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Staff response provided by Councilman Camp
Dear Planning Commissioners and City Council members,
There is another housing project being proposed in the Haymarket. With the shortage of affordable housing in Lincoln, I think it is time to require a percentage of affordable housing for any projects using TIF. There are different models, Des Moines uses 25% low, 25% moderate, 25% market rate and 25% upper income. I don't know what the correct percentage is but it is (past) time for discussion.

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NeighborWorks Lincoln's mission is to keep Lincoln a safe and prosperous community by revitalizing neighborhoods and promoting homeownership.
I am writing in concern to the town meeting you are having about gun control. I'm not sure what part of the Bill of Rights or the Constitution some don't understand. I will not sit by as my rights are ripped away from me in hopes that it will solve the problem. If someone is determined to kill anyone they will find a way. Be it knives, bombs and such THEY WILL FIND A WAY. Then what, ban knives, forks, anything that can be used to make a bomb? The problem is the person who chooses to harm, not the instrument of choice. How will taking anything away from anyone solve a mental illness problem? How will taking anything away from us solve the very problems that plague these people? They will simply choose another method yet it seems some CHOOSE not to see this. We need better mental health for people but we need due process also. I can see people that are depressed because of everyday stressors having their rights taken from them from an over zealous official because a person seen a counselor for marriage trouble or seasonal depression or maybe they seen o e for 6 months 5 years ago and worked it out and then was denied their rights because they simply seen a counselor. Then there is the absolute anti gun counselor that denies someone's rights because they themselves hate guns...all problematic and not what our founding fathers intended. Start by getting the right help for these people and actually listening to those that warn you about them and maybe we won't have as many issues. Quit teaching one point of veiw to our kids. Teach them both sides of the issue completely and allow them to make up their own minds about a particular issue. Cramming political issues down our children's throats and then only teaching one side of the issue or making sure that the kids know your feelings on an issue (they are roll models) is absolutely wrong. My teachers never told us their point of view only the issue at hand and we had to make up our own minds on how we felt. That's how it should be. They are not there to push an agenda, they are not your political pawns, they are our children and our future and need the whole story. This is true in any class. We don't give children the option of disagreeing with whoever is teachings point of view. Our children are smart and can and will make up their own minds when they have the full story. If it doesn't chime with a particular point of view or an agenda then so be it, they may have an idea that no one ever thought of...wouldn't that be something. I will be part of any effort to vote out anyone that would try and take my rights away. Thank you. 
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comments   Just wanted to say thanks for the new card board law! People have been kind enough to throw card board in my trash bins already. Maybe you can have the police keep an eye on it, it would be a good use of their time!

Not only do I get to take care of strangers card board I also get to help elderly relation with theirs.

How soon till the landfill raises it's rates because it's loosing revenue?

Thanks again for the extra work.
April 2, 2018

The Honorable Chris Beutler
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Dear Mayor Beutler:

I have followed the news regarding the need for additional funding for Lincoln's streets, including the possibility of placing a sales tax extension and/or increase on the ballot later this year to provide such funding. I have also read that if this initiative goes forward that you would like to utilize some of this sales tax for the Lincoln Police Department.

I would simply ask that you and the City Council consider adding one other “public safety” component to this possible initiative. This component would be funding for additional youth programs in Lincoln. With all of the talk of school safety, providing additional community support for students would be an additional way to promote school safety. While Lincoln has a number of programs or groups that provide opportunities to promote positive outcomes in our children, just like streets you can never have too much of an emphasis on these needs.

My thought is that if this sales tax initiative goes forward that funding be dedicated to a grant program aimed at assisting Lincoln's youth ($2 million would be a good starting point). Existing community efforts could be enhanced with such funding. If devoting additional resources in this area are successful this could logically result in a safer community and safer schools and a more successful community as a whole. One other thought would be to dedicate some of the $2 million toward funding for additional school resource officers. If $8-10 million can be dedicated to Lincoln's streets, then I think dedicating $2 million to Lincoln's youth is not too much to ask. Concrete and asphalt are important to Lincoln's future but Lincoln's youth are even more important. I also strongly support Community Learning Centers (CLC) but there remains a need for positive interactions with youth between the ending time of the CLCs and 10pm at night, as well as on weekends.

Thank you for considering my suggestion. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this idea.

Sincerely,

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cc: Lincoln City Council Members
Jeremy:

Thank you for your email to the City Council.

I empathize with you on the calculation approach for your water and sewer billings. Several things you might first do:

1. Check your lease and any other documents on the details of costs like water and sewer and how these are allocated to each trailer owner. This language should govern how the trailer management entity submits invoices to you and other residents.
2. Inquire of the management of the trailer court as to whether it has one large water meter for the entire complex. If so, their approach of allocating per unit may be the administratively easy way to allocate.

I hope this will be helpful. There are certain requirements of the Lincoln Water System under which only “one” meter is allowed. For example, buildings with multiple tenants are serviced by one meter so a landlord is confronted with difficulty in allocating costs. One alternative might be for the landlord to install “sub meters” for each tenant (or trailer in your case) and then monitor monthly readings and use this as a measurement of individual usage. There would be a cost to install such sub meters and administrative costs to read the meters.

I will share my response with my City Council colleagues

Best regards,

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comments  I live in lincoln almost my whole life,I live in a trailer park in lincoln ,And i am having problems with how stuff is being handled around here,everytime i try to ask questions about the trailer park ,i pretty much get they can do what they want,,is this not a part of lincoln?i recieved a water and sewer bill this month and they just take the number of trailers and divide there bill equally with everyone here.i havent had a washer for a few months. I have to use the laundry mats,i have seen thousands of gallons of water going down the streets from water breaks in here. And for 1 month i recieve a 43 dollar water and sewer bill.i was gone from my home for 5 days and being billed for it.the trailer park is mark 4 ,i would like to know how this is even legal ?why does the city let them get away with so much?we dont have street lights here ,we dont have side walks,the roads have holes in them some as much as 4 to 5 inches deep,if you want to take a walk down these streets in the evenings its actually really dangerous,almost every trailer in this park has coachroaches they come out the sewer lines. I would really like to see some action i lived here for long time,private property or not this is part of the city,yet the laws are different for these trailer parks.these ppl are milking ppl for as much as they can.so i have to pay for others water usage and sewer usage ,i have no problem paying for what my home uses,but paying for others usage is a problem.they have homes in here with extra residents not on the leases ,theres ppl in here that live on ssi ,imagine being on a fixxed income and then all the sudden u have to split a bill equally with others .a person with 2 residents has to pay same amount as a person with 5 or 7 ppl in there home,i honestly dont know who to contact about this. I really hope someone can just see this from my view and help me move on the rt direction for getting stuff going that is fair for residents in lincoln

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