I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR
1. NEWS RELEASE. Lincoln City Libraries celebrate African-American History Month.
2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule for the week of Jan. 31-Feb. 6, 2015.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Technology help available at libraries.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor to present December Award of Excellence.
6. Letter from the United States Postal Service regarding relocation of retail services for Lincoln Gateway Station.
8. City seeks input on proposed hazardous waste collection facility.
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10. Information on city snow operations and City of Lincoln snow plan.
11. NEWS RELEASE. Abraham Lincoln Celebration to feature new play direct from Springfield Museum.

III. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

NEIGHBORWORKS LINCOLN
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PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION

PLANNING COMMISSION
1. Urban Design Committee Revised Agenda for Tuesday, February 3, 2015.
4. List of administrative approvals by the Acting Planning Director from January 27, 2015 through February 2, 2015.

PUBLIC WORKS/STREET MAINTENANCE
1. Street condition update - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 6:53 a.m.
2. Street condition update - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 10:49 a.m.
3. Street condition update - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 3:46 p.m.
4. Street condition update, clarification - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 4:11 p.m.
5. Snow removal/parking ban update - Monday, February 2, 2015, 2:23 p.m.
7. Parking ban update - Tuesday, February 3, 2015, 4:46 p.m.
8. Parking ban update - Wednesday, February 4, 2015, 6:06 a.m.
10. Snow report: Residential parking ban in effect at 8 a.m. Thursday - Wednesday, February 4, 2015, 3:50 p.m.
11. Addition to 3:45 p.m. snow report - Wednesday, February 4 2015, 4:04 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING
1. South 56th Street Paving - Shadow Pines Drive to Old Cheney Road.

WEED CONTROL
1. Lancaster County Weed Control - City of Lincoln Weed Abatement.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Craig Gibson of Nitro Circus Live inquiring about outdoor venues to hold an event.
2. Rick Boucher regarding the sales tax increase.
3. Citizen concerned about the property at 6236 Vine Street.
5. Troy Euse addressing priorities for snow removal and Councilman Camp’s response.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 30, 2015
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Sheila Jacobs, Lincoln City Libraries, 404-441-4252

LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES CELEBRATE AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

Lincoln City Libraries (LCL) invites the public to celebrate African-American History Month, also known as Black History Month, throughout the month of February. LCL is working with the Lincoln Public Schools and the Malone Community Center to recognize the significant role of African-Americans in our nation’s history. All events are free and open to the public and include the following:

African-American History Month “Read-In” - noon Thursday, February 5 at Eiseley Branch Library, 1530 Superior Street. Music and readings by community members will explore African-American history and the impact of African-American authors. This program will be recorded for later airing on 5 CITY-TV, government access channel 5. It will run throughout the month of February and will also be available through video-on-demand at lincoln.ne.gov.

African-American History Month “Lunch and Learn” - 11:30 a.m. Friday, February 20 at the Malone Community Center, 2032 “U” St. Library staff will share books and music from LCL’s collections and online sources.

No reservations are required. More information about Lincoln City Libraries is available at lincolnlibraries.org.

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Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule
Week of January 31 through February 6, 2015
Schedule subject to change

Monday, February 2
• Mayor’s Award of Excellence presentation - 3 p.m., Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

Tuesday, February 3
• City-County Common meeting - noon, Bill Luxford Studio, County-City Building
• Open house for HEROES Childhood Obesity Clinic, remarks - 6 p.m. (Event from 5 to 7 p.m.), Children’s Hospital and Medical Center Specialty Pediatric Clinic, 4445 S. 86th Street
• Diavolo performance, remarks and proclamation for Year of the Lied - 7:30 p.m., Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St.

Thursday, February 5
• KFOR - 7:45 a.m.
• News conference, topic(s) to be announced - 10 a.m., Room 303, County City Building
TECHNOLOGY HELP AVAILABLE AT LIBRARIES

Those who need help with basic computer skills are encouraged to participate in a new technology assistance program at Lincoln City Libraries (LCL). “Tuesday Tech Time” will be offered from 3 to 5 p.m. at Bennett Martin Library beginning February 10.

The program offers an introduction to computers and help with e-mail, Microsoft Word or Excel, downloading digital library books to your reading device and searching library databases. Assistance will be customized to fit the user’s needs.

Reservations for the Tuesday program must be made by the preceding Sunday by calling LCL customer service at 402-441-8530.

Those with additional questions may call Layne Pierce at 402-441-8592 or Kathryn Kelley at 402-441-8529.

More information about Lincoln City Libraries is available at lincolnlibraries.org.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:  February 2, 2015
FOR MORE INFORMATION:  Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831

MAYOR TO PRESENT DECEMBER AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Mayor Chris Beutler today will present the Mayor’s Award of Excellence for December to Investigator David Wiggins, Jr. with the Technical Investigations Unit of the Police Department. The award will be presented at the beginning of today’s City Council meeting at 3 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 555 S. 10th St. The monthly award recognizes City employees who consistently provide exemplary service and work that demonstrates personal commitment to the City.

Wiggins has been a Lincoln Police Officer for seven years. He was nominated by Sergeant Sandra Myers in the categories of customer relations and productivity.

Wiggins’ job duties include investigating forgeries, embezzlements, frauds, identity thefts, vulnerable adult abuse and other financial crimes. He was nominated for his work solving two cases involving counterfeit checks and credit card fraud in the last year. Both cases involved groups operating throughout the Midwest.

The first case began in December 2012 when LPD began to see mail theft resulting in the manufacturing of counterfeit checks, which were used at local discount stores. Further investigation showed checks with the information of Lincoln victims were being passed in Des Moines, Sioux City, along the Interstate 80 corridor and into Colorado. A fictitious Colorado name and address were usually printed on the checks.

Wiggins began working on the case in June 2014 after seeing more cases of missing mail and counterfeit checks. He identified six suspects in Colorado who were passing checks in more than 100 communities in eight surrounding states. Wiggins began working with all the jurisdictions to compile information and build a case. He identified more than 60 forgeries in Lincoln with a loss to local businesses totaling more than $25,000. In Nebraska, the group passed more than 240 forged checks with a loss to businesses totaling more than $80,000. Many victims were dealing with identity theft issues and trying to clear their credit histories.

Wiggins established this group arrived in the Lincoln area in December 2012 and continued to operate in the Midwest as recently as July 2014. Sgt. Myers wrote that Wiggins worked with municipal, state and federal agencies. Federal indictments for mail theft, identity theft and forgery are imminent. The estimated total loss in all the states involved is more than $250,000.

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The second case involving credit card fraud began when a person from Illinois called LPD to report that a credit card was used in the Lincoln area without their authorization. The individual still had the credit card that was used.

Wiggins obtained video and sales receipts. Then the case began snowballing when several stores noticed that the same people who had used the original victim’s credit card were using other credit cards for purchases at different times. They also were using the cards at stores in neighboring states.

Wiggins again worked with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, as well as loss prevention officers at many of the stores. He identified one of the individuals using facial recognition software, and other associates were identified after that. As of September, the investigation uncovered more than $40,000 in transactions in the Lincoln and Omaha area between March and August of last year. The group of about ten people used the credit card numbers of more than 70 victims.

Myers wrote that Wiggins’ dedication to his job and his continued “digging” resulted in the determination that the frauds were committed by the same group of people.

Both cases began with fairly simple investigations and then multiplied into multi-jurisdictional operations. It was not until Wiggins brought the jurisdictions together that the magnitude of the crimes was realized. Myers wrote, “It was because of Dave’s hard word and determination to bring some closure to the victims that both of these cases are now going to be prosecuted federally.”

The other categories in which employees can be nominated are loss prevention, valor and safety. Consideration also may be given to nominations that demonstrate self-initiated accomplishments or those completed outside of the nominee’s job description. All City employees are eligible for the Mayor’s Award of Excellence except for elected and appointed officials.

Individuals or teams can be nominated by supervisors, peers, subordinates and the general public. Nomination forms are available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: hr) or from department heads, employee bulletin boards or the Human Resources Department, which oversees the awards program. All nominations are considered by the Mayor’s Award of Excellence Committee, which includes a representative with each union and a non-union representative appointed by the Mayor. Award winners receive a $50 gift certificate, a day off with pay and a plaque. All monthly winners and nominees are eligible to receive the annual award, which comes with a $250 gift certificate, two days off with pay and a plaque.
When you need information about snow operations, please call CIC first, especially during nights and weekends. Please do not contact individual members of the PWU snow crew on their personal cell phones. They have to manage their rest times and cannot take phone calls at all hours.

Please have your staff review the memo below.

Thank you for all you do to keep the public informed!

Diane Gonzolas
Manager, Citizen Information Center
Office of the Mayor
555 S. 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508
402-441-7831
cell 402-525-1520
dgonzolas@lincoln.ne.gov

TO: News media and others on e-mail list for City snow reports
FROM: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center (CIC)
DATE: November 14, 2014

INFORMATION ON CITY SNOW OPERATIONS
(three pages total)

Thank you in advance for helping us relay the latest information on City snow operations to the public. The City’s goal is to keep the streets cleared and safe. Residents are encouraged to help by not parking on the street during any snow storm, and your assistance in getting this word out is greatly appreciated.

This memo clarifies a few points regarding City snow operations so that you can help us provide the most accurate information possible. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO MAKE COPIES OF THIS MEMO FOR YOUR ENTIRE STAFF. I also encourage you to review the snow operations information that follows the schedule. The information also can be found on the City website, lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow).

CIC generally issues regular reports in the early morning, mid to late morning and mid to late afternoon to accommodate broadcast media schedules. We also will issue immediate reports when parking bans are declared or rescinded. All reports will be e-mailed and recorded on the media line, 402-441-7783. Reports will not be faxed. Please let us know if your e-mail service is disrupted, and
we will find another way to get the information to you. Also please let us know of any corrections to our e-mail list.

CIC has three people who handle snow information in shifts -- phone numbers and a schedule are listed below. We realize there are times when you need to contact the Snow Center directly at 402-441-7644. **Please avoid calling the Snow Center before 8 a.m.** Any information available at that time will be in the early morning report that is e-mailed and recorded on the media line.

Because weather conditions can change rapidly, please check the time and date on reports to make sure you have the latest information. We ask the news media to be cautious when using interviews that are more than a few hours old -- they may no longer be accurate.

**PHONE NUMBERS AND CIC SNOW SCHEDULE (any changes will be sent through e-mail):**

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Diane will be on snow duty from 5:30 p.m. Sundays to 5:30 p.m. Fridays unless noted below with asterisks. Below is the rest of the on-call schedule, which runs from 5:30 p.m. the first day to 5:30 p.m. the last day:

通过5:30 p.m. Nov. 24 - Diane
  *Nov. 24 - 30 - Dave  Jan. 23-25 - Diane
  Dec. 5 - 7 - Rick  Jan 30 - Feb. 1 - Rick
  Dec. 12 - 14 - Diane  Feb. 6 - 8 - Dave
  *Dec. 25 - 30 -Dave  Feb. 20 - 22 - Rick
  * Dec. 30 - Jan 4 - Diane  Feb. 27 - March 1 - Diane
  Jan 9 - 11 - Rick  March 6 - 8 - Dave
  Jan. 16 - 18 - Dave  March 13 - 15 - Rick
  After March 15- Diane

**CITY OF LINCOLN SNOW PLAN**

Street Condition Emergencies - 402-441-7701
Snow Center (parking bans/snow removal operations) - 402-441-7644
Non-Emergencies/Potholes - 402-441-7646
City website - lincoln.ne.gov

*Click on “City Service Request” to report potholes, ice on streets, curb/gutter repair, snow being pushed into the street and other problems.*
When Lincoln has a winter storm, the City’s goal is to keep the streets cleared and safe. For City crews to accomplish this goal effectively and efficiently, community cooperation is required. Residents are discouraged from parking on the street during any snow storm and are encouraged to plan ahead for alternative off-street parking.

Residents also are asked to stay informed on the status of snow operations. The City uses the following methods to inform the public:

- Local news media sources
- The City website - lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow)
- RSS feeds - sign up at lincoln.ne.gov
- Twitter - sign up at twitter.com/lincolnsnow. You do not need a Twitter account to receive SMS alerts - text “follow lincolnsnow” to 40404 (standard text messaging rates apply).
- Time Warner Cable government access channels 5 and 10 and educational access channel 21.

The Mayor may declare three types of parking bans:
• **SNOW EMERGENCY**: Parking may be banned on both sides of emergency snow routes, arterial streets and City bus routes, as indicated on the map. These routes must remain open for emergency vehicles. Along non-arterial streets, bus routes are marked with signs.

• **SNOW REMOVAL DISTRICTS**: When a snow emergency is declared, the Mayor may prohibit parking on both sides of the street in areas designated as snow removal districts. In these areas, the snow is plowed into windrows, loaded into trucks and hauled out of the area. Typically, snow removal occurs between midnight and 8 a.m. The districts include streets in the following areas: Downtown, University Place, Havelock, Bethany, College View, 11th and “G”, 17th and Washington, 25th and Sumner.

• **RESIDENTIAL**: A residential parking ban applies to streets that are not emergency snow routes, arterials or bus routes or included in a snow removal district. 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.

*All bans remain in effect until terminated by the Mayor.*

**TICKETS AND TOWING**

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 ticked for obstructing a public street. For information on the location of towed vehicles, call the Emergency Communications Center, 402-441-7204.

**SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS**

City ordinance requires property owners to clear snow and ice from sidewalks by 9 a.m. the day following the end of the snow storm. Sidewalks must be kept clear of snow and ice during the day. The entire width of the walk must be cleared, along with any adjoining wheelchair ramps or curb cuts. For more information or to report locations not cleared, contact the Public Works and Utilities sidewalk office at 402-441-7541.

If a property owner does not clear the walk and a complaint is received by the City sidewalk office, notice will be given to the owner. City ordinance requires written notice to be left on the front door or other conspicuous place on the property. If an unresolved problem is reported again, the City may hire a snow removal contractor, and the owner is responsible for the charges.

It is illegal to push or blow snow into or on any street, alley or sidewalk. Violators are subject to a fine. Residents are encouraged to clear snow from fire hydrants.

**INFORMATION IN OTHER LANGUAGES**

Spanish - El Centro de las Americas - 402-474-3950

Arabic - Good Neighbor Community Center - 402-477-5545

Vietnamese, Karen, Chinese, Sudanese - Asian Community Center and Fusion Project, 402-477-3446

**PROPERTY DAMAGE**

The areas between the paved streets and sidewalk lines are owned by the City. Property owners are allowed to place objects in this area, such as mailboxes, sprinkler systems, landscaping and driveways. The property owners are responsible for maintenance, replacement or any damages to the objects on this City property caused by, but not limited to snow removal, street sweeping or other City activities. For more information, contact the City Law Department at 402-441-7281.
MAYOR’S NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDTABLE

COUNTY/CITY BUILDING
555 SOUTH 10TH STREET
3rd Floor

Mayor’s Conference Room

Monday, February 9, 2015
5:30 P.M.

AGENDA

• Welcome and introductions; volunteer to take notes

• Mayor’s comments

• Neighborhood Plan for Action Update – Shawn Ryba, Chief Operating Officer and Pat Anderson-Sifuentes, Community Builder, NeighborWorks Lincoln: 402-477-7181; sryba@nwlincoln.org, panderson@nwlincoln.org

The Plan for Action was developed by the Lincoln Policy Network (LPN) outlining common neighborhood concerns. LPN uses the Plan for Action as a foundation for pursuing concerns and creating common goals.

• Let’s Grow Campaign – Rosina Paolini: 402-423-1260; rapaolini@gmail.com

An effort to engage neighborhood leaders to encourage their neighbors to garden, and the benefits of gardening from a strong neighborhood perspective.

• Announcements

• Next Meeting / Agenda

• Adjourn

Next Mayor’s Neighborhood Roundtable
March 9, 2015
5:30 P.M.
Mayor’s Conference Room
December 30th, 2014

Mayor Chris Beutler
City of Lincoln
555 S. 10th Street, #300
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

Re: Lincoln Gateway Station

Dear Mayor Beutler:

As you may recall on October 20th, 2014, the United States Postal Service made a presentation regarding potential re-location of retail services of the above referenced facility to a yet to-be-determined location. Below is a list of seven (7) properties that have been reviewed by the United States Postal Service site review committee as possible locations for the new retail services for Lincoln Gateway Station. Sites/locations currently under review:

A. 6891 A Street (Clock Tower Shopping Center)
B. 233 N 48th Street
C. 1265 S Cotner Blvd (The Shoppes at Piedmont)
D. 5505 O Street
E. 6401 Q Street
F. 220 N 66th Street (East Park Plaza)
G. 8222 Holdrege Street

No final decision to select a site will be made for a minimum of 30 days. Any member of the community or your office may offer written comments on any of these properties within this time frame. Please mail your comments to my attention at the address shown below.

US Postal Service
Bobbi Hergenreter, Real Estate Specialist
7500 E. 53rd Place, Room 1108
Denver, Co 80266-9918

Sincerely,

Bobbi Hergenreter

cc: Postmaster

POSTMASTER, PLEASE COMPLETE:
Date Posted: ________________
Date Removed: ________________
Postmaster Initial: ____________
Tracy Corr opened the meeting on Monday, January 12, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the Mayor’s Conference Room, City/County/Building, in Lincoln, NE.

Attendance
Eighteen citizens and five staff attended:

- Tracy Corr – 40th & A NA
- Rifka Keilson – Country Club
- Karen Dienstbier – Eastridge NA
- Nick Hernandez – Havelock NA
- Scott Richert – Indian Village NA
- Dennis Hecht – Meadowlaine Area RA
- Mike DeKalb – University Place CO
- Jon Carlson – Mayor’s Office
- Adam Rhoads – Health/KLLCB
- Sheree Goertzen – NeighborWorks-Lincoln
- Kimberly Shelley – Havelock NE
- David Landis – Urban Development Dept.

Jeff Schwebke -- Arnold Heights NA
Paul Johnson – East Campus CO
Pat Anderson-Sifuentes – Everett NA
Myrna Coleman – Highlands NA
Amy Karabel – Irvingdale NA
William Carver – Near South NA
Fred Freytag – Witherbee NA
Wynn Hjermstad – Urban Development Dept.
Russell Miller – Lincoln Neigh. Alliance
Hanna Pinneo – Havelock NA
Helen Bellinger – Havelock NA
Mayor Beutler

Welcome & Introductions, Volunteer to Take Notes
Meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Corr. Everyone introduced themselves. Adam Rhoads volunteered to take notes.

Mayor’s Comments
- A final public safety proposal is ready to be presented to the City Council for the April ballot.
- Roads, sidewalks and parks are still in progress and will be the next focus after the public safety initiative.
- Potholes: the City is putting out special crews of 40-50 workers to fix potholes. Normal pothole crew is 8-10 workers. The Mayor requests citizens to call in with pothole complaints. These are dealt with first and are usually fixed in 1-2 weeks.
- Question on condition of Highway 2 from 14th to 20th street. This is a little more complicated because it is a State Highway but the Mayor will look into getting it taken care of.
- Question on neighborhoods losing smaller grocery stores (specifically the Hy Vee in University Place and 17th & South). Some comments were that this trend is part of a new suburban culture, with businesses following population demographics. Leases also tend to keep new tenants out, so the closed stores sit vacant. Some suggested looking into filling these vacancies with ethnic markets or specialty stores.

Tax Increment Financing
David Landis, Director of the Urban Development Department, presented information about Tax Increment Financing (TIF). See Attachment 1.

How TIF Works:
- Based on future tax base. Shifts tax base from what it is now to an improved property with higher property taxes.
- Future tax increment can be used to develop and improve the property.
- The project needs to have a public benefit (for example, can pay for sidewalks but not building furnishings).
The developers’ tax dollars go to the project for a certain time period (max 15 years in NE). After that time period property taxes go back into the normal tax base.

Project-Based TIF:
- Assists buying of run down properties to demolish and build new properties. Usually involves multiple properties.
- Projects are located inside the City instead of at City limits on fresh ground.
- Helps preserve and enhance vitality of the City center.

Area-Based TIF:
- TIF is used in a designated area and can be used for more than one project.
- All areas in Lincoln that have used this method are now closed.

Legal Standards:
- City uses these standards to ensure TIF projects are legitimate.
- Blighted & substandard conditions exist (an effort must be made to prove this). Shows which areas have conditions that create reluctance for investment.
- Every dollar spent is tracked to ensure it is used for a public benefit.
- “But For” letter- shows developer would not have invested in project without TIF.
- Invoice approval - ensures funding was spent correctly.
- Strict limits on number of years TIF project can last.

Rate of Return (past City TIF projects):
- Original property valuation of $15 million.
- $6.3 million in TIF costs.
- Current property valuation of $165 million (10x tax revenue).
- Annual rate of return 48%.
- Total rate of return 493%

Questions:
- Yes, TIF can be used to rehab apartment buildings, but it has to be a large complex, otherwise the tax increment increase would be too small.

In summary, Mr. Landis emphasized, “TIF doesn’t make improvements happen. It helps improvements happen.”

Announcements
- Handout requesting participants to take part in a Household hazardous waste focus group. See Attachment 2.
- Handout requesting input on post office relocation. See Attachment 3.

Next Meeting
The next meeting of the Mayor’s Neighborhood Roundtable will be on February 9th at 5:30 p.m. No suggestions were made for the February topic.

Submitted by Adam Rhoads
City of Lincoln
Mayor's Office
2015 Media Releases

Date:
January 7, 2015

For More Information Contact:
Dan N. King, Environmental Health Specialist, 402-441-8084
Janell Walther, NU Public Policy Center, 402-472-5578

City Seeks Input on Proposed Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD) is seeking public input on how a permanent hazardous waste collection and disposal facility would be used by households and small businesses.

Individuals are invited to attend one of four focus group meetings:

- **Tuesday, January 13**, noon to 1:30 p.m., LLCHD, 3140 "N" Street, lunch provided
- **Tuesday, January 20**, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Lincoln Community Foundation (LCF), 215 Centennial Mall South, fifth floor, refreshments provided
- **Thursday, January 22**, 6 to 7:30 p.m., LLCHD, refreshments provided
- **Saturday, January 24**, 9 to 10:30 a.m., LLCHD, refreshments provided

Small business representatives are invited to attend one of two focus group meetings:

- **Tuesday, January 20**, 7 to 8:30 a.m., LLCHD, refreshments provided
- **Tuesday, January 20**, noon to 1:30 p.m., LLCHD, lunch provided

The City has identified the existing North 48th Street Transfer Station at 48th and Superior streets as a possible site for a permanent facility to handle hazardous waste such as pesticides, fuels, bleach, items containing mercury, drain cleaners, automotive fluids and pool chemicals.

LLCHD is working with the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center (PPC) on the public input process. Participants must be at least 18 years old, but do not have to be knowledgeable about hazardous waste. The City wants to hear from those who have and those who have not used the hazardous waste collection and disposal services in Lincoln. Those interested in participating can visit go.unl.edu/hazardousmaterials or contact the PPC at 402-472-5578 or ppc@nebraska.edu.
TIF IN LINCOLN

David Landis
Director of Urban Development Dept.
Lincoln Nebraska

TIF CREATION

PROJECT BASED TIF

Existing Tax Base

Assessed Value: $100,000
Taxes: $2,000

FUTURE Tax Base

Assessed Value: $25,000,000
Taxes: $500,000

Bondable Revenue

Tax Increment

Existing Tax Base

Base Year
Up to 15 years
Bond Retired
AREA BASED TIF
LEGAL STANDARDS

**We follow the LETTER and SPIRIT of the Law**

**Blighted/Substandard**
- Conditions that make the market reluctant to investment
  - Low income customers
  - Lot acquisition
  - Old utilities vs new demand
  - More than slum removal

**Sources and Uses of TIF**

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Sources and Uses of TIF
‘But For’ Letter
Invoice Approval

CITY COUNCILS ROLE SINCE MAY 2007 TO NOV 2014

- 328 – Yes
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Rate of Return

PAYBACK DATA

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Arizona does not have TIF
PAYBACK DATA

1. Total Initial Valuation: $15,101,301
   Total Initial Tax: $347,061

2. Total TIF Expended: $6,300,000

3. Total 2011/13 Valuation: $165,325,700
   Total 2011/13 Taxes: $3,348,195

Total New Taxes Paid: - 31.1 Million
LPS Share: - 20.2 Million
Annual Rate of Return: - 48%
Total Rate of Return: - 493%

EXAMPLES

1. Old Rosewood Hotel
2. Completed Old Rosewood Hotel
3. Rosewood Hotel
4. Rosewood Hotel
5. Rosewood Hotel
6. Rosewood Hotel
The Larson Building - Before

The Larson Building

Assurity - Before

Assurity - After

Union Plaza Park

The Wrap – Open Lot / Deteriorated Property - Before
Community Revitalization

The Wrap - After

The Latitude - Before

The Latitude – Fall 2014

THE END
ABRAHAM LINCOLN CELEBRATION TO FEATURE NEW PLAY DIRECT FROM SPRINGFIELD MUSEUM

Lincoln will be the first city outside of Springfield, Illinois to present a new play produced in honor of the 150th anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln’s death. “The Last Full Measure,” which opened in November at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum in Springfield, will be the featured event at the City’s 15th annual Abraham Lincoln Birthday Celebration Sunday, February 22 at Southwest High School, 7001 South 14th Street.

The one-man play about Lincoln’s final hours features Fritz Klein, one of the nation’s foremost Abraham Lincoln portrayers. Klein, who lives in Springfield and performs regularly at the Lincoln Museum, is returning to the Capital City for his fifth celebration. He has performed as President Lincoln in 38 states and internationally, and has been featured on National Geographic Television, Discovery Channel and C-SPAN. His appearances on the History Channel include a segment of “Only in America” with Nebraska’s Larry the Cable Guy. He will appear in “Lincoln’s Last Day” April 14 on the Smithsonian Channel. His website is lincolninstitute.com.

The event will also feature two showings of “Intrepid,” a 30-minute film about President Lincoln’s Civil War Balloon Corps and its Chief Aeronaut, Thaddeus Lowe. Terry Lowe, a former City employee and member of the celebration committee, is a descendant of Thaddeus Lowe and will display his collection of items related to this historic effort.

The free celebration is presented by the City of Lincoln with support from Humanities Nebraska, the Nebraska Arts Council and the Nebraska Cultural Endowment. Additional funding is provided by local businesses, organizations and individuals.

Music for dancing will be provided for the first time by Greenblatt and Seay of Avoca. The event also includes music from local favorite Chris Sayre, who has performed at every City Abraham Lincoln Birthday Celebration. The doors open at noon, and the schedule for the day includes the following:

- Noon to 5:30 p.m., Commons area - Children’s games, toys, and activities; historical exhibits; free refreshments, including birthday cake
- 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Commons area - Music and dancing with Greenblatt and Seay
- 1 p.m., Auditorium - First showing of “Intrepid”
- 1:30 p.m. - Impersonator contest judging. All ages welcome. Register at information desk day of event.

Abraham Lincoln Celebration
• 2:30 p.m., Commons area - Birthday Ceremony with remarks, sponsor recognition, impersonators awards and singing of “Happy Birthday”
• 2:45 p.m., Auditorium - Chris Sayre
• **3 to 4 p.m., Auditorium - “The Last Full Measure”**
• 4 to 5:30 p.m., Commons area - Chris Sayre
• 4:30 p.m., Auditorium - Second showing of “Intrepid” Exhibitors will include the Homestead National Monument and Susan Dittman of Lincoln, author of “Abraham Lincoln’s Shining Star – the Inspiring Story of Abraham Lincoln and Nebraska.” Area Civil War re-enactors in authentic uniforms will mingle with the crowd and answer questions.

More information will be available on the City Web site at lincoln.ne.gov or by calling 402-441-7831.

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*Media notes: Photo of Fritz Klein attached. (Photo credit: Donna Lounsberry)*  
*To arrange for interviews with Fritz Klein, Terry Lowe or other participants, contact Diane Gonzolas, 402-441-7831 or dgonzolas@lincoln.ne.gov.*
Council members,
UNL did a feature on Everett as a changing neighborhood. I think they did a great job of capturing the character of the neighborhood and interviewing folks. It's pretty lengthy, but worth a thorough read.


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Pat Anderson-Sifuentez
Community Engagement
NeighborWorks Lincoln
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Lincoln, NE 68503
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NeighborWorks Lincoln's mission is to keep Lincoln a safe and prosperous community by revitalizing neighborhoods and promoting homeownership.
AGENDA
PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2015, 1:30 P.M.
BILL LUXFORD STUDIO - ROOM 113
COUNTY CITY BUILDING

Location Announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act
A Copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is Available on the Wall at the Rear of this Room

I CALL TO ORDER – Public Building Commission Meeting

II APPROVAL – Minutes from the Public Building Commission Meeting, January 13, 2015

III OLD BUSINESS
1 605 Building – Status
   a. Change Order
   b. Sinclair Hille/BVH Update
   c. The Clark Enersen Partners – Overview & 3rd Floor Utilization Discussion
   d. Employee Shower/Locker Room Survey
2 The Clark Enersen Partners – Contract Modification
3 Old TMI Building - Status

IV NEW BUSINESS
1 Approval – General Vouchers for January 2015
2 Lighthouse - Program Celebration Throughout Lincoln
3 Approvals:
   a. Amendment to Contract, Audio & Visual Repairs & Replacements – Midwest Sound & Lighting; BMI/Bizco Technologies; Tru Power Electric, Inc.
   b. Amendment to Contract, Price Increase for Ice Melt – Egan Supply Company
   c. Agreement, Security Camera Equipment – Inteconnect, Inc.
   d. Amendment to Contract/First Renewal, Annual Supply for Office Seating – Haworth
   f. Amendment, Pest Control Services, Third Renewal – PrestoX; Orkin Pest Control Commercial Services
   g. Amendment to Contract/Second Renewal, Cost per Copy Program – Konica Minolta Business Solutions USA Inc.
4 Public Works Security Modifications
5 Discussion/Confirmation – Next Public Building Commission Meeting, March 10, 2015

V REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

VI ADJOURNMENT
GENERAL PAYMENT VOUCHERS
PAID BY P.B.C.
JANUARY, 2015

A:
AQS Environmental (service) $ 121.00
Accurate Controls (605 bldg-#1) $ 6,638.53

B:
B & J Partnership (rent Y st) $ 536.66
Baker Hardware Company (supplies) $ 26.07
Baker Hardware Company (supplies) $ 33.66
Black Hills Energy (utilities) $ 692.41
Black Hills Energy (utilities) $ 57.25
Bob & Don's Plumbing (service) $ 161.82
Bob & Don's Plumbing (service) $ 118.62
Bob & Don's Plumbing (service-backflow test) $ 325.00

C:
CED (supplies) $ 393.00
CED (supplies) $ 81.48
Cheever Construction Company (605 bldg phase 1) $ 138,241.80
City of Lincoln Building & Safety (bldg. permit) $ 267.00
City of Lincoln Finance (rent-OCH) $ 916.67
City of Lincoln Information Services (data processing fees-nov) $ 862.60
City of Lincoln Information Services (data processing fees-dec) $ 862.60
City of Lincoln Personnel Dept (reimburse-drug/alcohol test) $ 7.96
City of Lincoln Photocopy Services (copies) $ 52.15
City of Lincoln Treasurer (1st quarter human resources) $ 5,802.90
Colin Electric Motor Service Inc. (supplies) $ 287.14
Control Services Inc. (service) $ 617.00

D:
District Energy Corporation (utilities) $ 104,024.65

E:
Educational Institute (refresher class-Krizek) $ 190.00
Egan Supply Company (ice melt) $ 488.50
Egan Supply Company (ice melt) $ 529.20
Electronic Contracting Company (service) $ 154.00
Electronic Contracting Company (service) $ 1,509.20
Eleotech Inc. (service) $ 1,025.00
Eleotech Inc. (service) $ 4,527.39
Executive Answering Service (service) $ 57.20

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Tran/Albert (parking equipment repair) $1,320.00

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US Bank (jan note payment) $25,701.19

V:
Verizon (cell phones) $681.62
Verizon (cell phones) $689.25
Voss Lighting (supplies) $632.78

W:
Walker Uniform (uniforms) $1,237.07
Walcro Inc (supplies) $44.89
Waste Connections of Nebraska (service) $1,136.89
Westlake Hardware (supplies) $24.98
Westlake Hardware (supplies) $139.69

X:

Y:

Z:
URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, 3:00 p.m., in Room 210, Second Floor, County/City Building.

For more information, please contact the Lincoln City/Lancaster County Planning Department, 402-441-7491.

AGENDA
February 3, 2015 (Revised)

1. Adoption of meeting record of UDC meeting of January 6, 2015.
2. Tom & Chee "sidewalk" café at Tower Square, 13th & P Streets.
3. Color Court redevelopment project, L-M, 8th-9th Sts.
4. SP15004 for HelioSage "Holdrege Solar Center" north of I-80 at 7501 West Holdrege.
5. Misc.

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**ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION**

NOTICE: The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 4, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., in Hearing Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska. For more information, call the Planning Department, (402) 441-7491.

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AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

[Commissioners Lust, Weber, Beecham, and Sunderman absent]

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held January 21, 2015. **APPROVED: 5-0 (Lust, Weber, Beecham, and Sunderman absent)**

1. CONSENT AGENDA
   (Public Hearing and Administrative Action):

   PERMITS:

   1.1 Special Permit No. 15003 for the expansion of a nonconforming use to expand the area for authority to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises to include an outdoor beer garden, on property generally located at South 14th Street and Centerpark Road (1501 Centerpark Road).

   **FINAL ACTION**

   Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
   Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
   Resolution No. PC-01432
1.2 Use Permit No. 117D, for authority to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises in conjunction with a restaurant, on property generally located at South 14th Street and Garrett Lane (7300 South 13th Street). **FINAL ACTION**
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Resolution No. PC-01433

2. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL: None.

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
PERMIT

4.1 Special Permit No. 15002, for authority to construct a wireless facility (a monopole approximately 129 feet in height), on property generally located at West A Street and Coddington Avenue (1550 S. Coddington Avenue). **FINAL ACTION**
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Resolution No. PC-14034

COUNTY TEXT AMENDMENT

4.2 County Text Amendment No. 14014, amending Article 13.018, Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems (CWECS) of the Lancaster County Zoning Resolution relating to setback distances from dwelling units and property lines, noise limits, and to allow CWECS which are part of a unified plan for a wind farm to be combined into a single special permit application. **WITHDRAWN BY THE APPLICANT**
Staff Planner: Sara Hartzell, 402-441-6371, shartzell@lincoln.ne.gov
AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM
NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO

Adjournment

PENDING LIST: None

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Ed Zimmer, Historic Preservation Planner . 402-441-6360 . ezimmer@lincoln.ne.gov

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   Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
   Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
   Resolution No. PC-01432
NOTICE: The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 4, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., in Hearing Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska. For more information, call the Planning Department, (402) 441-7491.

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AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

[Commissioners Lust, Weber, Beecham, and Sunderman absent]

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held January 21, 2015. **APPROVED: 5-0 (Lust, Weber, Beecham, and Sunderman absent)**

1. CONSENT AGENDA
   (Public Hearing and Administrative Action):

   PERMITS:

   1.1 Special Permit No. 15003 for the expansion of a nonconforming use to expand the area for authority to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises to include an outdoor beer garden, on property generally located at South 14th Street and Centerpark Road (1501 Centerpark Road).

   **FINAL ACTION**
   Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
   Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
   Resolution No. PC-01432
1.2 Use Permit No. 117D, for authority to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises in conjunction with a restaurant, on property generally located at South 14th Street and Garrett Lane (7300 South 13th Street). **FINAL ACTION**
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Resolution No. PC-01433

2. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL: None.

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

PERMIT

4.1 Special Permit No. 15002, for authority to construct a wireless facility (a monopole approximately 129 feet in height), on property generally located at West A Street and Coddington Avenue (1550 S. Coddington Avenue). **FINAL ACTION**
Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Resolution No. PC-14034

COUNTY TEXT AMENDMENT

4.2 County Text Amendment No. 14014, amending Article 13.018, Commercial Wind-Energy Conversion Systems (CWECs) of the Lancaster County Zoning Resolution relating to setback distances from dwelling units and property lines, noise limits, and to allow CWECs which are part of a unified plan for a wind farm to be combined into a single special permit application.
Staff recommendation: Approval
Staff Planner: Sara Hartzell, 402-441-6371, shartzell@lincoln.ne.gov
**WITHDRAWN BY THE APPLICANT**
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Adjournment

PENDING LIST: None

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Date: February 3, 2015
To: City Clerk
From: Amy Hana Huffman, Planning Dept.
Re: Administrative Approvals
cc: Mayor Chris Beutler
Planning Commission
Jean Preister, Planning Dept.

This is a list of the administrative approvals by the Acting Planning Director from January 27, 2015 through February 2, 2015:

**Administrative Amendment No. 14098** to Final Plat No. 05075, Wilderness Hills Commercial Addition, approved by the Acting Planning Director on January 30, 2015, requested by Engineering Design Consultants, for a waiver to extend the time for two years to install street trees, on property generally located at 27th Street and Yankee Hill Road.

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PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION
NOTIFICATION

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    Lincoln City Council

FROM : Geri Rorabaugh, Planning

DATE : February 5, 2015


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January 29, 2015

South 56th Street Paving – Shadow Pines Drive to Old Cheney Road
State Project No. LCLC-5241(5) Control No. 13141
City Project No. 701923

The City of Lincoln is working with the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to prepare the South 56th Street roadway widening project to receive bids from Contractors. We are currently anticipating construction to begin near the end of April 2015. Please note this schedule is dependent upon receiving official agency approval and is still subject to change.

In order to prepare for the upcoming construction and to comply with the Federal Migratory Bird Act, it is necessary to complete tree removal along the project prior to April 1, 2015. The City has marked trees for removal and will work with New Heights Tree Service to remove the trees. Some stumps will be ground down while others will remain for removal by the roadway contractor. The tree removal is expected to take place in the next couple of weeks, weather permitting.

If you have questions or comments regarding the project or the tree removals, please contact one of the following people:

Zach Becker, Construction Project Manager
City of Lincoln - Engineering Services
(402) 613-3763
zbecker@lincoln.ne.gov

Kris Humphrey, Design & Construction Engineer
City of Lincoln – Engineering Services
(402) 326-1176
khumphrey@lincoln.ne.gov
Approximately five inches of snow fell on the Capitol City since yesterday. As of 10 p.m. last night the City sent 38 plows to all 19 routes. Major arterials are still being cleared with bus and school routes to follow. Be advised that driving is still very slick and hazardous, particularly at intersections and on residential streets. If you must go out, please exercise caution, especially as you approach intersections. Residents can report any trouble spots to the Public Works Snow Center at 402-441-7644. Additional information on City snow operations is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow).
City of Lincoln
Street Condition Update
A COMPLETE VOICE REPORT IS AVAILABLE AT 402-441-7683. THIS NUMBER IS FOR NEWS MEDIA USE ONLY.
For more information:
Public Works Snow Center - 402-441-7644
Rick Koepping, Citizen Information Center, 402-304-3799
Date: Sunday, February 1, 2015
Time: 10:45 a.m.
The City has deployed all of its equipment and resources in order to complete the removal of snow on all arterial routes. Material spreaders will soon follow the plowing operation. THERE ARE NO PARKING BANS AT THIS TIME. Be advised that driving is still very slick and hazardous, particularly at intersections and on residential streets. If you must go out, please exercise caution, especially as you approach intersections. Residents can report any trouble spots to the Public Works Snow Center at 402-441-7644. Additional information on City snow operations is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow).

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Over 5 inches of snow fell on the Capitol City since Saturday. As of 10 p.m. Saturday night the City sent 38 plows to all 19 routes. Since 7:30 a.m. high winds and freezing temperatures quickly turned snow to ice on City streets. With these high winds, City crews and contractors had to go back over emergency snow, school and bus routes to plow, spread material and de-ice with brine. **A PARKING BAN IS IN EFFECT.** Beginning at 4 p.m., the City will run a quadrant crew addressing trouble spots on major streets overnight and begin full residential operations at 8 am. After streets are plowed material spreading will resume with granular salt and brine. Be advised that driving is still very slick and hazardous, particularly at intersections and on residential streets. If you must go out, please exercise caution, especially as you approach intersections. If you are traveling tomorrow morning, give yourself plenty of time to arrive at your destination.

Troubled areas for drivers are: 84th Street, from Leighton to Holdrege streets, S. 56th Street from Old Cheney to Shadow Pines Drive and the intersection of 27th and Old Cheney.

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Date: Sunday, February 1, 2015
Time: 4:10 p.m.
The Parking Ban that is in effect is for all arterial, school and bus routes. It is an EMERGENCY PARKING BAN which began at 4 p.m. today.
From: Dave B. Norris  
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 2:23 PM  
Subject: snow removal/parking ban update

CITY OF LINCOLN  
SNOW REMOVAL/PARKING BAN UPDATE

A COMPLETE VOICE REPORT IS AVAILABLE AT 402-441-7783. THIS NUMBER IS FOR NEWS MEDIA USE ONLY.

For more information:  
Public Works Snow Center -- 402-441-7644  
Citizen Information Center -- 402-441-7547

Date: Monday, February 2, 2015  
Time: 2:15 p.m.

City street crews have about 90 pieces of equipment (material spreaders and plows) working today on snow emergency routes, bus routes, major arterials and residential streets. A residential parking ban is NOT in effect at this time, but citizens are asked to help out by moving their cars off of residential streets so they can be cleared. A snow emergency parking ban that was declared at 4 p.m. Sunday remains in effect. During a snow emergency, parking is banned on all main arterials, snow emergency routes and bus routes.

Motorists are urged to continue using caution when driving.

Lincoln Police Department reports 34 accidents as of 2 p.m. today. StarTran buses are running on time.

Please stay informed on the status of snow operations in Lincoln. Additional information is available on the City website at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow). If you have questions, you may call the Public Works Snow Center at 402-441-7644.

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Date: Monday, February 2, 2015
Time: 4:30 p.m.

SNOW REMOVAL DISTRICT PARKING BAN IN EFFECT TONIGHT
Snow Emergency parking ban remains in effect
A snow removal district parking ban will be in effect from 12:01 to 7 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday in the City’s eight snow removal districts. In these areas, snow is plowed into windrows, loaded into trucks and hauled out of the area between midnight and 7 a.m. To assist with snow removal, parking is prohibited on both sides of the street in the districts, which include streets in Downtown/Haymarket, University Place; Havelock; Bethany, College View; 11th and “G”; 17th and Washington; and 25th and Sumner. Maps can be found at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow).

To assist downtown residents during snow removal district parking bans, City Parking Services will offer free overnight parking at Center Park Garage, 1100 “N” St. The service is being offered in an effort to reduce citations and towed vehicles in the downtown area during parking bans. The service will be offered from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. when the City is under a snow removal district parking ban. Customers will be charged for any time beyond 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. at the posted garage rate. Vehicles that remain in the facility past 10 a.m. will be charged for the entire time the vehicle was in the facility.

The snow emergency parking ban for Lincoln remains in effect. During a snow emergency, parking is banned on all main arterials, snow emergency routes and bus routes.

City ordinance requires property owners to clear snow and ice from sidewalks by 9 a.m. the day following the end of the snow storm. Sidewalks must be kept clear of snow and ice. The entire width of the walk must be cleared, along with any adjoining wheelchair ramps or curb cuts. For more information or to report locations not cleared, contact the Public Works and Utilities sidewalk office at 402-441-7541.

Public Works and Utilities’ Snow Angels program links volunteers willing to shovel snow with residents who need the service. Those wishing to volunteer may sign up online at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow angels).

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NO VOICE REPORT IS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

For more information:
Public Works Snow Center -- 402-441-7644
Citizen Information Center -- Diane Gonzolas, 402-525-1520

Date: Tuesday, February 3, 2015
Time: 4:45 p.m.

Another two to four inches of snow are expected overnight through Wednesday morning. Expect gusty north winds to create blowing and drifting snow. City crews will be on standby beginning at midnight and will begin plowing once about an inch of snow has accumulated on arterials. That will be followed by material spreading to reduce any residual snow and ice. Crews continue to respond to any trouble spots, and those can be reported to the Snow Center at 402-441-7644.

A residential parking ban is not in effect at this time, but two types of parking bans do remain in effect. The first is a snow emergency parking ban. Parking is banned on all main arterials, snow emergency routes and bus routes until further notice.

The second parking ban still in effect is the snow removal district parking ban. It is in effect overnight, from 12:01 to 7 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday. Parking is banned on both sides of the street during those hours in the City’s eight snow removal districts. In these areas, snow is plowed into windrows, loaded into trucks and hauled out of the area. Maps of the snow removal districts can be found at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow). They include streets in Downtown/Haymarket; University Place; Havelock; Bethany; College View; 11th and “G”; 17th and Washington; and 25th and Sumner.

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Citizen Information Center -- 402-441-7547

Date: Wednesday, February 4, 2015
Time: 3:45 p.m.

RESIDENTIAL PARKING BAN TO TAKE EFFECT AT 8 A.M. THURSDAY
Snow emergency remains in effect; snow removal district parking ban now through Friday

Mayor Chris Beutler has announced that a residential parking ban will go into effect at 8 a.m. Thursday, February 5. At that time, parking will be banned on the even-numbered sides of the street in all residential areas.

A residential parking ban applies to streets that are not emergency snow routes, arterials or bus routes or included in a snow removal district. Parking is first banned on the even-numbered (north and east) side of the street.

All bans remain in effect until terminated by the Mayor. Remember, plows may need to make more than one pass down your street.

The snow emergency parking ban for Lincoln remains in effect. During a snow emergency, parking is banned on all main arterials, snow emergency routes and bus routes.

A snow removal district parking ban has been extended to include both Thursday and Friday from 12:01 to 7 a.m. in the City’s eight snow removal districts. In these areas, snow is plowed into windrows, loaded into trucks and hauled out of the area between midnight and 7 a.m. To assist with snow removal, parking is prohibited on both sides of the street in the districts, which include streets in Downtown/Haymarket; University Place; Havelock; Bethany; College View; 11th and “G”; 17th and Washington; and 25th and Sumner. Maps can be found at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow).
To assist downtown residents during snow removal district parking bans, City Parking Services will offer free overnight parking at Center Park Garage, 1100 “N” St. The service is being offered in an effort to reduce citations and towed vehicles in the downtown area during parking bans. The service will be offered from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. when the City is under a snow removal district parking ban. Customers will be charged for any time beyond 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. at the posted garage rate. Vehicles that remain in the facility past 10 a.m. will be charged for the entire time the vehicle was in the facility.

City snow crews have been plowing and spreading material on the city’s 19 major routes since 5:30 a.m. Motorists are urged to slow down, limit distractions and use extreme caution when driving today. Temperatures are expected to drop significantly overnight resulting in possible re-freezing conditions.

Please stay informed on the status of snow operations in Lincoln. Additional information is available on the City website at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: snow). If you have questions, you may call the Public Works Snow Center at 402-441-7644.

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A total of 76 pieces of equipment were used today. Also, StarTran buses are currently running about ten minutes behind schedule. (DN)

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CITY OF LINCOLN
PARKING BAN UPDATE

A COMPLETE VOICE REPORT IS AVAILABLE AT 402-441-7783. THIS NUMBER IS FOR NEWS MEDIA USE ONLY.

For more information:
Public Works Snow Center -- 402-441-7644
Citizen Information Center -- Diane Gonzolas, 402-525-1520

Date: Wednesday, February 4, 2015
Time: 6 a.m.

After being on standby since midnight, snow plowing crews were deployed about 5:30 this morning. Teams of four are working on each of the 19 major routes. Drivers are urged to use caution this morning and to allow plenty of time to reach your destination. A snow emergency parking ban remains in effect, with parking banned on all main arterials, snow emergency routes and bus routes. A residential parking ban is not in effect at this time, but a snow removal district parking ban will be in effect overnight in the City's eight snow removal districts. Maps of the districts can be found at lincoln.ne.gov.

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Date: Wednesday, February 4, 2015
Time: 10:20 a.m.

City snow plowing crews continue work on the city’s main arterials this morning. Teams of four have been working on each of the 19 major routes since 5:30 a.m. Motorists are urged to slow down, limit distractions and use extreme caution when driving today, with snowfall expected to continue.

The snow emergency parking ban for Lincoln remains in effect. During a snow emergency, parking is banned on all main arterials, snow emergency routes and bus routes. A residential parking ban is not in effect at this time, but a snow removal district parking ban will be in effect overnight in the City’s eight snow removal districts. Maps of the districts can be found at lincoln.ne.gov.

Plowing will continue today until all routes are cleared. Once plowing is complete, crews will apply deicing material to all major routes.

Lincoln Police Department reports nine accidents as of 10 a.m., with a steady accident response since about 6 a.m. StarTran reports that buses are running about five to 10 minutes late, depending upon the route.

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Weed Management Areas or WMA’s as we refer to them are multi-county, multi-agency, multi-partner groups of people as well as individuals interested in pooling funds and resources to map, monitor, and control large scale noxious and invasive vegetation projects. Nebraska currently has 13 WMA’s across the state. In addition to non-native vegetation control, these groups have worked to provide outreach and education to inform all Nebraskan’s about the impact of noxious and invasive plants in our state. Nebraska has more miles of rivers and streams than any other state. Unfortunately, several of our newer noxious weeds are “riparian”, thriving in or near rivers, lakes or streams. Since weeds know no boundaries, and do not hesitate to cross county or state lines, it makes sense for interested groups and individuals to work together on common problems. Due to Lancaster County’s unique landscape and diversity we belong to two active WMA’s. The northern part of our county has invasives more common to the Lower Platte WMA with Oak Creek and Salt Creek draining to the northeast and joining the Platte River near Mahoney State Park. While the southern part of our county has more in common with the 5-Rivers WMA and invasives such as sericea lespedeza and caucasian bluestem that are encroaching into Nebraska from the southeast. In addition, waters in the southern portion of Lancaster County drain to the southeast joining the North Fork of the Big Nemaha River. Grant funding from both WMA’s have been used in Lancaster County helping with surveys of Oak and Salt Creeks as well as cost share opportunities for landowners with sericea lespedeza on private land and phragmites along Oak Creek and Salt Creek.

National Invasive Species Awareness Week

National Invasive Species Awareness Week is scheduled for February 23rd – 28th, 2015. According to experts with the Weed Science Society of America (WSSA), it’s a topic that deserves our attention. Non-native plants, animals and pathogens can harm humans, the environment and impact our nation’s economy. The damage done by invasive plants alone costs the U.S. an estimated $34.7 billion a year.

Invasive weeds can produce skin irritation, trigger allergies and poison pets and livestock. They can clog waterways, kill native trees, and shade out crops, ornamentals and prized native flora. They are found in every imaginable habitat, including oceans, lakes, streams, wetlands, croplands, rangelands, natural areas, parks, forests, urban environments, yards and gardens.
We're on the Web!
www.lancaster.ne.gov/weeds

Map Key
- Phragmites
- Saltcedar
- Leafy spurge
- Purple loosestrife
- Canada thistle
- Teasel
- Knotweed
- Sericea lespedeza
- Musk thistle

Good Neighbors – Control Invasive Weeds !!!
To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you in connection with a potential opportunity for Lincoln to host one of the world's premium live touring events. The world’s most popular, spectacular and highest selling action sports show, “Nitro Circus Live” is embarking upon its debut Outdoor North American Tour, “Moto Mayhem” in 2016 and has identified Lincoln as a possible location for one of the limited stops on the tour.

The purpose of this email is to seek your support and assistance in locating a suitable venue for the show in Lincoln and exploring other opportunities your organization is be able to provide, to assist in Lincoln the show and ensuring it is a huge success.

“Nitro Circus Live” transforms MTV's international smash hit TV series into a fully choreographed live spectacular that has captured the imagination of hundreds of thousands of fans around the world. Since its premiere in 2010, “Nitro Circus Live” has toured the globe smashing all sales records with over 2 million tickets sold, which is outlined in the short clip below:

https://vimeo.com/107755652
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In addition to the substantial economic benefit (it is well known that Nitro Circus fans travel from far and wide for a chance to experience this live spectacular) and the community excitement the show generates; “Nitro Circus Live” has a massive global reach with over 6,000,000 Facebook Fans, of which approximately 50% are based in North America; 250,000 twitter followers; 300,000 YouTube subscribers; and 411,000 Instagram followers, providing enormous exposure for each hosting city on the world stage.

I have copied the “Moto Mayhem” presenter link below so you can see for yourself why this is such a fantastic opportunity to add Lincoln to the limited 2016 Outdoor North America tour.

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In the initial instance, I am seeking your assistance to locate and secure a suitable outdoor venue in Lincoln for the show to be held. If you are interested, can you please, via return e-mail, recommend 3 outdoor venues that would be suitable and available to hold the show, such as Football or Athletics stadiums, Fairgrounds or Speedways (see attached for examples) that have a minimum capacity of 10,000 (does not need to be 100% grandstand seated as per the attached images) and a key contact person?

Once I receive your interest and feedback, I would like to come to Lincoln to inspect the venues and meet with you to discuss the show in greater detail and possible partnership opportunities.

Could you please provide the best contact person within your organization to confirm a meeting time in the upcoming months?
For more information, please call me on 949.429.8335

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Our new 911 communications system should be able to send and receive text messages. Body cameras for police patrol officers should be part of the sales tax police package.

Rick Boucher, 3040 Stratford Avenue, Lincoln 68502, 402.475.3865
I am wondering if there is anything the city can do to clean up the property at 6236 Vine Street. The once operated valid service station has been closed for almost 2 years and now looks like a city dump. It appears the owner uses it as a used car lot, towing junk cars in and out, and leaving all of the cars unattended and not working. While he may be paying his real estate taxes, I'm in question if he is paying operating taxes for whatever kind of business he claims he is doing. It is an eyesore from the beautiful bike path as well as driving down Cotner Blvd and Vine Street.

Thank you for listening from a concerned Lincoln citizen.
> I recd a bill this month raising monthly bundle fee from a high 178 $ to an outrageous 229$. At least I thought it was outrageous. After pressing menu buttons for five minutes before getting to a customer relations rep, the response to my complaint about pricing was that my "special" pricing offer had expired. This person, nor another person in Georgia, was interested in hearing any concern or any promise to leave for wind stream when it becomes available - their responses were obviously scripted, automaton like. And I was told that I should keep my current level of service. Insulting - not what I need someone to tell me. I understand twc does not have to report complaints to the board, but I wanted this one passed on. I also found it amazing that their "menu" warns you that you will be charged $5 if you want a representative to help in paying a bill. 

I sincerely hope wind stream comes into the business of cable TV and that it is better than twc.

Sent from my iPad
Thank you for your courteous email. You hit the “nail on the head”, namely one of prioritization by the City.

I have asked the same question for well over a decade, i.e. why are the bike paths cleared well before the streets. The answer has always been that Parks and Rec Department handles the bike trails and uses smaller pick-ups with the Parks employees who are not as busy in the winter with other Parks matters.

This confuses me as I also see neighborhoods, such as townhome developments like the one in which I reside, having their streets cleared with similar pick-ups and attached snow blades. Often these are private businesses that do lawns and landscaping in warmer weather months. The “City” has innumerable residential streets that one would think could be handled by the Parks Department in a similar fashion, thereby assisting Public Works in its snow removal efforts and providing quicker response to neighborhoods.

Perhaps there is room to compromise or modify the current approach so that the greatest number of citizens are accommodated first. During this current bout of snow, I have also heard from a number of citizens who were unable to get out of their neighborhoods and questions the ability of emergency vehicles to respond to a person/party in need of a medical or fire emergency.

I will again request a review from Lynn Johnson, Director of Parks and Recreations Department, and Miki Esposito, Director of Public Works.

Thank you again for your email inquiry.

Jon

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To All:

I’m sure there are numerous e-mails on snow removal, but I see my issue as more of setting priorities and allocating resources.

Attached is a photo taken near the intersection of 4th and “E” Street at about 1:30pm on February 4, 2015. On the left hand side of the photo is 4th street. I would not expect it to be plowed just a few hours after the snow quit falling. On the right hand side is the neatly plowed bike path that runs parallel to 4th street.

Why in the world would snow removal of this bike path take priority over the street? I have heard the excuse that the Street Department and Parks and Recreation are to different organizations with different budgets and priorities. From a citizens perspective, it all comes out of our pocket, so that argument makes little sense.

I am pretty confident the number of bicyclist that will be traveling this path over the next 48-72 hours will be significantly less than the number of cars traveling on E street.

I am not saying that the bike path does not require the snow to be removed, I just don’t think it should be a priority when the manpower and equipment can be used elsewhere in the early stages of snow removal after a significant event. It is probably safe to say that most bike paths in Lincoln receive this same priority treatment.

This is not an isolated event for the E street bike path. It is always cleared long before the streets in most neighborhoods are cleared.

The key to good leadership is to recognize the resources available and allocate them to provide the most benefit to the Citizens of Lincoln. Priority cleaning of bike paths is not a good allocation of resources during a snow event.

I would appreciate the professional courtesy of a response to this issue.

Respectfully,

Troy Euse
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MINUTES
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2015

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

Others: Teresa Meier, City Clerk; Rick Hoppe, Mayor’s Chief of Staff; Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director; Miki Esposito, Public Works & Utilities Director; Tom Casady, Public Safety Director and Vicki Morehead, Temporary Council Secretary

Council secretary arrived at 2:02 p.m. with meeting in progress.

Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director

Johnson stated that light duty trucks do not have enough weight and momentum behind them to move much snow on the streets, so we typically have not used them for snow removal. Parks and Recreation does have some heavy duty trucks and CDL drivers in a couple sections that are part of the snow removal team.

Johnson also stated Mr. Euse’s question is a perfect example because it shows a residential street right next to a trail that is a school walking route. The trail is cleared first, because it is a school walking route and it would be about 48 hours or so before there is an emphasis on getting the residential streets cleared.

Hoppe pointed out that there is an ordinance in place that requires sidewalks to be cleared by the next morning after a snowfall.

Johnson replied that it is a constant battle for property owners along major streets to keep sidewalks opened up. It is back and forth for days until the snow removal is finished.

Miki Esposito, Public Works & Utilities Director

Esposito requested that all pothole service requests received in emails be forwarded to her. People can also call the pothole hotline at 441-7646.

Esposito stated beginning at 8 a.m. today we had 50 city employees mobilized to repair potholes. We are doing a second pothole surge. We have had 3 storm events between the last time we did this right before the first of the year. The last surge that we had, we completed pothole repairs in 2.5 days and we think that will be about the level of service that we will get for this event. We have issued a press release about the surge and we’ll assess our capabilities at the end of the day. This is a 250% increase in staffing from the 16 to 20 people we normally have working on potholes. We have 28 vehicles on the streets, and plenty of material, equipment and supplies.

Camp requested that a pre-council be held in the near future to discuss ice prevention. Some people are suggesting the brine is causing problems because it sinks 3 inches down into the concrete.
Esposito replied she believes that the increase in potholes is due to the extreme temperatures that we are seeing. She agreed to have a pre-council on the subject.

Esposito also stated they have gotten 80 calls and have had Lincoln Action Center emails coming in by the hundreds. The app is also really easy and you can take a picture, so people seem to be getting them in that way as well.

Cook inquired if we are able to patch holes between the tracks at the railroad crossing at 40th Street and Highway 2.

Esposito believes that we have patched them in the past.

Camp inquired whether there was a policy in place to deal with small claims due to potholes.

Esposito responded that what we have done in the past is if we have had no notice of the pothole and did not have a reasonable time to get out and fix, it we deny those claims. If we did have a reasonable time to fix it and had notice, then usually the claims are allowed.

Tom Casady, Public Safety Director

Casady stated 3 people involved in the string of 12 recent business robberies have been arrested. A pretty massive project has been underway for about the past 2 weeks. We had 26 officers involved in the stakeouts including personnel from the sheriff’s office, the police department, and the U.S. Marshall Service. We also had the state patrol helicopter. The problem with having a couple of dozen people on stakeouts is when you look at the places that have been robbed, convenience stores, fast food places, hotels and motels, you’ve got probably a few hundred of those. We had a pretty close call the day that Russ’s IGA was robbed. We had a stakeout team down at 17th and South Street. About Thursday night/Friday morning last week we really had honed in on our primary suspect and we were conducting surveillance on 2 places that we thought he might be, either the Oasis or the Starlight in Northeast Lincoln. After the second robbery yesterday morning at The Egg & I we had people there watching for anyone coming. Because it was so early in the morning we were able to pick him out when he arrived.

Eskridge stated that at least one of the suspects is from Grand Island and inquired about the sharing of information between LPD and other agencies across the state.

Casady replied that we have been in communication with Grand Island once this man was identified as a suspect.

I. CITY CLERK

Meier stated Public Hearing Liquor Resolutions Items 8 & 9 will be called together. On Item 13 a motion was handed out to amend #3. That replaces the previous motion to amend 1 & 2. Items 13, 14 & 15 will be called together for public hearing and then will be voted on. We have a motion to amend Item 18 as well. A new resolution was handed out for Item 22 under Resolutions First
Reading. We had a correction that was made. It was made to the new corrected version on Friday. We had a request from Public Works to place Item 30 under Ordinances First Reading on pending status so that the neighborhood can research other possibilities.

Fellers stated he spoke to Peter Katt earlier this week who said that 32 & 33 could be removed.

Cook stated Text Amendment 13 is what was handed out today. Planning went back and added standards that are being met by this project. That is why it is different than last week’s version

II. MAYOR
1. NEWS RELEASE. Lincoln City Libraries celebrate African-American History Month.
2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule for the week of Jan. 31-Feb. 6, 2015.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Technology help available at libraries.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor to present December Award of Excellence.
6. Letter from the United States Postal Service regarding relocation of retail services for Lincoln Gateway Station.
8. City seeks input on proposed hazardous waste collection facility.
9. TIF in Lincoln PowerPoint presentation.
10. Information on city snow operations and City of Lincoln snow plan.
11. NEWS RELEASE. Abraham Lincoln Celebration to feature new play direct from Springfield Museum.

III. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

NEIGHBORWORKS LINCOLN
1. UNL feature article on Everett neighborhood, posted online.

PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION

PLANNING COMMISSION
1. Urban Design Committee Revised Agenda for Tuesday, February 3, 2015.
4. List of administrative approvals by the Acting Planning Director from January 27, 2015 through February 2, 2015.

PUBLIC WORKS/STREET MAINTENANCE
1. Street condition update - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 6:53 a.m.
2. Street condition update - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 10:49 a.m.
3. Street condition update - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 3:46 p.m.
4. Street condition update, clarification - Sunday, February 1, 2015, 4:11 p.m.
5. Snow removal/parking ban update - Monday, February 2, 2015, 2:23 p.m.
7. Parking ban update - Tuesday, February 3, 2015, 4:46 p.m.
8. Parking ban update - Wednesday, February 4, 2015, 6:06 a.m.
10. Snow report: Residential parking ban in effect at 8 a.m. Thursday - Wednesday, February 4, 2015, 3:50 p.m.
11. Addition to 3:45 p.m. snow report - Wednesday, February 4 2015, 4:04 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING
1. South 56th Street Paving - Shadow Pines Drive to Old Cheney Road.

WEED CONTROL
1. Lancaster County Weed Control - City of Lincoln Weed Abatement.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Craig Gibson of Nitro Circus Live inquiring about outdoor venues to hold an event.
2. Rick Boucher regarding the sales tax increase.
3. Citizen concerned about the property at 6236 Vine Street.
5. Troy Euse addressing priorities for snow removal and Councilman Camp’s response.

VI. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Emery adjourned the meeting at 2:29 p.m.