Performance Indicator Dashboard for the Mayor’s Office. LLCHD will propose a city wide model through the dashboard software we are using. Health Data and Evaluation staff is taking the leadership role in gathering and presenting this data on a citywide basis. A first draft is proposed for November 1, 2010.

- Most of the month of October was spent transitioning with the Health Director and participating in community meetings with People’s Health Center, Community Health Endowment staff, CHE Board Retreat, Clinic with a Heart, Lincoln Public Schools Health Advisory Committee and meetings with various City Directors.

- Working with Lincoln Fire and Rescue to potentially office a coordinator of an 18 month
grant they have received to enhance labor/management issues. Having LFR staff office with us will provide the opportunity for a neutral site for discussions and training with LFR staff.

ANIMAL CONTROL

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- A complete review of Animal Control license defects was completed in October. A staff meeting was held with the officers to gather input on how we can assure better cooperation from the owners of dogs and cats on getting their pets licensed in a timely manner. There are currently over 400 license defects for a time period that extends from approximately February - September 2010.

- Staff are working on the Animal Control website to make it more useful to the public when it comes to accessing services, obtaining forms and understanding the local ordinances and there applications to pet owners. The amount of information currently on the website is broad and difficult to navigate.
- There are currently over 400 potentially dangerous dogs (PDD) and approximately 50 dangerous dogs (DD) located in Lincoln. Staff are reviewing the status of owners of PDD and DD to determine their compliance with the new city ordinances. To assure compliance with the new requirements, the ACOs will work with owners and be available to answer questions, or, if needed, write citations when we don’t have cooperation.

- Weekly meetings with the Capital Humane Society continue to be productive and beneficial to both programs. We recently recognized the four veterinarians for their assistance with the Saturday micro chip clinics for owners of potentially dangerous dogs.

- The AC manager will be meeting with Board of Health member Dr. David Smith on November 9th to discuss joint interests and explore opportunities for UNL students to get experience and exposure to our Animal Control Program. This spring we had a student that prepared an educational power point presentation that ACOs are currently using with young children at community events.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

MEDICAID ACCESS TO CARE CONTRACT CHANGE

- As of August 1, 2010, the model of service delivery for Nebraska’s Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Medicaid changed from 1 Primary Care Case Management (PCCM) and 1 Managed Care Organization (MCO) to 2 MCOs. Historically in Lancaster County, there were significantly more people enrolled with the PCCM plan than the MCO plan. As a result of this change, NDHHS also changed its Medicaid Access to Care (MAC) contract with LLCHD/CHS. The new contract, “Medicaid Public Health Outreach”, focuses on fee-for-service populations, i.e. populations not mandated to enroll in an MCO – a greatly reduced number of people. Outreach and coordination of Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) services to this population will be provided through this contract. An example of an expected service includes the coordination of care with families and physicians to assure that infants and children receive well child services and immunizations on time with their provider. Presumptive eligibility services will continue, although appointment demand has reduced in the past six months due, in part, to NDHHS’ on-line application service. Information & Referral will continue to coordinate transportation to and from health appointments for clients on fee-for-service Medicaid.

HOMELESS CONNECT

- The Lincoln Homeless Coalition’s 2010 Project Homeless Connect was held at The Center for People in Need on October 1st. Staff and volunteers provided 1,254 services to 211 people, including 20 children. Vaccinations were provided by LLCHD PHNs. Out of the 211 people served, 71.5% reported they were literally homeless, imminently losing
their housing, or unstably housed. Of those who were homeless, 39% reported they were homeless for the first time. Services provided included; meals, clothing, specialized information & referral, free bus passes, veterans benefits assistance, job retraining/career development, supportive housing placement/referral, rental assistance, legal counseling, food stamp application assistance, Medicaid application assistance, General Assistance application assistance, landlord/tenant assistance, podiatry/foot care, hairdressing/nail care, immunizations, blood pressure screenings, oral cancer screenings/dental screenings and follow up care, vision screening, family planning services, cholesterol screening, ECGs, STI screening, mental health screening, family violence prevention screening/information, nutrition education, child care and bicycle repair.

DENTAL HEALTH & NUTRITION SERVICES

WIC

Update on funding nationally

- Before recessing for the fall mid-term elections, the Senate and then the House passed a Continuing Resolution (CR) to fund the federal government including the WIC Program through December 3 at fiscal year 2010 funding levels. This action allows Congress to return for a session scheduled for mid and late November to pass fiscal year 2011 funding legislation for all federal departments and agencies. For WIC that means that the fiscal year 2010 funding level of $7.252 billion carried forward into the beginning of fiscal year 2011 on October 1, 2010 and will continue at that funding level at least until December 3. Although the continuing resolution will cause a delay in full funding appropriations, an initial funding award has been issued in order to keep WIC programs functioning without a break in service delivery.

WIC Caseload:

Total: 3975
LLCHD Main Office: 3162
Lincoln Medical Education Partners: 421
North Office (27th & Cornhusker): 392

Dental Health

- During the month of September, the Dental staff provided 661 patient visits for 487 patients. Non-English Languages of clients included Arabic, Finnish, German, Kurdish, Spanish, Karen, Burmese and Vietnamese. Of the patients served, 43% were enrolled in Medicaid, 12% were on a sliding fee scale with incomes falling within the ranges of 100% - 200% of poverty, 45% fell at or below 100% of poverty, receiving services at no fee or the minimal fee for service with 3% enrolled in General Assistance. Of the total
patients served, 118 patients were new to the Health Department’s Dental Clinic.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

Green Initiatives and Practices by the City of Lincoln
Organized by Department
Updated 10/15/10
Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department

- LLCHD staff assisted the Planning Department in assuring that the comprehensive land use planning process is “viewed through the lens of sustainability.” Health has advocated for more compact development, which, if done using “Smart Growth” principles, will improve our air quality and health status through increased physical activity.

- Health, Planning, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation continue to collaborate to create a GIS sidewalk data base and a web-based interface to be used to enter results of walkability audits. To date, more than 6,000 audits of block faces have been completed in six census tracts. Once completed, the public will be able to actively participate in auditing the areas in which they live. This project capitalizes on improving the built environment as a means of increasing physical activity and thereby preventing or reducing chronic diseases. Additionally, the single sidewalk dataset can be shared with multiple departments and updated and improved over time.

- LLCHD received an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grant totaling $1,023,115.00 to install diesel emissions control devices on city and private fleet vehicles, including railroad engines. This will reduce harmful air pollution and create or preserve jobs in Lincoln and Lancaster County. To date, diesel emission reduction technology has been installed on 114 publicly owned vehicles. BNSF railroad installed Auxiliary Power Units on 8 locomotive switch engines. Additional devices will be installed on city and private diesel vehicles through May of 2011.

- The annual Lincoln-Lancaster County Environmental Leadership Awards were held in June. The ceremony recognized businesses, organizations and individuals who demonstrated environmental stewardship and dedication to sustainable practices that improve our air, land, and water quality while protecting public health. The ceremony brings public attention to these leaders and inspires others to follow their examples. Recipients included: Business and Industry – Sadoff Iron and Metal Company and Servant Cab Company, LLC, Education – Harry A. Heafer and Healthy Families Play Outside, Non-Profit Organization – Nebraska State Education Association, NSEA, Government – UNL Whittier Junior High School Renovations, Agriculture – Community C.R.O.P.S., and Individual Citizen – Jeanne Pashalek.

- LLCHD completed a greenhouse gas (GHG) emission inventory for Lincoln for the years 2008 and 1990. This will allow the City to measure progress towards the Mayor's
Executive Order which set a goal of 7% greenhouse gas reduction below established 1990 levels by 2015. In addition, a City Operations specific greenhouse gas emission inventory was completed, which includes accounting for emissions from the landfill, wastewater treatment plant, water system, fleet services, and for heating and cooling buildings.

- In FY 2010, LLCHD successfully coordinated seven mobile HHW collection events serving 2,121 residents who brought 69,066 pounds of HHW for recycling and proper disposal. This included testing new approaches to “typical” HHW events such as pairing a collection with a local neighborhood association cleanup and developing “appointment only” collections to test the feasibility of a permanent collection facility at the North 48th Street transfer Station. Such a facility could offer year round convenience and safe HHW disposal for area residents. Each HHW participant was given the Lincoln-Lancaster County Waste Reduction and Recycling Guide http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/waste/sldwaste/recycle/pdf/guide10.pdf which contains detailed information on waste management principles, community recycling options and much more. The HHW program offerings were shared and promoted throughout the community and county. This included extensive outreach to rural communities and Lincoln neighborhoods, along with cooperating and other local businesses.

- In cooperation with Ecostores Nebraska and area retailers, LLCHD has worked to ease the burden of and reduce the amount of leftover latex paint. Two usable latex paint exchanges were coordinated at Ecostores Nebraska where hundreds of Lincoln residents brought over a 1,000 containers of paint. In addition, area retailers such as QP Ace and True Value Hardware stores are participating in the LLCHD-led SmartPainter project, which targets behavior change strategies to both hardware store employees and the general public.

- The Safe Homes for Seniors project is yet another tool of the local HHW program. Launched in April 2009, Safe Homes for Seniors is a cooperative effort between LLCHD and Aging Partners. The sole purpose of project is to reduce environmental health risks in the homes of senior citizens. 28 Lincoln seniors have been served through Aging Partners' trained home handymen and LLCHD staff. In addition, 700+ Aging Partners' clients have received educational information on the dangers of household chemicals when improperly stored, used or disposed. This Safe Homes' work has included home-based assessments, assistance with the safe storage and organization of dangerous chemicals, and in the majority of the cases, complete removal and proper disposal of HHW. Many of the homes contained what amounts to a lifetime's accumulation of hazardous products. From liquid mercury and banned EPA chemicals to jars and jugs of dangerous unknown chemicals, the Safe Homes project has enabled the two agencies to better serve one of Lincoln's more vulnerable populations that have significant barriers in participating in the typical HHW events.

- LLCHD staff worked collaboratively with Wastecap Nebraska in developing health and safety training for the organization's Another Bright Idea project that works with retailers in Lincoln and across the state that provide fluorescent lamp disposal and recycling.
- Nebraska Product Stewardship Initiative: LLCHD staff are playing an active role on the Product Stewardship Leadership and Management Advisory Team that consists of several local and statewide waste management stakeholders. “Product Stewardship” is a principle that directs all those involved in the life cycle of a product to take shared responsibility for reducing the health and environmental impacts that result from the production, use, and end-of-life management. The team is developing a Product Stewardship toolkit that will be made available to businesses, municipalities, organizations, and elected officials across the state.

- In FY 2010, 16 small businesses, non-profit, educational, and government entities properly disposed of 9,352 lbs pounds of hazardous waste at LLCHD coordinated small business hazardous waste collections. Each participant saves between $500 and $1000 by coming to the collection instead of hiring a contractor to come to their site of business.

- LLCHD wrote and submitted a grant on-behalf of the Nebraska MEDS (Nebraska Medication Education for Disposal Strategies) to the Nebraska Environmental Trust and NDEQ to fund a pilot project entitled, “Local Pharmacy Medication Disposal – A Prescription for Public Health.” If funded, this project will develop both educational and disposal mechanisms as a statewide model for a sustainable medication waste management protecting both public health and the natural environment.

- 99 businesses and municipal facilities were inspected to help them prevent pollution of our storm drainage system and surface waters, and training was provided to facility managers on best management practices to prevent stormwater pollution.

- About 80 businesses that may require National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) stormwater permits were identified and are being provided technical assistance to come into compliance with Federal/State stormwater regulations.

- In FY 2010, 128 spills and releases of potentially hazardous materials were responded to and immediate action was taken to prevent health risks and environmental contamination. Of these, 44 were classified as illicit discharges which had the potential to impact our stormwater drainage system or surface water, and 12 had direct water impact. Clean up efforts assured ongoing protection of our environmental resources.

- The LLCHD Property Transfer Program identified 11 wells that had construction deficiencies that may have resulted in the contamination of the groundwater and could result in the consumer drinking contaminated water. Each of these wells was repaired and brought up to construction standards. LLCHD also identified and brought 28 onsite wastewater systems into compliance, stopping pollution of lakes, streams and land, and preventing human exposure to raw sewage.

- Through the annual well inspection and permitting program, LLCHD staff identified 50 wells that had construction deficiencies that may have resulted in the contamination of the groundwater and could result in the consumer drinking contaminated water. All 50 wells
were repaired and brought up to construction standards or decommissioned.

- LLCHD continues to work with local partners to train early childhood professionals on the importance of incorporating nature curriculum. In FY 2010, 44 child care professionals attended two Early Childhood Natural Environment Workshops. The workshops were designed to combat the growing trend of inactive youth and to provide hands-on nature experiences to the child care facilities. These workshops informed child care professionals of the importance of nature exploration along with age appropriate activities. One goal is to connect children with the natural environment so they will become future environmental stewards to help protect our air, land and water.

- Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful (KLLCB) conducted their annual Community Appearance Survey in late June. This tool, designed by Keep America Beautiful, visually assesses the overall appearance of communities through indicators such as litter, illegal signs, graffiti, abandoned/junk vehicles, and outside storage. A team of community and staff representatives conducted the visual analysis using a scoring system ranging from 1-4, with “1” signifying “minimal or no litter” and “4” signifying “extremely littered.” The Litter Index for Lincoln averaged 1.25 overall, with 54 sites in all four quadrants of the city surveyed, including commercial, residential, industrial, educational, and recreational sites. This low index continues an impressive streak, with an average score of 1.3 over the last ten years.

- KLLCB also worked closely with the Recycling Office to assist with “Greening the 2010 National Special Olympics.” KLLCB staff assisted with volunteer recruitment at events during the games to coordinate recycling and to get out the litter reduction message to thousands of people. Visitors from across the U.S. received the “litter-free” message.

**HEALTH DATA & EVALUATION**

- The dashboard project is moving forward with panels being built for the Mayor’s Office and the Public Health Association of Nebraska (PHAN). The Manager and Epidemiologist will work with the Board of Health to develop the Board’s dashboard and meet the many interests of individual members.

- The second meeting of the MAPP Steering Committee was held on October 25th and the group made suggested changes in the survey that will be gathering perceptions from the public about the health care system in the community. The community survey is one of the means we are using to collect information for the Community Themes and Strengths Assessment, which is one of four assessments included in the MAPP process. As part of the assessment, we will convene focus groups to gather perceptions about the perceived quality of the local health system (both medical and public health).

- In addition to the Themes and Strengths assessment, the Community Health Status Assessment is underway and the first meeting of that committee will be held soon. We
have also used Survey Monkey to ready the survey that will be going to our local community health partners to help assess the Community Public Health System. (In 2005, we received 78 responses from the 110 agencies contacted, and we expect that our response rate this year will be better.) The last assessment will be Forces of Change, which will be started in December.

- There is no local influenza activity currently, but it would be very unusual if flu doesn’t show up soon. In order to prevent an outbreak latter on, we are promoting flu shots for everyone 6 months and older. The trivalent flu vaccine targets the three most likely flu viruses in circulation—both the most common influenza A and B viruses circulating last year as well as the 2009 pandemic H1N1 virus. (See: http://www.virology.ws/2010/03/10/trivalent-influenza-vaccine-for-the-2010-2011-season/.) This year, in addition to the much broader recommendations for age groups, individuals and providers are now recommended to get or give the shots as soon as the flu vaccine becomes available.

HEALTH PROMOTION & OUTREACH

Injury Prevention

- Staff assisted with coordinating and conducting a four day Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification Training hosted by Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center. A full class of 26 students successfully completed the certification process. These additional technicians will provide needed support for the 20 plus community car seat inspection events held annually in Lincoln and will provide assistance to the existing fifty trained technicians in Lincoln. Among the new technicians are employees of Madonna, St. Elizabeth, BryanLGH, Cedars, Lancaster County Sheriff’s Department, and the Beatrice Sheriff’s Department. In conjunction with the Technician Certification Training, a car seat inspection event was held at Saint Elizabeth. Thirty-five car seats were checked, and five were provided to replace recalled and unsafe seats. Other car seat checks in the month included an event for Native American families where 20 seats were checked and 11 seats replaced and an event at AAA Nebraska where 24 seats were checked and 4 replaced.

- Staff coordinated the Safe Kids annual Walk to School Day events at Holmes Elementary. All 378 students learned how to choose safe walking/biking routes to school, and how to safely cross streets. Mayor Beutler and LPS District Superintendent, Steve Joel, encouraged the students to practice all they had learned during an all-school assembly emceed by Joe Skare of radio station B107.3. Walk to School Day activities are airing on Channel 21 TV.

Physical Activity

- HPO staff are representing LLCHD on the state-wide committee to update the NDHHSS state plan on physical activity and nutrition. Developing the goals and activities of this state plan is a coordinated effort of the district health departments and the state and
provides mutually beneficial guidance to increasing physical activity and improving nutrition, especially through increased consumption of fruits and vegetables, for all people.

- UNL students will assist staff in conducting walkability audits of blocks in neighborhoods. By spring 2011, residents of neighborhoods will be taking an active role in doing the walkability audits. These audits serve multiple purposes including assessing each block for attributes that lend themselves to encouraging more residents to walk and ride bicycles. LLCHD considers these walking efforts as one of the many approaches to a comprehensive plan to decrease obesity and lessen the health and economic impact of chronic diseases.

INFORMATION & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- Staff are working to resolve access issues to allow other department directors and key staff to access the LLCHD dashboards. Significant progress continues to be made in developing and expanding the dashboards available.

- Division staff participated in training for web development. Deborah Byrne will be the Department lead for the review and coordination of the Department's web presence. The new approach by the City will provide more flexibility for us and hopefully make it easier for individuals to get needed information.
Date:       November 9, 2010
To:         City Clerk
From:       Teresa McKinstry, Planning Dept.
Re:         Administrative Amendment approvals
cc:         Jean Preister

This is a list of the Administrative Amendments that were approved by the Planning Director from November 2, 2010 thru November 8, 2010:

Administrative Amendment No. 10060 to Special Permit No. 10001 for historic preservation of the Tuttle-Schaupp House, approved by the Planning Director on November 4, 2010, requested by Mike and Karolyn Howard, to amend the fence location and parking, on property located at 3008 “O” Street.
November 4, 2010

Marvin Krout
Director, Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department
City of Lincoln
555 S 10 ST
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: LPlan 2040 Growth Scenarios

Marvin:

The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce extends its thanks to you and Nicole Fleck-Tooze for your willingness to meet with our small group regarding the latest update to the Comprehensive Plan.

Enclosed with this letter is a position statement recently adopted by our Steering Committee for Public Policy.

The City of Lincoln has worked diligently on creating a business friendly and development friendly atmosphere. The Development Services Center was a step in the right direction. Recently, the City has also received kudos from national developers regarding the ease at which they put together projects such as the Verizon call center and the new Perot/Dell building. It is our fear that attempts to constrain the growth of the City will only make it more difficult to accomplish projects like these in the future.

The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce is committed to growth. Only by following the most optimistic models for growth can we continue to capitalize on the successes of the past and move forward creating jobs and growing our economic opportunities.

Sincerely,

Wendy Birdsall, CCE
President
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce
Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development

CC: Mayor Chris Beutler
Planning Commission Members
Lincoln City Council Members
Comprehensive Plan Should Envision Growth

Throughout its history, the City of Lincoln’s success has been based on growth. Population growth, economic growth, and geographical growth allows Lincoln to remain as one of Nebraska, and the Nation’s, top rated cities.

Studies conducted by the University of Nebraska’s Bureau of Business Research show this geographical growth more than pays for itself through higher property values in newly developed areas.

Also, the city’s strategy for growing jobs, attracting and retaining more young professionals and keeping them here in Lincoln as they grow into families, would support the future demand models calling for more single-family housing developments in growth neighborhoods.

The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce firmly believes in the growth of our community and envisions a Comprehensive Plan that depicts an optimistic model for this growth.

Therefore be it resolved:

The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce opposes the adoption of any of the extremely constrained assumptions made in growth scenario C, as put forward in draft form by the Planning Department.

The Lincoln Chamber could support a Planning staff revised scenario that generally encompasses the focused growth concept outlined in Scenario “B”, but also allows the areas along Highway 77 in southwest Lincoln to remain in the projected Tier I and Tier II land use map.
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board  
and  
Lincoln Parks Foundation Board of Directors  
Joint Meeting  
Thursday, November 18, 2010  
Antelope Park Enclosed Shelter (east of Auld Pavilion)

AGENDA

1. Convene meeting and Recognition of Open Meetings Act
2. Introductions
3. Foundation Report
   a. Status of Endowment Funds
   b. Pioneers Park Nature Center sponsorship program and sustainability efforts
   c. Neighborhood Outreach and Volunteerism promotion, small grants program.
4. Department Report
   a. Centennial Mall major renovation project status report
   b. Sherman Field renovation status report
   c. Union Plaza/Active Living Center
   d. Civic Plaza status report
   e. Woods Tennis Center status report
   f. Jan Pitsch Green and Endowment Fund
   g. Alcohol in parks proposed ordinance revisions
   h. Crawford Trust
   i. Public Art Planning and Coordination
      • Corridor of the Arts concept
   j. Tournament Sports Complex
5. Other discussion items
6. ADJOURN
Thanks for your work David. I only have one comment. Many of my more mature friends wonder why the condos are “presented” as housing for young people. Why are they not including “all ages”.

Jayne

FYI. Comments from Dave Landis, Urban Development, on Block 38

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss the redevelopment agreement on Block 38 that is on your agenda for public reading next Monday. I believe this is an exciting project that will move downtown Lincoln forward by providing much needed parking and bringing more residents downtown.

A number of questions were raised yesterday during the pre-council meeting on the redevelopment agreement on Block 38. While I was able to respond to a number of the questions, I was not able to address all questions and asked that the councilperson asking the question send me an email on a number of specific questions so that I could more thoroughly respond. It would be most helpful if I could receive the questions by mid-Wednesday because neither the critical staff or I will be here on Thursday or Friday. However, we will do our best to be responsive no matter when we receive them.

On Monday, I intend to be brief in my comments in introducing the redevelopment agreement and intend to only use the five minutes generally allocated to speakers. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

David Landis, Director
Urban Development Department
City of Lincoln
555 South 10 Street, Suite 205
Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 441-7126
Subject: CVS building in Southwood

Jonathan Cook,

I am deeply concerned about the proposed building of a CVS Pharmacy on the corner of 27th and Old Cheney.

There is no need for an additional pharmacy near this location. There has not been an additional need created for this type of business in this area, which only means it will take business away from the existing pharmacies in the area. The city should set up businesses to succeed, not fail.

The intersection is already very busy and dangerous, not to mention the Fire Station that is located only a short distance away that may need to have quick emergency access to 27th street. Encouraging more traffic for this intersection could prove to be disastrous.

Please look very closely at what CVS is asking. Does Lincoln really want to become involved in the turf war that Walgreens and CVS are creating. Who is going to lose? I think Lincoln will if we continue to let them build so close to each other without the need in the area. We'll have more vacant business buildings without the careful planning that is needed.

Look Closely!!

David & Elaine Dirksen
2520 Cheshire S
Lincoln, NE 68512
Subject: Re-Zoning of 27th & Old Cheney

Dear Mr Cook,

I sent an email just a bit ago, however, I neglected to sign it. Please accept my apologies, here is the email with my signature.

I live in Southwood and an opinion on the re-zoning of the 27th and Old Cheney area. I have lived here for the past 16 years. I enjoy my neighborhood very, very much. I am very opposed to the re-zoning, more specifically I am opposed to CVS from moving into this area. I am very familiar with CVS. I have been a customer of theirs only once, and never again. They do not care about people or customer service. More the kind of atmosphere our neighborhood will turn into is not a good one.

Please tell my why do we need a CVS at this location. We have two Shopko's with pharmacies, two Walgreens with pharmacies, Russ's with a pharmacy, and a Hyvee with a pharmacy. Why, pray do we need to dilute the excellent service we currently have in this area. CVS needs to find another spot. Besides how many CSV do we the citizens of Lincoln have to support. I won't!

I feel that better use of this property is what is there now. A quiet business that can prosper in a beautiful friendly neighborhood. We don't want increased crime, and yes, CVS does spawn this type of activity, it's a fact that can't be ignored.

The construction and remaking of this corner will not benefit Lincoln or our neighborhood at all. I strongly urge you and the rest of the city council to do what is right for the citizens of this area and do not re-zone this area for use by CVS!

David B. Harms
2436 Winchester N
Lincoln, NE 68512
Mr. Cook,

Allowing a zoning change in an established neighborhood could set a poor precedent for all of Lincoln.

Southwood homeowners bought in this neighborhood because of the quiet family setting. They don’t deserve a 24 hr. “quick shop” high volume traffic operation next door.

There is not proper access to 27th Street or Old Cheney. A large percentage of CVS patrons will be forced to cut through Southwood neighborhood streets.

Please vote NO on Southwood rezoning.

Bill and Judy Wertz
2215 Heather Lane
Lincoln, NE 68512
Greetings,

I am a homeowner in the Southwood Neighborhood and have serious concerns with the proposal to redevelop and rezone the corner of 27th and Old Cheney. We currently have relatively quiet office space and banking, in a well-landscaped development consistent with the neighborhood with much green space and large trees. The existing uses fit with the neighborhood.

Adding retail zoning and expansion to this mix will create some drastic, negative changes. The proposal of a CVS pharmacy brings us about the worst of all possible neighbors. CVS has a long and easily-retrieved history of ignoring good ethics. We have eight pharmacies within minutes of the neighborhood now. There is no reason why we need another. And there is no good reason to devalue the landscaping we have there now.

Traffic is high at the 27th and Old Cheney intersection, with a fire station on the east side of 27th and a modest business park on the west side. Tossing in a cut-rate pharmacy with liquor and twenty-four hour access will only add to the congestion. The two large entrance/exit drives will bring traffic onto Canterbury Lane and directly into the neighborhood.

And why are we doing this? Is it for Assurity, who wants to move to a better location and maximize profits on the old spot? Is it for Lincoln, to provide more needed retail services? Is it for the sake of commercial development at any cost?

I encourage you, PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSAL TO REZONE SOUTHWOOD. As citizens, we must rely on you, our elected representatives, to protect the neighborhood values the folks of Lincoln value so highly.

Paul C. Horton
2521 Cheshire S.
Lincoln NE 68512
423-0254
My name is Ron Suing and I am the president of the Southwood Association. I would like to go on record as being against the rezoning of the 27th and Old Cheny property. This will create problems far beyond what we are expecting. This is why it was rejected before and hopefully now.

I would leave you with one question, Would you vote yes if this were to go in in your backyard?

Respectfully
Ron Suing, President SNA
We recently were informed that the area of 27th & Old Cheney may be rezoned to allow for a CVS, strip mall & parking to be added to our neighborhood.

We are very concerned about this and are against such rezoning actions.
We live just a block off of 27th & Old Cheney and love our quiet neighborhood.
There are a lot of young families with young children in this neighborhood, so the increased traffic that rezoning would create is very concerning.
We are also very concerned about the increased crime that accompanies such stores.
We believe that rezoning will devalue our home property.
Furthermore, there are several pharmacies in the area, so an additional pharmacy is not needed.
Lincoln has a lot of open retail space that CVS could occupy.

Please do not rezone 27th & Old Cheney.

Concerned Citizens,
Jason & Sarah Opp
Members of City Council: I beg of you to vote against the “Rezoning Southwood” for the CVS store. My husband (now deceased) and I came here after he retired from the Air Force. I (we) lived all over during his career. This is our home, this is our neighborhood, I feel safe here. We choose our home because it is everything we always wanted. Now that I am a widow, our choice of our home is reinforced, I feel safe. I have the best neighbors that I’ve ever had (I’ve lived in A WHOLE LOT OF NEIGHBORHOODS) including overseas. Please do not let CVS build and destroy a wonderful safe and best ever neighborhood. They have a store at Edgewood, I do not trade there and for sure I WILL NOT TRADE IF THEY BUILD HERE. I will continue to go to Walgreens in Williamsburg, and or to Walgreens near Southpoint. We do not need another drugstore in our area. Thank you very much.

Sincerely, Bev Taylor 2218 Heather Lane, Southwood 423-3029
Please consider what the re-zoning of 27th & Old Cheney will do to our neighborhood and do not allow it. We don't want the problems that come with CVS and the area does not need further business saturation. It's time that our city council start protecting neighborhoods and stop giving in to big business just because they decide they want to make a buck by selling property off to another big business that cares only about making a buck and will do absolutely nothing for the neighborhood it is invading. We don't need any other stores in that area. We are minutes away in all 4 directions to grocery stores, pharmacies, clothing stores, restraunts and gas station/convenience stores. There is no need for this. Listen to the people not the CEOs!!! Please spare our area and deny the rezoning!

Sent from my iPhone

Mickey.
Dear City Council,

We only learned from Lincoln Journal Star that a plan was filed with the Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Department to have a CVS and strip mall built at 27th and Old Cheney. This requires re-zoning change. We, residents of the neighborhood, have not been contacted about the plan before it was filed. We are STRONGLY AGAINST the re-zoning. REZONING SOUTHWOOD IS BAD FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, COMMUNITY AND CITY. It will increase crime, traffic and other unsafe conditions. It will also decrease our home values. We moved to this neighborhood under the current zoning laws. There are too many drug stores already in this area. We have 8 pharmacies only minutes away plus another CVS just 2 miles away.

We appreciate if you could keep our concerns in mind that you would vote against the re-zoning.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Arthur and Si-Man Ma
As residents of the Southwood neighborhood, we are EXTREMELY OPPOSED to the re-zoning on the corner land of 27th & Old Cheney.

Are you aware that an elementary school is only within a block of this re-zoning? Not only do we NOT want a business that sells alcohol and tobacco near our elementary school, but we do not want increased traffic, crime, and decreased property values.

And the redundancy of having yet another drug/convince store near us is ridiculous. We have a drug/convince store at Shopko (27th and hwy2), Russ (33rd and hwy2), Walgreens (33rd and old cheney), HyVee (40th and old cheney), Walgreens (27th and pine lake), Super Savor (27th and pine lake), and so on.

Christopher and Madea Ouellette
2421 Winchester South
Lincoln, Ne
FW: zoning change @ 27th & old cheney

From: Dale Piper <pipjipd@hotmail.com>
Date: November 9, 2010 11:53:40 AM CST
To: "Jonathan A. Cook" <jcook@lincoln.ne.gov>, Doug Emery <demery@lincoln.ne.gov>,
"Eugene W. Carroll" <ECarroll@lincoln.ne.gov>, "Jayne L. Snyder" <JSnyder@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: zoning change @ 27th & old cheney

Please do not allow zoning change to accommodate Assurity, CVS Pharmacy & developers
to make millions at the expense of neighborhood through lost valuation of properties.

We have abundance of pharmacies near by, increased traffic will also pose problem with
So. Canterbury, and other streets, (already not in best repair).

    Thank you for your consideration.

    Dale & Jean Piper
    2531 Jameson So.
    Lincoln, Ne.
The last thing Lincoln needs is another strip mall, and this CVS store would be the toe in the water to changing the character of that stretch of Old Cheney which is largely residential. There are already tons of pharmacies in town so it’s not like CVS would be filling an underserved market. CVS has a highly questionable reputation as a corporate entity with numerous violations, investigations, settlements and fines. As a Southwood resident this change would not be an asset to the neighborhood. It is possible that in this economic market that the property owners are getting a little desperate to sell that corner but they should not be allowed to sell to the first buyer if the plan will permanently change the traffic patterns and character of the neighbor. There will be a market for a striking building which can hardly be obsolete. I ask each of you council members to vote AGAINST the application to allow a zoning change for the CVS store at 27th and Old Cheney.

Noelie Ackermann Sherdon
2431 Cheshire North
Lincoln, NE 68512
Dear City Council members,

I want to protest Re-Zoing 27th and Old Cheney. I have lived in Southwood for 36 years and would not be in favor of having a CVS pharmacy and strip mall in this residential area. We already have too much traffic moving through this area where grade school children attend Ruth Hill School. Increased traffic and congestion would create many safety concerns. Please vote against this Re-Zoning.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ruth Foster
5341 Tipperary Trail
Lincoln, NE 68512
Dear John Spatz,

I know that you are not a Council Member from my area but you still have a voice and a vote. So as a Council Member I wanted to write you and encourage you to look at the proposed rezoning/development changes at the corner of 27th and Old Cheney. To think about if this was happening to your neighborhood. This rezoning does not just affect the Southwood neighborhood but the whole South area of Lincoln. This intersection is a main throughway to the south part of the city. It carries hundreds of people to and from work, school, and existing retail and office areas. It ties people from surrounding communities to the paths of central part of Lincoln. It is bordered by a busy bike path/pedestrian path. It is a piece of land that is set above the intersection that soon if passed will be flattened and destroyed. It will change the character of the whole area.

My main reason though to have you look at the proposed change of zoning at this corner is the NEED factor and the SAFETY factors. Do we need a CVS Pharmacy and proposed retail/restaurant space on such a busy corner? In a mile radius of this corner there are eight pharmacies (2-Walgreens, 2 Shopkos, HyVee, Russ's Market, Stockwell Pharmacy, SuperSaver plus mail order). There are several strip mall or shopping areas which are not even full of tenants. Does Lincoln really take the stand that development comes before quality of life, citizens, and established neighborhoods? Will rezoning this property open the door to further established neighborhoods getting strip malls built among them and change their being for the future. Do we want to allow developers to push their way into existing neighborhoods without caring what it does to the closest neighbors?

I have lived all my life in Lincoln. When we bought our house in the Southwood neighborhood we wanted to have our children grow up in a diverse, friendly, settled neighborhood. We wanted to enjoy the old fashion style of life where neighbors watch out for each other and help each other. Now with a strip mall and all the uncertainty of what all it will bring has rocked that quiet piece of establishment. It has and will change the dynamics for good. As a life citizen of Lincoln I am saddened that development is more important than the quality of life—the peacefulness of "Neighborships". It shows me that no where is safe from the greed of the owners of such properties. The owners of the property have admitted at meetings that the cost of renovation would be so great and that they can't keep tenants. Well maybe if they renovated the tenants would stay. Maybe if they were not offered by CVS (who likes to build close to every Walgreens there is) to build a new building and get rent from them they would have done more of a neighborhood friendly look at the quality of the property. The well established trees, the green grass that will soon be paved, the beauty of ownership gone—kind of like the development (or should I say the lack of) of the property that use to be North Forty Golf Course. The rezoning of this property holds too much uncertainty. The character of a neighborhood will be tarnished by a strip mall. Let's fill the malls and offices we have now not move more in. Let's make these priorities so our children don't have to see the "ghost town" effect of empty buildings. Let's try and keep our children in the community that cares for and what our citizens want.

Now for the second factor: SAFETY. The idea of a 24/7 type business moving in just a block from me also brings with it the possibilities of more crime, more pollution (noise, air, light), loitering, and more accidents. The potential selling of alcohol close to a residential area, school, and church and the safety issues there. Rezoning opens this property up for renovation/changes for years and years to come. The amount of traffic that retail/restaurants bring with it will add to a corner laced with more accidents by cars/trucks entering busy streets from driveways close to traffic lights and turn lanes. The dangers that extra traffic and driveways brings to pedestrians, school children walking to school, and bike path users is another safety concern—a decision that has to be lived with if rezoning is changed. (Yes, the developers are planning to move the sidewalks back from the street but this does not prevent turn in/turn out accidents from driveways). The added traffic to a neighborhood (even though the developers/traffic department differs in their feelings on this that it won't affect the neighborhood street of Canterbury by much). We have pointed out the way people can't turn safely/efficiently north out of the property onto 27th or east unto Old Cheney so they will find the way through the neighborhood to do this. I witness this taking my son to Scott Middle School and how winding through a neighborhood is safer than the alternatives.

So please take the time to seriously think how you would like this rezoning to occur in your neighborhood. Please listen to the people who oppose this change and why.

Thanks a concerned citizen,

[Signature]

Marche' Cepure
Outline of a Few Concerns:

- NEED for the use of the property as retail and pharmacy when area has 8 other pharmacies in a mile radius or and several malls within minutes drive from it.
- The possibility of a 24/7 store moving into a quiet, established neighborhood.
- By rezoning this opens this property up to liquor sales close to a neighborhood, school, church and busy intersection. Smells from a restaurant taking over the neighborhood.
- Property values for those of us living close to the “strip mall” going down in the future.
- Movement of neighbors because of this project. (Have heard from some of possible moving.) Neighborhood stability.
- Upsetting the flow of traffic both in the neighborhood and on 2 busy streets.
- Delivery trucks/semi trucks on a busy corner trying to maneuver the turns without disrupting traffic. Or cutting across lanes of traffic to get to turn lanes.
- Pedestrian safety. (School children, bike path users.)
- Driveway closeness to traffic lights and turn lanes.
- Future of property in question. If the retail stores do not do well and close down what an ugly parking lot we have to deal with as a city and neighborhood. (Good example of a longtime building not being used in South Lincoln is the old Kmart building on the corner of 56th and Highway 2.) If a big box store can’t make it will anyone want to locate on a busy corner?
- Green space and established trees being torn out. (One bad example of this is when North Forty golf course was torn down and what little development has occurred in that space.)
- The look of the corner totally being changed.
- Lowering the existing land to street level and what problems that could cause in drainage.
- Adding a storm detention ditch to an established neighborhood with children and what it brings if it is not maintained. (Bug infestation, more wild animals like raccoons which we all ready have a problem with.)
- Light pollution, gas/air pollution added to neighborhood.
- Visibility changes on streets even with the changes of sidewalk being moved back and trees lining 27th and Old Cheney. (Oh and Canterbury Street car visibility around a sharp narrow curve.)
- Future of the area, Future of this happening to other established neighborhoods without notice.
Thanks for giving apartment tenants an opportunity to voice their opinions on this proposed rezoning in our area. I fully agree with each reason for opposing this project that you listed on your flyer. As a long-term (35+ years) renter in the four-plex directly west of the Zion church, my biggest concern is contending with heavy traffic on Canterbury Lane. If they go ahead with building the strip mall, would it be possible to insist the present outlet onto Canterbury Lane be removed and the area planted with grass. The traffic could have two outlets that would not interfere our street traffic: the present one to South 27th and construct a new outlet onto Old Cheney. Want purpose is there for another mall. We have one mile south to shop at SouthPointe mall and about half a mile to go to Walgreens and other shops in Williamsburg.

REZONING IS BAD FOR OUR CITY AND COMMUNITY!

Wilma Ackermann
5511 Canterbury Lane
Lincoln, N 68512
Mary M. Meyer

From: Elizabeth Wilson [syorkie@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2010 10:32 AM  
To: Council Packet  
Subject: Re-zoning 27th & Old Cheney

I have a serious concern regarding the plan to re-zone the area of 27th and Old Cheney to accommodate CVS Pharmacy. I do not believe it is necessary to put a drug store on every corner of this city. There are entirely too many as is. If this company wishes to build another box store, there are plenty of areas zoned for that purpose. When families purchase homes in an area, they do so based on the amenities in that area. The Southwood area has a school and is surrounded by a wall along 27th Street. There is a fire station, daycare center, and beautiful homes. There is also a nursing facility. My mother in-law and father in-law live there. It is quiet, well groomed, and in a nice neighborhood. We enjoy the quiet of the yard where these people are able to spend time outdoors. Making this area available for retail will disrupt the neighborhood feeling and lower the property values. This is a bad, bad choice, and I hope that the Lincoln City Council will see that CVS is pushing this in an area that Lincoln does not need. We are a beautiful city. The difference between Lincoln and Omaha is that we are a family-oriented city. People enjoy living in a city with a small town atmosphere. Please don't ruin this beautiful area by bowing to a company that has chosen to make poor business decisions by selling alcohol, etc. and bringing that to our beautiful neighborhoods especially in an area with elementary schools and nursing homes. Please remember, you are elected by the people of Lincoln. CVS did not put you in your council chairs. Listen to the people. CVS has built and will continue to build. There are places zoned for this. NOT HERE.
Please be advised I live in the Southwood neighborhood and object to the rezoning of 27th & Old Cheney because it would increase traffic at an already very busy traffic area and perhaps create problems for the firetrucks as if traffic is backed up as it sometimes is, there really isn't anyway to pull over for the fire trucks when both lanes are packed.

Also I can't see the need for a pharmacy when Walgreens is on about 33rd & Old Cheney and on 27th & Pine Lake. Why not fill some of the empty buildings already built. I believe there are some in the complex at 33rd & Old Cheney - or empty spaces at 40th & Old Cheney - let's use the resources we have! There has to be some spaces already zoned for their needs and as a city we need to plan better so that we are not creating strip malls or shopping centers that fail and remain empty.

M. Christensen
2112 Southwood Place
Lincoln, NE
328-9383
Telephone Messages:

Received in City Council Office

RE: Against/opposed to the proposed re-zoning of 27th Street and Old Cheney Road.

1. Rollan Bretos
2. Merna Meter
3. Jan Simodynes
4. Janice Barr
5. Ruth Foster
6. Elvera and LaVaughn Leopold
7. Rita Kradle
8. Jim and Linda Egger
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

Name: LEE LAMSON
Address: 3217 FLETCHER AVE APT 355
City: Lincoln, NE 68504

Comment or Question:
The Lincoln Journal and other media sources recently stated that left over monies from the Feds would be used to repair streets and sidewalks etc. I moved here from Colorado and when I registered the vehicle, I was tagged $56.00 in wheel tax. What is this money used for? If it is for street improvement it certainly is not being spent. The Lincoln City Street Department must have a heck of a slush fund built up.
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Mr. John Spatz, Chairman
Mr. Jon Camp
Mr. Eugene Carroll
Mr. Jonathan Cook
Mr. Doug Emery
Mr. Adam Hornung
Ms. Jayne Snyder
Lincoln City Council
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Urban 38 Project

Dear City Council Members:

The Downtown Lincoln Association (“DLA”) wishes to respectfully submit its support for the redevelopment agreement between the City of Lincoln and Block 38, LLC for construction of the proposed 10-story, Urban 38 Project located in downtown Lincoln. As another prime example of a public/private partnership, the Urban 38 Project will significantly contribute to the ever-increasing demand for quality downtown housing, work toward satisfying the need for parking to support growing downtown businesses and retail activity and provide additional opportunities for on-street, active-front retail development.

Rarely does an opportunity present itself to achieve so many of the primary objectives outlined in the Downtown Master Plan while also significantly enhancing the visual esthetics of the downtown Lincoln skyline. The DLA firmly believes the public/private investment in the Urban 38 Project will have far reaching economic benefits for downtown Lincoln and will significantly contribute to the area’s growing momentum.

In summary, the DLA supports the completion of the Urban 38 Project based on three key points:

**Addresses Multiple Objectives of the Downtown Master Plan.** When completed in mid-2012, the Urban 38 Project will offer critically-needed parking, retail activity and residential housing located in the core of downtown Lincoln; three of the highest priority objectives of the Downtown Master Plan. The project’s first floor will consist of nearly 18,000 square feet of active retail space. A total of 650 parking stalls, 550 of which will be available for public use and/or monthly parkers, will comprise the next six floors above the retail level. The remaining top three floors will offer 52, 2-4 bedroom units of contemporary residential living including unique courtyard green spaces, a fitness center and designated resident parking.

The demand for off-street parking by growing downtown businesses in the immediate vicinity of the Urban 38 Project far exceeds supply. As these successful businesses continue to expand, or as other new
businesses consider locating in downtown, employee and customer parking becomes a critical component to their success. This project helps to significantly alleviate this parking shortage. As a City of Lincoln-owned parking facility, proceeds generated by daytime, evening and special event parking patrons will also contribute to the City’s revenue and Parking Enterprise Fund.

**Catalyst for Future Retail and Economic Development.** The Downtown Master Plan has designated the area bounded by 11th Street to 14th Street, P Street to Q Street as a targeted enterprise zone for enhanced downtown retail development. This retail zone is also considered one of ten key “pillar” projects to advancing Lincoln’s future by the 2015 Vision Group. The Urban 38 Project, located in the heart of this retail corridor, will provide the necessary parking infrastructure to directly support local retail growth, will itself contribute additional quality retail space and will also provide a sizable resident population of future retail customers. The project will also strengthen several other retail initiatives already underway by the DLA and 2015 Vision to boost local retail.

**Anchor for Downtown’s New Civic Plaza.** One of the major findings from the Downtown Master Plan was the need to provide a centralized, public space for downtown residents, employees, students and visitors. The integration of the Urban 38 Project with the proposed Civic Plaza, slated for the corner of 13th & P Street and also a key “pillar” project recognized by 2015 Vision, will provide for an active downtown community space well supported by the proposed retail tenant space located on the project’s first floor. Furthermore, the architectural backdrop of the Urban 38 Project, together with the infrastructure improvements to the surrounding area, will leverage Civic Plaza’s ability to serve as Lincoln’s bustling and interactive “town square”.

The Board of Directors of the DLA unanimously supports the completion of the Urban 38 Project and respectfully urges you to approve this development as a progressive step in addressing the multi-faceted demands of our growing downtown community and in providing a critical component to fueling future economic vitality. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and for your continued support of downtown Lincoln.

Sincerely,

Terry Uland, President
Downtown Lincoln Association

Ed Swotek, Chairman
Downtown Lincoln Association

c: Chris Beutler, Mayor, City of Lincoln
Dave Landis, Director, Urban Development Department
Dallas McGee, Assistant Director, Urban Development Department
Will and Robert Scott, WRK, LLC
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PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
Recycling Office, 2400 Theresa Street, Lincoln, NE 68521, 441-7043, fax 441-8735

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: November 10, 2010
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Gene Hanlon, Recycling Coordinator, 441-7043
Linda Stevenson, AmeriCorps Volunteer, 441-8004

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GAMEDAY RECYCLING

Volunteers are needed to assist with “Go Green for Big Red,” a collaborative gameday recycling effort conducted by the City of Lincoln Recycling Office, UNL Recycling Services and AmeriCorps.

Volunteers walk designated parking lots in pairs before Nebraska home football games distributing plastic recycling bags and encouraging fans to recycle empty cups, cans and bottles. Volunteers collect the bags after kickoff.

Volunteers will meet at 5 p.m. Saturday prior to the Nebraska-Kansas game on the west side of the Sheldon Art Museum to get their assignments. Runza and Pepsi will provide dinner for all volunteers at 5 p.m.

For more information, contact Linda Stevenson at 441-8004 or lstevenson@lincoln.ne.gov.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: November 10, 2010
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

JPA AFFIRMS MAYOR’S SELECTION OF ARENA BUILDER

The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) today affirmed Mayor Chris Beutler’s selection of the Mortenson Construction-Hampton Enterprises team to build the new Lincoln Haymarket Arena. Hampton is a longtime Lincoln builder and developer. Mortenson, based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, has built more than 100 major sports projects, including the new arena in downtown Louisville, Kentucky.

Four companies submitted proposals, and Beutler chose the Mortenson-Hampton team after a review by an 11-member selection committee. City Council Member Jayne Snyder and University of Nebraska Regent Tim Clare, who serve with Beutler on the three-member JPA, voted to affirm the selection at an emergency meeting this afternoon.

As the construction manager at risk, Mortenson-Hampton will oversee the arena construction. Its initial cost estimate for its work is $8 million, but the terms of the contract will be negotiated in phases as the project is designed. Under the construction manager at risk approach, the chosen firm guarantees a price to build the project, and if the final costs are higher, the firm pays the difference. The firm also could earn a percentage of the project’s cost, excluding design and engineering.

The selection committee (listed at the end of this release) interviewed all four potential builders. The scoring process resulted in a virtual tie between Mortenson-Hampton and a team comprised of Turner Construction of New York and Sampson Construction of Lincoln. The other two firms submitting proposals were Kiewit of Omaha and a team comprised of Hunt Construction of Arizona and Weitz Construction, which has a Lincoln office. Mayor Beutler said all four submissions were “comprehensive and impressive.” All four proposals are available on the City website, lincoln.ne.gov.

“This is one of the biggest decisions we will make on one of the most important projects in Lincoln history,” Mayor Beutler said. “I want to thank the selection committee for its careful deliberation. It was a very difficult decision, but I made my selection based on two factors. The initial cost estimate from Mortenson and Hampton was the lowest of the four. And I am very impressed with Mortenson’s experience in working with railroads, which is very important for our project.”

- more -
“We are honored to be selected for this monumental project for Lincoln,” said Bob Caldwell, President and CEO of Hampton Enterprises. “With our 62-year history in Lincoln and Mortenson’s expertise in building arenas, we are very confident in our ability to complete this project on time and on budget. We look forward to working with local subcontractors to build a facility that will serve Lincoln for many years.”


Selection Committee for Construction Manager at Risk:

Chair - Greg MacLean, Director, City Public Works and Utilities Department  
Marc Boehm - Executive Associate Athletic Director, UNL  
Gene Carroll, City Council Member  
Roger Figard, City Engineer, Public Works and Utilities Department  
Don Herz, City Finance Director  
Jim Martin, Arena Program Manager, Benham Companies  
Dan Marvin, West Haymarket Project Administrator  
Vince Mejer, City Purchasing Agent  
Dan Muhleisen, Engineer, 2015 Vision  
Trish Owen, Deputy Chief of Staff, Mayor’s Office  
Linda Wilson, former City Council Member, member of Public Building Commission
Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule
Week of November 13 through 19, 2010
Schedule subject to change

Monday, November 15
• Mayor’s Award of Excellence - 3 p.m., Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

Tuesday, November 16
• KLIN - 8:10 a.m., Broadcast House/NRG Media, 4343 “O” St.

Thursday, November 18
• West Haymarket Joint Public Agency meeting - 3 p.m., Council Chambers
• Retirement reception for Nebraska Humanities Council Executive Director Jane Renner Hood - 5 p.m., Sheldon Museum of Art, 12th and “R” streets
MEETING NOTICE

DATE: November 10, 2010
TO: Library Board, Mayor, City Clerk, City Attorney, Media
FROM: Pat Leach, Library Director
SUBJECT: Library Board Meeting

DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING: Tuesday, November 16, 2010
Loren Corey Eiseley Branch Library
1530 Superior Street
Lincoln, Nebraska

STARTING TIME OF MEETING: 6:00 p.m.
CHAIRMAN OF MEETING: April Stevenson, President
PURPOSE OF MEETING: Monthly Board Meeting

AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda*
2. Public Comment on Agenda Items
3. Introductions
4. Approval of October 19, 2010 Library Board Meeting Minutes*
5. Library Board Standing Committee Reports
   a. Committee on Administration
   b. Committee on Buildings & Grounds
   c. Committee on Finance
      i. Report on and Approval of Recap of October Expenditures*
6. Library Board Special Committee Reports
   a. Bookmobile
   b. Downtown Library Development
   c. Foundation Board Representatives & Executive Director
   d. Technology
   e. Trustee Development
      i. Tour of Eiseley Branch Library
7. Library Board President’s Report
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9. New Business
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   b. Approval of Nebraska Library Commission Continuing Education Grant Application*
   c. Approval of Surplus Property List*
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    a. Annual Report
11. Assistant Library Director’s Report
12. Public Comment - Anyone wishing to address the board on a matter not on this agenda may do at this time.

Proposed agenda kept continually current and available for inspection at the Administrative Office of the Bennett Martin Public Library, but the Board shall have the right to modify the agenda at said public meeting when convened. Requests for sign language interpreters require a minimum of 48 hours advance notice to Library Director - 441-8510.

Open Meetings Law of the State of Nebraska is posted on southwest wall in Board Room.
LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S REPORT

October 2010

This remarkably beautiful fall season has pushed back the flurry of reading that begins when the weather turns cold and wintry. Overall circulation was flat, with total circulation of 273,131 showing a 1.09% decrease from October of 2009.

Downloadable books for electronic readers were made available to our customers on October 29, and are showing very healthy use.

Several library staff attended the annual conference of the Nebraska Library Association and Nebraska Educational Media Association in Grand Island. Seven sessions were led by Lincoln City Libraries staff members.

Our Strategic Plan led to much behind-the-scenes activity this month as meetings began to organize lists, identify programs and processes that are due for change, and consider staff development.

Here is a sampling of library activities in support of the Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Young children (age five and under) will have programs and services designed to ensure early literacy development and a love of books and literature.

- Youth Services Supervisor Vicki Wood reported, “An Early Literacy Station was ordered for South Branch with money from the Country Club Neighborhood Association and donated funds.” Early literacy computer stations are in use at Bennett Martin Public Library and Anderson Branch.

- Eiseley/Williams/BKM Supervisor Julee Hector noted, “Picture book circulation at Eiseley during October 2010 showed an increase of 27% compared to October 2009. I attribute this mainly to the extremely popular picture book bundles and special monthly picture book displays. Everyone has been making an extra effort to keep all of these display areas filled and looking great!”

Goal 5: Teens (middle school and high school) will have materials and programs that respond to their current interests and provide pleasurable reading, viewing, and listening.

- Walt Branch Supervisor Jodene Glaesemann reported, “Along with the Teen Advisory Board (TAB), Walt staff hosted a Friday evening anime party for teens. Ninety-five teens had fun participating in a costume contest, anime games, and snacks. They also enjoyed getting wild or anime hair-dos from College of Hair Design students. We were glad to see teens from both Gere and Eiseley Branches in attendance. The teens were so enjoying hanging out and socializing at the library, they did not want to leave.”

- Eiseley/Williams/BKM Supervisor Julee Hector noted, “Susan Steider [Young Adult Librarian] visited 13 middle and high schools to promote Teen Read Week, seeing a total of 3690 students!”
Goal 6: Adults will have the resources they need to explore topics of personal interest and continue to learn throughout their lives.

- One Book - One Lincoln’s focus on “I Am a Man: Chief Standing Bear’s Journey for Justice” by Joe Starita continued in October. A “Read-In” panel at the Ponca offices on October 26 drew in 35 people for the event, which was recorded and broadcast by 5 CityTV.

- Heritage Room Curator Meredith McGowan reported, “On Thursday, October 21, at 6:30 p.m., I talked with an Optimist group of 18 at the 50th and O St. HyVee. We talked about the Heritage Room, our fall programming, One Book One Nebraska, and One Book - One Lincoln. I did take books and Ames Reading Series DVDs along; I checked several items out to members of the group.”

Goal 7: Adults will have convenient timely access to materials that provide pleasurable reading, viewing, and listening.

- Collections Librarian Suzan Connell reported the following big news, “LCL began offering access to downloadable eBooks through Overdrive; our initial collection contains 130 titles, plus 15,000 Project Gutenberg titles.”

Goal 8: Adults will have the resources they need to fully participate in the democratic process.

- Webmaster Peter Jorgensen noted, “The new Local Issues pages were launched with initial content about Citizenship, Election Information, Environmental Issues, Health, Immigration Reform, and the University of Nebraska.”

- Eiseley/William/BKM Supervisor Julee Hector reported, “Eiseley Branch was one of the sites for the last day of in-person voter registrations before the November 2 election. Several customers registered to vote for the first time and many updated their registrations.”

Goal 10: Residents will have access to information technology and the assistance they need to use it effectively in their daily lives.

- Anderson and Bethany Branch Supervisor Kim Shelley provided the following information regarding KOHA, the Integrated Library System. “The KOHA implementation team met twice this month. The team is preparing Lincoln City Libraries for the installation of a new integrated library system. During the demonstration provided by KOHA on October 5, team members were impressed with the capabilities of the new system. Many features that have been requested by customers will now be available. Examples include the following:
  o Notification that materials are due PRIOR to the due date.
  o Ability to search by specific library location. (This feature has not been functional in Horizon for Anderson Branch Library.)
  o Ability to search only for materials that are checked in and currently available. (This is a feature that has been available to staff in the library interface, but not to customers in the online catalog.)
  o Ability for the customer to update his/her own contact information online.
  o Ability for the customer to change his/her library account password online.”

Submitted by Pat Leach, Library Director
November 10, 2010
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**Statistics**

- **Library Holdings**
  - **Print**
    - **Adult**
      - Owned 10/01/10: 412,165
      - Added: 2,317
      - Withdrawn: -6,589
      - Owned 10/31/10: 407,893
    - **Youth**
      - Owned 10/01/10: 92,765
      - Added: 1,093
      - Withdrawn: -4,301
      - Owned 10/31/10: 88,331
    - **Total**
      - Owned 10/01/10: 504,930
      - Added: 3,310
      - Withdrawn: -10,890
      - Owned 10/31/10: 496,224

- **Non Print**
  - **Adult**
    - Owned 10/01/10: 38,953
    - Owned 10/31/10: 37,554
  - **Youth**
    - Owned 10/01/10: 4,769
    - Owned 10/31/10: 4,769
  - **Total**
    - Owned 10/01/10: 43,722
    - Owned 10/31/10: 42,323

**Notes**

- **Web Site Visits**
  - September: 193,719
  - Total: 35,051
  - %: 0.27%

- **Total Unique IPs**
  - September: 33,239
  - Total: 35,051
  - %: 5.45%

- **Electronic Resource Uses (databases)**
  - September: 21,447
  - Total: 21,051
  - %: -1.85%

- **Polley Music Reference**
  - September: 3,265
  - Total: 4,726
  - %: 44.75%

- **Registrations**
  - Resident: 176,693
  - County: 12,286
  - Non Resident: 1,783
  - Reciprocal: 427
  - Limited Use: 8,575
  - %: -1.81%

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  - **Print**
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  - **Non Print**
    - Owned 10/01/10: 38,953
    - Owned 10/31/10: 37,554
  - **Total**
    - Owned 10/01/10: 451,118
    - Owned 10/31/10: 445,447

- **Limited Use**
  - September: 8,496
  - Total: 8,575
  - %: 0.93%
# LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES
## Monthly Categorical Report
### October 31, 2010

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## LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES - FUND BALANCES

**October 2010**

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The City of Lincoln Historic Preservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday, November 18, 2010. The meeting will convene at 1:30 p.m. in Room 214, 2nd floor, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, to consider the following agenda. For more information, contact the Planning Department at 441-7491.

November 18, 2010

1. Approval of meeting record of September 16, 2010.

2. Opportunity for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION

3. Application by John Turner and Elizabeth Sterns for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 3832 Orchard Street in the East Campus Neighborhood Landmark District.

4. Application by Scott Sullivan for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 6106 Havelock Avenue in the Havelock Avenue Landmark District.

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6. Application by Ken Hiatt for a Certificate of Appropriateness to relocate a house (from 926 South Street) to 904 E Street, the latter location being in the Everett Landmark District.


8. Application by Garry Martin for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 1548 S Street, the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity House, a designated landmark.

9. Application by Baja Salon for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 6213 Havelock Avenue in the Havelock Avenue Landmark District.

DISCUSS AND ADVISE


11. Staff Report.

The Historic Preservation Commission agenda may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/bdscom/hpc/index.htm

For further information on Historic Preservation in Lincoln, visit http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/hist/index.htm
Hello, government and quasi-government contacts:

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The Urban Page is the quarterly newsletter of the Urban Development Department of the City of Lincoln.

Happy reading!

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Greetings:

This email is being composed and sent late Wednesday afternoon, November 110, 2010.

UDD Director David Landis requested yesterday that we get our questions and comments to him and his staff by mid-day today. I have made numerous inquiries to get the revised Redevelopment Agreement, which arrived under a cover email from Mary Meyer’s at approximately 4:00 pm.

The Agreement is 81 pages. I am in the middle of many other personal business projects—but I had reserved time earlier today to review and respond to Mr. Landis. I even stopped by the CC offices this morning hoping to pick up the revised agreement.

The revised Redevelopment Agreement is 81 pages in length—I truly feel a document of this magnitude should be provided on a timely basis in hard copy. not at my time and expense. This past Sunday I spent over 3 hours reviewing what I thought was the proposed Redevelopment Agreement. Now I will spend part of tomorrow, Veterans’ Day, reviewing the revised Redevelopment Agreement.

Please help me understand this situation more clearly:

1. Mr. Landis specifically noted the revised Redevelopment Agreement was emailed to Council members over the weekend at the beginning of his 1:00 pm, Monday Precouncil.
2. No one in the City Council office or any of my colleagues with whom I visited had received the revised Redevelopment Agreement
3. Despite numerous inquiries since Monday to get a copy of the Revised RD, it was not provided until 4:00 pm, Wednesday, November 10, 2010.

Questions:

1. Why could someone not have pressed the “attachment” and “send” buttons and sent the Revised RD before now?
2. Have there been further revisions since Monday?

For the record, I anticipate requesting amendments to the Redevelopment Agreement, but cannot word those amendments until I have seen the revised Redevelopment Agreement.

Please respect the time of those of us on the City Council and do not put us in this position of being rushed to review and approve this matter when we are not provided information and the tools we need on a timely basis.

Thank you,
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From: Mary M. Meyer [mailto:mmmeyer@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2010 3:07 PM
To: Adam Hornung (ahornung@scudderlaw.com); Doug Emery (Dougemerypm@aol.com); Eugene Carroll (euwc@aol.com); Jayne Snyder (snyderpt@navix.net); Jon Camp; Jonathan A. Cook;Jsnyder2@neb rr.com;jspatz@nasbonline.org
Subject: FW: Revised Redevelopment Agreement

Just received. I also made into a pdf.

Mary

From: Hallie E. Salem
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2010 3:02 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: RE: Revised Redevelopment Agreement

Hallie Salem, AICP
Community Development Specialist/Downtown Redevelopment
Urban Development Department
From: Mary M. Meyer  
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2010 2:15 PM  
To: Hallie E. Salem; Jon Camp  
Cc: 'jspatz@nasbonline.org'; 'Adam Hornung'; Jayne L. Snyder; 'Eugene Carroll'; Jonathan A. Cook; Doug Emery; Jon Camp; David Landis; Trish A. Owen; Dallas A. McGee; Ken D. Smith; 'Nancy Hicks'  
Subject: RE: Revised Redevelopment Agreement

Hallie:

I haven't received in the office at all. If you could send to me, or hard copy would be fine, I would be able to forward to other members.

Thanking you in advance.

Mary

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From: Hallie E. Salem  
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2010 2:10 PM  
To: Jon Camp  
Cc: Mary M. Meyer; 'jspatz@nasbonline.org'; 'Adam Hornung'; Jayne L. Snyder; 'Eugene Carroll'; Jonathan A. Cook; Doug Emery; Jon Camp; David Landis; Trish A. Owen; Dallas A. McGee; Ken D. Smith; 'Nancy Hicks'  
Subject: RE: Revised Redevelopment Agreement

Jon,

I believe the copy I sent the last few times is the latest copy. If you are not getting the attachment for some reason, please let me know, and I would be happy to print off a hard copy.

Thank you,

Hallie

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Hallie Salem, AICP  
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Hallie:

Thanks for the website on the slide show.

Where/how can City Council members get the revised Redevelopment Agreement. I know that Director Landis wanted our questions by mid-today, which is getting extremely difficult to do.

Thanks,

Jon

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The Block 38 slide show is now available on the UDD home page in the yellow box:

http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/urban/index.htm

We will be submitting an updated timeline at Council to reflect some changes made today.

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Mary M. Meyer

Subject: FW: Block 38

Dave:

I met with Kent Seacrest and Zach Wiegert Friday and had a good discussion and many of my questions were answered.

I would appreciate getting a “marked” copy of the Redevelopment Agreement so that I can see the changes from the previous copy we were given. Kent thought it would be possible.

Question: on the helix design (and forgive me if I get the nomenclature incorrect), I understand the desire to have a “street appearance” of an office building. However, the design with parkers having to drive around so many times is “functionally” inefficient. While I am not an expert at parking garage design, the Carriage Place Garage has the street appearance of an office building and still allows for faster driving. If the present design is built, I anticipate a lot of citizen frustration and aversion to parking there.

Also, I discussed the parking discounts with Zach and Kent and understand the various sides of the issue. I remain very concerned that the Parking Enterprise Fund is being drained substantially for this project to the detriment of the remainder of future downtown parking facilities. My “math” suggests a price tag of approximately $29,000 per stall when the original land acquisition and relocation costs are included. As I recall, in the earlier days of the Catalyst Project, a total parking cost of $6-8 million was first projected, which has steadily increased to over double that amount.

The cost of the City’s share of this project, assuming a 20-year bond, will be approximately $180 per month per parking stall, not including administration, marketing, maintenance and major improvements that will be required during the 20 years. This will drain the revenues from other City garages thereby delaying other parking projects for decades.

The subsidy for the 114 parking spaces is a bit generous. One of my tenants parks in the Haymarket Garage and pays $55 per month for non-reserved parking and is not allowed to park on football game days. Thus, I am puzzled at your quote of $50 during our Pre Council. As I read the Redevelopment Agreement, the Redevelopers have the right to lease 114 stalls at $50 for 3 years and then at reduced rates for up to 25 years. I am not sure I understand “market rate” in the equation. Is this market rate for 24/7 parking or non-assigned parking.

For your information, Rampark charges $125 for its assigned parking and has a waiting list. I appreciate the comments that there is a “phase-in” for a new garage as exemplified by the Haymarket Garage. However, the Block 38 facility will be in the “heart of downtown” and the most desirable location as evidenced by previous parking studies. National Research Corporation, next door, is growing and one can easily see the demand of the University and other nearby business centers. Parking rates in this area are typically $70-90 per month for non-assigned parking.

Two other observations: (1) the 17,234 square feet of “retail space” in this project will be substantially less than the retail/restaurant space that was formerly on this half block, and (2) the residential space will be primarily marketed to and occupied by university students.

In summary, while the reserved parking may be on the top parking level, this is also the most costly to provide and absent the ability to “overbook” as is the case with non-assigned parking, the reserved parking will generate less revenues. One must also consider the loss of football, Lied Center and other special activity parking income.

Therefore, I ask that two modifications be made regarding parking: (1) adjust the rate to more closely approximate market rates for “assigned parking”, and (2) design the garage to be more functional so that parkers do not have to drive around every floor. Functionality is of a higher priority than appearance, and even appearance can be designed to create the image of an office building with a better functional layout.

Thank you,
Jon

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To: "Jonathan A. Cook" <jcook@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: Rezoning 27th & Old Cheney

Dear Mr. Cook:

We are contacting you to express our opposition to the rezoning and development plans at the NW corner of 27th Street and Old Cheney. We are particularly concerned about the following:

Increased traffic on Canterbury and other streets in Southwood Subdivision. Parking on these streets has already reduced them to one-way streets in many areas. In addition, traffic flow is already a problem at the corners of Tipperary Trail and S 27th as well as Jameson N and S 27th.

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Inevitable drop in property values of residential homes.

Nebulous plans for other businesses that may be built in the rezoned area.

We respectfully request your vote of opposition to this proposed development.

Sincerely

Ray and Wini Pierson
2505 Cheshire N
Lincoln, NE  68512-1212

thepiersons55@windstream.net
I do not support the re-zoning of the property at 27th and Old Cheney to make room for a CVS pharmacy. Lincoln is currently littered with pharmacies on most major intersections. There is not a need for another pharmacy in this area.

What we need to do is keep in mind effective city planning when determining where retail space should be located. Retail space with box stores in the newer neighborhoods is not located directly next to single dwelling homes. When following correct city planning, the heavy retail areas with box stores are located with a layer of “soft” retail around it. Around the “soft” retail areas are the apartments and duplexes. Then, just past the apartments and duplexes are the single family dwelling homes. You would never develop a neighborhood with single dwelling homes right next to a box store. If you did, you would have a pretty tough time trying to sell the homes.

Just think, would you want to live right next to a store that was open 24/7 with parking lot lighting shining in your windows all night? If you wouldn’t want that, then why do you think the people who live in the neighborhood at 27th and Old Cheney would want that?

We need to keep our neighborhoods safe and maintain the property values of the families who live there.

Vote for the people. Vote “No” on November 12th.

Thank you,

Janel and Jerry Fricke
402-326-0777
Mary M. Meyer

Subject: FW: Re-zoning 27th & Old Cheney

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I am a homeowner in Southwood, 2340 S. Canterbury, and extremely disappointed in the possibility of a re-zoning for the south west corner of 27th and Old Cheney. This is a wonderful neighborhood and definitely not in need of a commercial store such as CVS. We have plenty of drug stores a mile away. Beside the concern of all the extra traffic through our neighborhood streets; we have a school in the middle of our neighborhood. This school would be blocks away from this CVS. Also a concern is the liquor that these stores sell (or want a permit to sell) being so close to a grade school. Soon the people will be snatched away and that dollar will not be there to spend. Please don't let this re-zoning happen to the neighbors at 27th and Old Cheney.

Thank you for your consideration on your vote.

Carol Swanson
Southwood Property Owner
Mary M. Meyer

Subject: FW: Rzoning of 27th and Old Cheney

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As a resident of Southwood for over 20 years we are very disappointed in Assurity in wanting to get this area zoned. When we moved into this area there was and still is a nice office building located here and we expected to have it remain as long as we lived here.

There are several concerns that we have with this project, one being the water retention pond where it is located and no protection for the children in this area. We were told that the water could be as deep as 5’ and with residential area withing 100’s of feet, with a 5’ deep pond just where do you think the kids will go after a rain? Will you all attend the funeral???????

Dumping traffic from a retail area into a residential area. Children from Ruth Hill School walk to and from school in this area. If the re=zoning is approved I would hope that you would have only one entry from Canibury, and that one being the one furthermore to the north and that will get traffic to the light on Jameson N faster.

This area is one of the highest accident areas of the city. Now we are planning to have car, trucks and semi’s exiting onto 27th street to go north, and onto Old Cheney going East with no traffic lights? Will you go to the funerals????????

What is to assure that in the future we will not have strip Club, firearm stores, or other high risk stores on this corner? That would really help our property values, Well at least our taxes would go done a little.

We feel that the re=zoning of this corner is bad for the city and out community.

We do hope you will reject this zoning change and leave it as it is.

Remember we are all people that vote to.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jon and Barb Ludwig
2402 Jameson S.
Lincoln NE  68512

phone 402-440-0024
To: "Jonathan A. Cook" <jcook@lincoln.ne.gov>

Subject: Re-zoning 27th & Old Cheney

Dear Mr. Cook,

I would like to express my deep concerns about the proposal to re-zone the Southwood area, particularly the proposal to re-zone for the northwest corner of S. 27th and Old Cheney for the benefit of a chain retailer and yet more retail space that will go unused. Lincoln has plenty of unoccupied retail spaces available to merchants. There’s no reason to increase this by re-zoning our beautiful, quiet neighborhood.

Here are some facts that I would have you consider before making any rash decisions:

1. A zoning change to a high-volume/high-risk retail store will never be reversed if you approve this. There’s no going back. The Southwood neighborhood DOES NOT want to see this happen.
2. There are already 8 pharmacies only minutes away from this neighborhood. In fact, there’s a CVS pharmacy just 2 miles from this neighborhood. Is another pharmacy really that critical to this neighborhood? I confidently say NO.
3. Building a strip mall with a large parking lot in this area will cause environmental changes that will result in unsafe conditions for our children (run-off cells that create drowning hazards and breeding grounds for insects such as mosquitoes that carry disease).
4. Having this sort of retail operation in our neighborhood will decrease the value of the Southwood homes, homes that people purchased knowing that they were choosing a location that would retain its value and give them a safe place to raise their families.
5. Having a high volume business in our neighborhood has great potential to increase traffic on our neighborhood side streets, making conditions riskier for our younger children who are not as aware of traffic safety and who have to walk to and from school.
6. This development conflicts with Lincoln’s approved plan for future building. Reversing directions now is just wrong and unethical.

As a citizen who votes in every election, pays my taxes promptly, believes in ethical and purposeful long-term planning, I implore you to make the right decision on this proposal. Do not allow this re-zoning of Southwood to occur. The only entity who will truly benefit from it is the corporation who builds here. The hundreds of families that have lived in Southwood and raised their children here will see no benefit whatsoever. Let CVS find a spot that’s already zoned for them. Don’t let them ruin our neighborhood. I’m counting on you to make the right decision.

Lori Straatmann
5411 Canterbury Lane

Engineering Dean's Office, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Subject: Assurity and CVS

My husband and I live in the Southwood neighborhood of Lincoln. We have recently learned about Assurity’s and CVS’s plans to build a box store, strip mall and extensive parking on the NW corner of 27th & Old Cheney Road. We strongly oppose these plans because of increased traffic on an already very busy street, as well as in our neighborhood, along with the unwanted increase in noise. This is already a very dangerous intersection. Several accidents have occurred at this intersection. We also believe we have enough pharmacies located near us. Please vote against this re-zoning that will allow these unwanted changes in our neighborhood.

Give them love. Keep them safe.
Pam Hoffman
www.sadiedogbook.com
Subject: Proposed re-zoning of 27th and Old Cheney  

November 11, 2010

Dear Honorable Members of the Lincoln City Council:

We have received a notice from the Southwood Association regarding a proposed rezoning of a property currently owned by Assurity at the northwest corner of 27th and Old Cheney. In the association notice is the indication that this property may be rezoned to accommodate not only a new CVS pharmacy, but also possible use of the property for a box store, strip mall, and extensive parking. As you know, the 27th and Old Cheney intersection is already a very busy intersection with morning and evening school and commuter traffic. Other times include large flows of traffic to and from the Southpoint shopping complex.

This rezoning could also influence the traffic on the nearby Canterbury Street within Southwood, which is currently a quiet residential drive. This would increase Canterbury traffic if the current Canterbury drive cut to the property is retained. Also, much of the Assurity property slopes northwest toward Canterbury and the Southwood residential area. Thus there would be significant runoff from the proposed parking areas into Southwood. We have noted that turf irrigation runoff from this property already winds up in Canterbury, and one can observe the damage to the pavement. This particular kind of zoning will also result in increased light and noise pollution for the residential area.

It was noted that there are already eight pharmacies within the area, including a CVS pharmacy at Edgewood. While we do not object to competition, the large number of large pharmacies in the area is already excessive. We should also consider protecting a locally owned pharmacy nearby. What also concerns us is the large number of partially empty existing commercial buildings in the area that could be used better.

We have lived in Southwood for 32 years. The Southwood abstract or covenant we received in 1978 particularly emphasizes the residential nature of the addition. In general, this location at 27th and Old Cheney is not a suitable commercial site for this venture. This location can not be compared as similar to the 48th and O street site, where a new CVS recently opened.

We therefore object to the rezoning change of the Assurity property at 27th and Old Cheney.

George and Lita Meyer                  2236 Heather Lane, Lincoln, NE 68512 423-3323
Subject: Re-zoning 27th & Old Cheney

Over 23 years ago, my husband and I bought our home in Southwood. There have been a lot of changes in Lincoln -- some good, some not so good.

Old Cheney, which was then a two-lane street, is now a multi-lane arterial. The intersection of 27th and Pine Lake was a small, almost rural, intersection; now it’s a major business intersection, flooded with lights, concrete and cars. The intersection of 27th and Yankee Hill was in the country; now it’s emulating 27th and Pine Lake, at least on the northeast and southeast corners.

Between 27th and Highway 2 and 27th and Yankee Hill, the intersection of 27th and Old Cheney is almost an oasis. The northeast corner is an undeveloped parcel adjacent to a fire station. The southeast corner abuts Seven Oaks subdivision. The northeast corner is a telephone building, surrounded by grass and trees. Just west of this building is the newly constructed CountryHouse, which, with its architecture, grass and trees, fits nicely into the adjacent neighborhoods. The northwest corner is the area being requested to be rezoned.

Currently, the northwest corner consists of an office building, grass and a significant number of mature trees. (We didn’t count the trees, but believe there are over two dozen of them.) The grass is regularly watered and maintained. There are minimal lights around the office building.

Twice each day we take our dog for a walk, often walking by the land being considered for rezoning. On any given day, it’s not uncommon to see people walking and playing with their dogs in this grassy area or children playing games. At night it’s a quiet, relatively dark piece of land. Rezoning and building as shown on the site plan will change all of that.

It appears that virtually all of the grass and trees will be bulldozed. (Interestingly, earlier this year we contacted Parks and Rec about having a Linden in our parkway removed. We were told that the policy in Lincoln, Tree City U.S.A., is not to “willy nilly” remove trees. Apparently that philosophy doesn’t apply if removal relates to commercial developments.) In any event, this green space will be replaced with a mostly barren, concrete slab, dotted with commercial buildings, presumably lit at night like every other strip mall in Lincoln.

We have looked at the website and know that there have been discussions about, and proposed changes relating to, access, landscaping, lighting with cutoff fixtures, and the location of any business that sells alcohol; however, we don’t believe any proposed changes address the real question -- Why does the corner need to be rezoned? (As an aside, does anyone really believe that the construction of all of those businesses with all of the adjacent parking spaces and two “full access” outlets onto Canterbury Lane will only result in an additional 26 cars, with 13 turning west and 13 turning north, or that those traveling east on Old Cheney won’t turn into Southwood, presumably onto The Knolls, to get to the businesses?)

Aren’t there enough properties in this part of town zoned to accommodate the proposed businesses? For example, the Williamsburg commercial area or the 27th and Pine Lake or 27th and Yankee Hill areas. In fact, there is a vacant strip mall near Kohl’s at 27th and Yankee Hill. We don’t believe a need exists adjacent to our neighborhood for the businesses the zone change. We are adequately served.

We ask that you not approve the proposed change of zoning. Please adhere to the existing zone plan. While we recognize there may be circumstances when existing zoning may not be appropriate, we don’t believe that is the case in this instance.

Respectfully,

Karen Merritt
5631 The Knolls
As a resident of Southwood since 1967, we object to the re-zoning of 27th and Old Cheney. We are proud of our neighborhood and how it has been developed over the years and don’t want to lose the uniqueness Southwood has. The current office building has a beautiful design and fits into our neighborhood very well. To now change the zoning to allow a box store, strip mall and extensive parking would be detrimental to the neighborhood and those who live here. It will decrease property values and potentially create other unsafe conditions, such as higher traffic, selling of alcohol, increased crime rates, rain run-off and brighter lighting in a residential neighborhood.

The intersection of 27th and Old Cheney is already experiencing high traffic. A higher volume of traffic has the potential to interfere with the response times of our fire station. There are 8 pharmacies within minutes of each other including another CVS within 2 miles so the need for another pharmacy at this corner is unnecessary.

This development conflicts with Lincoln’s approved plan for future building. Hundreds of families have moved into this neighborhood under the current zoning laws. Please do not change the zoning and allow this proposed development to go forward.

Shirley Daugherty
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Redundancy- There are 8 pharmacies in the general area.
Increased Traffic-Inappropriate for residential areas
Zoning Change is Final-Other high-risk retail stores can move in later without further approval
Decreased Home Values-Obvious damage to homeowners for future home sales
Other Unsafe Conditions-loitering encouraged, added congestion
Careless Planning-conflict with Lincoln’s approved plan for future development
Increased Crime-30 crimes within 1/4 mile of each current CVS pharmacy in Lincoln

Dell and Carole Smith
From: Deb Boehm <dboehm@Mapes.com>

Subject: RE-ZONING 27TH & OLD CHENEEY

Re-zoning Southwood is bad for our city and our community. CVS pharmacies just bring a bad reputation and have shown to increase crimes in the neighborhoods they are located. Why would you even consider them in any district? If you feel you want to cheapen and make an attractive area in Lincoln become anything but an attractive safe area, why would you even consider this! I assume the only reason is thinking this will bring in money. But seriously, with increased crime, traffic, and unsafe conditions, it will ultimately cause more expenses. And what is to gain when you decrease home values in this area!

We have 8 pharmacies currently only minutes away and another CVS pharmacy already only 2 miles away. Why can't CVS use other available spaces already zoned for its use?

Please reconsider your decision to re-zone 27th and Old Cheney!

Please put yourselves in our shoes, would you want this to happen in your neighborhood?

Thank you for your consideration.

Deb Boehm
2230 Heather Lane
Lincoln, NE  68512

This message has been scanned for malware by Websense. www.websense.com
This note is concerning the change in zoning at 27th and Old Cheney Rd. I think it is appalling that anyone would even entertain the idea of destroying the existing attractive piece of architecture for a CVS store and any other development that might follow with this change in zoning. How would any of you feel if you purchased a home in either the Southwood or th Knolls neighborhoods and then had some politicians decide that turning that nice corner into a commercial development was OK because it would somehow stimulate the economy in our city. Those residents in those neighborhoods must be livid at the thought of this zoning change going through. There are so many other better options for CVS stores in areas that already have suitable zoning. We are not going to lose those proposed stores to another city. Why would any of you council people even think of approving this zoning change. I hope to see you all voted against its approval. It is in the best interest of those neighborhoods and the whole city. Sincerely and best regards. Garry Zager
I do not support the re-zoning of the property at 27\textsuperscript{th} and Old Cheney to make room for a CVS pharmacy. Lincoln is currently littered with pharmacies on most major intersections. There is not a need for another pharmacy in this area.

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We need to keep our neighborhoods safe and maintain the property values of the families who live there.

Vote for the people. Vote “No” on November 12\textsuperscript{th}.

Thank you,

Janel and Jerry Fricke
402-326-0777
My name is Jennifer Hohensee and my family and I live in the Southwood neighborhood. I am e-mailing you because of my concern over the CVS pharmacy moving into the neighborhood. I believe that this would just add to the traffic that goes along Tipperary trail everyday. It is a busy street already due to Ruth Hill Elementary. I also know that there are SEVERAL pharmacies within 5 minutes of driving. I like the lawns of the current building. Lincoln has always been a place that focused on making our town look beautiful and another strip mall wouldn't do that. I really hope that you can take my and my neighbors concerns into your decision. Thanks for your time.

Jennifer Hohensee
Dear Sirs:

We are contacting you to express our opposition to the rezoning and development plans at the NW corner of 27th Street and Old Cheney. We are particularly concerned about the following:

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- Inevitable drop in property values of residential homes.
- Nebulous plans for other businesses that may be built in the rezoned area.

We respectfully request your vote of opposition to this proposed development.

Sincerely,

Ray and Wini Pierson
2505 Cheshire N
Lincoln, NE 68512-1212

thepipers55@windstream.net
I am a resident of Southwood and am respectfully voicing my opposition to the Re-Zoning of 27th and Old Cheney for a number of reasons including questioning the need for more pharmacies so close in proximity to each other, and increased traffic just to name a few.

I would like to see, instead, you focusing on the traffic problem in Lincoln, particularly the 27th street problem. You can not get north and south across this city! Just to quote someone else; "IF YOU WANT TO BE A BIG CITY; WIDEN YOUR STREETS!" The answer to the traffic problem is NOT more stop lights!

Wayne Vanek
2630 Cheshire Ct. S.
Lincoln, NE  68512
I am writing this note to voice my concern over the potential re-zoning of the NW corner of 27th and Old Cheney Road.

My wife and I have lived in the Southwood area for 17 years. We chose this particular location for a variety of reasons. We liked how well established it was ... Trees and yards were fully developed. It was very close to one of Lincoln’s best elementary schools ... Ruth Hill Elementary. There is easy access to bike and walking paths right out our front door. One of the biggest attractions was the limited amount of traffic that goes through the neighborhood. The few streets that give you access directly into the neighborhood don’t serve as good shortcuts to get anywhere else. If you enter Southwood ... Your destination is in Southwood. Being young parents this was very important to us. We appreciated the limited traffic that would be streaming through the neighborhood as our kids were outside playing.

We are very concerned that a redevelopment of the NW corner of 27th and Old Cheney would have serious negative impacts on our neighborhood and the quality of life we enjoy there. The mix of commercial businesses that are currently located at that corner are a decent match for the neighborhood. They generate a minimal amount of vehicle traffic, and they fit well within the Southwood neighborhood aesthetically (brick buildings, nicely kept lawns, minimal lighting in terms of signage and parking lots).

This re-zoning proposal would change all of that. We don’t need high volume retail space, and all of the headaches that come with it inside of Southwood. We have that available within a 5 minute drive in every direction. There are drug stores and other retail outlets all around us. Within that 5 minute drive you can find 2 Walgreen’s, 2 Shopko’s, a hardware store, a very established mall, every fast food restaurant you can think of. Why would we need to squeeze more of that into a quiet, established, and safe neighborhood. In addition this would open our neighborhood up to increased crime and unnecessary car traffic.

Please consider carefully the negative impact this re-zoning change will have on the Southwood neighborhood and the families that live there.

Rick and Darla Haugerud

2420 Cheshire South in Southwood
City Council,

I'm voicing my objection to the re-zoning of 27th & Old Cheney !!!!!!!!  This is Bad for the Southwood Neighborhood as well as UNFAIR !! People have moved into this area knowing that retail business will NOT Be Allowed .This zoning proposal is Not right for our neighborhood, and will have adverse affects on property, and crime rates, and water run offs as well as decrease the value of existing homes which no one will benefit from. If the City can Buy the Experian Building then there is NO EXCUSE they can't find use for the Assurity building !!! Maybe the CITY Of LINCOLN should FOCUS on Doing Good For the Citizens for which voted you into office instead of worried about GREED!!!!!
This Re-zoning is BAD for the Community and the City.  Step UP and DO Whats Right for the Community.NO RE-ZONING !!!

Thank You,
Kirk Janssen
2520 Winchester So.
Lincoln ,NE 68512
Over 23 years ago, my husband and I bought our home in Southwood. There have been a lot of changes in Lincoln -- some good, some not so good.

Old Cheney, which was then a two-lane street, is now a multi-lane arterial. The intersection of 27th and Pine Lake was a small, almost rural, intersection; now it’s a major business intersection, flooded with lights, concrete and cars. The intersection of 27th and Yankee Hill was in the country; now it’s emulating 27th and Pine Lake, at least on the northeast and southeast corners.

Between 27th and Highway 2 and 27th and Yankee Hill, the intersection of 27th and Old Cheney is almost an oasis. The northeast corner is an undeveloped parcel adjacent to a fire station. The southeast corner abuts Seven Oaks subdivision. The northeast corner is a telephone building, surrounded by grass and trees. Just west of this building is the newly constructed CountryHouse, which, with its architecture, grass and trees, fits nicely into the adjacent neighborhoods. The northwest corner is the area being requested to be rezoned.

Currently, the northwest corner consists of an office building, grass and a significant number of mature trees. (We didn’t count the trees, but believe there are over two dozen of them.) The grass is regularly watered and maintained. There are minimal lights around the office building.

Twice each day we take our dog for a walk, often walking by the land being considered for rezoning. On any given day, it’s not uncommon to see people walking and playing with their dogs in this grassy area or children playing games. At night it’s a quiet, relatively dark piece of land. Rezoning and building as shown on the site plan will change all of that.

It appears that virtually all of the grass and trees will be bulldozed. (Interestingly, earlier this year we contacted Parks and Rec about having a Linden in our parkway removed. We were told that the policy in Lincoln, Tree City U.S.A., is not to “willy nilly” remove trees. Apparently that philosophy doesn’t apply if removal relates to commercial developments.) In any event, this green space will be replaced with a mostly barren, concrete slab, dotted with commercial buildings, presumably lit at night like every other strip mall in Lincoln.

We have looked at the website and know that there have been discussions about, and proposed changes relating to, access, landscaping, lighting with cutoff fixtures, and the location of any business that sells alcohol; however, we don’t believe any proposed changes address the real question -- Why does the corner need to be rezoned? (As an aside, does anyone really believe that the construction of all of those businesses with all of the adjacent parking spaces and two “full access” outlets onto Canterbury Lane will only result in an additional 26 cars, with 13 turning west and 13 turning north, or that those traveling east on Old Cheney won’t turn into Southwood, presumably onto The Knolls, to get to the businesses?)

Aren’t there enough properties in this part of town zoned to accommodate the proposed businesses? For example, the Williamsburg commercial area or the 27th and Pine Lake or 27th and Yankee Hill areas. In fact, there is a vacant strip mall near Kohl’s at 27th and Yankee Hill. We don’t believe a need exists adjacent to our neighborhood for the businesses requesting the zone change. We are adequately served.

We ask that you not approve the proposed change of zoning. Please adhere to the existing zone plan. While we recognize there may be circumstances when existing zoning may not be appropriate, we don’t believe that is the case in this instance.

Respectfully,
Karen Merritt
5631 The Knolls
I am writing to say that I disagree with the planning to rezone 27th and Old Cheney. There is no reason for another pharmacy to be placed here along with buildings that I am sure will sit vacant for years. Lincoln has enough vacant buildings as is and there are already enough pharmacies in the area along with a CVS 5 minutes away at most.

That intersection is already bad enough with traffic and congestion, you don't need to make it worse. Just from a safety standpoint, this shouldn't be done because accidents are going to increase here and its obviously not worth it for that reason alone. Instead of adding more useless buildings, work the city's roads. Work on widening 27th from Hwy 2 to South St. This bottle neck needs to be fixed, along with fixing the overall conditions of the streets in this city. Please consider this when voting whether or not to move forward with this rezoning.

Thank you,

Jonathan Zarnick
Hello,

It has recently come to my attention the proposal to re-zone the Northwest Corner of 27th and Old Cheney to accommodate a CVS Pharmacy. As a resident of Southwood, I respectfully decline the proposal. I am asking that you withdraw the proposal and re-evaluate in the future.

Thank you,
Crystal Collins
Council members:

I am emailing you regarding my great concern over the re-zoning on 27th & Old Cheney. I am adamantly opposed to any sort of strip mall or CVS pharmacy at this corner. I live extremely close to this corner and own a home in this neighborhood. Re-zoning this area will only cause numerous issues with safety, decreasing home values, and increase crime. In addition to these issues, there is no turning back if re-zoning is allowed. Any type of business whether now or 20 years from now will be allowed to open up shop. Do we really want to open this can of worms to any liquor store, bar, gun shop, or other undesirables in this nice, quiet, well established existing neighborhood? I know I DO NOT! Lincoln is a growing city. Let CVS go elsewhere. We've already got Walgreens in places extremely close and have a brand new mall just down the street with many amenities. Not to mention shopping strips near 33rd and Old Cheney with all different sorts of businesses from gas stations to drug stores to grocery stores to restaurants to clothing to tanning to insurance. I say NO to this poor planning and put CVS somewhere else! Don't ruin our nice safe city of Lincoln by letting some large corporation come in to an existing neighborhood, ruin it, and leave when it's not making enough money to stay afloat.....and leaving all the residents to pay the hefty price tag in it's empty space left behind. Enough is enough. If Lincoln needs money...maybe they should've tried harder to keep high school state tournaments to bring in revenue or try harder to keep the state fair in the state's capital city to earn revenue. Regardless of the reasoning, I'm a home owner in this neighborhood and I say 'absolutely not' to the rezoning of 27th & Old Cheney. CVS can go somewhere else. City council is there to fight for the people and I hope you hear our cry and vote this down.

Sincerely,
Janelle
Council Members:

RE: Re-zoning 27th & Old Cheney

I live a short distance from said location. It is a busy intersection already, but quite safe. Please do NOT approve the re-zoning of this area for retail use!!!

Just how close to each other do we need to locate retail businesses???

From said location there are already FOUR retail areas approximately 1 mile in each direction. Is Lincoln’s priority to have closely spaced areas for retail businesses in place of safe, enjoyable neighborhoods for residents?

PLEASE do NOT spoil our residential neighborhoods!!!!

Most sincerely,
Doris Chaney
2425 Cheshire N
Lincoln, NE 68512
Mary M. Meyer

From: dmblank@windstream.net
Sent: Saturday, November 13, 2010 6:34 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Re-zoning 27th & Old Cheney

Dear council

We are long-term Southwood residents--34 years. This neighborhood has been a safe and wonderful location for family, school, and church. Added during that time were two banks/office buildings.

We strongly oppose the re-zoning to allow the CVS and strip mall for the following reasons: increased crime, increased traffic, and decreased home values. The safe and wonderful location for family, school, and church would be entirely changed if this re-zoning would take place.

Denis and Marietta Blank
2451 Winchester South
Lincoln, NE 68512
Re-zoning Southwood is bad for our city and our community. CVS pharmacies just bring a bad reputation and have shown to increase crimes in the neighborhoods they are located. Why would you even consider them in any district? If you feel you want to cheapen and make an attractive area in Lincoln become anything but an attractive safe area, why would you even consider this! I assume the only reason is thinking this will bring in money. But seriously, with increased crime, traffic, and unsafe conditions, it will ultimately cause more expenses. And what is to gain when you decrease home values in this area!

We have 8 pharmacies currently only minutes away and another CVS pharmacy already only 2 miles away. Why can't CVS use other available spaces already zoned for its use?

Please reconsider your decision to re-zone 27th and Old Cheney!

Please put yourselves in our shoes, would you want this to happen in your neighborhood?

Thank you for your consideration.

Deb Boehm
2230 Heather Lane
Lincoln, NE  68512
Dear Sir / Ma’am,

As a Southwood neighborhood resident I want like to express my disapproval of any re-zoning or zoning change to the Southwood neighborhood: i.e. the northwest corner of S 27th street and Old Cheney Road.

Regards,

James K. Hinrichs
2531 County Down Ct.
Lincoln, NE  68512
Home phone: (402) 421-2694
E-mail: jkhinrichs@windstream.net
Dear Council Members,

I sent you all separate letters with my concerns of rezoning and have asked that you not rezone. Today I am unable to attend the meeting but wanted to let you know that I will be watching and waiting to see what happens at this meeting. There are lots of people in the neighborhood who have children they have to pick up from school or jobs that don't allow them to come to meetings. So please consider that when you look and see maybe only a dozen or so there many more are wishing they could be. I would be there but I have family obligations. (That is why I have attended neighborhood meetings and written letters to get my opinion directly heard.) REMEMBER this affects not only the Southwood neighborhood but all of south Lincoln and those who travel this busy section of the city. Be realistic, unlike the traffic studies and the developers, people will cut through this neighborhood to use this property. This change in zoning will cause more accidents at this intersection as well. (Like the one that happened on Friday of last week at rush hour.)

We did not buy houses in a quiet, settled neighborhood to have development such as a strip mall. (This was fought out years ago and the city paid not to have it zoned retail in the settlement made in the Supreme Court with the oil company wanting a gas station there.) The developers using examples that this will be like a Clocktower shopping mall are not good. That land is different than this site in so many ways—the housing is set back farther, the streets more accommodating, and it has seen many changes in the years and lots of empty sites. It also was developed during the period the area was developed. (I grew up in that area and have lived in Lincoln all my life so I am using experience here. I didn't shop there either—went to what was then Gateway. Kind of like today I will go to SouthPointe or shopping with more concentration of businesses over a strip mall.) At the proposed site now there are existing offices/church that all ready line this street. The comment by developers in the paper today about the neighborhood using the CVS if it is built and any other retail is not totally true. If the Developers, the owners of the property—Assurity, and CVS would have asked ahead of time they too would have known the use of their property would drop and the neighbors did not want this change. If they remodeled/rebuilt an office building now—that might get use if the tenants were user friendly. The developers do not live in the neighborhood. I can only speak for myself but have heard others comment as I feel—my family will not shop there. I don't presently shop at CVS and this will not change. I will not shop any other shops the owners put in either. I will drive past to a farther site if needed. I don't want to see empty store fronts. This is ruining an established neighborhood. Where does Development for the cash flow stop?????? Is any neighborhood safe. More empty buildings is not development.

DO NOT REZONE!!!!!!!

There in spirit and thought,

Marche’ Cepure
2427 Jameson North
Present: John Spatz, Chair  
      Gene Carroll, Vice Chair  
      Jayne Snyder  
      Jon Camp  
      Adam Hornung  
      Jonathan Cook  
      Doug Emery  

Others: Joan Ross, City Clerk  
      Rod Confer, City Attorney  
      Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff  
      Niles Ford, Fire Chief  

Chair Spatz opened the meeting at 2:05 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meeting Law.

I. CITY CLERK  
Ross stated the Mayor’s Award of Excellence is first on the agenda. She then said which agenda items would be called together. There is a Motion to Amend, on Items 12 and 15. Ross added on Item 14 Loren Wismer will distribute a substitute ordinance.

II. MAYOR  
Hoppe stated during budget discussion this year we agreed to explore different marketing agreements, with firms in the municipalities, as a way to generate revenue. Examples would be advertising on a bus, or using utility bills to send an advertisement. After issuing the RFP had five good proposals, narrowed to two, and will interview Friday. This hopefully will generate a contract, and will be in front of Council within weeks, as we budgeted money for this endeavor.

Hoppe stated shortly we should be seeing the ordinances concerning the biennial budget. Want to make sure Council reviews in order to discuss which process to use, starting in 2012.

He stated there are plans to add an addition to Fire Station 8 which will go through the Planning Commission and be added to the CIP. They need a new bay, as now it houses an engine and a ladder truck. The work that the GIS and the Fire Department has done demonstrates the ambulance should be located at this facility. Chief Ford stated he received an update and Station 8 is in the CIP planning revisions.

1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler and Public Works and Utilities representatives will hold a news conference on Tuesday, November 9th, 10:00 a.m. in the Mayor’s Conference Room, 555 S. 10th Street, to discuss improvements to the City’s snow operations plan.
2. NEWS RELEASE. City has new tools to handle winter weather.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Deadline is Monday, November 15th for Artistic Birdhouse applications.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Time running out to make recycling pledge.

No comments

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY  
1. Emergency meeting of the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency.
No comment
DIRECTORS:

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
1. Email from Scott Keene, Ameritas, in response to Councilman Camp’s questions.
   No comment

HEALTH DEPARTMENT
1. Board of Health meeting minutes of October 12, 2010.
   No comment

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Administrative Amendment No. 10060, to Special Permit No. 10001, for historic preservation of the Tuttle-Schaup House approved by the Planning Director on November 4, 2010.
2. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce letter to the Planning Department on LPlan 2040 Growth Scenarios.
   No comment

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
1. Meeting agenda for Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Lincoln Parks Foundation Board of Directors on Thursday, November 18, 2010.
   No comment

URBAN DEVELOPMENT
1. Memo to City Council from David Landis regarding presenting Block 38 at the pre-council on Monday, with question from Councilwoman Jayne Snyder.
   No comment

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

JONATHAN COOK
1. Correspondence from David & Elaine Dirksen in opposition to the proposed building of a CVS pharmacy on the corner of 27th and Old Cheney.
2. mail from David Harms opposed to the rezoning of 27th Street and Old Cheney Road and a CVS pharmacy moving into this area.
3. Email from Bill and Judy Wertz stating reasons for opposing the proposed rezoning of 27th and Old Cheney Road.
4. Email from Paul Horton giving his reasons to vote against the proposal to rezone Southwood.
   No comment

IV. MISCELLANEOUS
None

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
A. Emails from constituents opposed to the rezoning of 27th Street and Old Cheney Road listing reasons such as: increased traffic, decreased home values, too many pharmacies in area now, open retail space throughout Lincoln, numerous young families with children in the neighborhood, now have a
safe environment, area does not need further business saturation, not informed in timely manner, elementary school extremely close, do not want business that sells alcohol and tobacco near school, Assurity, CVS Pharmacy & developers will make millions at the neighborhood’s expense, increased crime, nursing home very close, this intersection is dangerous for bikers, close daycare center, fire station on 27th Street -

and received from:
1. Ron Suing, President of the Southwood Neighborhood Association
2. Jason and Sarah Opp
3. Bev Taylor
4. Mickey Scheidt
5. Arthur and Si-Man Ma
6. Christopher and Madea Ouellette
7. Dale and Jean Piper
8. Noemie Ackermann Sherdon
9. Ruth Foster
10. Marche’ Cepure (Individual letter to each Council member)
11. Wilma Ackermann
12. Elizabeth Wilson
13. M. Christensen

B. Telephone messages received in opposition to the proposed rezoning of 27th Street and Old Cheney Road from:
1. Rollan Bretos
2. Merna Meter
3. Jan Simodynes
4. Janice Barr
5. Ruth Foster
6. Elvera and Lavaughn Leopold
7. Rita Kradle
8. Jim and Linda Egger

C. InterLinc correspondence from Lee Lamson. What is the wheel tax monies used for? Do not see improvements in city streets.

No comment

VI. COUNCIL MEMBERS
Hornung  No comment
Snyder  No comment
Carroll  No comment
Camp  No comment
Emery  No comment
Cook  No comment
Spatz  No comment

VII. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Spatz adjourned the meting at 2:10 p.m.