IN LIEU OF
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
Monday, June 25, 2018

I. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

PLANNING
1. Annexation map No. 18002
2. Final Action dated June 20, 2018
3. Weekly Admin Approvals

FINANCE
1. June 2018 Sales Tax Report reflecting April 2018 sales

II. CONSTITUENT CORRESPONDENCE
1. Tax Increase, opposition - Shayne Galford
   Staff response provided by Lin Quenzer, City Ombudsman
   Staff response provided by Randy Hoskins, Assistant City Engineer
2. Proposed DACA Resolution - Susan Knisely
3. Proposed PACE - Edison McDonald
4. City Streets - Edward Boone
5. Proposed DACA, opposition - Dennis Wertz
6. Proposed DACA, opposition - Dale McIntosh
7. Proposed DACA, opposition - Dawn Keith
8. Proposed DACA, opposition - Ron and Lynette Nash
9. Proposed DACA, opposition - Donald Raskey
10. Proposed DACA, opposition - Gretchen Hess
11. Proposed DACA, opposition - Don Shelton
12. Proposed DACA, opposition - John Burkett
13. Proposed LED Street Lights, opposition Karen DeBoer

III. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS
See invitation list.

IV. ADJOURNMENT
Annexation by Ordinance
NW 48th St & W Gary Gately St
Effective: June 26, 2018

- Area of Annexation
- Ownership Parcels
- City Limits Before Annexation

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Feet
TO: Mayor Chris Beutler
    Lincoln City Council

FROM: Geri Rorabaugh, Planning

DATE: June 21, 2018

RE: Notice of final action by Planning Commission: June 20, 2018

Please be advised that on June 20, 2018, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission adopted the following resolutions:

Resolution No. PC-01606, approving SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 18021, as revised, for a CUP (Community Unit Plan) with 290 residential dwelling units on approximately 96.18 acres, with requested waivers, on property legally described as a portion of Lot D, a Subdivision of the East 1/2 of Section 26-10-7, a portion of vacated Missouri Pacific Railroad right-of-way, a portion of "A" Street right-of-way, and a portion of South 98th Street right-of-way, all located in the SE 1/4 of Sec. 26-10-7 together with the following: Lot 18, I.T., and a portion of "A" Street right-of-way, all located in the NE 1/4 of Section 35-10-7, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at South 93rd Street and "A" Street; and

Resolution No. PC-01607, approving SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 18019, per the revised plans submitted by the applicant, for 21 dwelling units with a CUP (Community Unit Plan), on property legally described as Lots 1-4, Lots 7-15; Lots 18-30, Block 6, and Lots 1-15, Block 9, Fairview Heights, and a proposed vacated portion of West B Street, located in the SE 1/4 of Section 28-10-6, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at SW 17th and West B Streets.

The Planning Commission action on these applications is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a notice of appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the action by the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission Resolution may be accessed on the internet at www.lincoln.ne.gov (Keyword = PATS). Use the “Search Selection” screen and search by application number (i.e. SP18021, SP18019). The Resolution and Planning Department staff report are in the “Related Documents” under the application number.
Memorandum

Date:       ♦ June 21, 2018
To:         ♦ City Clerk
From:       ♦ Amy Huffman, Planning Dept.
Re:         ♦ Administrative Approvals
cc:         ♦ Planning Commission
            ♦ Geri Rorabaugh, Planning Dept.

This is a list of the administrative approvals by the Planning Director from June 12, 2018 through June 18, 2018:

Administrative Amendment No. 18002, to Special Permit No. 1952, Hawkswood Estates CUP, approved by the Planning Director on June 12, 2018, to revise the grading and drainage plan, the typical street cross-section, and lot layout for Block 1, generally located at S. 70th Street and Old Cheney Road.

Administrative Amendment No. 18019, to Change of Zone No. 07018A, Glynoaks PUD PUD, approved by the Planning Director on June 14, 2018, to revise the street and lot layout to accommodate the expansion of an early childhood care facility, generally located at S. 84th Street and Glynoaks Drive.

Administrative Amendment No. 18026, to Special Permit No. 450Q, Madonna TCU Addition, approved by the Planning Director on June 18, 2018, for a building addition to the southwest corner of the main campus building, generally located at S. 56th Street and South Street.
Actual Compared to Projected Sales Tax Collections

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Actual collections for the fiscal year to date are 0.7% under projections for the year.
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CITY OF LINCOLN  
SALES TAX REFUNDS  
2013-2014 THROUGH 2017-2018

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Year to date vs. previous year
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### NET SALES TAX COLLECTIONS
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Mr. Galford:
Your email regarding the streets and sidewalks in Lincoln was forwarded to me for response. You raise some very timely issues in your email. Nearly a year ago, the Mayor created a Transportation Coalition to look at the condition of our streets and sidewalks in the City and to determine what is the current state of our transportation system, what level of maintenance do citizens expect, what is needed to continue to improve the quality of life here and what that would cost.

The Coalition identified a $33 million gap per year in transportation funding. They found that our peer cities spend on average $10,000 per lane mile for street preservation and maintenance, while Lincoln can only afford $2,400 per lane mile for preservation of Lincoln’s existing streets.

“Explain how taxpayer dollars are being utilized and how you all think working class people can afford another $400 per year in tax hikes that we saw last year.”

If you look closely at your property tax bill, you would see that only $609.40 of the taxes you paid actually go to City of Lincoln. This is up from the $586.24 that you paid to the City in 2017, an increase of $23.16. As Lin Quenzer noted in her response to you, the increase was due solely to the County raising the assessment on your property, not due to an increase in City tax rates. These property tax dollars go toward police, fire, health, parks, libraries, and other important City services.

Transportation funding comes primarily from “user fees” such as street improvement (wheel tax) funds as well as State and Federal gas taxes.

“Assess and prepare a plan for fixing side walks and the falling apart streets of Pinedale Avenue and 84th Street.”

When sidewalk issues are reported, we place them in our database for repairs. According to our database, 8 repair requests have been made along Pinedale Avenue. Three of those were repaired in 2015, two were in the 2017 sidewalk contract for repair, two are scheduled for next year’s contract. One was reported recently and will be included in a future contract.

We have a similar system for tracking pothole repair requests. According to our data, 7 pothole repair requests have been recorded along Pinedale Avenue and 84th Street in your area since July of 2014. Every one of those has been responded to and the potholes in the area repaired.

We recently put together a ten year plan for street resurfacing. This list is based off of our Pavement Management System that looks at the condition of all the streets in town to make decisions on how to best spend our limited maintenance dollars. While there are a number of streets in the Trendwood neighborhood included on that list, Pinedale Avenue did not make that list. If we can secure additional funding for transportation in the future, Pinedale is among several other streets in the Trendwood area that could be addressed. Unfortunately at this time, we have no additional resources to fix it.
“Assess the noise ordinance violations along 84th Street for homeowners and provide a solution. Many cities put up noise barrier walls.”

Noise barrier walls are ineffective in situations where there are intersections every block as we have on 84th Street. When noise barrier walls are installed, they are usually along freeways which have very little access. Because of the way that sound travels, you would receive very little benefit by the construction of a sound barrier adjacent to your home due to the required break in the wall necessitated by Pinedale Avenue.

I have contacted the Lincoln Police Department regarding your concerns with noise violations and speeding vehicles. The Southeast Team Captain told me that 84th Street remains a concern of theirs and that he will again assign officers to conduct enforcement out there in an effort to make an impact.

“Fix 84th Street so big rigs quit shaking our homes, get the big rigs off a residential street in which residents live, children attend school, children play, residents exercise and people worship. The area of Lincoln I’m talking about falls within a school zone.”

84th Street is a part of the National Highway System and as a result, trucks are allowed to use it. While 84th Street passes by residential neighborhoods, it is not a residential street, it is a major arterial street, the City’s highest classification of streets.

We compared the percentages of trucks using 84th Street from counts taken in 2015 to counts taken in February of this year. What we found is that the percentage of trucks using 84th Street has dropped. This is not surprising, since the speed limit has been lowered for a portion of the route, and additional traffic signals have been added. As a result, 84th Street is no longer as attractive of a shortcut for trucks to use when considering overall travel times.

Milling and overlaying 84th Street would smooth the ride, but at this time, we cannot afford a higher level of service along 84th to increase aesthetics and ride ability.

“What is being done to address the mess USIC has made in the right of ways? Their vehicles/equipment have tore the grass up, their spray paint has vandalized fences, landscape rocks, bricks, sidewalks and plants. Even after they threw a little dirt in their mess, the ground has not been leveled and it wasn’t even a week after this that there's a big hole from where they drove on top of the area.”

USIC is a utility locating company. They come out in advance of contractors doing underground work that might conflict with utilities. They typically have very little impact on property other than marking the utilities with paint and possibly flags.

If you have unrepaired damage caused by work in your yard, please contact Scott Opfer with the City’s Right-of-Way Section. He will work with the contractors to ensure that damage is repaired. Scott can be reached at 402-441-7711.

Sincerely,

Randy Hoskins, P.E.
Assistant City Engineer
City of Lincoln

From: Lin Quenzer
Sent: Monday, June 4, 2018 9:58 AM
To: 'shaynepgalford@gmail.com' <shaynepgalford@gmail.com>
Dear Mr. Galford:

Thanks for your inquiry about your property tax valuation. City Councilwoman Leirion Gaylor Baird has asked me to respond to your questions. The City of Lincoln has not raised our portion of the property tax levy. The City doesn’t set the property tax valuations, the Lancaster County Assessor does. Currently, the City is more than $0.20 below our levy lid, one of the lowest of the 14 major cities in Nebraska. If you have concerns about your property valuation now that the revaluation letters have gone out from the County Assessor, please note the below information from the Assessor’s office or go to http://lancaster.ne.gov/clerk/prop.htm to file a protest.

• The 2018 Real Property Values displayed on the website are now official
• On or before June 1, final valuation notices will be mailed to all owners whose real property value has changed from 2017 to 2018
• Property Valuation Protests can be filed with the County Clerk's Office from June 1 to July 2, 2018
• Information regarding the protest process is available on the County Clerk's website: lancaster.ne.gov
(Keyword/Search: Protest)

I have asked the Public Works Department to respond to your concerns about sidewalk and street conditions on Pinedale Avenue in the vicinity of your home and to your questions about the designation of 84th Street for use by commercial trucks as it is a major arterial street, not a residential side street. Someone from the department will get in touch with you regarding the noise concerns from the traffic and your other questions. They will copy me on the issues you have raised so that we can move forward with solutions to these problems. Please feel free to contact me here at the Mayor’s office any time you have questions or concerns about departments of Lincoln City government. I am always happy to assist.

Sincerely,

Lin Quenzer
Ombudsman, LGBT Liaison
Title VI/ADA Co-Coodinator
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“All acts of kindness are lights in the war for Justice”
~Joy Harjo

From: Shayne Galford [mailto:shaynepgalford@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2018 8:14 PM
To: Mayor; Council Packet
Subject: Action required
Congratulations on hiking taxes on the working class people once again for this tax year. With the latest money grab by the great city of Lincoln, I, a working class citizen, am going to be charged almost another $400 per year on my my property taxes in 2018. How is it that working class people are expected to keep paying more taxes when wages do not increase, yet taxes continue to sky rocket out of control, insurance premiums keep growing at exponential rates and the list can go on and on...

As a resident of the great city of Lincoln, I do not see my tax dollars being utilized in my neighborhood in which I'll be paying close to $4,400 a year for on a less than spectacular house built in 1974. As Lincoln continues to grow and grow, the University and new growth projects sucks this cities funds dry, the side walks in my neighborhood are some of the worst in Lincoln (maybe you all should go for a walk on them, hope you don't trip on uneven concrete and massive cracks that are likely caused by the vibrations from traffic on 84th Street). My street, Pinedale Avenue is falling apart (it's really awesome to see grass growing in all the giant cracks up and down Pinedale Avenue). Not to mention all the pot holes that have been neglected for years. By the way, the side walk issue has been reported on your city forms numerous times, yet nothing ever gets fixed. The same goes with the pot hole issues on the online reporting system.

The best part about this Trendwood Neighborhood is for those of us who live along 84th Street. The city of Lincoln seems to think 84th Street is a major highway. After all the Highway 2 traffic was routed this way for construction, 84th has become a major truck route. So now we have a street that was not rated for highway traffic full of speeding, big rig semi trucks. This is a residential area. These trucks do not obey the posted speed limits, yet this is a residential area with schools and churches??? The best part is the increased traffic noise (car and truck) in which everyone's house sounds like a highway is running through it as if the windows were wide open when they are sealed shut. The noise is so awesome that a volume maxed out television still allows residents to hear every vehicle that goes by. While in bed, the vibrations of every big rig that goes by shake beds and maxed out white noise machines cannot even block the traffic noise. Obviously, the noise ordinances are not being obeyed. Yet again, another instance in which this has been brought up to the City of Lincoln and no action has been taken. 84th street was not designed to handle this kind of traffic. When the big vehicles go by they constantly shake our homes and are DAMAGING OUR HOMES. Shaking our homes is destroying our walls/ceilings/Foundations. The motorcycles that drive full throttle at night are also in violation of the noise ordinance. The vehicle noise must be addressed! It's a city issue and the city needs to meet the obligations of government. Governments purpose is to handle issues that are bigger than an individual can address alone. In this case, sound barriers need to be installed along 84th Street and 84th Street needs to be repaired to address shaking our homes and commercial traffic needs to be routed on actual roads designated as highways. A simple patch job is not going to fix this problem. I've reported the noise issues and pot holes on 84th Street twice. Isn't it amazing that nobody responded to me? I've tried putting all new Anderson windows in to fix the noise with no luck...

What is being done to address the mess USIC has made in the right of ways? Their vehicles/equipment have tore the grass up, their spray paint has vandalized fences, landscape rocks, bricks, sidewalks and plants. Even after they threw a little dirt in their mess, the ground has not been leveled and it wasn't even a week after this that there's a big hole from where they drove on top of the area. I really appreciate how USIC doom troop backyards and pretend they are priming gas lines and leave gates wide open to incur wind damage as well. Are these Texas plated vehicles paying wheel taxes? What do we know about the background of these employees who constantly come on our property without letting us know? I'm tired of my lawn equipment being beat up over pieces of metal bars they leave behind in the grass and all the other garbage they leave behind such as pallet material with nails and screws sticking out. I wonder if my home owner insurance is going to cover accidents this could cause or if maybe the city should take liability and start mowing their side of the side walk?

As a tax payer, I expect answers, solutions and action to be taken.

Your action items are:
Explain how taxpayer dollars are being utilized and how you all think working class people can afford another $400 per year in tax hikes that we saw last year.
Assess and prepare a plan for fixing side walks and the falling apart streets of Pinedale Avenue and 84th Street.
Assess the noise ordinance violations along 84th Street for homeowners and provide a solution. Many cities put up noise barrier walls. Lincoln is to this point on 84th Street or maybe it's time the city bought houses up along 84th and then let McDonald's build commercial property in homes places....
Fix 84th Street so big rigs quit shaking our homes, get the big rigs off a residential street in which residents live, children attend school, children play, residents exercise and people worship. The area of Lincoln I'm talking about falls within a school zone.
I expect accountability from the Mayor's Office and the City of Lincoln. Ignoring problems is not due diligence to the tax payers you all work for. I expect complete answers to these actions items by June 8, 2018. Excuses are not solutions.
Thanks.
Shayne Galford
Home owner
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City Council - Contact

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comments      I was unable to attend the city council meeting in which the resolution supporting DACA recipients was discussed. However, I would still like to express my support for this resolution. I listened to as much of the live stream testimony as I could. I would like to reiterate a point that several testifiers made, and that is that in a time when hateful rhetoric and policies are changing the climate of our country daily, words and actions, even if only symbolic, are more important than ever. As someone said, even small actions add up and we all have to do our part and raise our voices in opposition to the intolerance that is taking over public discourse. I will speak out as an individual in all the ways I can think to do so, but I think it would be powerful to have the city council speak out as a body as well.

Just a second point. I am always hearing business and community leaders bemoaning the brain drain, and trying to figure out how to attract talent to the state and city. Well, the DACA recipients are talented contributors, so supporting them is a way to keep home grown talent here.

Thank you,

Susan

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Below are my comments concerning PACE. If you have questions I have a wide collection of resources and contacts on this issue. I’d love to chat more.

Hello my name is Edison McDonald and I am speaking as a board member for Nebraska Interfaith Power and Light and a former Solar Energy Salesman and Grant Writer. We would like to thank you for hearing our concerns from a previous hearing and taking action on PACE. This will help ensure that small businesses and people whose values encourage sustainable practices are able to access fiscally responsible tools. In Genesis 1 God put us here on this planet to care for the earth, the plants, creatures, and for each other. I would like to ensure that it is easier for us to fulfill that calling.

We appreciate the Council and the Mayor’s Office hearing our concerns and moving towards adding PACE. The addition of establishing a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) District would help to spur private development of renewable energy in a way that LEAP did not meet. The opportunity for private public partnership is an excellent example of how Nebraskans can work together to make a better state. Created by Nebraska LB 1012 Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) is a financing mechanism that enables low-cost, long-term funding for energy efficiency, renewable energy, and water conservation projects. PACE financing is repaid as an assessment on the property’s regular tax bill, and is processed the same way as other local public benefit assessments (sidewalks, sewers) have been for decades.

The ability of PACE to help leverage the power of a business, faith community, or other organization in a partnership will significantly expand our capacity to transfer to a more efficient and environmentally conservative city. These represent long term investments into the Lincoln economy that will help us to continue to grow for the life span of these projects.
Since we requested this we have continued our project of making sure that churches are able to have sustainable energy. We supported Westminster in their effort in which they have bought into the Solar Shares program. We have several other churches and businesses that have expressed interest in a similar program but they would rather get actual solar panels themselves.

This model will help ensure that they can get access and ensure that they will be sustainable and encourage them to stay in Lincoln for a long time. As a person of faith, a board member of Interfaith Power and Light, and a young Lincolnite I hope that you will continue to support this.
Members of the Lincoln City Council,

My name is Edward Boone, I live in councilwoman Raybould's district, and I work at the Capitol. I care deeply about the city of Lincoln, and I want my friends who visit from other states to be as impressed with our city as I am. Sadly, they often are not. Because visitors to Lincoln are greeted first and foremost by our weakest trait: our roads. Whether they drive into town, or fly into the airport and rent a car, take an uber, or ride with a friend from in town, it's hard not to notice. And I'm not just talking about potholes. I'm talking about getting around town.

Lincoln is one of the least-navigable cities of its size I have ever seen. I have been extremely impressed with the "Green Light Lincoln" initiative which -although it came about a decade later than it should have- has substantially reduced drive times across town. But we are still a long way off.

When friends visit me from out of town, they ask if their phone is malfunctioning, or if google maps has some kind of issue in Lincoln. They don't believe that it could possibly take as long as it does to get across a city that's only ten miles wide in most places. "Am I missing something?" they ask me. "My phone took me down this road called 27th street, but that was clearly a residential road. What's the main north-south road to get across the middle of town?" they ask. With downcast eyes, I hold back tears of shame as I tell them to horrible truth. "There is not one."

The disbelief, the pity in their eyes is almost more than I can bear. "Okay, well how about a faster way to south central Lincoln from northeast Lincoln, from the interstate?" they reply. I try not to think about my face turning red with embarrassment as I explain that you just kind of have to, like, zig-zag your way across town if you want to get from one corner to another.

A beltway is certainly a solution, and I applaud your efforts in -finally- beginning the long process of bringing one to Lincoln. That it wasn't started in the early 90's is the shame of past council members, not you. But so much more could be done.

Right now, I have heard discussion of a plan to remove a lane of traffic in each direction from 13th street south of downtown, and to add a bike lane. This confuses me. There is already an underused bike lane on 11th street, which is not a road heavy in through traffic. The concept of reducing the ability of 13th street to handle traffic, without providing an outlet for those diverted vehicles to go to, seems to me to be a recipe for worsened traffic on 13th, 9th/10th, and 16th/17th. I take 13th street to and from work because 9th/10th and highway 2 are, frankly, a nightmare. If that was on the Greenlight Lincoln to-do list, they must not have gotten to it yet. And anyone who takes 27th street between highway 2 and south street during rush hour must be a certified masochist.

I would urge you to lean on the office of the city administration to make 13th street move more smoothly, not less so.
Thank you to those of you who made it this far. I do appreciate it. Councilman Eskridge can tell you that I know what it's like to read a long email from a concerned citizen, and it means a lot that you read my whole email. Thank you for your service to our city, and thank you for listening.

Sincerely,
Edward Boone
City Council - Contact

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comments Immigration is a federal matter. The City Council has no business even discussing it. Quit wasting your time and the taxpayer's money. You have better things to do and should stick with city business.

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Mayor Don Wesely once said allowing the council to weigh in on non city issues raises “the potential to divert the council from its official duties and could unnecessarily divide this community,“

Well, he was right and now is the time to heed his words. The council has no business getting involved with the DACA issue.

I will make a little bet here that this is an attempt to gain political points for future ambitions. I will also make a little bet that this is going to backfire for anyone that is supporting this idea.

Sincerely,
Dale McIntosh
City Council - Contact

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comments Lincoln City Council Members,

As a resident of Lincoln, I expect the Lincoln City Council to concern itself with local city issues such as affordable housing, local economy, crime, city infrastructure and services, etc.

I respectfully request that you refrain from spending Council time and city funds/resources on issues over which you have no jurisdiction, specifically Federal Immigration issues including Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).

For the record, I am not anti-DACA or anti-immigrant. I am, however, pro-Lincoln. I also trust that after six years of the DACA program being exhaustively debated, Senators and Representatives in Washington, DC are well aware of the DACA recipients' impact on local economies.

Respectfully,

Dawn Keith
Dear City Council Members:

DACA is a federal decision not a city council decision!!! Before you ask what is fair to illegal immigrants, you must ask what is fair to American families, students, taxpayers and job seekers!

We send our troops to foreign countries to defend their borders, but politicians refuse to defend OUR borders! Congress needs to work with the administration to improve the U. S. enforcement and border security tools and close loopholes. That would send a clear message to the world that illegal immigration to the U.S. is NOT an option.

Lets get back to the real problem ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION! ALL immigrants need to go through the process just like my family went through the legal process to become a citizen of the United States. Everyone coming into this great country of our needs to learn our language, ENGLISH, get a job or have one before you come into our country, adopt our American ways, help make America a better place!

Ask yourself why did these immigrants came to America if they don't want to work, speak our language and adopt our American ways and not go through the process to become a U.S. citizen. They created their own problem, we did not create this problem. Follow our laws or stay in your country but don't try to make our country into the country you came from. Makes no sense doing what they are doing!!!!! Let go back to common sense!

Again this is NOT a city council decision!

Sincerely,

Ron and Lynette Nash
Please DO NOT vote in favor of ANYTHING that is in favor of DACA for the city of Lincoln. You need to speak out for us against these Leftist city council members trying to push this through. Any vote by you in favor of this will mean you will not be receiving my vote when you are up for reelection (if you are not in my district, I will encourage my friends who do live in your districts to not vote for you).
As a citizen here in Lincoln living in district 3. I’m very disappointed with Ms. Jane Raybould. We do not need to “send a message to federal representatives”, Period! Our city doesn’t need to concern itself with policies and regulations at the federal level. Regardless of my views on the Dreamers this kind of political game should not be tolerated. Shame on you all for allowing a public hearing on this issue in the first place. Mr. Christensen thank you for knowing what is going on here. Quit trying to use this issue as a way to further your run for US senate. You’re trying to use your position in the city council to have something to tout and for national attention and as a citizen here I’m upset you’re trying so hard for the spotlight. It’s pathetic and shouldn’t be allowed. Lincoln’s city council has no business gaining national attention for this!

Thanks
Gretchen Hess
Angela M. Birkett

From: WebForm <none@lincoln.ne.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 11:07 AM  
To: Cyndi Lamm; Jon Camp; Jane Raybould; Carl B. Eskridge; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Roy A. Christensen; Bennie R. Shobe  
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comments Information on the effects refugees are having on other countries. There is a legal process in place without the council reinventing the law, that is unless you choose to make something illegal, legal.

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comments: I am very concerned about the LED street lights being proposed and am hopeful there is some way to get amber colored lights, or at least dimmer versions.

There are a few new replacement LEDs on our street and one glares right onto our front yard. There is an amber light that shines directly onto our back patio and it will be very unattractive when it is switched to an LED, making sitting on our back patio a thing of the past. It makes night walks with the dog very unappealing, with the bright glare it casts on the sidewalk and the general appearance of cold, industrialized looks in our neighborhood. I feel like I am under a spotlight every time I enter the light-field of these LEDs.

While I appreciate the desire to save energy and money, there will be a lot of money spent up-front and the savings will not be seen for some time. The quality of life of the citizens of Lincoln needs to be considered. I don't want to feel that I can no longer spend quality time outside my home after dark. This amounts to light pollution, in my estimation.

Loads of money is spent by our Mayor on things I don't support or feel are necessary. Let's listen to the voices of the citizens on this issue!