Present: Roy Christensen, Sändra Washington, Bennie Shobe, Tammy Ward, Jane Raybould, Richard Meginnis, and James Michael Bowers

Others Present: Teresa Meier, City Clerk, Jennifer Brinkman, Chief of Staff, Mayor’s Office, Jeff Kirkpatrick, City Attorney, Brandon Kaufman, Director of Finance, Tom Casady, Interim Director of Transportation and Utilities, Dan Marvin, Director, Urban Development, David Cary, Director, Planning Department, Doug McDaniel, Director Human Resources, and other City staff present.

Chair, Jane Raybould opened the meeting at 2:06 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA
At the request of Councilman Bowers discuss the possibility of remote access for future Council Meeting.

II. CITY CLERK
Under Public Hearing – Ordinances – 2nd Reading – Items 6.a. and 6.b. will be called together.

Under Public Hearing – Ordinances – 3rd Reading – Bowers has a Motion to Amend for Items 7.h. and 7.i.

Under Resolutions - 1st Reading – Item 8.e. there will be a Motion to delay Public Hearing to March 30, 2020, applicant has agreed to the delay.

III. MAYOR’S OFFICE
Brinkman briefed Council on the Mayor’s Introduction of Emergency Declaration (see exhibit A). A brief discussion was had on the suspending the rules so Council can take action on this item at today’s Council Meeting.

Brinkman advised Council the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department website is updated daily with COVID-19 information.

IV. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSION REPORTS
1. 2020 Census Complete Count Committee – Shobe
   Shobe reported yard signs have been assembled and are ready to be distributed. Full questionnaire and reminder mailings are circulating.

2. RTSD – Christensen, Bowers, Raybould (03.03.20) carry over from 03.09.20
   Christensen reported discussion was had regarding budget projections and the 33rd and Cornhusker project; the schedule of the project could face jeopardy due to the County Board levy withholding. Christensen stated you can’t borrow money or spend money you don’t have, which could result in a delay.

3. BOH – Bowers (03.10.20)
   Bowers reported Zoey Olson was appointed as the new Executive Director of the Nebraska Restaurant Association to the food advisory committee. The committee approved the annual report; statistics show a majority of the dental services provided are to children and the services continue to be a need for the community; child care facilities are working on monitoring and reporting health outbreaks; and car seat safety checks were conducted at twenty different events. Discussion was had regarding COVID-19. The BOH also reviewed some pending legislative items related to health and wellness.

4. MAC – Shobe (03.10.20)
   Shobe reported a presentation was given regarding the New Americans Task Force and accreditation; members of our community have advanced degrees and skills but are not allowed to practice in our community because they don’t possess certain requirements under our policies. World Education Services is an organization who is
promoting a “Map to Achieve the Goals” in hopes to allow those members of our community to gain recognition of their skills and be able to utilize those skills in our workforce.

5. **PBC** – Meginnis, Raybould (03.10.20)
   Meginnis reported the committee reviewed the current remodel plans; Assessor and Register of Deeds remodel is going according to plan. The Hall of Justice encountered a change order to repair uneven flooring, which was approved by the committee.

6. **ISPC** – Washington (03.12.20)
   Washington reported the ISPC did not meet.

7. **Parks & Rec** – Christensen (03.12.20)
   Christensen reported events are being canceled due to COVID-19 and programming is expanding for school aged children during this pandemic.

V. **COUNCIL MEMBERS**
A brief discussion was had regarding the possibility of remote access for future Council Meetings with the progression of COVID-19. Kirkpatrick advised there is currently no provision for an emergency situation. Until there is a change in State law we have to follow the State statute.

Chair, Raybould adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.
RESOLUTION NO. A-__________

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Lincoln declared a state of emergency on March 16, 2020 to protect the residents of the City of Lincoln from the potential spread and impact of the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID 19) resulting from the rapidly evolving outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to approve and affirm the actions of the Mayor pursuant to the declaration of a state of emergency in Executive Order 94155; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to extend the state of emergency for such time as is necessary to respond to the spread of COVID 19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Lincoln, Nebraska that the declaration of a state of emergency issued by the Mayor on March 16, 2020 and found at Executive Order 94155 is hereby approved and extended beyond seventy-two hours pursuant to Lincoln Municipal Code §2.06.070. The Mayor is authorized to use such emergency powers as may be found in Lincoln Municipal Code §2.06.050 for the duration of the state of emergency. The state of emergency shall remain in full force and effect until terminated by the Mayor or the City Council.

Introduced by:

Approved as to Form & Legality:

[Signature]
City Attorney

Approved this ___ day of __________, 2020:

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Mayor