

**MINUTES**  
**DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
**Monday, August 17, 2020**

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

**Others Present:** Soulinnee Phan, City Clerk; Jennifer Brinkman, Mayor's Chief of Staff; Yohance Christie, City Attorney; Lynn Johnson, Director, Parks and Recreation; and other City Staff present

Chair, Richard Meginnis opened the meeting at 2:03 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act

**I. MINUTES**

Minutes from August 10, 2020, approved and adopted.

**II. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA**

**III. CITY CLERK**

Under Consent Agenda – Item(s) 2.a. through 2.f. will be called together.

Under Public Hearing Resolutions – Item 5.a. will have two Motions, Motion to Amend No. 1 and Motion to Amend No. 2.

Under Resolution for Action Only – Item 6.a. will have a Motion to move to pending with no date certain.

Under Resolution 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Public Hearing, and Action – Item 7.a. will have a suspension of the rules to allow 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Public Hearing and Action today, August 17, 2020.

Under Ordinances 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – Item(s) 9.a. through 9.c. could be moved to the pending list. Item 9.g. may have a Motion to delay the vote until August 31, 2020.

**IV. MAYORS OFFICE**

Brinkman advised Council members that Lincoln is still number one in the nation for response related to the census 2020 in terms of the Cities 250,000 to one million in size; we have a 75.1% response rate. Nebraska is number 4 in the nation; with a 69.2% rate, and Lancaster County is number 29. There are census workers out in the field going door-to-door which started on August 11<sup>th</sup> and will end on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Comp Plan work for the Comp Plan 2050 is still underway. The virtual event, asking for community input, continues on the City website for comment through August 31<sup>st</sup>. David Cary is hosting what is called “The Late Afternoon Show”, which can be found on the Comp Plan website. The featured guest for this month is Lynn Johnson talking about parks and the importance to our community.

On today's Council Agenda there is a note on the proposed text amendment related to what we are now calling “transitional housing”; there is a public meeting scheduled for August 25<sup>th</sup>; introduction and public hearing at the Planning Commission on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Johnson briefed Council members on the item related to the sale of the land on South 48<sup>th</sup>; at the previous City Council meeting Council voted to delay action of this item for one week. After discussion it has been asked to place this item on pending for one additional week to all for additional conversations regarding the value of the land.

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Discussion followed.

**V. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSION REPORTS**

**1. BOH – Bowers (08.04.20)**

Bowers reported a vote was had to support the Direct Health Measure (DHM) as an advisory board; a vote was had to support developing a community vaccine planning committee; and they received an update on the dial indicators and updates on COVID-19 funding was provided.

**2. PBC – Meginnis, Raybould (08.11.20)**

Meginnis reported the Public Building Commission voted Roma Amundson as the new chair. The County Assessor/Register of Deeds remodel was closed out; work continues on the Hall of Justice front entrance remodel and passed revenue neutral budget.

**3. Parks & Rec**

Christensen was unable to attend.

At 2:12 p.m. Christensen Motioned for City Council to go into closed Executive Session for a strategy session with respect to collective bargaining, real estate purchases, pending litigation, or litigation which is imminent as evidenced by communication of a claim or threat of litigation to or by the public body. *Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat 84-1410 any public body may hold a closed session by the affirmative vote of a majority of its voting members if a closed session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual and if such individual has not requested a public meeting.*

Seconded by Raybould and carried by the following vote: AYES: Shobe, Washington, Ward, Meginnis, Bowers, Christensen, Raybould; NAYS: None.

At 2:47 p.m. Christensen Motioned for City Council to come out of closed Executive Session and resumed the Directors' meeting.

Seconded by Ward and carried by the following vote: AYES: Shobe, Washington, Ward, Meginnis, Bowers, Christensen, Raybould; NAYS: None.

Chair, Meginnis adjourned the meeting at 2:47 p.m.