

**IN LIEU OF  
DIRECTORS' MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 31, 2010**

**I. CITY CLERK**

1. Letter received via email. "Allow votes on Important Issues!"  
Received from:
  - a) Lynne Hansen
  - b) Douglas Blum

**II. MAYOR & DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE TO COUNCIL**

**MAYOR**

1. Fiscal Impact Statement, Finance/Accounting.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Ribbon cut for Development Services Center.
3. NEWS ADVISORY. The Mayor and the Lincoln Community Foundation will hold a news conference on May 19, 2010 to announce Lincoln Community Foundation's major gift to Union Plaza. The conference will be held at the park's amphitheater area, east side of 21<sup>st</sup> Street between P and Q streets at 1:30 p.m.
4. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler, Lincoln Water System (LWS) officials, and Water Conservation Task Force members will hold a news conference on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. at the LWS facility, 2021 N. 27<sup>th</sup> Street to announce winners of the Mayor's Water Conservation Task Force's annual poster contest and discuss City's water supply and conservation efforts.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Union Plaza receives \$600,000 gift.
6. NEWS RELEASE. Biketacular, Capital City criterium set for Saturday.
7. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor announces winners of annual water conservation art contest.
8. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor says city water supply in good shape.
9. Washington Report, May 14, 2010.

**Week of May 31, 2010**

1. NEWS RELEASE. Plan early for 4<sup>th</sup> of July block parties.
2. Washington Report, May 21, 2010.

**DIRECTORS**

**FINANCE/BUDGET      Week of May 31, 2010**

1. May sales tax reports reflecting March activity.
  - a) Actual Compared to Projected Sales Tax Collections;
  - b) Gross Sales Tax Collections (With Refunds Added Back In) 2004-2005 through 2009-2010;
  - c) Sales Tax Refunds 2004-2005 through 2009-2010; and
  - d) Net Sales Tax Collections 2004-2005 through 2009-2010.

## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

1. Correspondence from Steve Beal, Assistant Health Director, on breakdown of pet licenses.
  - a) Percentage breakdown for altered vs. unaltered licensed dogs and cats.
2. Reply from Dr. Bruce Dart, Health Director, to constituent regarding feral cat populations with the Health Department supporting the Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) method to manage.

## **CITY LIBRARIES**

1. NEWS RELEASE. One Book - One Lincoln. Library to announce top 5 finalists.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Children's book author, Helen Lester, will visit Bethany Library on Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

### **Week of May 31, 2010**

1. Letter from Pat Leach, Library Director, regarding procedures to fill a September 1, 2010 vacancy on the Library Board.

## **PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

1. Administrative amendment approvals from May 11, 2010 through May 17, 2010.

### **Week of May 31, 2010**

1. Administrative Permit No.10020 approved by the Planning Director.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION**

1. Minutes of the Special Public Hearing held by the Lincoln-Lancaster Planning Commission on May 12, 2010.
2. Action by Planning Commission, May 19, 2010.
3. Final action. Adopted Resolution No. PC-01208.

## **PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES**

1. ADVISORY. "A" Street; 63<sup>rd</sup> - 70<sup>th</sup> Street stimulus project to start. Project No. LCLC-5220 (3), Control No. 13041, City Project No. 701808.

### **Week of May 31, 2010**

1. ADVISORY. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Projects, Proposed Arterial Rehabilitation Projects. Adams Street; 57<sup>th</sup> Street - 62<sup>nd</sup> Street. State Project No. LCLC5250 (3) CN 13068. City Project No. 701777.
2. ADVISORY. Sidewalk Repair Advisory. Priority Sidewalk Repair - North of O Street. Project #702366.
3. ADVISORY. Sidewalk Repair Advisory. Priority Sidewalk Repair - South of O Street. Project #702367.

## **URBAN DEVELOPMENT/ HOUSING REHAB & REAL ESTATE DIVISION**

1. Street and Alley Vacation No. 10005, southeast corner of 14<sup>th</sup> Street and Salt Creek Roadway.
2. Clinton Thomas' memo on Street and Alley Vacation No. 10001, North 21<sup>st</sup> Street, north of Vine Street.

### **III. COUNCIL RFI'S AND CITIZEN CORRESPONDENCE TO INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

#### **JON CAMP**

1. Wall Street Journal article. "Is a \$1 Trillion Bailout Ahead for State Pension Funds?"

#### **DOUG EMERY**

1. Email from Pastor Mike Wooten regarding claim to fix the right front wheel of his car damaged when he hit a pothole.

### **IV. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS TO COUNCIL**

1. Correspondence from Roger Cognard on his claim against the city for repair to a sprinkler system broken by a snowplow driver last winter.
2. Email from William Carver, President NSNA, thanking Council for their service and fair decision on the CVS Project at S. 16<sup>th</sup> and South Streets.
3. Email from Sandra Lab. Take care of what's going on here, stay out of the debate on boycotting Arizona.

#### **Week of May 31, 2010**

1. Email from Tom Vik regarding the smoking ban in Lincoln.

### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

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# NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

[lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov)

## **PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES**

Engineering Services, 531 Westgate Blvd., Lincoln, NE 68521, 441-7711, fax 441-6576

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** May 27, 2010

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Greg Topil, Public Works, 441-7711

### **PLAN EARLY FOR 4TH OF JULY BLOCK PARTIES**

It may seem a little early to be planning your 4th of July celebration, but the City of Lincoln is encouraging residents to be aware of regulations and deadlines for holiday block parties. To help the Public Works and Utilities Department officials meet the increased demand over the holidays, neighborhoods are required to submit their applications at least two weeks before the event.

**Applications for block parties to be held between July 2 and July 5 must be received by Engineering Services no later than 4 p.m. Monday, June 28.** A \$45 fee must be paid by check or money order when the application is filed. The fee helps the City cover the cost of delivering and picking up barricades. Barricades are normally delivered to the address listed on the application one day prior to the event and picked up the day after. Because of increased holiday demand, barricades may be delivered and retrieved on the day of the event.

The following regulations apply to block parties:

- Roadway closures are limited to one City block in length or from the roadway intersection to the nearest adjoining intersection.
- Block parties are limited to six hours, including cleanup.
- Block parties must start after 10 a.m. and end no later than 10 p.m.
- All residents along the roadway area to be closed must be surveyed for approval.
- Applicants are responsible for all cleanup and damages to City property within the permit boundaries.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on all City property.

Information on block parties and a permit application form are available on the City website at [lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov) (keyword: block party). Applicants also may call the Engineering Services office at 441-7711.



# WASHINGTON REPORT

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## SENATE CLEARS FINANCIAL REFORM BILL

### CONGRESS

Senate finally completes financial reform measure. After several weeks of floor debate, the Senate approved legislation this week that would impose a host of new regulations on the financial services sector.

Republicans chose not to formally block final passage of the bill through a filibuster, but they slowed the pace of consideration substantially by introducing scores of amendments. In the end, four Republicans voted for final passage, while two Democrats voted against the measure. While the bill must still be considered in the House, Senate approval will now allow that chamber to consider other legislation.

Among the measures that the Senate hopes to take up prior to adjourning for a week-long Memorial Day recess are a wide-ranging tax bill that House and Senate tax-writing committees introduced this week, and a FY 2010 supplemental appropriations bill to allow for additional overseas military operations and domestic disaster relief.

The House will also consider the tax bill (see related stories below) next week, as well as a bill to reauthorize programs at the Department of Defense, and possibly the supplemental appropriations bill should it clear the Senate.

Both the House and Senate are expected to begin their Memorial Day recess on Friday, May 28.

### FINANCE

Vote expected next week on tax bill with Build America Bonds extension. The House is expected to vote next week on legislation (HR 4213) that was originally intended to extend some popular tax credits but has ballooned into a sprawling measure that has

the potential to collapse under its own weight.

Leaders of the House and Senate tax-writing committees unveiled a revised version of HR 4213 this week, and the \$200 billion measure (with \$59 billion in offsets) bears little resemblance to the \$31 billion “extenders” package approved by the House and Senate in recent months.

For local government, a highlight of the bill is a two year extension of the popular Build America Bonds (BABs) program. Created in the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), the program provides state and local governments with the option in 2009 and 2010 of issuing tax credit bonds for projects instead of tax exempt governmental obligation bonds. This allows the entity to elect to receive a direct payment from the Federal government of up to 35 percent of the interest costs. The BABs have been a popular financing vehicle since their inception, having financed almost \$80 billion in infrastructure projects as of March 1, 2010.

HR 4213 would extend the BABs program through 2012 and reduce the subsidy to 32 percent in 2011 and 30 percent in 2012.

The legislation would also extend the Recovery Zone Bond program through 2011, and provide an additional \$25 billion for the program using a formula that allocates authority based on a community’s unemployment rate relative to that of the nation in December 2009. The previous formula used net job losses from 2008 and did not provide allocations for a number of areas with high unemployment rates. Other provisions of note in HR 4213 include one year extensions for:

- ARRA provisions that eliminate fees for Small Business Administration loan programs

- Tax-exempt eligibility for loans guaranteed by the Federal Home Loan Bank
- Brownfields remediation tax credit
- Research and development tax credit
- New Markets Tax Credit
- Tax credits for Empowerment Zones
- Deduction of the state and local sales taxes
- Reallocation of geothermal energy receipts on federal lands

The House is expected to vote on HR 4213 next week, and sponsors hope that the Senate will take it up before adjourning for a Memorial Day recess next Friday. A complete summary of HR 4213 can be found on the House Ways and Means Committee website:

<http://bit.ly/bd1RTq>

## SUMMER JOBS

House tax extenders bill includes summer jobs funding. The tax extenders bill (HR 4213) unveiled by the House Ways and Means Committee includes a supplemental FY 2010 appropriation of \$1 billion for Summer Jobs. The funding is a priority for the Congressional Black Caucus, which sees it as key to addressing the high rate of youth unemployment.

The funding would be allocated to states and local Workforce Investment Boards under the formula used for the regular Youth Job Training Program and would be available for obligation until the end of FY 2011. The bill includes language that would allow persons up to age 24 to benefit from this funding; the normal age limit for participation in federally funded youth job training programs is 21. In addition, the only performance measurement criteria for these funds would be attainment of basic skills; work readiness or occupational skill; the performance measurement criteria related to attainment of a high school diploma, enrollment in higher education or the military or placement in a job would be waived. The requirement that participating youth be enrolled in a secondary or higher education program would also be waived.

There have been several attempts to appropriate funding for Summer Jobs, but they have all fallen short so far. With Memorial Day upon us and the school year ending, Congress will have to take final

action soon in order to give the Labor Department time to allocate funding and Workforce Investment Boards to develop programs for this summer.

## HOUSING

House tax extenders bill includes capitalization of housing trust fund, other housing provision. The tax extenders bill (HR 4213) released by the House Ways and Means Committee this week includes an appropriation of \$1 billion to capitalize the Housing Trust Fund. It also includes a one-year extension, through 2011, of a provision on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (PL 111-5) that allows state housing finance agencies to claim a direct payment, in lieu of its allocation of the national cap, for low-income housing tax credits.

The Housing Trust Fund was created by the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (PL 110-289), which Congress enacted in response to the decline of the housing market that year. In that legislation, Congress chose to capitalize the Trust Fund with a portion of the profits of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. With both of those companies in government receivership and far from profitable, the Trust Fund has not been capitalized and Trust Fund advocates have been pushing for a direct appropriation for it.

Funding from the Housing Trust Fund would be allocated to the states by formula based on low-income housing shortages, housing affordability and construction costs. Any funding from the Trust Fund would be very targeted, with a requirement that at least 75 percent go to the construction, preservation or rehabilitation of housing for extremely low-income families (30 percent or less of area median income) and that all of it go to the construction, preservation or rehabilitation of housing for extremely low-income families or very low-income families (50 percent or less of area median income).

## WATER RESOURCES

House subcommittee approves bill to reauthorize the drinking water SRF and create new federal testing requirements. The House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment approved legislation (HR 5320) this week that would reauthorize the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). However, the measure faces criticism over a provision to create new federal testing requirements on drinking water.

The drinking water SRF was created in 1996 and provides formula funds to states, which in turn make low-interest loans to public entities for drinking water infrastructure projects. The program received \$1.387 billion in FY 2010 and the 2009 stimulus bill provided an additional \$2 billion for the program, on top of an \$829 million FY 2009 appropriation.

The House legislation would reauthorize the drinking water SRF for five years, at a level of \$1.5 billion in FY 2011 and rising each year until it reaches \$5 billion in FY 2015. EPA estimates that more than \$300 billion will be needed over the next 17 years to address the nation's aging water infrastructure needs.

During the markup, Subcommittee Republicans voiced their strong objections to language in the bill that would also require EPA to identify and test at least 100 chemicals found in drinking water to see if they are "endocrine disruptors," a broad class of chemicals that some scientists believe may affect the human hormone system. GOP members fear that the provision is overly broad would result in over-regulation.

The next step for the measure is consideration in the full Energy and Commerce Committee, although a markup has not been scheduled.

Additional information on the legislation can be found on the House Energy and Commerce Committee website:

<http://bit.ly/9VjNHx>

## TRANSPORTATION

Voinovich says Senate committee is making progress on transportation authorization; highway formula change to be included in tax "extenders" bill.

Senator George Voinovich (R-OH), a member of the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee, said in an interview this week that the Committee is making progress on drafting a new, multi-year transportation authorization bill, and that he is hopeful Congress will be able to consider the legislation later this year. The current extension of the existing transportation law, SAFETEA-LU expires on December 31.

The Senate EPW Committee has jurisdiction over highway policy and the panel has held several hearings on surface transportation issues over the past few months. EPW Chairman Barbara Boxer (D-CA) has stated repeatedly that a bill will be ready for floor consideration by the end of the year. Voinovich also said he is hopeful that discussions would begin soon with House Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee Chairman James Oberstar (D-MN), who has been pushing hard for action on his \$500 billion authorization bill that was approved at the subcommittee level last spring.

Transportation stakeholders remain skeptical that the EPW Committee has made as much progress as it claims. Mid-term elections in November and an already packed Senate schedule that includes many high-profile and controversial issues have caused many in the transportation sector to adopt an attitude of pessimism toward seeing a transportation authorization bill this year.

Meanwhile, the legislative text of the House-Senate conference agreement on a package of popular "tax extenders" (HR 4213) was released this week. Included among the business and individual tax breaks that expired at the end of 2009 is a contested highway provision that changes how nearly \$1 billion in highway funding is distributed to states.

The provision in question would reverse a method of distribution of funds for the Projects of National and Regional Significance program and the National Corridor Infrastructure Improvement

program -- both earmarked for specific projects in SAFETEA-LU -- that was included in the job creation bill enacted earlier this year. Oberstar has been championing the inclusion of this change for months, claiming that the bulk of the \$932 million provided for these two programs would be distributed to just four states (California, Illinois, Louisiana, Washington) while 21 states would receive nothing.

Complicating matters is the fact that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has already published the apportionment of these funds in a notice to states dated April 20. Should the change be included in the final version of HR 4213, the four states would be forced to forfeit funds on which they may have planned on using for specific projects.

## GRANTS & NOTICES

### National End. for the Humanities

The NEH Small Grants to Libraries program is currently accepting applications for Louisa May Alcott: The Woman Behind Little Women—Library Outreach Programs. This grant opportunity will offer 30 programming grants of \$2,500 to present reading, viewing, and discussion programs focused on Louisa May Alcott, her work and her era. Eligible applicants include public, academic, and special libraries with tax-exempt status and state and local government agencies. No cost share is required. Applications are due July 30, 2010:

<http://bit.ly/d9nM6c>.

### Department of Justice

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) is seeking applications for FY 2010 Safe Start Promising Approaches Project. This project will provide funding for interventions that prevent and reduce the impact of children's exposure to violence in their homes and communities such as child maltreatment, abuse, or neglect; witnessing domestic violence; and community and/or school violence. OJJDP expects to award up to 10 grants with a \$250,000 maximum award. Applications are due June 25, 2010:

<http://bit.ly/d9JAUR>.

**Actual Compared to  
Projected Sales Tax Collections**

	2009-10 PROJECTED	2009-10 ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM PROJECTED	\$ CHANGE FR. 08-09	% CHANGE FR. 08-09
SEPTEMBER	\$4,549,255	\$4,603,417	\$54,162	\$225,941	5.16%
OCTOBER	\$4,721,659	\$4,592,069	(\$129,590)	(\$144,005)	-3.04%
NOVEMBER	\$4,716,098	\$4,773,592	\$57,494	(\$77,645)	-1.60%
DECEMBER	\$4,449,149	\$4,299,735	(\$149,414)	(\$36,538)	-0.84%
JANUARY	\$4,554,816	\$4,097,252	(\$457,564)	(\$111,748)	-2.65%
FEBRUARY	\$5,672,665	\$5,322,243	(\$350,422)	(\$369,637)	-6.49%
MARCH	\$4,248,937	\$4,212,234	(\$36,703)	\$27,245	0.65%
APRIL	\$4,059,848	\$4,218,305	\$158,457	\$169,675	4.19%
MAY	\$4,666,045	\$5,118,022	\$451,977	\$491,133	10.61%
JUNE	\$4,532,571				
JULY	\$4,593,746				
AUGUST	\$4,849,573				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$55,614,362</b>	<b>\$41,236,869</b>	<b>(\$401,603)</b>	<b>\$174,422</b>	<b>0.42%</b>

Actual collections through May are .97 % below projections for the year.

**CITY OF LINCOLN  
GROSS SALES TAX COLLECTIONS  
(WITH REFUNDS ADDED BACK IN)  
2004-2005 THROUGH 2009-2010**

	<b>ACTUAL 2004-2005</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2005-2006</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2006-2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007-2008</b>	<b>% CHG. FR. PRIOR YEAR</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008-2009</b>	<b>% CHG. FR. PRIOR YEAR</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2009-2010</b>	<b>% CHG. FR. PRIOR YEAR</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	\$4,648,160	\$4,630,210	\$4,573,597	\$4,612,020	0.84%	\$4,812,555	4.35%	\$4,703,478	-2.27%
<b>OCTOBER</b>	\$4,706,690	\$4,823,369	\$4,712,519	\$5,052,950	7.22%	\$4,845,000	-4.12%	\$4,687,315	-3.25%
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	\$4,687,792	\$4,799,275	\$4,658,480	\$4,818,715	3.44%	\$4,937,998	2.48%	\$4,922,939	-0.30%
<b>DECEMBER</b>	\$4,500,338	\$4,511,403	\$4,445,761	\$4,753,456	6.92%	\$4,545,947	-4.37%	\$4,502,684	-0.95%
<b>JANUARY</b>	\$4,264,010	\$4,342,902	\$4,554,634	\$4,617,097	1.37%	\$4,465,270	-3.29%	\$4,354,458	-2.48%
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	\$6,086,841	\$5,797,893	\$5,993,653	\$5,596,617	-6.62%	\$5,775,594	3.20%	\$5,426,478	-6.04%
<b>MARCH</b>	\$4,158,874	\$4,247,908	\$4,125,074	\$4,421,405	7.18%	\$4,258,773	-3.68%	\$4,226,466	-0.76%
<b>APRIL</b>	\$4,097,988	\$3,991,159	\$4,018,709	\$4,227,476	5.19%	\$4,119,617	-2.55%	\$4,294,043	4.23%
<b>MAY</b>	\$4,730,317	\$4,543,369	\$4,895,921	\$4,753,366	-2.91%	\$4,744,089	-0.20%	\$5,186,573	9.33%
<b>JUNE</b>	\$4,557,735	\$4,539,614	\$4,664,470	\$4,859,251	4.18%	\$4,624,054	-4.84%		
<b>JULY</b>	\$4,519,466	\$4,655,061	\$4,772,617	\$4,983,976	4.43%	\$4,501,197	-9.69%		
<b>AUGUST</b>	\$4,803,665	\$4,991,723	\$4,887,329	\$5,026,702	2.85%	\$4,856,331	-3.39%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$55,761,877	\$55,873,886	\$56,302,764	\$57,723,030	2.52%	\$56,486,425	-2.14%	\$42,304,435	-0.47%

**CITY OF LINCOLN  
SALES TAX REFUNDS  
2004-2005 THROUGH 2009-2010**

	<b>ACTUAL 2004-2005</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2005-2006</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2006-2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007-2008</b>	<b>% CHG. FROM PRIOR YEAR</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008-2009</b>	<b>% CHG. FROM PRIOR YEAR</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2009-2010</b>	<b>% CHG. FROM PRIOR YEAR</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	(\$135,858)	(\$80,882)	(\$27,350)	(\$90,282)	230.10%	(\$435,079)	381.91%	(\$100,061)	-77.00%
<b>OCTOBER</b>	(\$165,219)	(\$358,866)	(\$166,695)	(\$79,688)	-52.19%	(\$108,925)	36.69%	(\$95,246)	-12.56%
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	(\$101,531)	(\$173,972)	(\$3,881)	(\$158,855)	3993.08%	(\$86,760)	-45.38%	(\$149,347)	72.14%
<b>DECEMBER</b>	(\$325,510)	(\$6,319)	(\$175,440)	(\$29,848)	-82.99%	(\$209,674)	602.47%	(\$202,950)	-3.21%
<b>JANUARY</b>	(\$220,967)	(\$269,713)	(\$84,287)	(\$26,308)	-68.79%	(\$256,270)	874.13%	(\$257,206)	0.37%
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	(\$394,324)	(\$73,395)	(\$327,119)	(\$489,939)	49.77%	(\$83,713)	-82.91%	(\$104,235)	24.51%
<b>MARCH</b>	(\$99,240)	(\$165,869)	(\$133,574)	(\$325,269)	143.51%	(\$73,785)	-77.32%	(\$14,233)	-80.71%
<b>APRIL</b>	(\$69,900)	(\$196,682)	(\$130,611)	(\$108,764)	-16.73%	(\$70,988)	-34.73%	(\$75,738)	6.69%
<b>MAY</b>	(\$122,283)	(\$166,567)	(\$381,653)	(\$22,529)	-94.10%	(\$117,201)	420.23%	(\$68,551)	-41.51%
<b>JUNE</b>	(\$34,811)	(\$14,085)	(\$186,252)	(\$136,308)	-26.82%	(\$444,973)	226.45%	(\$110,343)	-75.20%
<b>JULY</b>	(\$162,998)	(\$39,492)	(\$155,825)	(\$478,184)	206.87%	(\$331,804)	-30.61%		
<b>AUGUST</b>	(\$148,028)	(\$57,700)	(\$569,595)	(\$43,759)	-92.32%	(\$11,878)	-72.86%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	(\$1,980,668)	(\$1,603,541)	(\$2,342,280)	(\$1,989,734)	-15.05%	(\$2,231,050)	12.13%	(\$1,177,909)	-37.59%

Year to date vs.  
previous year

**CITY OF LINCOLN  
NET SALES TAX COLLECTIONS  
2004-2005 THROUGH 2009-2010**

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<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	\$4,512,303	\$4,549,328	\$4,546,247	\$4,521,738	-0.54%	\$4,377,476	-3.19%	\$4,603,417	5.16%
<b>OCTOBER</b>	\$4,541,471	\$4,464,503	\$4,545,825	\$4,973,261	9.40%	\$4,736,074	-4.77%	\$4,592,069	-3.04%
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	\$4,586,261	\$4,625,303	\$4,654,599	\$4,659,859	0.11%	\$4,851,237	4.11%	\$4,773,592	-1.60%
<b>DECEMBER</b>	\$4,174,828	\$4,505,085	\$4,270,321	\$4,723,609	10.61%	\$4,336,273	-8.20%	\$4,299,735	-0.84%
<b>JANUARY</b>	\$4,043,044	\$4,073,189	\$4,470,347	\$4,590,789	2.69%	\$4,209,000	-8.32%	\$4,097,252	-2.65%
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	\$5,692,517	\$5,724,498	\$5,666,534	\$5,106,677	-9.88%	\$5,691,881	11.46%	\$5,322,243	-6.49%
<b>MARCH</b>	\$4,059,634	\$4,082,038	\$3,991,501	\$4,096,136	2.62%	\$4,184,988	2.17%	\$4,212,234	0.65%
<b>APRIL</b>	\$4,028,088	\$3,794,477	\$3,888,098	\$4,118,712	5.93%	\$4,048,629	-1.70%	\$4,218,305	4.19%
<b>MAY</b>	\$4,608,034	\$4,376,803	\$4,514,268	\$4,730,837	4.80%	\$4,626,889	-2.20%	\$5,118,022	10.61%
<b>JUNE</b>	\$4,522,924	\$4,525,529	\$4,478,219	\$4,722,943	5.46%	\$4,179,081	-11.52%		
<b>JULY</b>	\$4,356,468	\$4,615,569	\$4,616,793	\$4,505,792	-2.40%	\$4,169,394	-7.47%		
<b>AUGUST</b>	\$4,655,637	\$4,934,023	\$4,317,734	\$4,982,944	15.41%	\$4,844,454	-2.78%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$53,781,209	\$54,270,346	\$53,960,485	\$55,733,297	3.29%	\$54,255,376	-2.65%	\$41,236,869	0.42%

Year to date vs.  
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# Memorandum

**Date:** ♦ May 25, 2010  
**To:** ♦ City Clerk  
**From:** ♦ Teresa McKinstry, Planning Dept.  
**Re:** ♦ Administrative Amendment approvals  
**cc:** ♦ Jean Preister

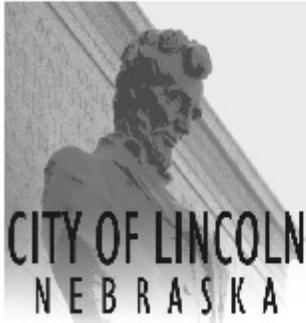
This is a list of the Administrative Amendments that were approved by the Planning Director from May 18, 2010 thru May 24, 2010:

**Administrative Permit No. 10020**, to Special Permit No. 587, Southwood Hills 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition Community Unit Plan, approved by the Planning Director on May 21, 2010, requested by Rocke Huntington, for the West Parkview Association, to allow unenclosed decks to extend up to 10 feet from the main structure on Lots 57 thru 86, Block 2, Southwood Hills 1<sup>st</sup> Addition, into the required rear yard, on property generally located Southwood Drive and Sandstone Road.

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# PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

[lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov)

May 25, 2010

## **American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Projects** Proposed Arterial Rehabilitation Projects

### **Adams Street; 57th Street - 62nd Street**

### **State Project No. LCLC 5250 (3) CN 13068** **City Project No. 701777**

The City of Lincoln proposes to widen, mill and overlay Adams Street from 57th Street to 62nd Street starting the week of June 7, 2010 weather permitting. Adams Street will be widened from 27' to 34' with work on both sides of the street. The existing pavement will be milled and overlaid with new asphalt. Sub-standard ADA facilities (i.e. curb ramps and truncated domes) will be reconstructed to meet minimum requirements at all intersections. Adams Street will be closed to through traffic for 47 days. The City will work with local businesses regarding access during construction. Access to local residences will be restricted at times. The contractor will be Pavers Inc.

Information on all City of Lincoln Recovery Act Projects are available on the City's web site at [lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov) (keyword: recovery). If you have questions or comments, please contact one of the following:

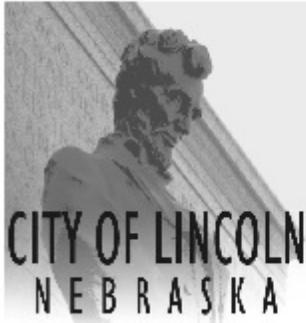
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# PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

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May 26, 2010

## **SIDEWALK REPAIR ADVISORY**

### **Priority Sidewalk Repair - North of 'O' Street**

### **Project #702366**

The City of Lincoln has awarded a contract for sidewalk repair at various locations north of 'O' Street. This contract includes sidewalk repair adjacent to your property. The contract for this work has been awarded to Walton Construction Company, Inc.

The contractor is expected to start work in association with this contract the week of May 24, 2010. The repair work will involve removal and replacement of marked sections of sidewalk. There will be some inconvenience to residents in this area as sidewalk sections are removed and replaced and sidewalk locations are closed and barricaded to complete this work. Driveways may also be closed for short durations to complete work on sidewalk through the drive.

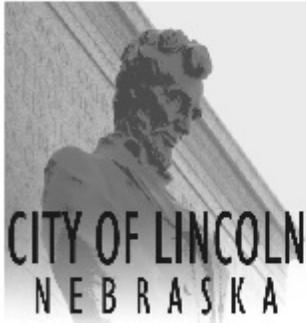
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This project is funded with funds budgeted in the City's Street Construction Funds. The Public Works and Utilities Department will administer this contract. If you have questions, please contact one of the following:

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Project Manger  
Public Works & Utilities  
(402) 525-9294

Harry Kroos  
Sidewalk Services Manager  
Public Works & Utilities  
(402) 441-7541

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Project Manager  
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# PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES ADVISORY

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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May 26, 2010

## **SIDEWALK REPAIR ADVISORY**

### **Priority Sidewalk Repair - South of 'O' Street**

#### **Project # 702367**

The City of Lincoln has awarded a contract for sidewalk repair at various locations south of 'O' Street. This contract includes sidewalk repair adjacent to your property. The contract for this work has been awarded to Walton Construction Company, Inc.

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May 26, 2010

John Spatz, Chair  
Lincoln City Council  
City of Lincoln  
555 So. 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Mr. Spatz:

As of September 1, 2010, a vacancy will exist on the Library Board due to the completion of the seven year term of Marlene Cupp.

I am writing to ask if the City Council would like the Library Board to continue the past practice of collecting information and making recommendations to fill the upcoming vacancy on the Library Board.

The City Council is responsible for the appointment of Library Board members. In the past, the Council has asked the Library Board to collect and review the resumes of interested individuals. All submissions are then forwarded to the Council with any recommendations the Library Board may have of candidates whose qualifications and experience best meets the needs of the Library Board at this time.

The Library Board, an administrative board, strives to include diversity in occupations and experience, geography within the city, age, and other aspects. Board members must also be residents of Lincoln.

Please let me know if you wish us to begin the application process following our previous procedures.

Sincerely,

Pat Leach  
Library Director

cc: Jeff Kirkpatrick, Library Board President  
Mayor's Office

## Mary M. Meyer

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**From:** Tom Vik [tomvik@gasnshop.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2010 4:05 PM  
**To:** Mary M. Meyer  
**Subject:** Upcoming vote on the smoking ban

To All City Council Members:

My name is Tom Vik, I am a registered voter in the city of Lincoln, and I am a smoker. I am not going to discuss the health issues that surround smoking. I think we all know it is dangerous to your health and a bad habit to have. What I would like to discuss are the monetary issues this vote will affect. I think many restaurants and lounges within the city limits will see a decline in their business with those outside the city picking up some of the loss. Either way, a loss of tax revenue for Lincoln and a loss of revenue for the owners of these establishments! There are already non-smoking establishments within the city and it was the decision of the owners to operate them that way. And that is how it should be. Let the owners dictate how they would like to operate their business, not the smokers, non-smokers, or government. It is their livelihood that is being affected, not ours! Tobacco products bring a lot of money to our city. I'm not sure everyone fully understands the consequences if we became "smoke free"! All that tax money would have to be made up somewhere. Income taxes, sales taxes, property taxes, etc. all those taxes that are paid by smokers and non-smokers alike.

I urge you to vote no to this proposal. Leave this right in the hands of the owners!