

**CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
AUGUST 5, 2013  
555 S. 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET, ROOM 113  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIRECTORS' MEETING**

**I. MINUTES**

1. Director's Meeting minutes of July 22, 2013
2. Organizational Meeting minutes of July 22, 2013.
3. Executive Session minutes of July 22, 2013.

**II. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONFERENCE REPORTS**

1. Problem Resolution Team (PRT) - Emery
2. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency - Emery
3. Downtown Lincoln Association (DLA) - Gaylor Baird
4. District Energy Corporation (DEC) - Camp
5. Internal Liquor Committee (ILC) - Christensen, Eskridge, Fellers
6. Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency - Eskridge

**III. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR**

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**V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

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**CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**  
**AUGUST 5, 2013**

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

**Absent:** Leirion Gaylor Baird

**Others:** Trish Owen, Deputy Chief of Staff

Chair Eskridge opened the meeting at 2:43 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

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With no corrections the above minutes placed on file in Council office.

**II. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONFERENCE REPORTS**

**1. Problem Resolution Team (PRT) - Emery**

Emery stated these are the worst months for the PRT. Now have 13 active cases and numerous monitor cases, each being actively worked.

**2. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency - Emery**

Emery stated discussion continued over having a third party inspect the ramp damage. Everyone knows the expectation of whoever is at fault for the ramp will be billed. Seems logical having an outside entity review rather than the City or the company who may have been involved. A third party who is not involved. An article said the City is increasing the damage number but didn't release. The JPA will release to the third party. The City is not at fault.

**3. Downtown Lincoln Association (DLA) - Gaylor Baird**

Gaylor Baird absent.

**4. District Energy Corporation (DEC) - Camp**

Camp stated DEC provides energy and cooling for several areas, including the State office building, Woodman Accident Insurance, State parking garage, and the County-City Building. Everything progressing as anticipated for the County Jail/Detention Center. The Federal government approached DEC as the Federal Building's heating and air-conditioning at 15<sup>th</sup> and O is becoming older. Will look at different possibilities. Also, the Federal government offered a empty paint/repair shop in the Federal parking garage, north of Pershing, suggesting putting another DEC facility there. Then an issue arose with Centennial Mall. When doing energy there we lay ice in the ground to convey chilled water for air-conditioning and then hot water for heating. Possibly investigate before Centennial Mall is renovated.

Camp attended the DEC National Meeting, where they reported on interesting world developments, including DEC plants being built, which led us to think we could do something like this at Centennial Mall, where a second location was also offered. Unfortunately we do not know the fate of Pershing. Along Centennial Mall are areas which could be served from a nearby DEC location, naming

buildings/businesses. The DEC builds a plant and by selling out heating and cooling services marks up to amortize the plant cost over a period of time. DEC is a not for profit entity. The items discussed may help future development

Looked at funding including Federal Energy grants for the West Haymarket and County Jail. Hoping possibly to receive TIF money as it is a public infrastructure and this defrays the cost of construction.

### **5. Internal Liquor Committee (ILC) - Christensen, Eskridge, Fellers**

Eskridge stated representatives from Lincoln Police, University Police, and Cornhusker Place attended. They discussed their game day perspectives and feel they're stretched without having new duties assigned. Brought up a particular problem, not bar activities or organized events, which is tailgating. They estimated 20,000 people come to a game and never enter the stadium, tailgating throughout. Tailgating in private lots have no police involvement. Talked about these concerns.

Camp asked, what kind of concerns? Fellers replied some were with private lots having problems without the solution of being dealt with. The alcohol availability outside the stadium in private lots is greater than the alcohol availability in licensed bars with a vested interest and responsible service.

Christensen added then the steady upward trend of alcohol related incidents with an interest in finding solutions before they pass the point of no return, and become a free for all on game days. Fellers commented examples were some Big 10 Schools and less desirable out of state days in areas like Wisconsin, Ohio State, or Iowa. Problems correlated to the number of alcohol incidents they have without a lot of solutions. Camp stated before some fans in the Big 10 were nasty. Christensen added the same issues applied in the Big 12, more alcohol results in a bad atmosphere.

Eskridge stated they presented a stadium map showing where many incidents happen and typically is in the student section. Fellers commented a lot of those issues taken care of because now the students have a slower entry point. He added can contribute some of this to the general seating for students, not seat assigned, creating a longer waiting period. Camp asked if anything ever done at Champions in the parking lot? Fellers replied it was brought up. In any lot we'll have people tailgating with alcohol. Eskridge said the University has some control, whether they chose to use it or not.

Christensen added they discussed having the ILC, instead of going on the 2:00 a.m. bar crawl would have a Saturday game day experience, and look at close up.

### **6. Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency - Eskridge**

Eskridge stated the work release inmates from the County facility were moved into the new jail, and shortly the jail inmates will be moved.

## **III. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - None**

## **IV. MISCELLANEOUS - None**

## **V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS - None**

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## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Eskridge adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.