I. MINUTES
1. Directors’ Meeting minutes of April 4, 2016.

II. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

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IV. MAYOR’ CORRESPONDENCE
1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler and Dr. Scott Josiah of the Nebraska Forest Service will discuss the Emerald Ash Borer situation at a news conference Tuesday, April 5th, 10:00 a.m. on the southeast lawn of the State Capitol.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor to join nationwide effort to recognize national service.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to Cycle Track opening.
4. NEWS RELEASE. City and State leaders call for proactive approach to Emerald Ash Borer.
5. NEWS RELEASE. StarTran ready for busy week.
6. NEWS RELEASE. Winners announced for Mayor’s Arts Awards.
7. NEWS RELEASE. Volunteers invited to join Spring Rose Garden cleanup.
8. NEWS RELEASE. Trail closures and expansions to start next week.
9. NEWS RELEASE. Aging Partners to host free Medicare Workshops.

V. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Administrative Amendment No. 16019 approved by the Planning Director on March 30, 2016.

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/ADMINISTRATION
Thomas Shafer, Director, addressing the 56th Street and Old Cheney Road closure

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/ENGINEERING
1. Randy Hoskins, Assistant City Engineer, replying to traffic safety concerns of Corey and Kerry Vondrak for Bicentennial Estates, particularly Independence Dr. And 25th Street. (Concern listed on the Directors’ Meeting Agenda for April 4th - Citizen Correspondence, #2)

VII. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSION REPORTS

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS
IX. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP
1. Councilman Camp writing to David Landis, Urban Development Director, objecting to cost to provide artistic lighting in the Haymarket Alley between P and O Streets when the City has safety hazards posing problems.
2. Julie Boyd commenting on the proposed road construction project for Old Cheney between 40th Street and Highway 2, which will severely restrict access to her’s, and other, businesses.
3. Councilman Camp’s request for Thomas Shafer, Public Works & Utilities Director, to discuss at length the constructions projects in the vicinity of 56th and Old Cheney, stating business owners quite frustrated.
   a) Stan Tafoya, Custom Blinds & Design, giving feedback on the 56th and Old Cheney project.
4. Councilman Camp requesting additional information on the Experian Building restroom renovations from Bob Walls, Purchasing Agent.
5. Councilman Camp addressing a security question posed by parochial superintendent, Sister Bruskewitz, with question to Matt Schulte, Lincoln School Board.

X. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Zach Votipka writing regarding his claim against the City of Lincoln for damage to his vehicle.
2. Jami Oppegard-Roeder writing in support of sidewalk construction on the west side of 48th Street between Leighton and Holdrege Streets.
3. Heather Linscomb asking if a way to have no parking signs removed. (Sent to Public Works & Utilities)
4. InterLinc correspondence from Jethro Hopkins on why there is opposition to the current plan of shutting down the intersection of 56th and Old Cheney for 20 to 90 days to resurface.
   a) Councilman Camp asking Thomas Shafer, Public Works & Utilities Director, what solutions are available to assist the businesses.
5. Laura Kohel commenting that 56th Street was to be completed 5 months ago, and now may close to Highway 2.
6. Wanda Caffrey commenting her dissatisfaction on the timeline for the 56th and Old Cheney project, asking the question of how do other communities manage to do more quickly.
7. Jason Holm stating closing 56th through Highway 2, for an already overdue project, will cripple businesses. Reconsider.
8. Question from Sara Nelson on distributing advertising flyers.
   a) Reply from Jeff Kirkpatrick, City Attorney, on the legality.

XI. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS
See invitation list.

XII. ADJOURNMENT
DATE: April 4, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831
Kyle Martens, Nebraska Forest Service, 402-472-9869

Mayor Chris Beutler and Dr. Scott Josiah of the Nebraska Forest Service will discuss the Emerald Ash Borer situation at a news conference at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 5 on the southeast lawn of the State Capitol. Other speakers will include Plattsmouth Mayor Paul Lambert and State Senator Patty Pansing Brooks (if her schedule allows).

If the weather is bad, the news conference will be held in the Capitol Rotunda.

Students will begin tying green ribbons on ash trees near the Governor’s Residence at about 9 a.m. tomorrow morning.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-7511

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 4, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Barb Baier, City Grant Coordinator, 402-202-1846

MAYOR TO JOIN NATIONWIDE EFFORT TO RECOGNIZE NATIONAL SERVICE

Mayor Chris Beutler will join more than 2,800 city and county leaders across the country April 5 to recognize the impact of AmeriCorps and Senior Corps on local challenges. A proclamation from the Mayor will be read at the Mayor and County Day of Recognition for National Service from 3 to 4 p.m. at Tower Square, 13th and “P” streets.

The effort is sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the National Association of Counties, the National League of Cities and Cities of Service. The program will include music from the Lincoln High Pep Band and remarks from County Commission Chair Roma Amundson; City Ombudsman Lin Quenzer, a former AmeriCorpsVISTA member; Kimberle Hall, CNCS State Program Officer; Audrey Jackson, ServeNebraska Program Officer; Terry Genrich, City Parks and Recreation Department Assistant Director; and Randy Jones, Aging Partners Director.

More than 104 AmeriCorps and Senior Corps members currently serve in Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln. “Our community receives more than $2.4 million in grants and matching funds through these important national service programs,” said Mayor Beutler. “AmeriCorps and Senior Corps members are helping us to meet real community needs in a cost effective way while improving the quality of life for many of our residents. We hope this recognition will inspire more residents to get involved in our communities.”

CNCS (NationalService.gov) is a federal agency that engages millions of Americans in service through Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, the Social Innovation Fund and other programs. CNCS programs in the community include the following:

- The Youth on the Move program of the City Parks and Recreation Department provides academic, social and other support for over 330 students at risk of dropping out of school.
- The Providing Resources, Opportunity and Hope program of the Center for People in Need assists low-income families realize economic self-sufficiency.
- The Foster Grandparent program of Aging Partners provides hundreds of hours of support to over 100 low-income children in Lincoln Public Schools.
“I am proud to be working with Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln, Nebraska as we continue to strengthen communities through national service,” said Wendy Spencer, CNCS CEO.

“County officials and mayors are leaders who get things done. They know first-hand the value of national service in tackling local problems. I commend Lincoln City Mayor Chris Beutler for working with us to improve lives and strengthen communities through national service.”

For more information about the recognition event, visit NationalService.gov/RecognitionDay.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 4, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831
Sara Hartzell, Parks and Recreation, 402-441-8261

PUBLIC INVITED TO CYCLE TRACK OPENING

Mayor Chris Beutler today encouraged the public to celebrate the grand opening of the “N” Street Cycle Track Saturday, April 23. The celebration will begin with music from the Lincoln High Band at 10:30 a.m. at the Elliott Elementary parking lot, S. 23rd and “N” streets. The program will begin at 10:45 a.m. and will include remarks from the Mayor and a representative from the People for Bikes organization. The Mayor will officially open the Cycle Track at 11 a.m., and participants are then invited to use the new bikeway to travel to the Railyard, “Q” Street and Canopy Drive, for more activities, including music from PANgea.

“As the home of Nebraska’s first protected bikeway of its kind, Lincoln is becoming a model for healthy living and transportation alternatives in the country,” Mayor Beutler said. “Even before the Cycle Track opened, People for Bikes ranked it number four on its list of “America’s 10 Best New Bike Lanes! This project is also another great example of a successful partnership, with funds coming from both the public and private sectors, including a $340,000 donation from our great partners at the Great Plains Trails Network.”

Residents are encouraged to bike to the event using the City’s trails and on-street bike routes, which can be found at gptn.org. Vehicle parking is available in the Lincoln High north lot or at the Lewis Ball Fields.

The Cycle Track, which runs from S. 23rd Street to Pinnacle Bank Arena Drive, has been open since December. The two-way bike lane is separated from traffic with green paint, curbs, medians and on-street parking. Every intersection has traffic control devices for cyclists, motorists and pedestrians.

The Mayor said opening it in the winter has given the City an opportunity to make adjustments. The City has added more striping and reflective plastic tubes to keep motorized traffic out of the bike lanes. Landscaping will be finished this spring.

The Mayor said opening the Cycle Track in December also gave the public an opportunity to learn more about it before warmer weather brings more cyclists into downtown. Instructional videos and information for cyclists, motorists and pedestrians are available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: N Street).

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:  April 5, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831
                      Kyle Martens, Nebraska Forest Service, 402-472-9869

CITY AND STATE LEADERS CALL FOR
PROACTIVE APPROACH TO EMERALD ASH BORER

Mayor Chris Beutler today was joined by State Senator Patty Pansing Brooks, Plattsmouth Mayor Paul Lambert and Dr. Scott Josiah of the Nebraska Forest Service (NFS) in calling for cities and the state to be proactive in dealing with the emerald ash borer (EAB). The NFS estimates the invasive insect will cause more than $960 million in damages in Nebraska, but experience in other states shows the costs can be contained by taking action now.

The EAB is an invasive insect that has destroyed tens of millions of ash trees around the nation. Although it has not been detected in Nebraska, it has been sighted in surrounding states and may already be here.

“We are responsible for 14,000 public ash trees in Lincoln alone,” Mayor Beutler said. “We cannot wait until damaged trees become brittle, fall apart and become a safety hazard. We have learned from other states that a proactive approach to treatment, removal and replacement can reduce the enormous cost to taxpayers.”

Last year, Sen. Pansing Brooks introduced LB 461 that would have allocated funds to the existing Tree Recovery Act. She agreed that inaction is a disservice to Nebraska’s legacy as “The Tree Planters State” and urged the public to find out more about the EAB program at the new NFS website, eabne.info.

“Many of my colleagues are aware of the threat that EAB poses,” Sen. Pansing Brooks said. “However, until our constituents send a strong message that we must prioritize the recovery now, we may not see any action until after EAB has arrived. And we know that waiting is going to be far more expensive.”

Plattsmouth Mayor Paul Lambert said unanticipated costs pose a major challenge for smaller communities. He said financial assistance from the state is one way to help offset the costs of treatment, removal and replacement.

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“Plattsmouth is projected to spend over $90,000 to safely mitigate the issue with our ash trees,” Lambert said. “Thankfully we are a large enough community that we can be flexible and more creative in finding funds. Unfortunately, that’s not the case for the majority of communities around the state.”

Last weekend, high school and college students began wrapping green ribbons around ash trees in parks, on the UNL campus and in the State Capitol area. The marked trees aren’t slated for removal, but the ribbons are intended to raise awareness of the impact the EAB will have when it arrives.

“We’re talking about the loss of 9 percent of all trees in Nebraska,” said Dr. Josiah. “At the same time, it’s important to remember that if we don’t replant with tree diversity in mind, we could very well be in the same situation 50 years from now. The Dutch elm disease is an unfortunate example. Those lost trees were mostly replaced with ash species, putting us in the position we’re in today.”

The website at eabne.info includes recommendations for communities and homeowners in preparing for the arrival of the EAB.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:  April 5, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION:  Kitty Elliott, StarTran, 402-441-7185

STARTRAN READY FOR BUSY WEEK

April is a busy month for StarTran, starting with Nebraska Transit Week April 11 through 15. StarTran will feature special promotions each day of the week:

- Monday, April 11 is “Buddy Day,” and two can ride for the price of one (includes Handi-Van). Riders can pay cash or use their passes.
- Tuesday, April 12 is “Bike and Bus Day,” and riders with bicycles can ride for free.
- Wednesday, April 13 is “Senior Day,” and those age 62 and older can ride for free if they have a photo ID with a birth date (includes Handi-Van).
- Thursday, April 14 is “Patron Appreciation Day.”
- Friday, April 15 is “Be a Car-Free Person.” Deposit any old or unused key when you board the bus, and ride for free (regular routes only).

In addition to its regular route service, StarTran will provide Big Red Express shuttle service for the Nebraska spring football game April 16. Buses will pick up and drop off on the south side of SouthPointe Pavilions, 27th and Pine Lake, and at North Star High School, 5801 N. 33rd St. Big Red Express service begins two hours before kick-off, and the last buses leave the lots about 45 minutes before kickoff. The stadium drop-off and pick-up location is on “R” Street between 12th and 14th streets. Buses return to the lots immediately after the game. Cost is $5 each way or $10 round-trip, and passengers need exact change. For more information, visit startran.lincoln.ne.gov or call 402-476-1234.

The public can help “Stuff the Bus” April 16 and 17 by donating new items needed by the residents at Friendship Home, a 24-hour emergency shelter for those experiencing domestic violence. StarTran buses and Friendship Home volunteers will be stationed at these locations from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day:

- Wal-Mart and Sam’s Club stores - 27th and Superior, 87th and Highway 2
- Wal-Mart stores - 84th and Adams, 27th and Grainger

Items needed include toilet paper, paper towels, sheets and comforters, pillows, bath towels, personal care items, kitchenware, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies and some non-perishable food items. Cash donations are accepted. Alpha Media’s Lincoln stations – KFRX (106.3 FM), The Eagle-KTGL (92.9 FM), The Blaze-KIBZ (104.1 FM), ESPN-KLMS (1480 AM), KFOR (1240 AM, 103.3 FM) and KZKX (96.9 FM) – will do live broadcasts from the event.

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WINNERS ANNOUNCED FOR MAYOR’S ARTS AWARDS

Mayor Chris Beutler and the Lincoln Arts Council (LAC) have announced the winners of the 2016 Mayor’s Arts Awards to be presented Wednesday, June 15 on the main stage of the Lied Center. The event begins at 5:30 p.m. and is open to the public. Tickets are $60 and are available from the LAC at 402-434-2787 or artscene.org. The awards being presented to the winners are being created by Wendy Jane Bantam, a 2015 winner. This year’s winners are:

Richard Hay Outstanding Arts Organization: Nebraska Girls Shakespeare is a company of young women ages 13 to 18 who produce, direct, act in and do technical work for all of their Shakespeare productions.

Artistic Achievement Award - Visual Arts: Karen Kunc is an internationally renowned printmaker, Cather Professor of Art at UNL and creator of Constellation Studios.

Artistic Achievement Award – Youth: Samantha Payant is a Lincoln Southwest Senior who has won awards in band, speech, dance, debate and forensics. Payant is also one of nine students who created the documentary, “Poverty: Not a Choice,” this year’s Mayor’s Choice recipient.

Artistic Achievement Award - Performing Arts: Matthew Lukasiewicz has been a mainstay of Flatwater Shakespeare’s acting company for the past decade. Lukasiewicz is being honored for his pinnacle role as Hamlet in the 2015 season.

Artistic Achievement Award – Literary Arts: Twyla Hansen is a published poet raised in Northeast Nebraska and currently serving as the Nebraska State Poet. She is the third Nebraskan and first woman to hold this position.

Gladys Lux Education Award: The Lincoln Music Teachers Association is an organization of private and college music teachers founded in 1942. The group is recognized for its Music Outreach Program, which provides private music lessons to 50 Lincoln students who would otherwise not be able to afford them.
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The Legacy of the Arts Award: Omaha native Ed Love received bachelor’s and master’s degrees in Music from UNL and taught in Seward and Lincoln schools beginning in the 1970s. He performed with a number of jazz ensembles, including the Nebraska Jazz Orchestra, which he has directed since 1979. In “retirement,” Love continues to teach for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI).

Heart of the Arts Award: As the State Film Officer for more than two decades, Laurie Richards has been instrumental in the development and promotion of over 65 films made in Nebraska. She has produced her own films, serves on a number of arts organization boards, and is a talented singer/musician.

The ArtScene Backstage Award: Michelle Zinke has served as a volunteer stage manager for many Lincoln productions since 2000. She has organized more than 50 plays for the Lincoln Community Playhouse, Flatwater Shakespeare Company, Angels Theatre Company and others.

Outstanding Event Award: Illuminating Lincoln: Lighthouse was a public art project celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Lighthouse and raising funds for the after-school program. The project included the creation of 51 six-foot light bulbs, related community events and a tour promoting the importance of healthy after-school activities.

Benefactor of the Arts Award: The late Glenn Korff was a Nebraska native and UNL graduate who remained passionate about the arts throughout his successful financial career. In addition to board service to a number of local entities, he made significant gifts to UNL’s Glenn Korff School of Music and the Lied Center for the Glenn Korff Broadway Series.

Lincoln Community Foundation Arts for Kids Award: The mission of Teach a Kid to Fish is to prevent and reduce childhood obesity by empowering Lincoln children and families to eat healthy and be active. The agency enlisted about 60 students from six LPS elementary schools to illustrate a series of books for children to convey the message of making healthy choices.

Mayor’s Choice Award: The “Poverty: Not a Choice” documentary was created by nine high school and college students and distributed by Nebraska Loves Public Schools. The film, which aired on NET, explores the day-to-day realities faced by public school kids from food and housing insecurity to opportunity gaps in school and extracurricular activities.

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Enersen Urban Design Award: The Urban Design Committee selected the Lincoln Mall Revitalization Project. Recent projects include the work of NEBCO/Jim Abel along with the renovation of both President and Ambassador Apartments.

The Kimmel Foundation Emerging Artist Awards will be presented to poet Mary Hickman, a creative writing teacher at Nebraska Wesleyan, and painter David Gracie, Chair of the Art Department at Nebraska Wesleyan. The awards include $1,000 stipends and residencies at the Kimmel Harding Nelson Center for the Arts. The awards are sponsored by the Richard P. Kimmel and Laurine Kimmel Charitable Foundation.

The public is encouraged to submit names and photos of members of the Lincoln arts community who have died since the last awards ceremony in June 2015 for memorial recognition at the awards event. Information can be sent to mayorsartsawards@artscene.org.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 7, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Steve Nosal, Parks and Recreation, 402-441-8267

VOLUNTEERS INVITED TO JOIN SPRING ROSE GARDEN CLEANUP

Lincoln residents are invited to join the Public Garden Section of the Parks and Recreation Department for the annual spring cleanup of the Hamann Rose Garden and the Strolling Garden, 27th and “B” streets. The event begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 16. Staff will demonstrate proper spring rose pruning and provide information on growing rose bushes as they lead the cleanup of the Hybrid Teas, Floribundas, Grandifloras, Shrub Roses and Miniature Roses.

Participants are asked to bring thorn-proof leather-type gloves and pruning shears or lopping shears. A tool-sharpening station will be available, and staff will give tips on how to properly sharpen tools. Members of the Lincoln Rose Society and Lincoln Garden Club as well as Master Gardeners will also be on hand to answer questions and work with volunteers.

Volunteers do not need to register. For more information, contact Horticulturalist Steve Nosal at 402-441-8267 or snosal@lincoln.ne.gov. More information on Parks and Recreation is available at parks.lincoln.ne.gov.

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TRAIL CLOSURES AND EXPANSIONS TO START NEXT WEEK

A sanitary sewer project at about 6th and Calvert streets will temporarily close portions of the Salt Creek Levee Trail and the Jamaica North Trail starting Monday, April 11. The work is expected to take until mid-May.

Signs have been posted to notify trail users at major access points ahead of the closure. The suggested detour routes are as follows:

- Salt Creek Levee Trail – The trail is open from Park Blvd. north and to the Van Dorn and Bison trails. Trail users can connect to the Jamaica Trail using the Van Dorn Trail to S. 8th and then the South Street Trail.
- Jamaica North – Take the South Street Trail to S. 8th, and then go south to the Van Dorn Trail to connect to the Salt Creek Levee and Bison trails.

Also starting next week are projects to add to three trails. The MoPac Trail will have a new connection to 52nd Street, and the Rock Island Trail will have a new connection at Arlington Avenue. Both trails will remain open. The Boosalis Trail will have a new connection at Dunn Avenue. This work will require the closure of the trail from 20th to 27th streets for about four days. The suggested detour is Kessler Blvd., just north of Highway 2. These three projects were identified as priority neighborhood trail connections in the 2040 Bicycle and Pedestrian Capital Plan.

For more information on Lincoln’s trails, visit parks.lincoln.ne.gov.

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AGING PARTNERS TO HOST FREE MEDICARE WORKSHOPS

The public is invited to attend free “Medicare ABCs” workshops at several Lancaster County Senior Center locations in April and May. The workshops are sponsored by Aging Partners and conducted by the Nebraska Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP), a division of the Nebraska Department of Insurance. The dates, times and locations are:

- Friday, April 22, 12:15 p.m., Waverly Senior Center, First United Methodist Church, 14410 Folkstone St.
- Wednesday, May 18, 12:30 p.m., Hickman Senior Center, Hickman Presbyterian Church, 300 E. 3rd St.
- Monday, May 23, 12:30 p.m., Firth Senior Center, Firth Community Center, 311 Nemaha St.

Medicare coverage is nearly universal for Americans age 65 and over, but a recent survey shows 57 percent of baby boomers have a poor understanding of the coverage. For example, three out of four did not know that Medicare requires payments for premiums, copays and deductibles.

The Waverly workshop will be presented by SHIIP Director Alicia Jones, and the Hickman and Firth workshops will be presented by Bobbie Kierstead, a certified SHIIP counselor. “With 200 Nebraskans turning 65 every day, information about Medicare is in high demand,” said Kierstead. “Even people who have had Medicare for years are anxious to get impartial information. These presentations are designed for consumers who want to learn more about Medicare in an easy-to-understand format without any sales pressure.”

Reservations are not required for the workshops, but those who want to eat lunch (optional) prior to the workshop must call Paula Chamberlain at 402-416-7693. A financial donation for the lunch is requested.

SHIIP is federally funded and offers free, unbiased Medicare counseling and consumer education to seniors and disabled Nebraskans. SHIIP does not sell or promote any insurance products. For more information about Medicare, visit doi.nebraska.gov/shiip/ or call SHIIP at 800-234-7119. For more information on Aging Partners, visit aging.lincoln.ne.gov.

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Memorandum

Date:   April 5, 2016
To:     City Clerk
From:   Amy Hana Huffman, Planning Dept.
Re:     Administrative Approvals
cc:     Mayor Chris Beutler
         Planning Commission
         Geri Rorabaugh, Planning Dept.

This is a list of the administrative approvals by the Planning Director from March 29, 2016 through April 4, 2016:

Administrative Amendment No. 16019 to Final Plat No. 15142, Vavrina Meadows 35th Addition, approved by the Planning Director on March 30, 2016, requested by REGA Engineering, to accept the Affidavit of Surveyor to correct typographical errors on the Final Plat, generally located at South 14th Street and Vavrina Boulevard.
Annexation by Ordinance
Grandview Estates 1st Addition
S 84th St & Rokeby Rd
Effective: April 12, 2016
28.87 Acres
From: Thomas S. Shafer
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 2:39 PM
Subject: S. 56th and Old Cheney Upcoming Project

Council members:

I just got a call from LIBA on the same subject. Public Works & Utilities will be prepared to update and answer questions at 2:00 on Monday the 11th at the Director’s Meeting. For more information on the project, please use the link below:

http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/projects/old-cheney/40th-hwy2/

56th Street & Old Cheney Road

A full intersection closure would be necessary to complete concrete pavement repairs within this intersection. All traffic would be detoured on 48th Street, Highway 2, 70th Street and Pine Lake Road for a duration not to exceed twenty (20) calendar days.

Thomas Shafer
Interim Director of Public Works & Utilities
402-525-5644

From: Trenton J. Fellers
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 2:29 PM
To: Randy W. Hoskins <rhoskins@lincoln.ne.gov>; Thomas S. Shafer <tshafer@lincoln.ne.gov>; Roger A. Figard <rfigard@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: Fwd: InterLinc: Council Feedback

Hey guys-

Could you give us some update here?

Thanks;

Trent Fellers

Begin forwarded message:

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

Name: Jethro Hopkins
Address: po box 29434
City: Lincoln, NE 68529
Phone: 402-217-2833
Comment or Question:
56th st construction project.

I wanted to bring to your attention something that came up at the open house for this project today. The current plan for road resurfacing includes shutting down the intersection of 56th and old cheney for 20-90 days. All the businesses in that area are all ready bleeding out due to 56th st being closed 6 months longer all ready then predicted. Closing that intersection entirely may well put several of us out of business at this point. The only full service access to those two commercial facilites is from Old Cheney, thats the only way to get in coming from either direction, closing the intersection would all so be the final nail for the businesses south of that intersection.

Why can't the work on that intersection be done at night? There is no residential in the area. I have a business over there, Herbs and More, this project is killing me all ready, closing that intersection entirely for 1 to 3 months will probably put that business under at this point as our traffic count has continued to drop month over month as people take and get used to alternative routes.
Mr. and Mrs. Vondrak:
I was asked to respond to your concerns about traffic on Independence Drive and 25th Street. As a resident of Bicentennial Estates who uses the street on my daily commute, I am very familiar with the traffic situation out there.

Based on the studies we conducted when we were contacted in January of 2015, we found a total of 15 crashes along Independence between 20th and 25th Street in the past 5 years. The majority of these were fairly minor, many involving mirrors of parked vehicles getting clipped. Several more involved vehicles backing out of driveways. None of the crashes had resulted in any injuries.

Independence does carry a high volume of traffic for a residential street. As you’re aware, North Star High School students use this route from 20th Street to Folkways, and a large number of vehicles intended for the Wal-Mart shopping center also cut through the neighborhood on this route. While the Public Works and Utilities Department would prefer to see these vehicles using the arterial streets instead of these residential streets, they are public streets and open to all vehicles.

I see some speeding occurring on my daily trips along Independence and 25th, but rarely anything excessive. I believe the Police Department would concur in this assessment, as the numerous times I’ve seen the officers out there monitoring speeds over the last couple of years, I have never seen anyone pulled over by them. The presence of multiple parked vehicles and the higher volumes of traffic actually help to keep speeds lower along this street.

We would encourage the neighborhood to take part in our Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program as a means to more permanently alleviate the concerns you’ve stated. Information on this program can be found at http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/engine/traffic/pdf/neighborhood-traffic.pdf. This process ensures that all the impacted residents in the neighborhood are on-board with any proposed traffic changes and ensures that any actions taken are both helpful in improving the safety and in maintaining a high quality of life within the neighborhood. If you have any questions regarding the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program or to get started in the process, please feel free to call Lonnie Burklund at 402-441-7711.

Randy Hoskins, P.E.
Assistant City Engineer
(402) 450-1216
Dear Council Member,

I hope this attached letter finds you well. This is a letter we have submitted to the Public Works Dept and just wanted you to become aware of this matter as well.

Several of the citizens of the Bicentennial Estates in Lincoln, Nebraska have signed this letter requesting corrective action be taken to address the traffic safety concerns for Independence Dr. and 25th St. We are suggesting a speed hump but would be willing to talk about other options such as a dead end being installed or traffic cameras that issue tickets as those were some other suggestions as well. Basically we just don’t want a temporary fix that will just return again after certain measures are removed. Please read the attached letter. Thank you very much.

Kind Regards,

Kerry Vondrak
David:

I read today’s LJS regarding the $106,000 cost to provide artistic lighting in the south portion of the Haymarket Alley between P and O Streets. I officially want to protest this expenditure.

Lincoln has many pressing needs that pose safety hazards that are being ignored. Until these are remedied, City funds, regardless of the source, should not be expended on ornamental elements.

For example, your Urban Department has already recognized the safety concerns at two intersections in Historic Haymarket, namely 8th & P and 8th & Q Streets. Pot holes, deteriorated concrete and uneven bricks present safety hazards to a huge population of pedestrians.

Please reprioritize these expenditures. Since substantial street construction funds were budgeted for the “Alley”, such funds should be reallocated to protect the citizens of Lincoln. If lighting is needed in the “Alley”, then install some simple LED overhead lights in lieu of existing street lights.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this request.

Jon

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InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
Jon Camp

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City: Lincoln, NE 68516

Phone: 4027205947
Fax:
Email: herbsandmorene@gmail.com

Comment or Question:
I am quite concerned about the road construction project that is being planned for Old Cheney between 40th and Highway 2. This will severely restrict access to my business and all other businesses in the Old Cheney Plaza. Please consider doing this resurfacing project during the evenings as to not hinder business. There are no houses on Old Cheney from 56th to Highway 2.
Thomas:

Please see the attached email from Stan Tafoya. As you know, Mr. Tafoya is but one of many business owners who are quite frustrated with the lengthy construction projects and the near-term future projects in this vicinity.

Please be prepared to discuss at length at next Monday’s Directors’ Meeting how the City can remedy this situation. I am requesting City Council Chair Trent Fellers add this to our Directors’ Meeting Agenda.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Jon

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Lincoln City Council
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Email:  joncamp@lincolnhaymarket.com
From: Stan Tafoya [mailto:Stan@LNKmarketing.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 9:19 AM
To: srtitershaus@benesch.com; Sherri Tafoya; Coby Mach; GHoellen@tohaastire.com
Subject: Feedback on 56th and Old Cheney project/closure

Where to begin...?

Approximately two years ago, a public information meeting was held describing the then upcoming project of 56th Street, between Old Cheney and Pine Lake.

At that time, we received many assurances the project would be completed in a timely manner, and two lanes of traffic would be open by Thanksgiving of 2015.

Needless to say, Easter of 2016 has come and gone, the road is still closed, and we're now hoping traffic will flow on 56th by the 4th of July, 2016.

Our business, Custom Blinds & Design, has been severely impacted by the road closure, now into its 13th month. And we're dealing with it.

Then we hear about another project necessitating a closure of the 56th and Old Cheney intersection.

So I went to another information meeting a couple of weeks ago and again received assurance the closure would last approximately 20 days.

Here's a couple of other things learned at the most recent info meeting:

1. A city official present at the meeting told me it wouldn't be prudent to work at night because of the noise it generates in a residential neighborhood. And besides, the official said, the project wouldn't be finished any sooner.

   My follow-up questions are these: Why can't the project be worked on 24 hours per day and finished in 1/2 the time? And 56th and Old Cheney is residential? Really?

2. I was also told the city selects which contractor to use based upon the lowest bid. This is designed to benefit the taxpayers. But, as life in the real world shows us, the lowest rate is not necessarily the best value.

   If the best contractor was selected for the current 56th street project, (as promised), perhaps the street would finished. And perhaps businesses would be thriving, generating even more sales tax for the taxpayers; a win-win scenario for everyone.

The closing of 56th Street has caused great hardship for everyone while the city has lost credibility.

Please don't repeat the same mistakes re: the closure of 56th and Old Cheney; businesses have sacrificed much over the past year. Please get the new project done as quickly as possible!
Sincerely,

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Stan Tafoya
Custom Blinds & Design
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Lincoln, NE 68516

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Fax: 402-420-7887

www.LNKMarketing.com
Bob:

Please provide additional information on this proposed work at the Experian Building.

Jon

Bid Opportunity Information:
Bid Number: 16-104
Bid Title: Restroom Renovations at Municipal Service Center
Bid Notes:
Issue Date: 4/6/2016 10:00:00 AM (CT)
Close Date: 4/20/2016 12:00:00 PM (CT)

If you have questions about this bid opportunity or the system, please contact Purchasing.
Phone: 402-441-7410
Fax: 402-441-6513
E-mail: purchasing@lincoln.ne.gov

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Matt:

Please read Nina Beck’s email below.

I believe she has raised a legitimate concern and am wondering if LPS can work with the parochial schools in emergency situations. Would you please inquire of your fellow LPS Board members and Joe Wright?

I will also question our City and County Emergency folks about this inquiry. The safety of all of our citizens and children is paramount and regardless of public and/or private entities, I am sure we can find a way to work together.

Thanks in advance for your attention to this matter.

Jon

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**From:** Beck, Nina [mailto:nina-beck@cdolinc.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 7, 2016 11:28 AM  
**To:** Jon Camp  
**Subject:** Question

Jon,

Special Greetings. I have a question for you. I hope that you will be able to help or guide us in our quest.

Sister Collette Bruskewitz, Assistant Superintendent of the Lincoln Diocese, and I met with Mr. Joe Wright, Director of Security for Lincoln Public Schools, concerning “Emergency Notification” of our Private Catholic Schools. Mr. Wright felt that LPS could not be responsible for notifying us of impending danger or emergencies. We have had some very frightening experiences this year...For example, the gentleman (gunman) that was caught by Abraham Lincoln on the West side of the Capitol...we had a teacher (part time) hiding behind the statue of Abraham Lincoln when the guns were going off... Yikes! Our teacher would have not been out and walking home, if we had of been notified of this
emergency. In fact, we had children on the playground and some walking to Church while this shooting was taking place.

Recently, Jane Reyboldt was approached at a gathering concerning the “Emergency Notification Act” and she seemed quite interested in our situation. What do you suggest we do? Are you able to help us? We are very grateful for anything you are able to do for us.

I may be contacted at 402-476-3987. Thank you, in advance, for any assistance you may provide.

God Bless You,
Dr. Nina Beck; Principal, St. Mary’s School

Dr. Nina Beck, Principal
St. Mary’s School
1434 "K" Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508
To Whom it may concern,

This is in response to a letter I received in the mail from Marcee A. Brownlee, the Assistant City Attorney. She informed me that my claim against the City of Lincoln for damage to my vehicle at the intersection of 27th and Superior on February 5, 2016 will be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied.

The insinuation that I am falsifying information is egregious. Apparently, accountability to the very people they serve is not a standard to which the Street Maintenance Division wishes to hold themselves to. Surely there is footage of the incident from one of the traffic cameras at the intersection. I only ask that justice be served.

Zach Votipka
Speedway Motors
340 Victory Lane | Lincoln, NE 68528
402.323.3159
Dear Lincoln City Council Members –

I see that you’re considering the issue of constructing sidewalks on the west side of 48th Street between Leighton and Holdrege. As a parent of a UNL student that uses this path, I encourage you to support the resolution.

I am aware of a number of students who use this path for walking or bike riding and the interruption in sidewalk is a hindrance when wet and muddy causing them to walk in the busy street.

It is a fairly heavily trafficked stretch, as indicated by the dirt path permanently trodden into the grass. A sidewalk would certainly make it safer and more convenient for the walkers, runners and cyclists who frequent the area.

Thanks for your time!

Jami Oppegard-Roeder
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Comment or Question:
Hello,

My name is Heather Linscomb, I live on X street between 35th and 36th. We are the only block on X street to have no parking signs on one side of the street. Is there a way to have the no parking signs removed? What steps need to be taken to have this done? Please let me know. Thank you.

-Heather Linscomb
I wanted to bring to your attention something that came up at the open house for this project today. The current plan for road resurfacing includes shutting down the intersection of 56th and old Cheney for 20-90 days. All the businesses in that area are already bleeding out due to 56th st being closed 6 months longer all ready then predicted. Closing that intersection entirely may well put several of us out of business at this point. The only full service access to those two commercial facilities is from Old Cheney, that’s the only way to get in coming from either direction, closing the intersection would all so be the final nail for the businesses south of that intersection.

Why can’t the work on that intersection be done at night? There is no residential in the area. I have a business over there, Herbs and More, this project is killing me all ready, closing that intersection entirely for 1 to 3 months will probably put that business under at this point as our traffic count has continued to drop month over month as people take and get used to alternative routes.
Thomas:

You may have already seen this email expressing concerns about the closure and future construction in the S. 56th & Old Cheney vicinity. This is not the only inquiry I have received. Kent Forney (Forney Animal Clinic) has contacted me on several occasions with similar concerns.

What solutions are available to assist these businesses?

Jon

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City: Lincoln, NE, 68506

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Email: pablolaura@hotmail.com

Comment or Question:
I asked my brother-in-law today how much longer 56th street will be closed because its been SUCH a LONG TIME, and he said that originally the project was supposed to be finished 5 months ago! What's the hold-up? It impedes my work, and I've heard now that you may need to close it up all the way to HWY 2, so my brother-in-law will have absolutely no way to get to his work! What is the problem?!!
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Name: Wanda Caffrey
Address: 2624 N 70th
City: Lincoln NE 68507

Phone: 402-730-3070
Email: WandaC6842@aol.com

Can't believe the timeline for 56th & Old Cheney project. My vet is at NAMC and my dog has some health problems that require me to take her every 3 weeks. Can't believe the nightmare this will be. Surely you could consider closing sections at a time and not the entire roadway. Also, how does Omaha manage to completely resurface I80 from roughly 60 to past the 42nd street exit (while remaining open) in less than 10 days yet Lincoln can't manage less than a mile on N 84th in 3 mos last year.
Mary M. Meyer

From: WebForm <none@lincoln.ne.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 5:35 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: InterLinc: Council Feedback

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Name: Jason Holm
Address: 5408 Starling Court
City: Lincoln, NE 68516

Phone:
Fax:
Email: Jholm1028@gmail.com

Comment or Question:
Closing 56th street through hway 2 from the south, for an already overdue project, will cripple businesses in at least two strip malls, trade centers. Not to mention, it will be an enormous inconvenience and will have negative effects on businesses and homeowners throughout the area. PLEASE reconsider this!
Hello,

I'd like to inquire about the legality of distributing flyers or other marketing materials on people's cars within the city and if there are any restrictions.

We're proposing a marketing tactic to one of our clients and wanted to be sure to cover all of our bases before moving forward with it. Can you please tell me where I can find this information? Or point me in the direction of someone who can help?

I appreciate your help in advance.

Thanks!
Sara Nelson
Account Manager

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Sara,

You contacted the Lincoln City Council regarding any city restrictions relating to putting flyers on cars in parking lots. My response is that I am not aware of any city ordinance specifically dealing with this issue. Many parking lots are privately owned (church parking lots, for example). If someone was putting out flyers in a church parking lot and was asked to stop, he or she could be ticketed for trespassing if he/she failed to stop. The only action that could be a violation of city ordinance that I am aware of, would be allowing the flyers to blow around with our Nebraska winds in a way that could be characterized as littering. Please feel free to contact me if you have any follow-up questions.

Jeff Kirkpatrick
City Attorney

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I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR CORRESPONDENCE
1. NEWS RELEASE. 14th and Adams to close overnight for light pole replacement.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Stormwater bond meetings begin Monday, April 11th.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor to present Award of Excellence for 2015.
4. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler’s public schedule for the week of April 9, 2016 through April 15, 2016.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to meet Fire Chief finalists.

III. DIRECTORS

PARKS & RECREATION
1. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board meeting agenda for April 14, 2016.
   a) Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2016.
   b) Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action Item Fact Sheet.
   c) Parks and Recreation Advisory Board March Golf Report.
   d) Revised schedule of meeting dates for 2016.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP
1. Kent Forney, DVM, writing in regard to the 56th and Old Cheney and other near-term Old Cheney projects.
2. Councilman Camp asking Thomas Shafer, Public Works & Utilities Director, for the status on 84th and Van Dorn.
   a) Thomas Shafer, Public Works & Utilities Director, replying to above question. Checking and noting the reopening should be in two weeks, April 22, 2016.
   b) Thomas Shafer with status on 84th and Van Dorn Streets.
3. Councilman Camp checking on the Nebraska Printing Center sidewalk.
4. Councilman Camp requesting Lynn Johnson, Parks & Rec Director, provide answers to certain questions.
5. Councilman Camp in regards to the LED street lights and the vote at the City Council meeting.
   a) Interim Finance Director Steve Hubka’s memo referencing LES’s and attaching schedule of outstanding COPS issues and payoff schedule.
6. Councilman Camp asking Jeff Kirkpatrick, City Attorney, on discussions of the stormwater bond.

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. LES Administrative Board meeting agenda for April 15, 2016. Support materials online.
2. Everett Express, newsletter for Everett Neighborhood Association, April, 2016.

VI. ADJOURNMENT
14TH AND ADAMS TO CLOSE OVERNIGHT
FOR LIGHT POLE REPLACEMENT

The intersection of 14th and Adams streets will be closed from 8 p.m. Sunday, April 10 until the morning of Monday, April 11. Lincoln Electric System will replace a light pole on the southeast corner that was recently hit by a vehicle. The pole is in danger of falling into the street. The work is expected to be completed by 5 a.m. Monday.

For more information about the light pole replacement, contact Shane Dostal, Public Works and Utilities, at 402-525-7852.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, NE  68508, 402-441-7511

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 8, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831

STORMWATER BOND MEETINGS BEGIN MONDAY

The public is encouraged to attend one of the four town hall meetings to learn more about the stormwater bond issue on the May 10 ballot.  The meetings will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on these dates:

- Monday, April 11 - Gere Branch Library, 2400 S. 56th Street
- Thursday, April 14 - Anderson Branch Library, 3625 Touzalin Ave.
- Monday, April 18 - Eiseley Branch Library, 1530 Superior Ave.
- Thursday, April 21 - Walt Branch Library, 6701 S. 14th Street

Passage of the bond issue would fund projects in 17 specific areas to protect property from stormwater runoff and flood damage, to improve water quality and to prevent or repair failing stream banks.  The projects are identified in the City’s Watershed Management Capital Improvement Program and are on a current priority list of storm drainage needs.  The projects would be completed over the next two to three years.

If approved, the bond issue would cost the owner of a $150,000 home about $4 a year.  A list of projects and more information about the bond issue are available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: stormwater).

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MAYOR TO PRESENT AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR 2015

Monday, April 11, Mayor Chris Beutler will present the Annual Mayor’s Award of Excellence for 2015 to a team from the Solid Waste Management Division of the Public Works and Utilities Department. The award will be presented at 3 p.m. at the beginning of the City Council meeting in the City Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street. A reception for the honorees will follow on the second floor of the County-City Building.

Superintendent of Solid Waste Operations Karla Welding nominated the team for their work to repair and rebuild the walking floor and pedestal boom at the Transfer Station. The team members are Kevin Patak, Solid Waste Operations Supervisor, and Landfill Operators Jason Killingsworth and Mark Reynolds.

All monthly award nominees and winners are eligible to receive the annual award. The team members will share a $250 gift certificate, and each will receive two days off with pay and a plaque. The Mayor will also present them with the Mayor’s Medallion.

The 2015 Honorable Mention Award will be presented to Joel Wittrock of the City Treasurer’s Office in the Finance Department.

The categories in which employees can be nominated are customer service, productivity, safety, valor and loss prevention. 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 award 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. Monthly award winners receive a $50 gift certificate, a day off with pay and a plaque.
Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule
Week of April 9 through 15, 2016
(Schedule subject to change)

Monday, April 11
- Proclamation signing for Fair Housing Month – 9:30 a.m., Mayor’s Conference Room, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street
- Annual Mayor’s Award of Excellence presentation – 3 p.m., City Council Chambers, County-City Building

Tuesday, April 12
- Mayor’s Multicultural Advisory Committee meeting – 4 p.m., Mayor’s Conference Room

Thursday, April 14
- Hudl’s 10th anniversary celebration and Topping Out Ceremony for new headquarters, remarks – 3 p.m., Canopy and “P” streets
- Reception for Fire Chief finalists – 5:30 p.m., Lincoln Firefighters Reception Hall, 241 Victory Lane
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 8, 2016
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Tom Casady, Public Safety Director, 402-441-7071

PUBLIC INVITED TO MEET FIRE CHIEF FINALISTS

The public is invited to meet the four finalists for the position of Lincoln Fire Chief at a reception from 5:30 to 7 p.m., Thursday, April 14 at the Lincoln Firefighters Reception Hall, 241 Victory Lane.

The candidates who will be interviewed April 15 are:

- Micheal Despain, Fire Chief for the City of Clovis, California
- Gregory Easton, Fire Chief for the City of Bloomington, Indiana
- Troy Hughes, Fire Chief for Los Alamos County, New Mexico
- Jonathan McMahan, Fire Chief/Regional Director for the Rural Metro Fire Department in Tucson, Arizona

Mayor Beutler will make the final decision with City Council approval.

Battalion Chief Tim Linke has served as Interim Fire Chief since the retirement of John Huff in June 2015. Linke did not apply for the permanent position.
TO: Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Mayor, City Council, City Clerk, Media  
FROM: Lynn Johnson, Director, Lincoln Parks & Recreation Department  
MEETING DATE: April 14, 2016  
LOCATION: 2740 “A” Street – Parks & Recreation Dept. (Large Conference Room)  
TIME: 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.  
CHAIR: Anne Pagel

AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Recognition of ‘Open Meetings Act’, and Roll Call of Members Present

2. Approval of Minutes: * March 10, 2016

3. Public Comment for Items Not Listed on the Agenda

4. Committee Reports:

   B. Futures Committee – Jeff Schwebke (Chair) – 402-261-6328
      * Recommendation regarding signage guidelines associated with special use permits

   C. Fees & Facilities Committee – Justin Carlson (Chair) – 402-261-6328
      * No Report

   D. Golf Committee – Brad Brandt (Chair) – 402-473-9619
      * March Monthly Report (Please find attached.)
      * Status Report regarding Community Committee on Lincoln City Golf Sustainability

   E. Executive Committee – Anne Pagel (Chair) – 402-570-9194
      * Executive Committee will be meeting on fourth Thursday of the month at 4 p.m.
      * Fees & Facilities Committee will be meeting on third Thursday of the month at 4 p.m.
      * Futures Committee will be meeting on third Tuesday of the month at a time to be determined (i.e., 4 p.m. or 4:30 p.m.)

5. Staff Report:
   * Summer recreation programs.

6. Announcements:
   * Rose Garden cleanup activity, Saturday, April 16th, at 1 p.m. in the Hamann Rose Garden and the Rotary Strolling Garden
   * Lincoln City Golf Community meeting to review recommendations of the Community Committee on Lincoln City Golf Sustainability Monday, April 18, from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Lincoln Southwest High School, 7001 S. 14th Street
   * Dedication of N Street Protected Bikeway, Saturday, April 23rd, at 10 a.m., beginning at Elliot Elementary School, 25th & N Street

*Denotes Action Item

ACCOMMODATION NOTICE
Lincoln Commission on HUMAN RIGHTS
The City of Lincoln complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 guidelines. Ensuring the public’s access to and participating in public meetings is a priority for the City of Lincoln. In the event you are in need of a reasonable accommodation in order to attend or participate in a public meeting conducted by the City of Lincoln, please contact the Director of Equity and Diversity, Lincoln Commission on Human Rights, at 402 441-7624 as soon as possible before the scheduled meeting date in order to make your request.
Members Present:
Bradley Brandt  Justin Carlson  Roy Christensen  Susan Deitchler
Emily Graul  Larry Hudkins  Peter Levitov  Sherrie Nelson
Anne Pagel  Robert Ripley  Jeff Schwebke  Joe Tidball

Members Absent:
Jim Crook  Todd Fitzgerald  Olive Martin  Kathi Wieskamp

Staff Members Present:
Lynn Johnson, Director  Sara Hartzell, Parks Planner
Terry Genrich, Assistant Director  Chris Myers, Maintenance Coordinator
JJ Yost, Planning & Const. Manager  Christie Dionisopoulos, Parks & Rec Foundation
Jocelyn Golden, City Law Department  Angela Chesnut, Executive Secretary

Call to Order & Recognition of ‘Open Meetings Act’: As per law, Chairperson Anne Pagel announced that the Board follows the regulations of the Open Meetings Act, and called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll was called by Angela Chesnut.

Anne opened the meeting by providing information to members of the public in attendance: “The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board provides advice and recommendations to the Parks and Recreation Department, the Mayor, and the City Council. The Board welcomes comments from fellow citizens. We ask that comments be limited to an item on today’s agenda during consideration of that item. There is also an opportunity to speak on a topic not specifically on the agenda after approval of the minutes. We ask that comments and presentations be limited to three minutes. Those speaking are encouraged to focus on presenting new information, rather than repeating prior points or information. Speakers may note their support for comments presented by a preceding speaker. Please state your name and address at the beginning of your comments for the record of this meeting. A podium is provided for speakers.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Peter Levitov and seconded by Justin Carlson that the minutes of the February 11, 2016 meeting be approved as presented. Sherrie Nelson requested an amendment for clarification on page 2 under Golf Report, sentence 5, to read “While everyone agrees that change is needed, what that new model is remains in question.” A motion was then made by Justin Carlson and seconded by Brad Brand to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of members present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA: None.
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Executive Committee** – Anne Pagel (Chair) 570-9194
  Anne Pagel discussed meeting protocol and procedures (attached to official minutes on record) that she will plan follow as the Board Chairperson, and reviewed with attending members. Susan suggested an addition to the first line of paragraph 2, by adding “or committee members”, should a chairperson be absent from a Board meeting. With no other requests for changes, the procedures will stand.

- **Futures Committee** – Jeff Schwebke (Chair) 261-6328
  No report.

Larry Hudkins arrived at 4:20 p.m.

- **Fees & Facilities Committee** – Justin Carlson (Chair) 261-6328
  A motion was made by Justin Carlson and seconded by Bob Ripley to approve and accept the guidelines for management of trails in Wilderness Park (attached to official minutes on record), as recommended by the Fees & Facilities Committee. Sara Hartzell, Park Planner, provided a presentation outlining the proposed guidelines for maintenance activities in Wilderness Park, particularly for staff use in the maintenance of trails and crossings. Information includes national standards, design parameters in trail width, surface, and grade, mowing, tree removal, trail routing and natural re-routing, and potential closings due to safety issues.

  Following the presentation, asked by Brad Brandt if there were guidelines prior to this and the frequency of staff observation and inspection, Sara informed that previous guidelines were more simply about removing invasive trees, and that width of trails should be wide enough for small utility and emergency vehicles, although also commented that it would not be possible for an emergency vehicle to access every area of the park. She also indicated that the Parks Southwest District staff are not able to view the park as frequently as many citizen users, and therefore rely on them to help inform staff of issues as they are observed. There are informational signs located at parking areas and trail heads that provide a telephone number to report concerns.

  Bob Ripley inquired about the joint use of trails by equestrian and bicycles, and if that is acceptable, and whether it would be a health issue for pedestrians. Sara indicated that in general these locations are separate but on occasion access will come together where access narrows and horses and bicyclists may meet. However, there are no locations where pedestrians/hikers and equestrians use the same trails.

  Anne Pagel asked if anyone from the public wished to comment on this topic, and Rosina Paolini approached the podium to speak. Rosina commented that Sara had done an amazing job in preparing the guidelines. She asked about burning not being in the guidelines, which she feels is an excellent management tool; other questions and comments were more clarification on emergency equipment access; surfacing improvements; appreciates idea of three mowings; barricading with trails with trees is unattractive; “Cat’s Claw” should be cut at the bottom and/or pulled out, as it can strangle and kill small trees; interested in who “established groups” are and that they will be inclusive of all users of the park. Sara indicated that she is in agreement with burning, and that logistics are being worked out due to the proximity of the city. She also noted that the group she has contacted is the Friends of Wilderness Park, but would be happy to establish an e-mail group to communicate to anyone who would be interested.
Audience member Marge Schlidt asked about discussion on the width of a trail and whether that was a minimum or maximum. Sara indicated that the intent of width would be determined by equipment needs.

Anne Pagel whether any of the discussion would lead to amendments that would need to be reviewed by the Board prior to approval. Brad Brandt asked about any additions over time, such as burning, and what that process would be. Lynn suggested that the Trail Management Guidelines were an addition to the overall Parks Management Plan, with burning addressed in that overall plan, and that these Guidelines are intended as a set of standards for staff and volunteers working in the park. In discussion of whether the document should be referred back to the Committee for modifications, Justin Carlson inquired as to what specific changes were being requested. Peter Levitov provided that this document could be adopted as a living and evolving document, with continual review and annual revisions as needed. Jeff suggested that the current trails portion be adopted and staff begin reviewing the overall management plan for a future review by the Board.

Roll was called on the original motion to accept the Wilderness Park Trail Management Guidelines as presented, with all members present voting ‘yes’.

- **Golf Report – Brad Brandt (Chair) 473-9619**
  Brad Brandt talked on the February Golf Report, highlighting that the Community Committee on Lincoln City Golf Sustainability final report to the Mayor is being drafted, with the Committee meeting within the next couple of weeks to adopt that report. Suggestions from the Committee will also be a part of the overall budget Taking Charge discussions. Brad also informed that Ager Golf course will be offering the new FootGolf program, with supplies to be received in the near future.

Peter Levitov asked about progress of forward tees at the courses. Brad identified that two have been established at Holmes, with another two or three intended this fall. Cost per tee is $2,500 to $5,000 with City staff labor. Lynn noted that the courses are being individually reviewed with the help of the Lincoln Women’s Municipal Golf Association identifying priority holes.

A motion was made by Brad Brandt to adopt the recommended 2016 funding plan and related daily fees, as recently approved unanimously by the Lincoln Municipal Golf Advisory Committee, which was seconded by Justin Carlson. Brad provided an overview of the plan with projected expenses and revenue, including a CIP surcharge of $1.00 per 18 holes and $.50 per 9 holes, additional $.25 for cart rentals, and green fee increases at Highlands and Pioneers of $2.00 per 18 holes and $1.00 per 9 holes, with Holmes, Mahoney, and Ager to remain unchanged. Sherrie Nelson suggested that specific language be added that the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) surcharge be used only for CIP needs, so that it cannot be utilized for anything else. Brad Brandt amended his original motion to reflect that CIP surcharge fees will only be used for CIP designated uses, with a second by Larry Hudkins.

Bob Ripley encouraged the Pros at each clubhouse post the 2016 fees and define what the increases are and what the revenue is intended for, specifically the CIP uses.

Audience member Guy Lindeman asked why two of the courses were at different rates, and Brad Brandt responded that the original National Golf Foundation was to have different pricing for the courses, with Highlands as the superior course and Pioneers as the most popular. Lynn Johnson added that the Highlands course is not generating sufficient revenue to support operating expenses, so this increase should prevent the other course from subsidizing the Highlands operation. In response to an additional question of Mr. Lindeman, Lynn informed that
there will be a yearly evaluation of the courses and fee structures, and that the differentiated fee structure is an experiment at this time with benchmarks to be monitored over time.

Matt Herman next approached the podium and commended Lynn and staff, especially grounds maintenance coordinator Casey Crittenden, and that all four of the courses look beautiful. He commented that the golfers feel that all four of the City courses are premium and that no one is better than the other, and that they believe fees all courses should be increased equally. Matt also suggested that a management group be established to assist with bringing the Pros and the maintenance staff working together, however not a Management Company. He encouraged raising the fuel increase to $1.00 rather than $.25. He then reiterated increasing all four courses to $1.00 per nine holes.

Sherrie Nelson conveyed that the increased fees were done only on the west side due to the competition currently on the east side of town, and that the other courses can no longer subsidize Highlands. Mr. Herman reminded the group that the City offers four courses for a membership rather than one as the other courses do.

Brad Brandt informed that the Mayor’s Community Committee reviewed the National Golf Foundation recommendation and questioned why the recommendation of the tiered system had not been tried, which helped to evolve to the currently proposed fee structure.

Lynn provided the next step of the process after approval of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, which would be forwarded to the Mayor as an Executive Order for his approval. Implementation would be suggested as April 1st.

Susan Deitchler suggested that Mr. Herman had provided good points and recommended approval and implementation for one year, followed by a review of impact and outcome.

Roll was called on the motion to amend the original motion, which will clarify that CIP surcharge fees will only be used for CIP designated uses, and all members present voting ‘yes’. Roll was then called on the original motion, as amended, to approve the 2016 Lincoln City Golf Fee Schedule, with all members present voting ‘yes’.

**STAFF REPORT:**

Lynn Johnson provided a brief presentation (attached to official minutes on record) regarding a new sculpture entitled Palo Alto, by artist John Buck, which will be placed at the east end of the Rotary Strolling Garden located in the Antelope Park Triangle. Placement is anticipated in mid-May, with an unveiling/dedication event at that time.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Lincoln City Golf Open House, Saturday, April 2nd, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Holmes Golf Course.

Anne Pagel conveyed communication with Christie Dionisopoulos regarding her attendance and a report from the Foundation, which is suggested at future PRAB meetings as part of the Executive Committee report.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action Item Fact Sheet

Meeting Date: April 14, 2016

Request: Recommendation regarding amending signage guidelines associated with special use permits

Discussion: The current guidelines regarding placement of signage in park area associated with special use permits states that signs may be placed no sooner than 24 hours before an event. The proposed amendment to the guidelines extends the period when signs may be placed to seven days prior to an event. (Please see below.) The intent of this change is to give the public further advance notice that a large event will be occurring in a park area so that they can adjust plans to visit the park if desired.

CITY OF LINCOLN
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
REGULATIONS FOR SIGNS IN CITY PARKS
RELATED TO SPECIAL EVENTS

5. Installation and Removal

Installation of signs related to a special event may begin no sooner than twenty-four (24) hours seven (7) days prior to the scheduled event and shall be completed only after contract and approval of placement and location by the Parks and Recreation Department Staff. The intent of posting signage related to a special event is to give the public advance notice that a special event will be occurring in the park. It shall be the duty of any person placing or erecting any sign to continuously maintain such sign to conform to the requirements herein. All signs shall be removed no later than twenty-four (24) hours after the close of the event. Signs not removed after such time are subject to removal by the parks and Recreation Department. In addition, such signs shall be deemed in violation of Ordinance 12.08.160 of the Lincoln Municipal Code and the person placing or erecting such sign shall be subject to prosecution for a violation of that section.

Conformance with Adopted Plans and Guidelines: The proposed amendment modifies the guidelines for placement of signage in park areas associated with special use permits.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Committee Discussion and Recommendation: Approval

Committee: Futures

Chair: Jeff Schwebke, 402-740-3384

Date: ________________

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Action:
MEMORANDUM
April 1, 2016
TO: Lincoln Municipal Golf Committee
FR: Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director and Casey Crittenden, Golf Maintenance Coordinator
Cc: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
RE: March Golf Report

The purpose of this memo is to provide a monthly status report regarding the Lincoln City Golf Program.

Course Maintenance
The weather has been very cooperative in terms of getting tasks done at golf courses. Crews have been limited in some respects as the spring has been at least a month early and summer employees are not yet on staff. Hiring process is underway and should be completed by mid-April.

Tasks that have been completed over the last month include but are not limited to the following.

- Charging up irrigation systems
- Repairs to irrigation systems
- Applications of Proxy/Primo to help reduce poa (annual bluegrass) seedheads
- Fertilizing
- Preventive applications of plant protectants
- Experimenting with over seeding into greens at Pioneer
- First mowing of the season. Reshaping some mow lines in fairways and green approaches
- Overseeding some par three tee boxes and driving range tees
- Aerated and overseeded some bare areas on courses
- Grading and seeding along new parking lot at Pioneer
- Control burns at Pioneer in native areas
- Repairing vandalism at Pioneers from motorcycle riders
- Began installing new ballwashers on carts at Highlands and Pioneer
- Clearing of volunteer trees and brush along Holmes lake
- Sod work
- Application of pre-mergence weed control
- Equipment maintenance
- Drain line work
- Tree pruning
- Course clean-up (sticks, trash)
- Golf cart maintenance and repairs
- Organizing shops for spring work
- Mowing native grass areas
- Continuing education and meeting certification requirements

Courses have been open for the most part this last month with only frost delays.

Greens aeration will begin in April.
- Mahoney: April 11 & 12
- Pioneers: April 18 & 19
- Ager: April 20 & 21
- Holmes: April 25 & 26
- Highlands: May 2 & 3

Golf courses opened for the first time in 2016 on February 12.

New Golf Carts at Holmes and Mahoney
The City Council approved a six-year lease agreement for 120 golf carts for Holmes and Mahoney Golf Courses. The new Club Car carts will be provided by Nebraska Golf and Turf and should arrive in April.
Marketing and Promotions
The 2016 Lincoln City Golf Open House is being planned for Saturday, April 2 from 10 am to 2 pm at Holmes Golf Course.

Work is in progress on advertising and articles for the Lincoln Journal Star Golf Guide, as well as Bid & Buy and golf card promotions.

We were contacted by representatives of KLIN regarding a Lincoln City Golf promotion. Our golf Pro’s will be recording golf tips to be played on KLIN several times each day. A KLIN / Lincoln City Golf Play the City punch card will be promoted.

Golf Player Development
Tables with information about lessons and golf player development programs available during the upcoming season and have been installed in each of the five clubhouses.

FootGolf at Jim Ager
FootGolf equipment has been installed at Ager and is ready for play.

Community Committee on Lincoln City Golf Sustainability
The community committee met on March 23 to continue discussions regarding options for funding capital improvement needs of the golf program, and also other activities that can enhance vitality and sustainability of the program. A draft report from the committee to Mayor Beutler has been prepared and will be distributed to committee members to seek final review and approval to adopt the report. It is anticipated that the draft report will be discussed at the upcoming April 7 golf advisory committee meeting. A community meeting is being planned for discussion of the work of the committee over the past five months. We greatly appreciate the involvement of the 13 members of the community, including the five representatives of the golf advisory committee!

Holmes Clubhouse Management
Development of an updated contract for management of Holmes Clubhouse by Denis Vontz is in process. Denis has hired Scott Carlson as the on-site manager. Scott previously was the Head Golf Professional at The Knolls Country Club in Lincoln for more than a decade. We welcome Scott to the Lincoln City Golf team.

FY 2016-18 Budget Proposal
A presentation regarding the proposed FY 2016-18 budget and initial discussion regarding a funding plan is planned for the April 7 meeting.
DATE: April 14, 2016

TO: Park & Recreation Advisory Board Members
   Park & Recreation Administrative Staff

FROM: Angela Chesnut, Executive Secretary

Re: **Revised Schedule of Meeting Dates for 2016**
Moving Executive Committee to 4th Thursday each month at 4 p.m.,
Fees & Facilities Committee to 3rd Thursday each month at 4 p.m/, and
Futures Committee to 3rd Tuesday each month, 4 p.m. or 4:30 p.m., TBD

The following is a list of the meeting dates for the Park & Recreation Advisory Board
and Committees for 2016:

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Council Packet
Subject: 56th & Old Cheney and other near-term Old Cheney Projects

From: Kent Forney DVM [mailto:kfdvm@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 5:58 PM
To: Jon Camp
Cc: Thomas S. Shafer; Trenton J. Fellers; Mary M. Meyer; Stan@LNKmarketing.com; srittershaus@benesch.com; Coby Mach (cm@liba.org); GHoellen@tohaastire.com; NCBALINCOLN@gmail.com
Subject: Re: 56th & Old Cheney and other near-term Old Cheney Projects

Jon
It is 1.23 miles from highway two to 40th street. The city wants to complete the project in 365 days, weather providing. If you do the math that is 17.79 feet per day! Are they kidding? Surely that can be done at a much higher rate.
Also there is no reason from the church to hwy 2 can not be done at night. This is NOT a residential area. That includes the work at the 56 and Old Cheney intersection.
Thank you for working on this. The people I’m talking to are extremely upset. I have not done the math on how many feet per day 56 is going to take, but I bet it is less the 5 feet per day. That is completely irresponsible by the city.
Boarding has been down 20% starting the day the block aid went up. Nothing else has changed.
Sincerely
Kent

On Apr 7, 2016, at 10:25 AM, Jon Camp <joncamp@lincolnhaymarket.com> wrote:

Thomas:
As you know, many of the businesses in the 56th & Old Cheney area are expressing concerns over the lengthy construction period for South 56th and now the near-term projects for Old Cheney and the 56th & Old Cheney intersection.

I am requesting an agenda item for next Monday’s Directors’ Meeting (April 11th) at which time I will appreciate your discussion of solutions to minimize construction closures in this area. Many of the businesses are copied on this email. The most recent email I received, namely from Stan Tafoya, is attached.

Thank you in advance for addressing this urgent matter.
Jon

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Email: joncamp@lincolnhaymarket.com
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Scott Stewart inquired. . .said it would was to be open late March.

I am also including Mark Wible, owner of Firethorn, on this email.

Impacting residences, acreages and Firethorn.

Thank you in advance for your prompt assistance.

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Councilperson Camp,

I will check with Engineering Services on what has been going on lately, but I note that the street closure list shows reopening in two weeks on the 22nd of April.

Thomas Shafer
Interim Director of Public Works & Utilities
402-525-5644

From: Jon Camp [mailto:joncamp@lincolnhaymarket.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2016 3:13 PM
To: Thomas S. Shafer <tshafer@lincoln.ne.gov>
Cc: Mary M. Meyer <mmmeyer@lincoln.ne.gov>; scott@npcenter.com; Mark Wible (mwible@firethorngolfclub.com) <mwible@firethorngolfclub.com>
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From: Thomas S. Shafer
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 8:26 AM
To: 'Jon Camp' Cc: Mary M. Meyer; scott@npcenter.com; Mark Wible (mwible@firethorngolfclub.com)
Subject: RE: Status on 84th and Van Dorn

Councilperson Camp,
The project is progressing towards completion with final water main connections to other mains and reseeding/erosion control the remaining items of work. Van Dorn Street is anticipated to be reopened to traffic on or before April 22nd at this time. As noted there appeared to little work occurring recently, and this is due to the work involved with pipe pressure testing, and the flushing/disinfection process. The disinfection process takes several days for chlorine contact and if a bacteria test fails then it starts over until the testing passes. This disinfection process is to comply with Federal and State drinking water regulations and provide safe drinking water supply to the City’s customers.

The City realizes that road closures impact users, and to the extent it can limits the inconvenience while striving to maintain the safety of the public and workers on the construction site. While tiresome, a detour is designated for through traffic to A Street on the north and Pioneers to the South, and for the reasons you indicate the City highly encourages the use these streets for through traffic.

Thank you for your inquiry and continued patience during this soon to be completed construction project.
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Chad:

Scott Stewart of Nebraska Printing Center reminded me that they have not heard anything on their sidewalk repairs/replacement for over a year.

Scott’s contact numbers are:

SCOTT STEWART
402 466 8521
402 432 3363

Please advise the status.

Jon

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Lynn:

Thanks for your email.

Please refresh my memory on the total projected cost and the source of funds under your new proposal. Please include the cost for the Project Manager (formerly called PC Sports). Also any other City contributions.

Jon

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Check our reception and event venues at:


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**From:** Lynn Johnson  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 10:31 AM  
**To:** Jon Camp  
**Subject:** Idea for Woods Park Tennis Center

Good morning Jon. I apologize for missing your call on Friday afternoon. The purpose for my call and for this message is to propose an approach for finalizing funding for the Woods Park Tennis Center project, and allowing the project to get under construction this summer. In preparation of the CIP, we became aware that Keno revenues have come in stronger than projections over the past few years. (As you may know, Steve Hubka is conservation in projecting Keno revenue, which is a good thing.) There is about $1.2 of accumulated Keno funds that are available and not allocated to one or more specific projects. These funds could be allocated to the Woods Park Tennis Center project. These City funds along with an additional $300,000 that the fundraising team is confident that they can raise would allow construction to begin this summer. The advantage of beginning this summer and getting the building enclosed before winter is that it would reduce constructions costs by avoiding winter concrete work, or avoid inflationary cost increases.
by delaying the project for another year. Under this scenario, the City would be contributing about 27% of the project costs and private section donations would be providing about 73%. This City cost share is consistent with other recent major capital campaigns. I also think that this is a great example of a public/private partnership where every City dollar is leveraging about three private dollars.

We would like to propose bringing forward legislation in late April or early May to enact the proposal described above. Please feel free to phone me on my City cell phone at 402-430-8539 if you would like to discuss this proposal. Perhaps we might also get together for a few minutes after the Council / Directors meeting tomorrow afternoon.

Thanks, Lynn

Lynn Johnson
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Thomas:

I think I am sending my questions to the “best” contact, i.e. you, regarding the LED Street Lights and our vote today at the City Council meeting.

Here goes:

1. In Nancy Hicks’ column last week, she explained that the City is considering a more rapid transition to LED streetlights than the proposal to simply replace the current lights as they burn out. What is the proposed timeline if we were to expedite the process?
2. Does the vote today still simply commit the city to replacing the HPSV lights with LEDs as they burn out?
3. Or does it give the department authority to replace the HPSV lamps at their discretion?
4. **Residential Street Lights**: The column also discussed the payback period for the bulbs when considering the energy they will save. It seemed concerning that replacing the residential bulbs results in a payback period of about 25 years, which is equal to the life of the bulb itself. In other words, the payback on residential bulbs seems to be a wash as they aren’t paid back until they need to be replaced anyway.
5. Also, if the city is considering an expedited transition, is the replacement of working bulbs calculated into the payback timeframe? Stated differently: do we account for the lost bulb life of a working bulb in the payback calculation if we are to replace a working HPSV lamp?
6. Finally, I was wondering if there had been any consideration of the current debt service on the streetlights. I believe we still have upwards of $14 or $15 million in streetlight payments to be made on COP bonds. Does this debt service impact the payback period calculation or the fiscal dynamics of the proposal at all?

I apologize for the last minute questions but will greatly appreciate knowing the answers prior to our meeting today.

Jon

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Email:  joncamp@lincolnhaymarket.com
From: Steve D. Hubka  
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 11:08 AM  
To: Jon Camp; Jon Camp  
Cc: Thomas S. Shafer  
Subject: Re: LED Street Light/Lamp Replacement  
Importance: High

Jon,

I can provide you some input on question #6.

I’m attaching a schedule of our outstanding COPS issues and payoff schedule that I put together for Trent a few months ago. As you’ll see, we’ll be paying off street light issues regularly over the next several years. Obviously undertakings that cost more will have an impact on future COPS issues in that we’ll be spending somewhat more on a regular basis for making whatever conversions are being done. COPS issues will need to be larger in dollar amount to cover our ongoing street light needs plus fund the conversion to LED’s. Over time, there will be savings in electricity and maintenance costs with the LED’s that will eventually show up as a savings in the operating portion of the Street Light budget. Steve

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shubka@lincoln.ne.gov  
(402) 441-7412
Jeff:

With the upcoming vote on the Stormwater Bond, I would appreciate your advice on how the City Council members and City Staff should discuss the matter. Specifically, as I recall in past bonds and other matters like this, the City is to be “neutral” and only provide “information”.

Recently, I have heard some comments of “support” that would be contrary to this previous recommendation by the Law Department. I believe the basis for past recommendations was that City resources should not be spent (staff time and resources) taking public positions on such matters.

Thank you in advance for advising us accordingly.

Jon

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AGENDA
LES ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD
Friday, April 15, 2016
9:30 a.m.
LES Board Room
1040 “O” Street

9:30 A.M.
1. Call to Order

2. Seating of New Board Member

3. Approval of Minutes of the March 18, 2016 Regular Meeting of the
LES Administrative Board

4. Comments from Customers

5. Introduction and Recognition of Staff
   A. 40 Years – Steve Haun, Supervisor, Energy Management,
      Power Supply
   B. 30 Years – Jeff Cosgrove, Specialist, Safety, Corporate Operations

6. Board Member Point of Personal Privilege

7. Committee Reports
   A. Finance & Audit Committee
      *1. Accept 2015 Annual Audit
      *2. Segregated Fund – LES Resolution 2016-4
   B. Budget & Rates Committee

8. Administrator & CEO Reports
   A. 1st Quarter 2016 Financial Review
   B. 2016 Report to Rating Agency Review
   C. General Fund Transfers Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) and City
      Dividend for Utility Ownership (CDFUO)
   D. State Legislative Report
   E. 1st Quarter 2016 Performance Indicators
   F. 1st Quarter 2016 Power Supply Report
   G. 1st Quarter 2016 SEP Update
   H. Solar Construction Update
   I. 2015 Annual Report

9. Other Business
   A. Monthly Financial and Power Supply Reports
   B. 2015 Audit Report
   C. Miscellaneous Information

10. Adjournment

* Denotes Action Items

Next Regular Administrative Board meeting Friday, May 20, 2016.
Cultiva cares about quality

Founding a new business is both an adventure and a learning experience. Husband-and-wife-team Jason Anderson and Sharon Grossman know this well after starting Coffee Emergency as a coffee truck in 2004, then moving to a brick-and-mortar shop in University Place the following year.

“We started the truck because it seemed like a fun idea, and coffee was easier than food,” Grossman said. The project was relatively short-lived due to parking restrictions, especially in downtown Lincoln.

“It was a growing experience,” she said. “And without it, we never would have done anything else. You learn from your failures.”

Though their Coffee Emergency business ran its course, it enabled the couple to buy a small roaster, which in turn motivated Anderson to learn roasting techniques. They maintain many of their online bean customers today, many of whom are on the East Coast.

Four years ago, the couple bought Cultiva, 727 S. 11th St. Business is booming thanks to their variety of food and specialty coffee drinks.

“When we took over, we wanted to make food a bigger part of the business,” Grossman said. “If people wanted to stop and get coffee, that’s great. But let’s give them more than that.”

Since Jan. 1, 2012, customers have been able to order crepes, omelets or cornbread johnnycakes along with their lattes, cappuccinos or single-origin black coffee.

While the various menu options and high-quality food and drinks draw customers to Cultiva, Grossman and Anderson believe their attention to detail is what truly sets theirs apart from other area coffee shops.

“Our biggest goal is to train our employees to make the best drinks and food,” Grossman said.

Judging by the number of regular and repeat customers, and the typical weekend brunch crowds, it seems as though the 16 employees at Cultiva’s Everett Neighborhood location have their craft down to a science.

“The Everett Neighborhood is great because it’s so walkable and livable, and we appreciate that the businesses and residences are so close,” Grossman said. “We are really glad to be here.”

In addition to the 11th Street location, Cultiva opened a second shop near East Campus earlier this year. A third store — for beverages and beans — opened last October at 2510 Randolph St. This is a bonus for Everett customers because the roaster was relocated to Randolph Street, allowing for expanded seating and a re-configured kitchen.
**Everett Elementary hosts soup supper**

Everett Elementary is a proud fixture of the Everett community and its status is of great importance to many. The school was the site of an annual soup supper hosted March 1 by the Lincoln Center Sertoma Club in conjunction with the Everett Community Non-Profit Organization.

Heidi Little has worked extensively with the Lincoln Center Sertoma Club as well as the Everett Community Non-profit Organization to raise funds to aid the school. Her work with both organizations has garnered her a reputation for community service, specifically for providing aid to Everett Elementary. Her work also earned her the 2014 Service to Mankind Award from Lincoln Center Sertoma.

“It’s been really good for me as a taxpayer to see the wonderful things they do in these schools,” Little said. “I’m a cheerleader for the classroom.”

Neal Thomas, Lincoln Center Sertoma member, said the club has organized its annual soup supper the past 19 years to aid the school. The past two years, the two organizations co-hosted the event.

Ultimately, the organizations aim to fund landscaping and a proposed outdoor classroom — about $70,000 worth of work. Fundraising efforts will continue throughout the year with a golf tournament in June and a Superhero Fun Run in September.

**F Street Happenings**

**Walk with Ease**
- Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, April 18-June 27, 10-11 a.m.
  Walk safely and comfortably while improving your flexibility, strength and stamina! Space is limited. This session will meet at the Antelope Park Indoor Shelter, 1650 Memorial Drive.
  For more information, contact Melissa at 402-441-4900 or at mlindeman@lincoln.ne.gov.

**Kids Days Off**
- March 25, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.; April 29, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.
  A program for elementary children when LPS is not in session. Full days of fun recreational activities including active games and sports, crafts, and occasional field trips. Registration deposit required.

**Senior Pitch Tournament**
- April 6, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
  Thirteen Point Pitch will be played. Advanced registration is required and can be done in person or via phone. Registration fee includes lunch.

**Fun and Free Activities for Older Adults**
- Billiards — Ongoing, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Choir — Mondays, 9-10:30 a.m.

**Take the Goodwill Neighborhood Challenge**

Visit lincolngoodwill.org to learn how your neighborhood can win resources to help strengthen your community!

**Immanuel Lutheran Church and Preschool**

11th and South streets
402-474-6275

**Join us for worship**

Sunday church services are at 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

**We’re expanding!**

**Lincoln Center Sertoma Club member Neal Thomas, right, talks soup with a neighborhood resident.**
Mayor Chris Beutler said recent passage of a proposed stormwater bond issue would fulfill the city’s duty to protect the health, welfare and safety of citizens. The Lincoln City Council will hold a public hearing and vote on the proposal to place the stormwater bond issue on the May 10 ballot.

Beutler made the comments at Road Builders Machinery & Supply at 56th and Fletcher. Employees there and at the nearby Lincoln Tool & Design regularly face flooding because the Salt Creek tributary that runs just east of the businesses can no longer effectively handle the stormwater runoff. To protect itself against further loss, Road Builders has installed metal paneling on the bottom of its inside walls, raised its supply shelves and removed items from bottom drawers.

New figures indicate that the $9.8 million bond issue would cost the owner of a $150,000 home about $6 a year.

“The stormwater bond is our commitment as a community to our neighbors,” Beutler said. “No home or business in Lincoln should face the consequences being faced by the employees in this industrial area. By placing this issue on the ballot, Lincoln’s voters can decide for themselves whether or not to devote about $6 a year to keeping their neighbors safe and their water clean.”

Most of the funding would be used for projects to protect property from stormwater runoff and flood damage, improve water quality and to prevent or repair failing stream banks. The projects are identified in Lincoln’s Watershed Management Capital Improvement Program and on a current priority list of storm drainage needs. The projects would be completed throughout the next two to three years.

The mayor said facilities in the 56th and Fletcher area met the stormwater requirements when they were built, but the stormwater infrastructure is no longer adequate to protect the businesses. The project in the area will cost about $3.2 million, but 85 percent of the cost would be covered by the federal government and the Natural Resources District. Beutler said it’s one of the projects for which significant matching funds may be lost without the city funds provided through the stormwater bond issue.

If approved, the bond issue would fund inlet repairs citywide as well as improvements in these areas:
- NW 7th and West Highlands
- Cardwell Branch — stream bank work
- Middle Beal Slough — flood reduction work
- Deadmans Run — U.S. Army Corps of Engineers study
- Irvingdale, Rudge and Stransky Parks — channel work
- 84th, Old Cheney — rehabilitation of underpasses

About $2 million would be used to replace about 2,000 public ash trees threatened by the emerald ash borer. Lincoln contains about 14,000 public ash trees. One tree can absorb about 100 gallons of rainwater.

The bond issue would also provide funding for “best management practice” projects; floodplain and flood prone area engineering and projects; street drainage projects; and preliminary engineering and projects for watershed and basin management plans.


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ENa updates

- ENA will sponsor a “My Favorite Spring Garden” award. Take a picture of your favorite spring garden in the Everett neighborhood boundaries — 9th to 13th and J to South streets — and post it to the Everett Facebook page. The winner will receive a “green” award.
- Everett Historic Walking Tour - Take advantage of the nice weather and pick up an Everett Historic Walking Tour brochure at Cultiva and take a walk around the neighborhood to learn about one of Lincoln’s oldest neighborhoods.
- ENA has welcome packets. If you would like one or know someone who has recently moved into the neighborhood, call a board member to request a packet.
- As a result of ENA’s successful Historic Holiday Home Tour in December and a grant from Urban Development, the ENA board has approved the purchase of four trash receptacles which will be installed on 11th Street at E, D and B streets. Between the 11th & G commercial district and Everett School, there is a lot of traffic. Thanks to the City and property owners who will maintain the receptacles.

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ENA Board meets at 7 p.m., the third Monday, eleven times a year, at F Street Community Center, So. 13th and F Streets.
If the third Monday of the month falls on a holiday, check the Everett Neighborhood Association Facebook page for meeting date, time and location. (F Street closed on holidays.)

Like us and follow us on Facebook at Everett Neighborhood Association.

2016 planned fundraisers

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Because the collection site is adjacent to a recycling site, residents may drop off newspapers, cardboard, mixed paper, glass, tin cans, aluminum cans and plastic.

Volunteers are needed to work at the cleanup site unloading vehicles and driving the neighborhood to pick up items from those without transport. Food donations for site volunteers are welcome.

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Membership Application

Becoming a member means you will not only be better informed about neighborhood issues and events, but you will also receive ongoing updates of happenings in Everett that are beyond the scope of a quarterly newsletter.

Yes, I want to support my neighborhood and stay informed about neighborhood activities. I am enclosing (circle one)

$10 single/couple/family
$25 business

for my one-year membership in Everett Neighborhood Association.

Name: ____________________________________________ Address: __________________________ Email: __________________________ Phone: __________

Please send check to: Everett Neighborhood Association, P.O. Box 94624 Lincoln, NE 68509

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