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RESERVATIONS DUE WEDNESDAY FOR MAYOR’S ARTS AWARDS

The Lincoln Arts Council (LAC) has extended the reservation deadline to 5 p.m. Wednesday, June 5 for the 2013 Mayor's Arts Awards. The event is set for Wednesday, June 12 at the Lied Center for Performing Arts. Ticket information is available by visiting artscene.org, calling 402-543-4ARTS (2787) or e-mailing mayorsartsawards@artscene.org.

The event includes a reception at 5:30 p.m., dinner catered by the Venue and the awards ceremony at 7:15 p.m. Tickets are $50 each ($25 is tax deductible), and tables of eight and ten are available. Event sponsors include the James C. and Rhonda Seacrest Foundation, and video sponsors are U.S. Property and Grand Manse, Liberty First Credit Union, Steve Wake and Jerry and Annette Hall.

2013 award winners include the following:

- The **Mayor's Choice Award** will be presented to the late blues artist Morris “Magic Slim” Holt. The award is sponsored by Cline, Williams, Wright, Johnson & Oldfather L.L.P.
- The **Richard Hay Arts Organization Award** will be presented to the Nebraska Brass. The award recognizes an arts group that has made significant contributions to Lincoln's arts community over a period of years and is provided through a bequest to the LAC from the late Dr. Richard Hay.
- The **Outstanding Event Award** will be presented to “Gods of the Prairies,” a production of the Colonel Mustard Amateur Attic Theatre Company. The award recognizes a performance, exhibition, event or project in the previous year that will be notable in the community memory for years to come. The award is sponsored by Joe and Judye Ruffo.
- The **Artistic Achievement Award - Visual Arts** will be presented to abstract painter Marjorie Mikasen. The award recognizes excellence and accomplishment in any of the visual arts and is sponsored by Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital.
- The **Artistic Achievement Award - Performing Arts** will be presented to actress Pippa White. The award recognizes excellence and accomplishment in any of the performing arts and is sponsored by Farmers Mutual Insurance Company of Nebraska.
- The **Artistic Achievement Award - Youth** will be presented to actor and singer Alex Wooten, a Lincoln Southeast student. The award recognizes excellence and accomplishment in any arts discipline by a young person age 18 or younger and is sponsored by Runza® Restaurants.
The Gladys Lux Education Award will be presented to retired UNL piano teacher Joan Reist. The award recognizes special initiatives in or dedication to arts education and is endowed by the Gladys Lux Foundation.  

The Heart of the Arts Award will be presented to Jean Martin, the “artist in residence” at the Legacy Estates. This award recognizes individuals or organizations for outstanding volunteer dedication to the arts or for making a major overall impact on the arts in Lincoln. The award is sponsored by Talent Plus, Inc.  

The Haleyon Allsman Benefactor of the Arts Award will be presented to Russ’s Market. The award honors an individual, family, organization or business for making significant financial contributions to the arts in Lincoln. The award is co-sponsored by Cornhusker Bank and the Near South Neighborhood Association. Both sponsors also are providing tickets to the awards event for participants in the LAC’s Artists in Schools and Communities program.  

The Lincoln Community Foundation Arts for Kids Award will be presented to the Lincoln Community Learning Centers for the Science of Sound program. The award honors an individual or organization from outside of the arts professions whose leadership has enhanced arts activities and experiences for children. It is sponsored by the Lincoln Community Foundation.  

The ArtScene Backstage Award will be presented to Morrie Enders, Executive Director of the Lincoln Community Playhouse, for extraordinary service to the arts through behind-the-scenes efforts. It is sponsored by A to Z Printing.  

The Literary Heritage Award will be presented to photographer and author Joel Sartore. The award recognizes a writer or an individual or group who promotes excellence in writing and literature in Nebraska and is sponsored by the Nebraska Literary Heritage Association.  

The Urban Design Committee has awarded the Enersen Urban Design Award to the Antelope Valley Project and its three major partners – the City of Lincoln, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District. The award is sponsored by Clark Enersen Partners.  

The Kimmel Foundation Emerging Artist Awards will be presented to Jordan Buschur and Rebecca Reinecke. The award includes a $1,000 stipend and a residency at the Kimmel Harding Nelson Center for the Arts. It is sponsored by the Richard P. Kimmel and Laurine Kimmel Charitable Foundation.  

This year's award is being created by Lora Rocke, who creates quilted portraits.  

Additional support for the Mayor's Arts Awards is provided by Ann Rawley and Larry and Nancy Bird.  

The public is encouraged to submit names of members of the Lincoln arts community who have died since the last awards ceremony in June 2012 for memorial recognition at the awards event.  

Information can be sent to mayorsartsawards@artscene.org.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 3, 2013
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Vicki Wood, Lincoln City Libraries, 402-441-8565

TWO LIBRARY PROGRAMS BEGIN TUESDAY

The public is invited to participate in the “Read to a Dog” program offered by Lincoln City Libraries and Healing Heart Therapy Dogs, a local therapy dog organization. The program provides an opportunity for children ages 6 to 12 to practice their reading by reading aloud to a dog. Therapy teams are partnered with children who read to a dog in 15- to 20-minute shifts. The program is offered at following locations and times:

- Gere Branch Library (20-minute shifts), 2400 S. 56th St., 10:30 a.m. to noon Tuesdays in June and July; and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays June 5, and 19, July 10, and 24 and August 7.
- Walt Branch Library (15-minute shifts), 6701 S. 14th St., 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. Saturdays June 15 and 29 and July 27.

The Bethany Branch Library, 1810 North Cotner Blvd., will offer Toddler Time from 10:30 to 10:50 a.m. Tuesdays June 4 through July 30. Toddler Time is for children 18 to 36 months and their parents or caregivers. During Toddler Time, a librarian reads aloud and leads adult-child pairs in activities. Toddler Time also supports early literacy by building vocabulary and sharing age-appropriate literature in an atmosphere of fun, engaging activity.

No preregistration is required for these programs. For more information on Lincoln City Libraries, visit lincolnlibraries.org.

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NEWS MEDIA ADVISORY – FOR COVERAGE PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY

EPA Officials to Visit Lincoln, Neb., on June 5 for Presentation of $400,000 Brownfields Grants for West Haymarket Project

Contact Information: Kris Lancaster, (office) 913-551-7557; (cell) 816-518-2795; lancaster.kris@epa.gov

(Lenexa, Kan., June 3, 2013) – National and regional EPA officials will visit Lincoln, Neb., on Wednesday, June 5, to present $400,000 in EPA Brownfields grants to representatives of the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency. These grants will provide key funding for the cleanup of hazardous substances at two former commercial properties that will be revitalized as part of Lincoln’s West Haymarket Redevelopment Project.

The two grants, totaling $400,000, are part of more than $4.5 million in funding provided to nine cities and two state agencies in EPA Region 7 by EPA’s Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund and Cleanup (ARC) Grants program.

EPA officials will make a ceremonial grants presentation to representatives of the West Haymarket JPA at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 5, at Iron Horse Park, at 7th and Q Streets, in Lincoln.

The West Haymarket JPA, a governmental agency formed by the City of Lincoln and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, will use the funds to clean up hazardous substances at the former Scrap Metal Recycling Facility at 550 N Street, and the Jaylynn Former Manufactured Gas Plant and Lumber Yard at 660 N Street.

The former scrap metal recycling facility also has been used for bulk oil storage and railroad operations, and is contaminated with volatile organic compounds, heavy metals, and PCBs. The former manufactured gas plant site also has been used as a lumber yard and scrap metal recycling facility, and is contaminated with volatile organic compounds and heavy metals.

WHO: Mathy Stanislaus, Assistant Administrator for EPA’s Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER); EPA Region 7 Administrator Karl Brooks; Lincoln Mayor Chris Beutler; Tim Clare, Vice Chair of the University of Nebraska Board of Regents

WHAT: Presentation of $400,000 from EPA’s Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund and Cleanup (ARC) Grants program to the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency

WHEN: 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Central Time, Wednesday, June 5, 2013

WHERE: Iron Horse Park, 7th and Q Streets, Lincoln, Neb. 68508
(In case of rain, this event will be moved indoors to the PC Sports Office, 311 North 8th Street.)

The West Haymarket Redevelopment Project encompasses 400 acres of blighted and underutilized property that lies on the western edge of Lincoln’s downtown and Haymarket district. Centered around the new 16,000-seat multi-purpose Pinnacle Bank Arena, which is
scheduled to open this fall, the project will also include new hotels, a community plaza, and retail, office and residential space.

EPA’s Brownfields ARC Grants target areas of communities where environmental cleanups and new jobs are most needed to facilitate redevelopment. Communities like Lincoln use ARC Grants to conduct environmental assessments, cleanup planning, cleanups and community outreach.

Brownfields are defined as those properties whose expansion, redevelopment, or reuse may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. Brownfields sites include all "real property," including residential, commercial and industrial properties. It is estimated that there are more than 450,000 brownfields in the U.S. Cleaning up and reinvesting in these properties increases local tax bases, facilitates job growth, utilizes existing infrastructure, takes development pressures off of undeveloped, open land, and both improves and protects the environment.

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Learn more about the West Haymarket Redevelopment Project: http://www.haymarketnow.com/

Learn more about EPA Region 7’s Brownfields Program: http://www.epa.gov/region7/cleanup/brownfields/index.htm

Connect with EPA Region 7 on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/eparegion7
LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
3140 “N” St., Lincoln, NE 68510, 402-441-8000

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 6, 2013
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Dan N. King, Environmental Health Specialist, 402-441-8084

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION
SET FOR JUNE 14

Lincoln and Lancaster County residents are encouraged to clean out unwanted chemicals by bringing their household hazardous waste to a collection event from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, June 14 at Union College, 52nd Street and Cooper Avenue.

This is the last household hazardous waste collection of the spring. The next collection is not until August 24, so residents are encouraged to safely dispose of excess and unwanted items now.

Accepted items include pesticides, paint thinners, stains, polishes and waxes, turpentine, oil-based paint, pool cleaning chemicals, flea and tick powders, rodent poison, charcoal starter fluids, mixed or old gasoline, mercury-containing items, upholstery cleaners, CFLs, grease removers and brake or power steering fluids. A complete list of accepted items is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: household).

Items NOT accepted include latex paint, motor oil, gas grill cylinders, pharmaceutical waste, electronics and batteries. For information on recycling these and other materials, check the “Guide to Recycling” at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: recycle).

The event, sponsored by the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, is for households only. Business waste will not be accepted.

Participants should take care to safely transport products to the collection. Products should be in their original containers, protected from potential spillage during transport and placed away from the passenger area of the vehicle.

LLCHD household hazardous waste collections are partially funded by a grant from the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality.
Dear Mr. Stege: Councilmember Emery shared your recent message regarding mowing of the area along the Murdock Trail east of 70th Street. Chris Myers, the Northeast District Park Supervisor, reports that the area behind your home was mowed late yesterday afternoon. The "long grass" areas along this section of the Murdock Trail will be mowed for the first time this season soon thereafter.

Over the past decade we've transitioned to a mowing policy that includes allowing for grasses in some lower use areas of parks and along trails to grow longer. We designate these areas as "long grass". They are mowed one to three times per year, and we work to keep weeds and volunteer trees under control. Over time we plan for many of the long grass areas to be seeded to native prairie grasses and wildflowers. Implementation of long grass areas as part of our mowing program has a number of benefits including reduced fuel consumption, reduced labor costs, added diversity of landscape areas within parks, and assistance stabilizing drainage channels and protecting storm water quality. An area about 15 to 20 feet in width along adjoining privately owned properties is mowed on about a 14 day cycle.

Long grass areas have been established in about 2/3's of Lincoln's parks. Additional information regarding long grass maintenance is available on the City website at parks.lincoln.ne.gov, click "parks & facilities", click "Parks", click "Long Grass Maintenance Areas".

As you probably know, the area along the Murdock Trail east of 70th Street is very wide - between 100 and 180 feet. An area on each side of the trail, as well as a strip bordering the residential properties is mowed on about a 14-day cycle. The remainder of the area has been designated as long grass because it is a low use area.

I would be happy to talk with you about the mowing plan for the area behind your house. Please phone me at 402-441-8265, if you'd like.

Sincerely,
Lynn Johnson
Parks and Recreation Director
Memorandum

Date:       June 4, 2013
To:         City Clerk
From:       Teresa McKinstry, Planning Dept.
Re:         Administrative Approvals
cc:         Jean Preister

This is a list of the administrative approvals by the Planning Director from May 28, 2013 through June 3, 2013:

**Administrative Amendment No. 13030** to Use Permit No. 57D, Lincoln Crossing, approved by the Planning Director on May 30, 2013, requested by Empire Brands, Inc., to revise the lot layout for an area between North Hill Rd. and Folkways Blvd. and to revise the Building and Parking Stall Summary on property generally located at N. 27th St. and Superior Rd.

**Administrative Amendment No. 13024** to Use Permit No. 125, The Preserve on Antelope Creek, approved by the Planning Director on May 31, 2013, requested by MBRBS, LLC, to revise the lot layout and to increase the total allowed floor area within the use permit by approximately 7% from 81,900 square feet to 87,100 square feet, and to amend the site notes accordingly on property generally located near Pioneers Blvd. and Lucille Dr.
NOTICE OF SOUTH BELTWAY PUBLIC MEETING

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR), the City of Lincoln, and Lancaster County will hold a public open house regarding the development of the Lincoln South Beltway Project, south of the City of Lincoln, Lancaster County. The meeting will be held at the Lincoln Southwest High School, 7001 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE, Tuesday, June 25, 2013, 4:00-7:00 P.M.

See attached notice and go to the Nebraska Department of Roads web page for more information.

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS
NOTICE OF HIGHWAY PUBLIC MEETING

Tues., June 25, 2013; 4:00 – 7:00 PM
Project Development Open House Workshop
Lincoln Southwest High School, 7001 South 14th St., Lincoln, Nebraska

DPU-LIN-2-6(120) Lincoln South Beltway; CN 12578D

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR), the City of Lincoln, and Lancaster County will hold a public open house regarding the development of the south beltway project, south of the City of Lincoln, Lancaster County. The meeting will be held at the Lincoln Southwest High School, 7001 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE, Tuesday, June 25, 2013, 4:00-7:00 P.M.

Identified as Lincoln South Beltway, the proposed project would begin on Nebraska Highway 2 (N-2) at South 148th Street, diverge at the intersection of South 120th Street, and run south of Saltillo Road, proceeding west to U.S. Highway 77 (US-77) between Saltillo Road and Bennet Road. This new four-lane divided roadway would allow N-2 traffic to reach US-77 as an alternate route for local, regional, and interstate traffic traveling around the City of Lincoln; the road would improve traffic flow and reduce conflicts and congestion throughout the area.

Originally conceived in the 1970s, the Lincoln Beltway System concept has undergone a number of variations. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the south and east beltway system concepts was approved in 2002 with the City of Lincoln as the lead agency. NDOR project refinements progressed until 2006 on the south beltway when the development was placed on hold. The south beltway project was shelved in 2008 due to lack of a foreseeable funding source.

The NDOR has now been provided state funding which, coupled with federal and local assistance, makes development, design, and construction of the Lincoln South Beltway possible. A design consultant has been hired and preliminary engineering is currently underway. Additionally an Environmental Assessment (EA) study is in process to reevaluate the 2002 EIS. Funding will be available through the Build Nebraska Act as early as fiscal year 2020. The construction would take several years to complete.

The proposed project would require the purchase of new property rights. The existing N-2 roadway between approximately 120th Street and US-77 will be relinquished to Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln at the completion of the beltway construction; Nebraska Link 55W (L-55W) between US-77 and N-2 (also known as Warlick Boulevard and 14th Street) would also be relinquished to the City of Lincoln.

The public meeting is being held to gather information and comments. The proposed project is currently in the development phase. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant input. Personnel from NDOR and their consultants will be present to gather remarks and questions. The “open house” workshop format allows the public to gather pertinent information, speak one-on-one with project personnel, make comments, and leave as they wish.

NDOR will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by June 14, 2013. Written materials will be available in English, Spanish, Arabic, and Vietnamese in compliance with state and federal regulations; interpreters in those languages will be available at the meeting. Notification should be submitted to: Greg Weinert, Public Hearings Officer, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; greg.weinert@nebraska.gov; voice telephone (402) 479-4871, TDD telephone (402) 479-3834, Fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project is regularly updated on the NDOR website at www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/ at the “Lincoln South Beltway” link. For further information, contact Tom Goodbarn, NDOR District One Engineer, (402) 471-0850, thomas.goodbarn@nebraska.gov.
**Lancaster County Weed Control - City of Lincoln Weed Abatement**

**New “STOP WEED INVADERS” Billboard**

The **Lower Platte Weed Management Area (LPWMA)** recently put up a billboard in Lincoln.

The goal is to draw attention to noxious weeds across the state and encourage citizens to report the infestations. Previously a billboard was put up in Omaha and proved very successful.

The billboard is located at 12th and Cornhusker and is visible to eastbound traffic. It will remain up through August. Funding was provided by The Nebraska Environmental Trust.

The mission of the LPWMA is to improve the health of the riparian areas of the Lower Platte River for the benefit of the owners, users and general public by controlling and preventing all riparian plant invaders and improving stream flow capacity by managing the vegetation in the stream bed and on the banks.

Later this summer an aerial survey of Salt Creek in Lancaster County will be done for phragmites with funding provided by the LPWMA.

Many local, state and federal agencies are part of the LPWMA, working together to manage invasive species in the 10 county area.

Lancaster County has been a member of the LPWMA since it was organized in 2002.

**April showers bring May WEEDS!!!**

The weed control season is off to a booming start. Unfortunately that isn’t a good thing. A combination of drought from 2012 and rain in 2013 makes it a perfect storm for noxious weeds and overgrown grass to get off to a quick start. By the end of May our office had received 476 complaints from the public and has completed 1,487 inspections. Weed abatement in Lincoln has accounted for 857 inspections while noxious weeds accounted for another 630 inspections. We have already had to issue 197 legal notices requiring landowners to control their noxious weeds or mow their property.
Nebraska’s Noxious Weeds

It is the duty of each person who owns or controls land to effectively control noxious weeds on such land.

Noxious weed is a legal term used to denote a destructive or harmful weed for the purpose of regulation. The Director of Agriculture establishes which plants are noxious. These non-native plants compete aggressively with desirable plants and vegetation. Failure to control noxious weeds in this state is a welfare problem which is detrimental to the production of crops and livestock, and to the welfare of residents of this state. Noxious weeds may also devalue land and reduce tax revenue.

Musk Thistle
Height 1.5-3.5 ft

Canada Thistle
Height 1-3.5 ft

Plumeless Thistle
Height 1-4.5 ft

Phragmites
Height 3.2-20 ft

Leafy Spurge
Height 3-2.5 ft

Sericea Lespedeza
Height 1.5-6.5 ft

Japanese Knotweed
Height 3-10 ft

Giant Knotweed
Height 8-15 ft

Purple Loosestrife
Height 1.3-8 ft

Saltcedar
Height 3.3-20 ft

Spotted Knapweed
Height 1-3.5 ft

Diffuse Knapweed
Height 1-3.0 ft

Good Neighbors Control Their Weeds!

We're on the Web!
www.lancaster.ne.gov/weeds

Download to print from our website: weeds.lancaster.ne.gov
Media Release

To:          Media
CC:          Mayor's Office, Lincoln City Council
From:        Lori Seibel, President/CEO, 402-436-5516
Community Health Endowment
Date:        June 5, 2013
Re:          CHE Annual Meeting with the Community

Community Health Endowment Annual Meeting
To Feature Doctor of the Future, Jay Parkinson, MD, MPH

The Community Health Endowment's Annual Meeting with the Community will be at Bryan Medical Center, Bryan East Campus, Plaza Conference Center, 1500 S. 48th Street, on June 12, 2013 at 3:00 pm. This year’s meeting will feature Jay Parkinson, MD, MPH. Fast Company has called him the "Doctor of the Future" and one of the "Top 10 most creative people in health care," and Esquire called him one of the "Best and Brightest Radicals and Rebels Who are Changing the World." Visit www.jayparkinsonmd.com to learn more about Parkinson and his innovative approach to health care delivery.

The Annual Meeting will also feature the presentation of the annual Horizon and Closing the Gap Awards. This event is free and open to the public. Please register to attend at http://cheannualmeeting2013.eventbrite.com/ or call 402-436-5516.

Dr. Jay Parkinson is available for interview and comment prior to the event. Please contact CHE for information.
InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

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City: Lincoln, NE 68521

Phone: 402-476-3079
Fax: 
Email: searsman55@aol.com

Comment or Question:
when is the city of Lincoln going to fix some sidewalks? If their isn't money for sidewalk repair then how are all the other projects being funded?
DIRECTORS’ AGENDA
ADDENDUM
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2013

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR & DIRECTORS’ CORRESPONDENCE

MAYOR
1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler’s public schedule for the week of Jun 8, 2013 through Jun 14, 2013.

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY
1. The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency will meet on Friday, June 14, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, room 112. Agenda and attachment online.

III. DIRECTORS

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
   a) Parks & Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of Thursday, May 9, 2013.
2. Reply from Lynn Johnson, Parks & Recreation Director to Mr. Kuenning regarding his correspondence of sidewalks obstructions.
   a) InterLinc correspondence from Gregg Kuenning of June 2, 2013.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Urban Design Committee meeting agenda for Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at the County/City Building, Room 214, at 3:00 p.m.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Delores Lintel’s email requesting support of the neighborhood revitalization efforts of the Urban Development Department and Neighborworks, Inc.
Date: June 7, 2013
Contact: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831

Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule
Week of June 8 through 14, 2013
Schedule subject to change

Monday, June 10
• Mayor’s Award of Excellence presentation - 3 p.m., Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.
• Mayor’s Neighborhood Roundtable meeting - 5:30 p.m., Mayor’s Conference Room, County-City Building

Tuesday, June 11
• Mayor’s Multicultural Advisory Committee meeting - 4 p.m., Mayor’s Conference Room
• Cleaver Brooks Charity Golf Outing for Heartland Big Brothers/Big Sisters, remarks and proclamation - 6 p.m., Firethorn Golf Club, 9301 Firethorn Lane

Wednesday, June 12
• Junior Achievement’s Spirit of Achievement Awards - 11:45 a.m., Cornhusker Marriott Hotel, 333 S. 13th St.
• University Place Farmers Market kickoff, remarks - 4 p.m., 48th and Madison streets (parking lot)
• 2013 Mayor’s Arts Awards, remarks - reception 5:30 p.m., ceremony 7:15 p.m., Lied Center, 301 N. 12th St.

Friday, June 14
• West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) public meeting - 3 p.m., room 303, County-City Building
Subject: West Haymarket JPA Meeting June 14, 2013

The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency will meet on Friday, **June 14, 2013** at 3:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers Room 112.

The agenda and attachments are online at [http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/finance/account/jpa-mtgs.htm](http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/finance/account/jpa-mtgs.htm)

Pam Gadeken  
**Administrative Aide II**  
**City Public Works & Utilities** | 555 So. 10th, Suite 203 | Lincoln, NE 68508  
P 402-441-7558 | F 402-441-8609 | pgadeken@lincoln.ne.gov
TO: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Mayor, City Council, City Clerk, Media
FROM: Lynn Johnson, Director, Lincoln Parks & Recreation Department
MEETING DATE: June 13, 2013
LOCATION: Parks & Recreation Dept. (Large Conference Room)
TIME: 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.
CHAIR: Anne Pagel

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Recognition of ‘Open Meetings Act’

2. Approval of Minutes: * May 9, 2013 meeting

3. Comments from Public for Items Not Listed on the Agenda

4. Committee Reports:
   A. Fees & Facilities Committee – Susan Deitchler (Chair) 488-4224
      • * Proposed turf event parking areas and access roadways in Pioneers Park
   B. Futures Committee – Bob Ripley (Chair) 471-0419 or 488-5131
      • Discussion of community engagement process for review of 10-year Facilities Plan
   C. Golf Report
      • Rounds and Revenue Report
      • Status report regarding Golf Sustainability Study
      • Recommendation regarding appointment of Clancy Woolman as chair of the Lincoln Municipal Golf Committee by the chair of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
      • * Clarification of Board action regarding Section 3 of the by-laws of the Lincoln Municipal Golf Committee for the number of members to be appointed from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and the number of members at-large
   D. Executive Committee – Anne Pagel (Chair) 402-540-9194
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6. Staff Report
   • New PRAB members at July meeting – City Council action June 17th – Kathi Wieskamp (replacing Karen Hand), and Kelly O’Hanlon, Student Member (replacing Caitlyn Do)
   • New Performance Series in Union Plaza for summer 2014

7. Announcements:
   • Vet’s Garden June Celebration was held Saturday, June 8th
   • Mayor’s Arts Award Ceremony was held Wednesday, June 12th
   • Mendoza Park Shelter Dedication will be held Saturday, June 22nd at 10:00 a.m.
   • Dedication of Bison Trail Bridge will be held on Sunday, June 30th at 2:00 p.m.
   • Party In The Park on Saturday, June 29th, at Union Plaza (more details to follow)
   • Uncle Sam Jam will be Wednesday, July 3rd, at Oak Lake Park

* Denotes Action Items
MINUTES
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
Parks & Recreation Conference Room
Thursday, May 9, 2013 ~ 4:00 p.m.

Members Present:
Justin Carlson  Jonathan Cook  Jim Crook  Todd Fitzgerald
Cleo Mullison  Jeff Schwebke  Joe Tidball

Members Absent:
Molly Brommond  Susan Deitchler  Larry Hudkins  Peter Levitov
Ann Pagel  Robert Ripley  Vacant Positions (2)  Vacant Student Position

Staff Members Present:
Lynn Johnson, Director  Jerry Shorney, Asst. Director of Parks Operations
Sandy Myers, Recreation Manager  Nicole Fleck-Tooze, Special Projects Administrator
JJ Yost, Planning & Construction Manager  Dale Hardy, Golf Administrator
Angela Chesnut, Executive Secretary

Recognition of ‘Open Meetings Act’:
As per law, Vice-Chairperson Todd Fitzgerald announced that the Board follows the regulations of the Open Meetings Act, as posted, and called the meeting to order.

* APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
A motion was made by Justin Carlson and seconded by James Crook to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2013 meeting as written. Motion was approved by unanimous vote of members present. Jonathan Cook abstained from vote due to absence from previous meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS (other than those listed on the current Agenda):
None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fees & Facilities Committee - Susan Deitchler, Chair - 488-4224
• No Report.

Futures Committee - Bob Ripley (Chair) 471-0419 or 488-5131
• No Report. Continuing review of development of proposed 10-year facilities and programs plan.

Golf Report – Golf Administrator Dale Hardy
• Fiscal year comparisons from last year to the current September through March time frame are down 27% for rounds, and revenue down 22%. Since last year was such a tremendous year, a comparison from two years ago show rounds down only 6%, and revenue up by 3%. April this year was not very good, but May so far has been better.
• The sustainability study is underway by the National Golf Foundation (NGF), who was in Lincoln last week. Site visits were conducted at each course, and every hole was driven, and then met in clubhouses and maintenance facilities. NGF staff visited with the professionals, their staff, and the superintendents and their staff. Meetings were also held with the Mayor, City Finance Director, and various other City officials. They were impressed with the overall program, and noted that many of the situations and issues being faced in Lincoln are not uncommon around the country. A golf survey will be the next step in the process, which will be available through the website, e-mail blast, and at
the golf courses. NGF staff will return in June for more discussion, and then the final presentation is scheduled to be the first week of August.

- **The Marketing & Promotions sub-committee** is promoting a price matching special which is being run through May at the Mahoney Golf Course, with a preliminary review looking very good. A Mother’s Day special will also be run, with all mothers playing for free.
- **The Grounds & Facilities sub-committee** is planning a volunteer program similar to the Wake Up The Beds event, only to be for the landscaping at the new Holmes clubhouse.
- **Budget & Finance sub-committee** met with Finance Director Steve Hubka on two occasions regarding budget concerns and questions.
- **Timeline for opening of the new Holmes clubhouse** is tentatively shortly after the first of June, due to material and weather project delays. The contract final completion date was May 23rd, which is in the process of being adjusted for lost days.
- **Discussion** was held regarding rounds and historical yearly averages, and the possibility of providing such. This data will vary annually depending largely on weather patterns. Weather data is also tracked daily, and can be integrated into the comparisons.
- **Proposed Amendments to By-Laws for Lincoln Municipal Golf Committee:** Todd Fitzgerald, Golf Committee Chairman, discussed concerns from the Golf Committee and recommendations that were suggested for by-law amendments. Lynn Johnson informed the Board of the continuing struggle to continually recruit three members from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to serve on the Golf Committee. One recommendation from that Committee was to change that to a minimum of one member from the PRAB serving on the Committee, which would increase the potential number of at-large members to three to five, keeping the total of nine members. The second recommendation is that the chair of the Golf Committee does not have to be a PRAB member, and that the chair and vice-chair would be elected by the membership of the Golf Committee.

In discussion among the Board members, Todd Fitzgerald suggested that, if the amendments are approved by the PRAB, that final approval of the Committee chair and vice-chair should come from the PRAB, so that the Board continues to maintain oversight of the Committee.

In response to questions, Lynn updated the Board on the challenge to maintain three members on the Committee, currently with only one active member from the PRAB. In addition, the Golf Committee is an advisory sub-committee to the PRAB, and their recommendations are ultimately brought before the Board.

Lengthy discussion was held between Board members and Lynn, consisting of the number of Committee members appointed by the PRAB versus the number of members appointed by the Mayor; appointing Committee members who are non-golfers, as well as promoting younger members, for diversification; moving from three PRAB members on the Committee to one could prevent the Board from moving back to the original three at any future time; possibility of quorum language modification of a quorum to consist of a majority of the current sitting Committee membership; structure of other Parks & Recreation sub-committees.

The motion on the floor, as approved by the Golf Committee at their regular monthly meeting on May 2, 2013, for amendments to the by-laws was amended by Jonathan Cook as follows: 1) eliminate any change to Article III and retain the appointment of three members to the Golf Committee by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board; 2) modify
Article IV by the Chair of the Golf Committee being selected by the PRAB Chair; 3) the quorum requirement shall be a majority of the current membership. Jonathan then amended his amendment to include the elimination of the election of the vice-chair at the August meeting of the Committee in Article IV, with no time specific month designated for such election. The amendments were seconded by Justin Carlson and approved by unanimous vote of members present.

**Executive Committee - Anne Pagel (Chair) - 570-9194**

- A current student member vacancy exists on the PRAB, and seven applications have been received by area high school students. Student applicants will meet with the Executive Committee in May, with the new appointment to take place in June. Cleo Mullison has agreed to fill a second term to her appointment.

**Staff Report:**

- **Review of Budget Indicators for FY 2011-12**: Two years of data are now compiled, with Lynn Johnson pointing out that additional data over time is needed in order to consider trends. The intent is to update information every other year, so that budgets are prepared one year, then outcomes and indicators are updated the next, and so on. Each of the Parks & Recreation Department goals, outcomes, and indicators (copy attached to these minutes) were reviewed, with questions and answers between Board members and staff. Overall, Board members were impressed with the good data and conversation regarding the measures.

**Announcements:**

- The volunteer planting project at Sunken Gardens, “Wake Up The Beds”, is being held this Saturday, May 11th, beginning at 8:30 a.m.
- Friday, May 10th, is Bike To Work Day, with an ice cream social at the Jayne Snyder Trail Center to be held on Friday, May 17th, at 4:30 p.m., with UNL Dairy ice cream.
- A Legacy Tree Grove event will be held on Thursday, May 23rd, at 5:30 p.m., which the Board members should be receiving invitations to.
- There will be a Timeless Tiles event in Union Plaza, where the tiles will all be in place, to be held on Thursday, May 30th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Justin Carlson and seconded by James Crook to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. **Motion was approved by unanimous vote of members present.**
Dear Mr. Kuenning: The purpose for my message is to respond to a portion of your message of June 2nd to the Lincoln City Council. The Lincoln Municipal Code requires that sidewalks remain clear of obstructions including limbs and branches from neighboring trees. We regularly contact property owners requesting that they remove overhanging limbs and branches that block or restrict use of sidewalks. Please contact our office at 402-441-7847 or at forestry@lincoln.ne.gov if you have concerns about a tree limb, branch, or other vegetation blocking access to a sidewalk. We will then review the situation and follow up with the adjoining property owner as needed. Please let me know if have questions or if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,
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Comment or Question:
To the General Council,
I live on southeast part of town. The sidewalks are terrible and very dangerous in spots. We have a lot of families walking and children riding their bikes and/or scooters where the cement is separated. This is a safety issue. My neighbors called on this issue and when the city came out, they said it had to be at least 1/2 difference. Well, Mr. Kelley and I measured and 5 of the spots are over 1 inch. I do not think whoever came out to measure made appropriate measurements and this person has not provided the City with correct measures. The separation in the sidewalks are a major hazard. I have a 7 year old daughter and I do not want her hurt because of some sidewalk needs repair. We all pay taxes. I know the streets need care too, but it seems if a bike trail has the same issue, it is fixed right away. Why is this a priority when there are more people using residential sidewalks? If this issue is not a city council problem, please let me know and I will go to the other department.

One more issue,
Why doesn't the city enforce the people who own trees hanging over their sidewalks to cut or trim them. Walking my child to school at Zeman elementary, I have to duck or walk in the street so I don't get hit by the limbs. The other towns I have lived in, individuals would get a notice or letter requiring the property owners have the trees trimmed. This is also a safety issue.

V/r.
Gregg A. Kuenning, NCC Retired
US Navy
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE will be held on Wednesday, June 12, 2013, 3:00 p.m., in Room 214, Second Floor, County/City Building.

For more information, please contact the Lincoln City/Lancaster County Planning Department, 441-7491.

AGENDA
June 12, 2013

1. Adoption of meeting record from the UDC meetings of May 8, 2013.

2. Landscape design for Phi Kappa Theta fraternity house (redevelopment project), 17th & Q Street (Urban Development and Kevin Clark)


4. Presentation on and discussion of “reFORM: Zoning reFORMs for a New Chapter of City Building” (Planning staff)

5. Staff report/miscellaneous.
6-10-13

Please support the neighborhood revitalization efforts of the Urban Development Department and Neighborworks, Inc. It is very important.

Thank you,

Delores Lintel
MINUTES  
DIRECTORS’ MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2013  

Present: Carl Eskridge, Chair; Doug Emery, Vice Chair; Jon Camp; Roy Christensen; Jonathan Cook; Trent Fellers; and Leirion Gaylor Baird

Others: Teresa Meier, City Clerk; Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff; Marvin Krout, Planning Department Director; and Mary Meyer, Council Secretary

Chair Eskridge opened the meeting at 2:03 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I. CITY CLERK

Meier stated first on the agenda is the Mayor’s Award of Excellence. On Item 9 have distributed a Motion To Amend, No.1. Also, Item 14 has a Motion To Amend, No.1. Item 17 has a request to delay 2nd reading, and Public Hearing, and have Action on June 24th. Cook asked, delay second reading? Meier replied yes, in order to meet a closing deadline they need Action on the 24th. Cook commented, would not have Public Hearing on the regular date, but have combined with the 3rd Reading? Meier answered, it would be 2nd and 3rd with Public Hearing. Cook asked, since it’s 1st Reading, is there a reason? Meier replied they missed an advertising deadline, and the reason why we can’t have 2nd Reading on the 17th. Normally would have 2nd Reading on the 17th, with Action on the 24th. Cook asked, what is the advertising deadline? Meier responded, for 1st Reading. Cook added, so have Public Hearing on the 17th, and vote the 24th. Meier stated they want Action on the 24th. Advertising is 10 days prior, and it won’t be able to go into the paper until Saturday.

Meier stated Planning Commission ads are normally advertised on Saturday. This was approved by the Planning Commission, and now before Council. We missed the deadline, as it was to have been advertised last Saturday.

Krout stated it was to have been advertised 10 days before the 17th, but wasn’t to the newspaper on Saturday. So, it has to be advertised for Hearing on the 24th. The applicants have a sales closing and asking if Council can approve the ordinance, 3rd Reading as well as have the Public Hearing on the same date, June 24th? Cook asked if it’s legal for Council to hold the Public Hearing on the 17th? Krout replied, only 8 days.

Eskridge commented to designate this property as a historical landmark. Krout added, and allows for a special permit plan, which the Commission has approved.

Meier stated on Item 18 will need to delay 2nd Reading, with Public Hearing, to June 24th. No Action. Camp asked if #18 was tied to #17? Meier replied same situation, should have been advertised Saturday. Hoppe added, there’s no closing deadline, have 2nd Reading on the 24th. Camp asked if into July for the 3rd Reading? Meier replied, July 1st.

II. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. Reservations due Wednesday for Mayor’s Arts Awards.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Two Library programs begin Tuesday.
3. NEWS ADVISORY. EPA Officials to visit Lincoln, NE on June 5th for presentation of $400,000 Brownfields Grants for West Haymarket Project.

No comment
III. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

HEALTH DEPARTMENT
1. Household hazardous waste collection set for June 14th.
No comment

PARKS AND RECREATION
1. Letter from Lynn Johnson, Parks & Recreation Director, responding to Mr. Stege regarding mowing of the area along the Murdock Trail east of 70th Street.
No comment

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. List of Administrative Approvals by the Planning Director from May 28, 2013 through June 3, 2013.
2. Metropolitan Planning Organization memo on Notice of South Beltway Public Meeting.
   a) Nebraska Department of Roads Notice of Highway Public Meeting. Tuesday, June 25, 2013, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Lincoln Southwest High School, 7001 South 14th Street, Lincoln.
No comment

WEED CONTROL AUTHORITY
1. Lancaster County Weed control - City of Lincoln Weed Abatement newsletter, May, 2013.
No comment

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS
No comment

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Media Release from Community Health Endowment. Annual meeting to feature doctor of the future, Jay Parkinson, MD, MPH.
2. InterLinc correspondence from Steve Halsted asking when the City is going to fix some
No comment

VI. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Eskridge adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.