

**DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
555 S. 10TH STREET, ROOM 113
12:30 P.M.**

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR & DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE TO COUNCIL

MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. West Van Dorn pedestrian bridge closed.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents May Award of Excellence to Terry Gustafson.
3. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will release the "Taking Charge" program prioritization used to develop the 2010-2011 City budget at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 22, 2010.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Public urged to comment on priority list of city programs. City using list to develop budget.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Park Boulevard bridge to close.
6. NEWS RELEASE. Historic Hudson Cabin moved to new home.
7. NEWS RELEASE. City making progress on street rehab projects.
8. Washington Report, June 18, 2010.

Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Fiscal Impact Statement, Mayor/Aging Partners/Downtown Senior Center.
2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference Thursday, July 1, 2010 in the Mayor's Conference Room to discuss his proposed public safety budget for the 2010 - 2011 fiscal year.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor proposes changes in Public Safety budget.
4. Washington Report, June 25, 2010.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. NEWS RELEASE. City offices closed Monday, July 5, 2010.
2. The Joint Antelope Valley Authority partners and U. S. Senator Ben Nelson to celebrate two historic accomplishments for the Antelope Valley Project. Friday, July 9, 2010, 2:30 p.m. at the Dickinson Dinsmore Graf Amphitheater, Union Plaza.
3. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for the week of July 3rd through July 9, 2010. (Forwarded to Council Members)
4. NEWS ADVISORY. Uncle Sam Jam 2010 celebration begins at 1:00 p.m. July 4th at Oak Lake Park.
5. NEWS RELEASE. City's Uncle Same Jam postponed to Monday, July 5th.
6. Letter to Mayor Beutler regarding the elimination of Public Service Officers or Public Service Specialists.
7. NEWS RELEASE. Winners announced in city employee art contest.
8. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference, Thursday, July 8th, at 10:00 a.m., Room 303, in the County-City Building, to discuss details of his proposed budget.
9. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor proposed alternatives for funding programs.

10. NEWS ADVISORY. Two media event on Friday, July 9th. 1) Mayor Beutler will brief media on his proposed budget at 12:30 in the Mayor's conference room, and 2) the Joint Antelope Valley Partners, with U. S. Senator Nelson and other community leaders will celebrate Antelope Valley Project milestones at 2:30 pm in the amphitheater at Union Plaza.
11. Washington Report, July 2, 2010.

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY (JPA)

1. Agenda for the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) Meeting, Thursday, July 8, 2010
2. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) Board Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2010.

DIRECTORS

CITY ATTORNEY

1. Reply to Raquel Corbin on her July 5th email regarding Kaplan University. (Corgin email listed on Director's Meeting agenda for July 5, 2010, under Miscellaneous, z6)
2. Letter to Attorney Jayne Sebby regarding the Haymarket Hotel trade name. (Sebby email listed on Director's Meeting Addendum for June 28, 2010, under Miscellaneous, z11)

FINANCE/BUDGET

1. June sales tax reports reflecting April 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.

FINANCE/TREASURER Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Monthly City Cash Report for May, 2010.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. NEWS RELEASE. Community appearance survey shows clean city.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. NEWS RELEASE. Unhealthy air quality expected on July 4th, health advisory issued for sensitive individuals.

PARKS AND RECREATION

1. Hudson Cabin being moved to the Pioneers Park Nature Center photo.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. Joint Meeting Agenda for the PRAB - LPF- and FOPPNC on Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Participate in the online survey for the 2040 Lincoln Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan update, by Friday, July 2nd.
2. Map of annexation by ordinance. Ordinance # 19388, effective June 22, 2010, 10.1 acres.
3. Map of annexation by ordinance. Effective May 18, 2010, 1.02 acres.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. Urban Design Committee meeting agenda for July 7, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.
2. Email and corrected maps for Annexation Ordinances #19388 and #19390.

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Action by Planning Commission on June 30, 2010.

PUBLIC WORK AND UTILITIES

1. Letter to Dale Gardner from Harry Kroos, Sidewalk Services, regarding bidding four contracts for significant sidewalk repair throughout the community. Included is a map highlighting repair locations in the College View area. (Distributed to Council Members before meeting on June 21, 2010)

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

JON CAMP

1. Letter to Jayne Snyder, West Haymarket JPA Chair, on the JPA budget considerations.
 - a) West Haymarket Joint Public Agency Proposed Total Project Budget; and
 - b) West Haymarket Joint Public Agency Proposed Operating Budget, June 11 to August 31, 2010.

Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Correspondence to Mayor Beutler on economizing on the proposed ice skating rink, with web link attached.

DOUG EMERY

1. Reply from City Attorney Rodney Confer to questions submitted on local ordinances and legal opinion on damage from snow plows.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Letter from the Lincoln Airport Authority with Resolution No. 526 stating that no tax levy should be made for airport purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010.

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS TO COUNCIL

1. Email from Sara Friedman on purchasing land for the arena before testing for toxicity.
2. Email from Sara Friedman urging support for the Lincoln Arts Council in budget.
3. Correspondence from Bob Downey, Capital Humane Society, regarding Bald Eagles at the Zoo.
4. Letter from Dick Campbell on the issuance of occupation taxes for pay for arena. (Distributed to Council Members on July 23, 2010)

5. Email from Russell Miller, Lincoln Neighborhood Alliance, supporting the Change of Zone 10012 regarding sale of alcoholic beverages as proposed.

Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Email from Julie Escobar requesting support of Ordinance 10-70, Change of Zone #10012.
2. Email from Raul Escobar in support of Ordinance 10-70, Change of Zone #10012.
3. Judy Hart email asking for support of Ordinance 10-70, Change of Zone #10012, to close the alcohol sales buffer “loophole”.
4. InterLinc correspondence from Lee Lamson. Tax on cell phone purchases.
5. Letter from Herb Welter on not allowing wasted space in the arena design.
6. InterLinc correspondence from Raquel Corbin regarding attending Kaplan University and loan amounts. (Sent to City Attorney on 06.30.10)
7. InterLinc correspondence from Sue Bartek in opposition of having a private parking enforcement rather than PSO’s.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. Email from Sergeant Ron Klem, Lincoln Police, with suggestions on how the City could save money.
2. Email from Carolyn Nash expressing opinion of July 4th activities.
3. Email from Marcia regarding fireworks in Lincoln.
4. Lynn Holm email requesting Council vote to support Ordinance 10-70 (Change of Zone #10012) to close the alcohol sales buffer “loophole”.
5. Letter from H. Eugene Cook on costs of the arena hazardous waste cleanup, the tax burden with the humongous General Obligation Bond, and not wanting the State Auditor to monitor expenditures.
6. Letter from Arthur Dobson regarding public service officers who are responsible for enforcing parking laws, and suggesting two options. Recommend the City retain the four public service officers in their current capacity. (Council members received individual letters)
7. Letter from Eric Foster on eliminating the city’s public service officer positions, and citing reasons the PSO’s jobs should be retained.
8. Email from Frank Oslzly on Thursday, July 8, 2010.
9. Email from Frank Oslzly on Wednesday, July 7, 2010.
10. Email from Frank Oslzly on Thursday, July 8, 2010.
11. InterLinc correspondence from Tom Schulte requesting Council oppose the expansion of the occupation tax to include telecommunication equipment.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

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NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Citizen Information Center, 555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7511, fax 441-7120

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 1, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

CITY OFFICES CLOSED MONDAY

City of Lincoln and Lancaster County offices will be closed Monday, July 5 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

The following services will not be provided on Sunday or Monday:

- StarTran buses will not run.
- Aging Partners as well as all City Senior Centers will be closed.
- Lincoln City Libraries will be closed.
- All City recreation centers will be closed.

Some City facilities will be open to the public:

- City swimming pools will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday and regular hours on Monday.
- The Ager Indoor Play Center is open Monday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- City golf courses will be open regular hours Sunday and Monday.

City parking meters also will be enforced on Monday.

For information on City services, visit lincoln.ne.gov.

You helped change the face of **Lincoln!**



Please join the Joint Antelope Valley Authority partners and U.S. Senator Ben Nelson to celebrate two historic accomplishments for the Antelope Valley Project:

- Completion of the flood control channel by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Federal approval of the new map removing 700 structures from the floodplain.

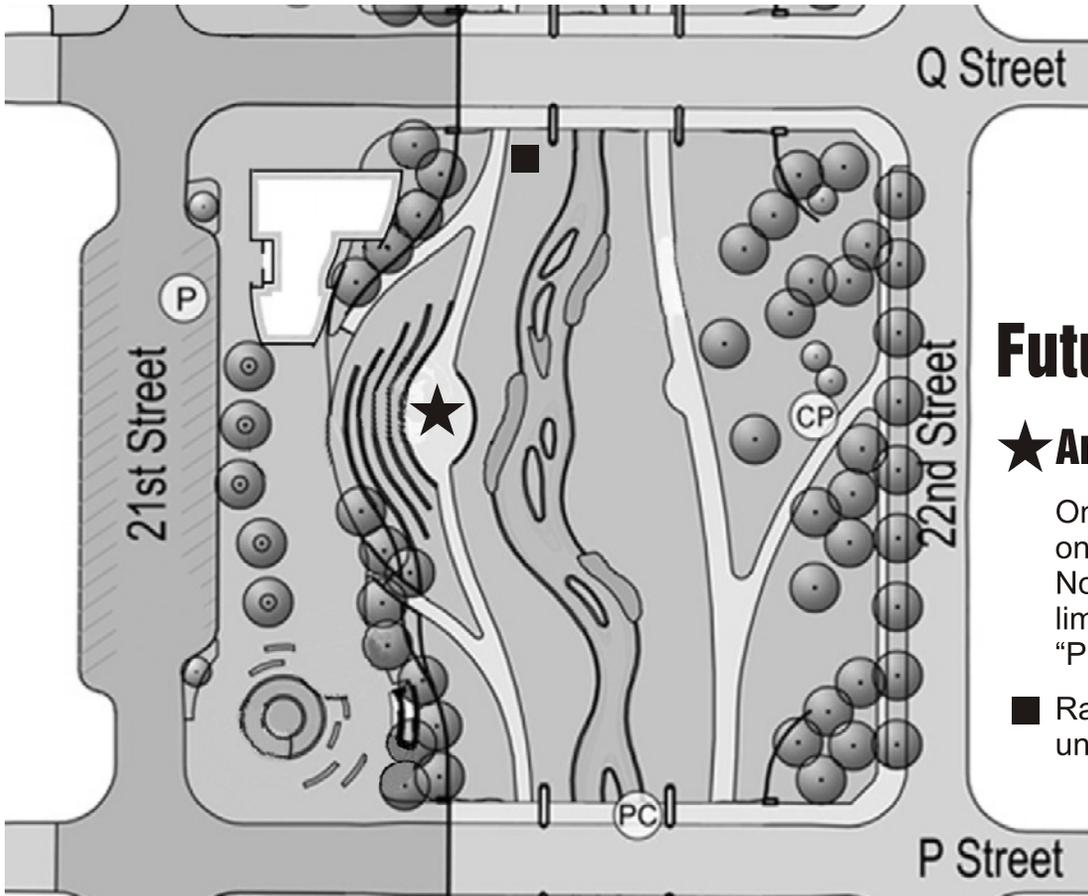
2:30 p.m. Friday, July 9
Dickinson Dinsmore
Graf Amphitheater
Union Plaza
(See map)

Refreshments will be served
For more information, call 441-7831.

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(keyword: antelope)



City of Lincoln
University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Lower Platte South Natural
Resources District



Future Union Plaza

★ Amphitheater

On-street parking available on 21st and 22nd streets
Note: Construction may limit vehicle access on "P" Street.

■ Rain location: Plaza area under "Q" Street bridge



NEWS ADVISORY

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Date: July 2, 2010

Contact: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule **Week of July 3 through 9, 2010** *Schedule subject to change*

Sunday, July 4

- Uncle Sam Jam, City's 4th of July celebration - evening (activities begin at 1 p.m., fireworks at 10 p.m.), Oak Lake Park

Monday, July 5 - *City offices closed for Independence Day holiday. City swimming pools, golf courses and Ager Indoor Play Center will be open.*

Wednesday July 7

- National Arts Program employee art contest, awards presentations - 6 p.m., Turbine Flats, 2124 "Y" St.

Thursday, July 8

- KFOR Morning Show - 7:45 a.m.
- News conference, topic and location to be announced - 10 a.m.
- West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) meeting - 3 p.m., room 303, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

Friday, July 9

- Media briefing on Mayor's proposed 2010-2011 budget -- 12:30 p.m., Mayor's Conference Room, County-City Building, *(Information will be embargoed)*
- Joint Antelope Valley Authority Celebration, remarks - 2:30 p.m., amphitheater off 21st Street between "P" and "Q" streets *(more information to come)*



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FOR MORE INFORMATION: Dave Norris, Citizen Information Center (CIC)
work: 441-7547, cell 540-2780

“Uncle Sam Jam 2010,” the City’s official Independence Day celebration begins at 1 p.m. **Sunday, July 4 at Oak Lake Park** in the area of Charleston Street and Sun Valley Blvd. The celebration culminates with the Zambelli Internationale fireworks display at 10 p.m.

Dave Norris of CIC is the City contact at the park. He can be reached via cell phone at 540-2780.

For more information on the celebration, visit the City website at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: uncle sam jam).



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 4, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION: David Norris, Citizen Information Center, 540-2780

CITY'S UNCLE SAM JAM POSTPONED TO MONDAY

The City's Uncle Sam Jam Independence Day celebration at Oak Lake Park, 1st and Charleston streets, has been postponed to Monday, July 5 due to inclement weather and wet grounds.

The Zambelli Fireworks display will now take place at 10 p.m. Monday. The soundtrack will be furnished by Broadcast House/NRG Media and broadcast on all four of its radio stations (B107.3 FM, Froggy 98.1 FM, 105.3 Wow FM and KLIN 1400 AM).

Parking will be available Monday at Haymarket Park. The Ashanti Band will perform from 6 to 9 p.m.

StarTran will provide free public shuttle bus service from 5 to 11 p.m. between the main entrance at Oak Lake Park and these locations:

- Haymarket Parking Garage, 9th and "Q"
- Gold's bus stop, 11th and "O"
- County-City building complex - northeast corner of 9th and "H" and southeast corner of 9th and "K" (free parking in City lot bounded by 9th, 10th, "H" and "G" streets)
- State Fairgrounds lot #9 (west of Devaney, enter off of Court Street between 14th and 15th)
- State Fairgrounds lot #6 (west of Devaney, enter off of North Antelope Valley Parkway just north of Military Road)

The Haymarket Garage at 9th and "Q" streets and the Que Place Garage at 11th and "Q" streets are offering a special \$3 event fee.

The Pepsi-Cola is the sponsor for the fireworks, presented again by Zambelli Internationale. Broadcast House/NRG Media and the *Lincoln Journal Star* also are partners in the celebration.

R. H.

July 1, 2010

Mayor Chris Beutler
555 South 10th St.
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Elimination of Public Service Officers or Public Service Specialists

Dear Mayor Beutler:

On June 30, 2010, you publicly announced the City of Lincoln intends to lay off certain Public Service Officers or Specialists (PSO's/PSS's) who are represented by PAGE and who regulate parking enforcement and other matters for the City. As we understand your announcement, you plan to turn over some parking enforcement duties to a private company and plan to turn over other parking enforcement duties to City employees who work in another bargaining unit.

The elimination of these positions and the replacement of their work by a private company is a working condition subject to mandatory bargaining under the Nebraska Industrial Relations Act. The elimination of positions and the replacement of their work by employees in another bargaining unit is also a working condition subject to mandatory bargaining under the Nebraska Industrial Relations Act.

Accordingly, PAGE hereby demands the City immediately stop all plans to eliminate these positions, as these matters have never been negotiated between the parties. I also note the City made no proposal regarding these classifications during our recent collective bargaining contract negotiations.

If the City intends to continue considering the elimination of these positions or the transfer of their duties elsewhere, PAGE hereby demands all such matters be negotiated with PAGE.

Please advise us of your response within 10 days.

Sincerely, 

Public Association of Government Employees (PAGE)
Jeff Stump, President

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 6, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831
Deb Weber, Lincoln Arts Council, 434-2787

WINNERS ANNOUNCED IN CITY EMPLOYEE ART CONTEST

Work on display at Lincoln libraries

Mayor Chris Beutler will present cash awards Wednesday, July 7 to the winners of the National Arts Program contest for employees of the City of Lincoln and their families. Nearly 100 entries were received, and 21 artists will be recognized in a ceremony at 6 p.m. at Turbine Flats, 2124 "Y" St. No City funds were used for the contest or exhibit, and the program had no entry fee.

This is the fourth year the City of Lincoln has participated in the National Arts Program, which sponsors art contests and exhibits for City employees and their families in about 450 communities across the country.

All artwork entered will be exhibited through July 22 at these four libraries:

- Bennett Martin, 136 S. 14th St.
- Gere, 2400 South 56th St.
- Eiseley, 1530 Superior St.
- Walt, 6701 South 14th St.

The winner of the "Best in Show" award is Matt Norsworthy, a Library Assistant II with Lincoln City Libraries. He will receive \$300 for that award, and another \$300 for winning first place in the professional category. A complete list of award recipients follows this release. Four of the youth artists also won scholarships for classes at the LUX Center for the Arts..

Judges for the contest were two local visual artists, Carol DeVall and Janine Cople.

More information on the national program is available at www.nationalartsprogram.org.

2010 NATIONAL ARTS PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS

BEST IN SHOW (\$300) - Matt Norsworthy, Lincoln City Libraries

YOUTH UNDER12

First place (\$75) - Hayden Brock, grandson of Mary Brock, Parks and Recreation

Second place (\$50) - Robbie Quenzer-Baier, son of Barbara Baier, City Grants Administrator,
and Lin Quenzer, City Ombudsman

Third place (\$25) and scholarship - Philip Mendoza III, nephew of Julie Fitzgerald, Health

Honorable Mention - Will Blatchford, son of Margaret Blatchford, City Attorney's Office

Scholarship - Chase Maly, son of Michele Maly, Public Works and Utilities

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First place (\$75) - Alexandra Myers, granddaughter of Karen Kerl, Health Department

Second place (\$50) - Cassie Gottschall, daughter of Diana Gottschall, Planning Department

Third place (\$25) and scholarship - Hunter Martin, daughter of Ralph Martin, Health Department

Honorable Mention - Alexandra Myers

Scholarship - Jennifer Sherwood, niece of Richard Klein, Lincoln Fire and Rescue

ADULT AMATEUR

First place (\$300) - Emily Bulling, AmeriCorps, Lincoln Arts Council

Second place (\$200) - Marcy Graybill, Lincoln City Libraries

Third place (\$100) - Sherri Brouillette, Health Department

Honorable Mention - Nicole Garcia, daughter of Suzanna Perez, AmeriCorps

ADULT INTERMEDIATE

First place (\$300) - Paige Schuppan, wife of Tracy Schuppan, Public Works and Utilities

Second place (\$200) - Audrey Koch, Lincoln City Libraries

Third place (\$100) - Lacey Brozek, daughter of Terri Heiser, Finance Department

Honorable Mention - Barbara Baier, City Grants Administrator

ADULT PROFESSIONAL

First place (\$300) - Matt Norsworthy, Lincoln City Libraries

Second place (\$200) - Johanna Sawyer, AmeriCorps, Lincoln Arts Council

Third place (\$100) - Lori Armiger, sister of Tracy Graham, Police Department

Honorable Mention - Jon Sundermeier, Police Department



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FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Chris Beutler will discuss more details of his proposed budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year at a news conference at **10 a.m. Thursday, July 8** in **Room 303**, third floor of County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St. (*Media should use the doors just west of the elevators.*)

The Mayor is scheduled to present his proposed budget to the City Council Monday, July 12. A media briefing on the budget is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. Friday, July 9 in the Mayor's Conference Room.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

MAYOR PROPOSES ALTERNATIVES FOR FUNDING PROGRAMS

Mayor Chris Beutler today announced proposed changes for the City Forestry Division, community events, StarTran and other programs that will save a combined \$635,762 in the tax-funded budget. The changes are included in the Mayor's proposed budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year that he will present to the City Council Monday, July 12.

"Today's program announcements represent a new way of looking at an old problem," Beutler said. "By thinking creatively about funding, personnel use and management structure, we can save taxpayer dollars that in turn fund higher priority program – smart budget moves during tough economic times."

The changes include the following:

- Reorganization in the Forestry Division of the Parks and Recreation Department is expected to save about \$160,000. An upper-level management position is being replaced with a planner who will organize a volunteer program to help prune and plant City street and park trees. Some employees who do tree pruning will be cross-trained to mow in the summer. "This change demonstrates that cost cutting moves also can result in better service delivery," Beutler said.
- The Star City Holiday Parade and the City's 4th of July celebration are produced with a combination of City funding and private support. Both of the events will move to total private funding for the next year, saving \$70,224 in parade funding and \$46,750 in 4th of July funding. The City also will discontinue its funding for the Lincoln Municipal Band summer concert series, reducing the series from seven to six concerts. The savings is \$9,000.

"With the new Union Plaza, the arena project and other downtown development, the future of events in Lincoln looks very bright," Beutler said. "Today's move gives us the opportunity to reevaluate community events and to find out what events the people want and what they are willing to support."

- StarTran will eliminate the two least used routes – Neighborhood North and South – for a savings of \$168,000. The "Ride for \$7.50" program will now cost \$10 (about 25 cents a day) for a savings of \$50,000. "We must constantly reevaluate our StarTran bus system to make sure we are operating efficiently and providing the service people most need," Beutler said.

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Program Changes

July 8, 2010

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- To provide more police officers on the street, Middle School Resource Officers will be moved to other duties. *(This will not result in budget savings.)*
- With the retirement of Human Rights Director Larry Williams, investigators will move to the Law Department, saving \$96,200.
- The Willard Community Center will continue to be owned by the City, and the Willard neighborhood will provide services there for a savings of \$35,588.

“By looking at the budget with an eye toward how we can change, we ensure the survival of programs, even if the model for service delivery is altered,” Mayor Beutler said. “Everyone realizes that the economy has forced some tough choices on all of us. Our focus in City government must be on maintaining key services while preparing for the opportunities ahead.”

The Mayor encouraged the public to look at the prioritized list of City programs at lincoln.ne.gov to see why these programs were chosen for changes. The list is part of the City’s transition to outcome-based budgeting.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

The media are invited to cover these two events tomorrow, Friday, July 9:

- Mayor Chris Beutler will brief the media on his proposed City budget for 2010-2011 at **12:30 p.m.** in the **Mayor's Conference Room, third floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.**

Those attending this briefing must agree to delay reporting the budget information until 5 p.m. Sunday, July 11.

The Mayor will present his budget to the City Council Monday, July 12.

- The Joint Antelope Valley Partners (City of Lincoln, UNL and the Lower Platte South NRD), U.S. Senator Ben Nelson and other community leaders will celebrate two significant milestones for the Antelope Valley Project at **2:30 p.m. Friday in the amphitheater at Union Plaza**, just off 21st Street between "P" and "Q" streets. On-street parking is available on 21st and 22nd streets. (An invitation is attached.)



WASHINGTON REPORT

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Washington Report

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CONGRESS ADJOURNS FOR JULY 4 BREAK

CONGRESS

House and Senate break for July 4 recess with several matters still pending. The House and Senate adjourned Thursday for an Independence Day recess but were unable to complete action on items whose completion had been considered a priority. Partisan differences and House-Senate differences delayed action. Services related to the death this week of Senator Robert Byrd (D-WV), the longest serving Senator in the history of that chamber, also slowed the agenda and the loss of Byrd's reliable vote is likely to further complicate Democrats' efforts to overcome filibusters to priority legislation.

Supplemental Appropriations

The Defense Department had urged Congress to approve supplemental spending in FY 2010 for overseas military activities prior to July 1, but several additions to the measure in the House have delayed final passage. In addition to some provisions mentioned in articles below (summer youth jobs; collective bargaining for public safety), the House has approved several funding rescissions in the supplemental package approved Thursday in areas such as HUD and the Department of Transportation, but at this point it is unclear what the effect of those rescissions would be. President Obama has threatened to veto the supplemental if a proposed \$800 million rescission of the Department of Education "Race to the Top" program is included in the final measure. The Senate has also been cool to the additions promoted by the House, and Senators will take up the bill upon returning to Washington the week of July 12.

Jobs/Tax Bill

Last week, the Senate failed on several occasions to end debate on legislation (HR 4213) that would extend a number of popular tax breaks, an extension of unemployment benefits and health care benefits for the

unemployed, as well as some job creation measures. Bill supporters remain a few votes short of the 60 necessary to move forward on the bill, and Senate leaders appear to be reluctant to bring the bill up again until that threshold has been met. That measure also includes extensions of the Build America Bonds Program and Recovery Zone Bond Program, as well as funds for summer youth jobs and capitalization of the National Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Small Business

The Senate also hopes to consider legislation (HR 5297) approved by the House that creates additional lending opportunities for small businesses (see [June 18 Washington Report](#) for additional details). A vote earlier this week to limit debate on the measure was successful, and Senate leaders are now working on a list of proposed amendments. There have been reports that online travel companies (OTCs) are seeking an amendment to the measure that would exempt them from state and local sales and occupancy taxes on hotel room bookings. In addition, an amendment may be proposed that would remove cellular telephones provided to employees from classification as "listed property" under IRS regulations, which requires employees to distinguish between personal and business use of cell phones.

The House is expected to resume activity on July 13, while the Senate will return to Washington one day earlier.

Due to the congressional recess, the next Washington Report will be sent on July 16

SUMMER YOUTH

House votes to add summer jobs to supplemental. On a largely party line vote, the House approved an amendment to add \$1 billion for Summer Youth Employment to the FY 2010 Supplemental Appropriations bill (HR 4899) designed primarily to fund operations in Afghanistan and Iraq and disaster relief in Haiti, Nashville and the Gulf Coast. 38 Democrats joined all Republicans in voting against the amendment.

The Summer Youth funding is one of several measures designed to win votes from Democrats opposed or otherwise concerned about the war in Afghanistan. The Summer Youth funding, along with \$10 billion in state and local aid to prevent teacher layoffs and funding to settle a lawsuit filed by black farmers, are part of the House leadership's delicate balancing act between the liberal wing of their party and their concerns about the war and desire for increased domestic spending to stimulate the economy and the conservative Blue Dog wing of the party and their concerns about adding to the deficit, even to address emergencies.

HR 4899 now goes back to the Senate, where its future is uncertain. Appropriators and the leadership in the upper house, faced with the necessity of obtaining a 60-vote supermajority to advance legislation, opted for a relatively austere measure with funding for only wars and disasters. Based on their comments late this week, they have no idea how they plan to reconcile the domestic spending added by the House with their inability to get 60 votes for anything but the most basic supplemental appropriations bill.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

House adds mandatory collective bargaining to war supplemental. The House approved an amendment to the FY 2010 Supplemental Appropriations bill (HR 4899) that adds legislation (HR 413) that would mandate collective bargaining for state and local public safety employees.

A priority of police, fire and municipal employees unions, HR 413 would mandate state and local governments to enter into collective bargaining agreements with their public safety employees. The Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) would

develop regulations and minimum criteria for state and local governments to permit public safety employees to form and join unions and bargain over salaries, terms, and conditions of employment. Under HR 413, state law must at a minimum provide the following bargaining rights to public safety employees:

- Grant public safety officers the right to form and join a labor organization that is, or seeks to be, recognized as the exclusive bargaining representative of the employees;
- Require public safety employers to recognize the employees' labor organization and agree to bargain with the union;
- Provide for bargaining over hours, wages and terms and conditions of employment, and
- Require enforcement through state courts of all rights, responsibilities and protections provided by state law.

The FLRA would review each state's collective bargaining agreement to determine if it complies with the minimum bargaining standards. Those states that fail to meet the FLRA criteria would be required to change their laws to come into compliance, or they would be subject to regulation of collective bargaining agreements by the FLRA. In addition, the FLRA would have considerable authority to, among other things, determine the appropriateness of the bargaining units, conduct hearings to resolve disputes involving unfair labor practices, and supervise and conduct elections.

Similar legislation has been introduced in each Congress since 1995, but has yet to become law. In the 110th Congress, the House overwhelmingly approved (314-97) a version (HR 980) but it barely failed to garner the 60 vote supermajority needed to overcome procedural obstacles in the Senate.

This time around, bill supporters appear to have the 60 votes they need to move the bill through the Senate. Their position is made even stronger since the House has attached the bill to a "must-

pass" war funding bill. However, Senate opponents of mandatory collective bargaining are reportedly preparing an amendment to strip HR 413 from the underlying appropriations bill as well as amendments designed to soften its impacts.

HOUSING & CD

House panel approves FY 2011 HUD spending; CDBG continues to lag. The Transportation and Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee approved its FY 2011 spending bill this week.

In a blow to local elected officials, the Subcommittee's bill calls for a cut of \$98 million from the FY 2010 level, to \$4.352 billion, in funding for the Community Development Fund. Full details of the bill are not yet available, so we do not know how much it includes for core Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) formula grants. However, with most Community Development Fund set asides such as Sustainable Communities (\$150 million), Rural Innovation Grants, Tribal Grants and member earmarks funded at FY 2010 levels, that leaves little room for an increase for CDBG formula grants and could even mean that the Subcommittee is proposing a small decrease in core formula grants.

The news is better for most other Department of Housing and Urban Development programs. Most of those programs would see small increases or level funding compared to FY 2010. Details (with comparison to FY 2010 in parentheses) include:

- \$1.825 billion for HOME (same),
- \$350 million for HOPWA (+ \$15 million),
- \$2.055 billion for Homeless Assistance Grants (+ \$190 million),
- \$26.6 billion for Section 8 (+ \$1.7 billion),
- \$2.5 billion for Public Housing Capital (same)
- \$4.829 billion for Public Housing Operating (+ \$54 million),
- \$200 million for HOPE VI (+\$65m),

- \$825 million for Elderly Housing (same),
- \$300 million for Housing for the Disabled (same) and
- \$140 million for Lead Hazard Control.

Two of President Obama's signature HUD proposals, Choice Neighborhoods and Catalytic Investment Competition, did not fare as well. The Subcommittee bill would zero out both programs in FY 2011, with the \$65 million from Choice Neighborhoods transferred to HOPE VI, the program Choice Neighborhoods is meant to replace.

The bill now goes to the full Appropriations Committee and then on to the House floor. Appropriations Committee Chairman David Obey (D-WI) remains committed to moving all 11 FY 2011 appropriations bill through the House in regular order before the August recess. However, the political climate in the House and fatigue among rank-and-file House members makes that an ambitious goal, especially when combined with the decreasing likelihood that the Senate will complete much, if any, of its appropriations work this year.

TRANSPORTATION

House subcommittee approves FY 2011 DOT spending measure. The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development (THUD) marked up and approved its FY 2011 appropriations bill. The bill provides \$79.367 billion overall for the Department of Transportation, an increase of \$3.7 billion over FY 2010 levels.

The draft bill, the text of which will not be made public until the bill is considered by the full House Appropriations Committee, provides \$45.22 billion for the Federal-aid highway program, an increase of \$4.11 billion over FY 2010. The subcommittee did not recommend any funds for the National Infrastructure Innovation and Finance Fund, an infrastructure bank-type program for which the President requested \$4 billion. Appropriators did include \$400 million for the popular Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) program in FY 2011.

Programs at the Federal Transit Administration would receive \$11.3 billion, a \$575 million increase over current levels, and of that amount, \$2 billion would be allocated to Capital Investment Grants such as New Starts (same level as FY 2010) and \$8.96 billion for Bus and Formula Grants (an increase of \$618 million). Amtrak would receive a \$200 million increase for capital expenditures, to \$1.2 billion, while operating assistance at the railroad would remain the same at \$563 million. High speed rail grants would be funded at \$1.4 billion, a decrease of \$1.1 billion from FY 2010 levels.

At the Federal Aviation Administration, the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) would be funded at \$3.5 billion, the same level as FY 2010.

The next step for the FY 2011 DOT spending bill is consideration in the House Appropriations Committee, which has not yet been scheduled.

Meanwhile, the Senate Banking Committee approved a rail safety measure this week. The "Public Transportation Safety Act of 2010 (bill number pending) would give the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) the authority to regulate public transportation safety for the first time since 1965.

No amendments were offered during the markup, and the bill was approved unanimously, as it had been carefully negotiated with Republicans on the Committee to ensure swift passage. See [July 25 Washington Report](#) for additional details on the bill.

Despite the progress being made in the Senate, prospects for a similar bill moving in the House of Representatives remain dim. House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman James Oberstar (D-MN) has indicated his support for transit safety regulations, but believes that consideration of such a bill is most appropriate as part of the larger discussion on the next surface transportation authorization bill.

Finally, Congress this week approved another FAA extension. Both the House

and Senate passed legislation (HR 5611) that extends the authorization of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to collect taxes on fuel and ticket sales to pay for airport improvements. Had Congress not acted before the current extension expired on July 3, the FAA would have had to furlough 4,000 employees who are not considered safety-critical.

An informal conference composed of House and Senate members has been working behind the scenes for weeks trying to reconcile differences over the longer-term FAA reauthorization bill (HR 1586), but no official conference has been established. Senator Byron Dorgan (D-ND), who chairs the Aviation Subcommittee of the Senate Commerce Committee, indicated this week that work on the multi-year FAA reauthorization was nearing completion.

PUBLIC SAFETY

House panel approves slight increase for Justice programs. The Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee cleared a bill for FY 2011 Department of Justice funding. Complete details of the bill are not yet available, but the Office of Justice Programs (where most programs of interest to local governments are located) would receive nearly a \$500 million increase from FY 2010.

The bill would provide a total of nearly \$4 billion for state and local law enforcement activities. The Office of Justice Programs would increase from \$2.3 billion in FY 2010 to \$2.8 billion in FY 2011. The Office of Violence Against Women would also see an increase from \$420 million to \$460 million. Meanwhile, the COPS Office would see a slight decrease from \$790 million in FY 2010 to \$730 million in FY 2011.

Additional details on other local government Justice programs will be forthcoming as the appropriations process continues to move forward.

GRANTS & NOTICES

Department of Transportation

The pre-application deadline for TIGER II Discretionary Grants has been extended from July 16, 2010 to July 26, 2010. The deadline for final applications has not been extended and remains August 23, 2010:

<http://bit.ly/bwi1p9>.

Department of Health and Human Services

The final application for the Early Retiree Reinsurance Program (ERRP) is now available. The \$5 billion in appropriated funding for ERRP will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis until all funds are expended. You can also find application instructions, FAQs, and application submission “dos and don’ts” online:

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

Department of Housing and Urban Development

HUD and the Department of Transportation (DOT) held a joint webinar on July 1, 2010 regarding the \$40 million available for Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Planning Grants and up to \$35 million available for TIGER II Planning Grants. Over 400 people participated in the two-hour webinar in which the first hour was used to present and the second hour consisted of questions and answers. This webinar will be archived in the next several weeks at:

<http://bit.ly/b5YVTj>.

HUD and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) issued an invitation to the arts and creative sector to participate in a joint webinar to learn about the \$100 million HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program and the \$40 million HUD Sustainable Communities Challenge Grant Program. Under both programs, arts organizations are eligible to partner with state and local governments, metropolitan planning organizations, transit agencies, philanthropic and non-profit organizations and other eligible applicants to develop grant proposals. The webinar will be held on Wednesday, July 7, 2010 at 3:00 PM EDT:

<http://tiny.cc/ly15h>.

Department of Commerce

Nearly \$800 million of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act broadband awards were announced. This included \$404 million for 29 Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) projects. Approximately \$2.66 billion of funding is available for additional BTOP grants. More awards are expected to be announced in the coming weeks:

<http://bit.ly/a8fyHP>.

AGENDA FOR THE WEST HAYMARKET
JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY(JPA)
TO BE HELD THURSDAY, JULY 8, 2010 AT 3:00 P.M.

CITY-COUNTY BUILDING
555 S. 10TH STREET
CONFERENCE ROOM 303
LINCOLN, NE 68508

- 1) Introductions and Notice of Open Meetings Law Posted By Door (Chair Snyder)
- 2) Approval of the minutes of JPA meeting June 25, 2010 (Chair Snyder)
- 3) Meeting with State Auditor's Office Report (Rick Hoppe)
- 4) Filing of WH JPA Budget with the State of Nebraska (Don Herz)
- 5) Line of Credit Reimbursement Resolution (Don Herz)
- 6) Financial Payment Threshold Allowance (Don Herz)
- 7) Discuss Facilities Agreement for Discussion (Dan Marvin/Don Herz)
- 8) Approve Bond Resolution/Preliminary Official Statement (Lauren Wismer/Don Herz)
- 9) Discussion of WH JPA General Obligation Facility Bond Timeline (Wismer)
- 9) Other business:
 - Discussion Only-Intersections Survey and Redrawing of Boundaries
 - Discussion Only-Environmental Insurance
 - Future agenda items?
- 10) Set next meeting date: Friday, July 22, 2010 3:00 P.M.
- 11) Motion to Adjourn

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY (JPA)
Board Meeting
June 25, 2010

Meeting Began At: 3:02 P.M.

Meeting Ended At: 3:44 P.M.

Members Present: Tim Clare, Jayne Snyder, Chris Beutler

Item 1 - Introductions and Notice of Open Meetings Law Posted by Door

Snyder opened the meeting and introduced herself, Mayor Chris Beutler and Regent Tim Clare.

The open meetings law is in effect and is posted in the back of the room.

Item 2 – Approval of the Minutes of the JPA Meeting June 10, 2010

Clare motioned for the approval of the minutes from the JPA meeting on June 10, 2010. Beutler seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Item 3 – Public Officials Liability Insurance

Bill Kostner, Risk Manager for the City of Lincoln, came forward. Kostner is recommending that the agency move ahead with an application for liability insurance with a \$5M limit. This protects the Board in case a decision is questioned or a claim is made against the agency. Aon is the insurance broker and they will put it out on the market and come back with proposals within 30 days. The application will be completed pending the Board's approval. Clare requested to see the financials of the various companies that apply. Kostner explained that the City usually goes with an A+ rated insurer because they are the most reliable. Kostner requested a formal motion in order to move forward with the application.

Clare motioned for approval. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Item 4 – JPA Request to District Energy Corporation Board to Provide Heating/Cooling Services to the West Haymarket Arena and Other West Haymarket Facilities

Lauren Wismer came forward and gave the Board members a copy of a draft letter for their consideration. The District Energy Corporation (DEC) has provided heating and cooling services to the County/City building and other facilities in proximity to the County/City Building for approximately 20 years. As an integral part of the arena project, it has always been under consideration for District Energy to provide heating and cooling services to the arena and potentially other facilities in the West Haymarket area. In

order for the DEC to proceed with planning and engineering feasibility studies, they would like to have a letter from the JPA requesting those services.

Beutler motioned to authorize Chair Snyder to forward to the Board of Directors of the DEC an executed copy of the draft letter. Clare seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Item 5 - JPA Budget and Public Hearing

Snyder introduced this item by stating that the purpose of the budget hearing is to hear support, criticism, suggestions, or observations of tax payers and citizens related to the proposed total project budget of the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency and the proposed operating budget for the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency. The operating budget is for the period beginning June 11, 2010 and ending August 31, 2010. These budgets were published in the Lincoln Journal Star on Sunday June 20, 2010 and are available for those in attendance.

Snyder recognized Don Herz, Director of Finance, and Steve Hubka. Herz explained that the capital budget of \$339,000,000 is essentially what was discussed and prepared prior to the formation of the JPA. The operating budget of \$151,000 is for the stub period from when the JPA was formed until the end of the fiscal year. A full fiscal year budget will be more extensive and Herz will begin working on the 10/11 budget soon. The operating budget will fund positions that will not be charging their time to construction projects including an Assistant City Controller, Assistant City Attorney, and Purchasing Agent. There are also some additional costs for various services in relation to the occupation taxes. Herz anticipates that the collection of the occupation taxes will entail a significant effort initially that can be addressed with temporary positions as opposed to permanent positions. The furniture, fixtures and equipment line item is for the three proposed positions. Clare asked if there was more detailed information for these items. Herz answered that there was and he would provide that to Clare.

Snyder requested that Herz explain to the public why the JPA is paying the City for some of these positions that already exist. Herz advised that these would be new positions. The JPA will contract with the City through a facilities agreement to do some of the administrative items. Rod Confer, City Attorney and counsel for the JPA, came forward and added that he currently has 1.5 attorneys devoted full time to the JPA. Rather than bill their salary to the agency, he felt it would be more appropriate to bill the agency for the attorney that will have to be hired to take over the work that isn't being done.

Beutler pointed out that the JPA benefits hugely from the City work that was done prior to the formation of the JPA. There is no plan to ask the JPA to reimburse the City for that work.

Snyder asked Herz to address the 20% engineering/design costs and how that is calculated. Herz stated that when DLR, and Olsson's were doing the analysis of the actual construction costs, an appropriate soft cost number was discussed internally. Herz felt that using 20% was more than adequate. Part of the strategy in developing this budget is to be conservative by trying to estimate high. The construction cost estimates were made at a time when construction costs were at their peak, and those numbers are still used. Additional amounts were added for inflation and contingency in order to arrive at the total cost. As time passes, some projects may be more expensive and some may be less expensive, thus Herz will probably come before the Board on an annual basis with adjustments to the capital budget.

Snyder opened the hearing to the public and asked that they introduce themselves and sign in. No one came forward.

Herz requested that the Board approve the operating and capital budget so that the City can proceed with filling the positions and start working on the application for the occupation taxes.

Clare motioned for approval of the operating budget as amended. Beutler seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Beutler motioned for approval of the capital budget. Clare seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Item 6 – JPA and the State Budget Act – Decision on Filing of Annual Budget

Steve Hubka gave the Board a form from the State Auditor that explains that because the JPA does not receive property taxes or state aid it is not required to file a budget. Steve requested that the Board approve this document as notification to the Auditor's office.. Another option is for the Board to submit this form and also send in a copy of the budget even though it is not required.

Snyder suggested that this issue be discussed with Item 9 related to the correspondence from the State Auditor.

Items 7 & 8 – Draft Facilities Agreement for Discussion & Draft Bond Resolution

Dan Marvin and Lauren Wismer came forward. Wismer explained that in the materials provided for this meeting, there was a draft of the facilities agreement and a draft bond resolution. The two documents are intended to coordinate with each other. The facilities agreement is intended to set out the duties and responsibilities of the City for the operation, management, and maintenance of the arena facility. It also establishes the basic framework for the flow of funds in terms of the revenues because there will be a number of bond issues rather than just one. It may be helpful to set up one flow of funds that could be incorporated in each of the bond resolutions so there is no difficulty figuring out where the revenues go. The facilities agreement is a work in progress. Wismer and Marvin welcomed any comments, questions or suggestions from the Board. They hope to finish up the drafts next week and have a version to the Board members in time for approval at the next meeting. Snyder indicated that the Board members will give feedback via e-mail as they review the documents.

Item 9 – Mike Foley Correspondence to the JPA Board

Snyder reported that Mr. Foley has agreed that the Board does not have to take action on this item until after the Mayor's office meets with him next week. Snyder recommended that the budget filing also be discussed at the meeting next week. Clare agreed that it is appropriate to handle both items at the same time.

Item 10 – Approve Reimbursement to the City of Lincoln for a Relocation Agreement with MCI

Dan Marvin explained that this item is a carryover from the previous meeting when the Board approved the Qwest reimbursement. At that time, the MCI reimbursement was not ready when the agenda was put together. The total of the two costs for Qwest and MCI are considerably less than what was budgeted with MCI coming to about \$132,000. Marvin would like to move forward to get those communication lines out of the way before dirt is moved around.

Clare motioned to approve the reimbursement of the MCI relocation services. Beutler seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Item 11 – PLA Administrative Regulation Draft Language

Beutler gave the Board members a copy of a letter from himself to Chair Snyder and explained that the letter constitutes a statement of intent regarding Project Labor Agreements (PLAs). Due to the Board being compromised of three members, and operating under the Open Meetings Act, the members cannot talk to each other regarding items of business that come before the Board except in a public meeting. That has made it difficult for the Board members to come up with a compromise on this issue since the last meeting. The Board members have made extensive efforts to communicate in the best ways that they legally can.

Beutler pointed out that the arena election brought together a broad coalition of people in the community. Lincoln has a history of good cooperation between labor and business. He does not want to see anything introduced that would interfere with that relationship. The letter indicates that the Board will not use PLAs on the arena and includes language from the City's living wage ordinance. Beutler thanked Regent Clare for his work on the matter and those in the business community that were involved including LIBA and the Chamber of Commerce. He also recognized those in organized labor for their continued commitment to Lincoln's working families and for being more than willing to make sacrifices for the good of the community.

Clare agreed with Beutler's statement. The election on May 11, 2010 was Lincoln's finest hour and brought people from different factions together. The job of the Board is to get the project completed on time and under budget. This compromise will put parameters in place that will help this project move forward.

Snyder added that on the night of the election there was a great sense of cooperation as people celebrated the victory of the arena vote. The Board members have spent many hours over the last ten days trying to reach a compromise to do what is best for the City of Lincoln and not delay any of the project activities. Snyder commended everyone that helped the Board members come to a consensus.

Beutler presented the letter to Chair Snyder and made a motion that it should be accepted and made part of the record. Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0

Item 12 – Other Business: Possible Future Agenda Items

Dan Marvin came forward to discuss items that may be coming before the Board soon. The RFP for environmental services has closed and is in final negotiations. The RFP for survey work is also in final negotiations. Marvin was informed that the survey work would total approximately \$150,000. Once there are more concrete numbers, other reimbursement resolutions will also come forward. Negotiations continue

with DLR, a consortium of architectural firms, and Marvin will bring more information forward at a future meeting. There are also other RFPs that are past the draft stage and will be moving forward. At the July 9th meeting the Board can have an extended discussion regarding the facilities agreement and bond resolution.

Item 13 – Set Next Meeting Date: Friday, July 9, 2010 3:00 P.M.

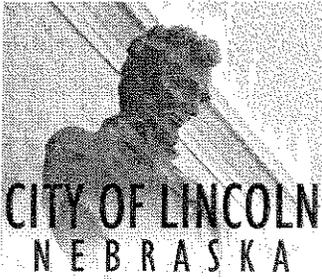
The next JPA Board meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2010 at 3:00 P.M.

Item 14 – Motion to Adjourn

Clare motioned to adjourn. Beutler seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0

Meeting adjourned at 3:44.

Prepared by: Melissa Ramos-Lampli, Engineering Services



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CITY COUNCIL
OFFICE

Raquel Corbin
4428 N. 7th Street, #102
Lincoln, NE 68521

Re: Kaplan University

Dear Ms. Corbin:

Your email correspondence to the Lincoln City Council has been referred to me for response. It appears that your financial dispute with Kaplan University is a matter between private parties and is something that the City government is not authorized to address. From your description it does appear that you may have some legal defenses which could be interposed by an attorney in your behalf. If you are unable to afford an attorney, you may be entitled to be represented by Legal Aid, which is located at 941 O Street, Suite 825. Their telephone number is 435-2161. The Nebraska Bar Association also has a Volunteer Lawyer Program which may be of some assistance. That number is (402) 475-7091, ext. 133. Finally, you may be able to make a consumer complaint to the Nebraska Attorney General's office: 471-2682.

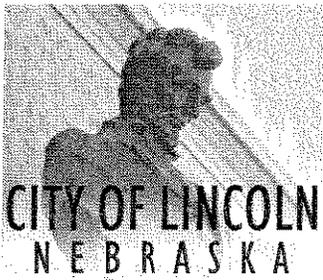
I hope this is helpful.

Sincerely yours,


Rodney M. Confer
City Attorney

RMC/tb

cc: Mary M. Meyer



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July 6, 2010

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Attorney at Law
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CITY COUNCIL
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Re: Haymarket Hotel Trade Name

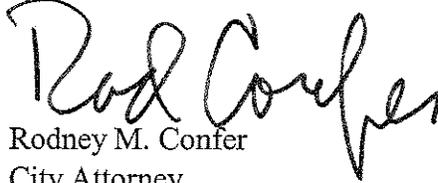
Dear Ms. Sebby:

Your email to the Lincoln City Council members dated June 27, 2010 concerning Ace Financial Services, Inc.'s ownership of a trade name, Haymarket Hotel, has been referred to me for response.

As I have previously informed you in connection with Ace Financial Services, Inc.'s alleged ownership of the Lincoln Traction Partners trade name, the law does not prohibit the City from referring to a business by the name it uses. There is also no legal requirement that the City search trade names or determine the validity of the names of those it does business with.

Since the City is not engaged in an unauthorized use of the Haymarket Hotel name, I have advised the City Council that it does not need to comply with your request to cease and desist from using the term Haymarket Hotel.

Sincerely yours,


Rodney M. Confer
City Attorney

RMC/tb

cc: Mayor Chris Beutler
B&J Partnership, Ltd.
Mary M. Meyer



NEWS RELEASE

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER



LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 2, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION: **Scott E. Holmes, Manager, Environmental Public Health: 402-441-8019**

Unhealthy Air Quality Expected on July 4th Health Advisory Issued for Sensitive Individuals

The Lincoln Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD) issued a Health Advisory today for people with asthma or other respiratory conditions, such as COPD, or with heart disease, warning them that high levels of smoke (particulate air pollution) over the 4th of July weekend could impact their health. This smoke is made up of very small particles created by fireworks. In recent years, the Health Department has found high levels of particle pollution on the night of July 3rd into early morning hours, and on the night of July 4th into the early morning hours, resulting in the Air Quality Index level of “Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups”.

“It is very likely that there will be high concentrations of fine particle pollution due to fireworks. Those most affected are the young, the elderly, and those sensitive individuals with respiratory conditions,” said Scott Holmes, Environmental Public Health Manager, with the LLCHD.

Fine particle pollution is so small that it can get deep into the lungs and cause serious health problems. Exposure to high levels of particles, even for a few hours, can aggravate lung disease, cause asthma attacks and acute bronchitis, and may increase the chance to get a respiratory infection. In people with heart disease, short-term exposures to high levels of particle pollution have been linked to angina, heart attacks and arrhythmias.

The majority of people will not be affected; however, LLCHD is recommending that individuals with asthma, allergies, lung disorders, or other respiratory conditions and those with heart conditions take extra precautions during the peak hours of air pollution, which will likely be July 4th near dusk and through mid-day on July 5th. Precautions might include avoiding extensive physical activity outdoors or choosing to remain indoors, keeping windows and doors closed. If health effects are experienced, consult your doctor.



**City of Lincoln
Planning**

Urban Design Committee Agenda

URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that the **URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE** will hold a meeting on Wednesday, July 7, 2010 at **3:00 p.m.**, **County-City Building**, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, in Room 214 on the 2nd Floor. For more information, please contact the Lincoln City/Lancaster County Planning Department, 441-7491.

AGENDA July 7, 2010

1. Approval of meeting notes from the regular meeting of [June 2, 2010](#).
2. [LES Central Lincoln Reliability Study](#), Rob Schmidt, LES.
3. Vendor cart for D'Leons
4. Miscellaneous

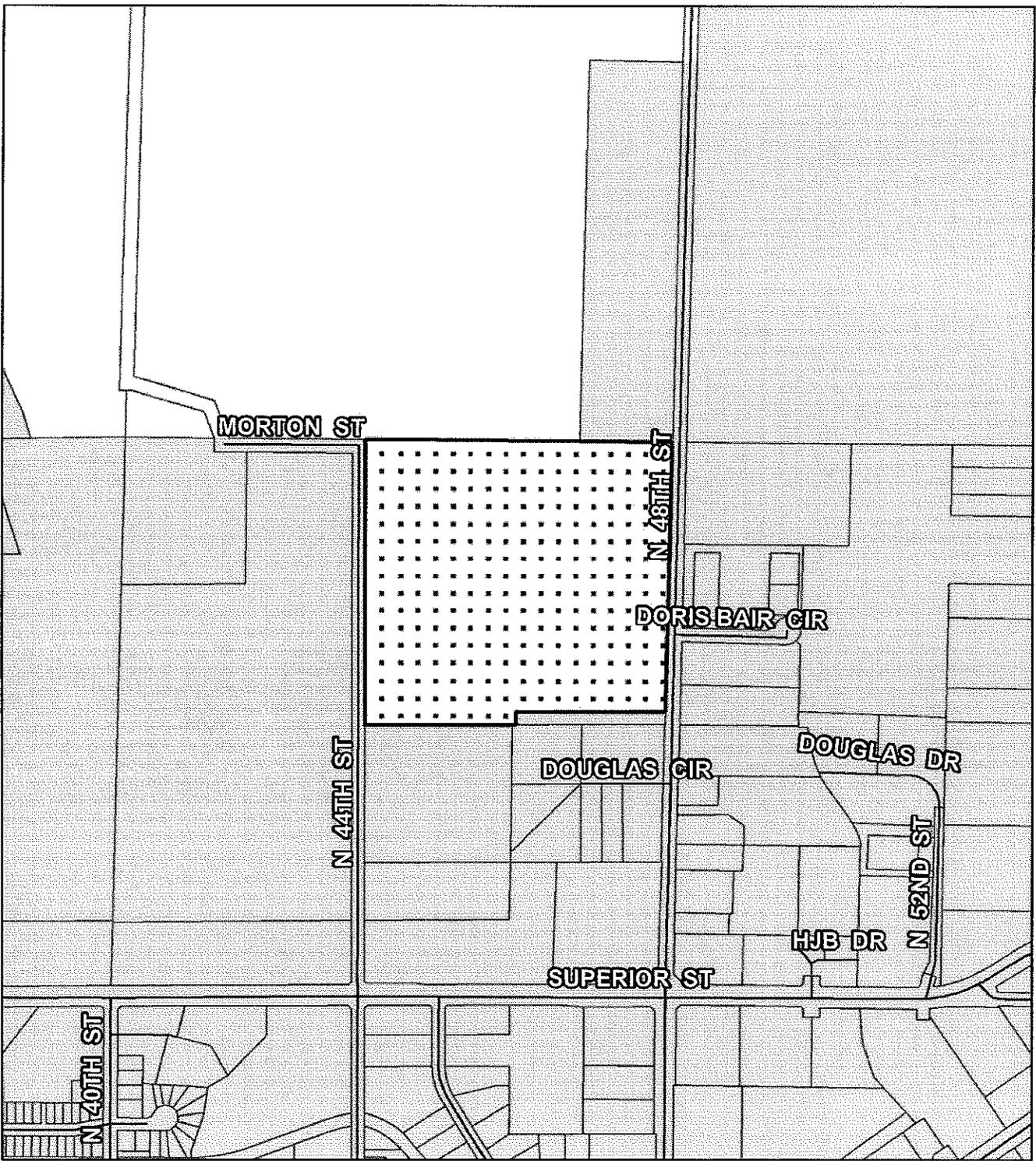
 [History List](#)

Jean Preister

From: Michele M. Abendroth
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 2:10 PM
Subject: Corrected Maps: Annexation Ordinances 19388 & 19390
Attachments: Map 19388.pdf; Map 19390.pdf

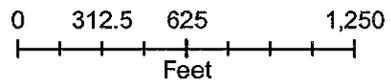
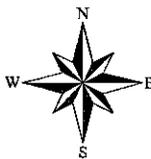
Attached please find corrected maps for Annexation Ordinances 19388 & 19390. Please disregard the previous maps sent on June 30, 2010 as the number of acres identified on the map was incorrect. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Steve Henrichsen at 441-7491. Thank you.

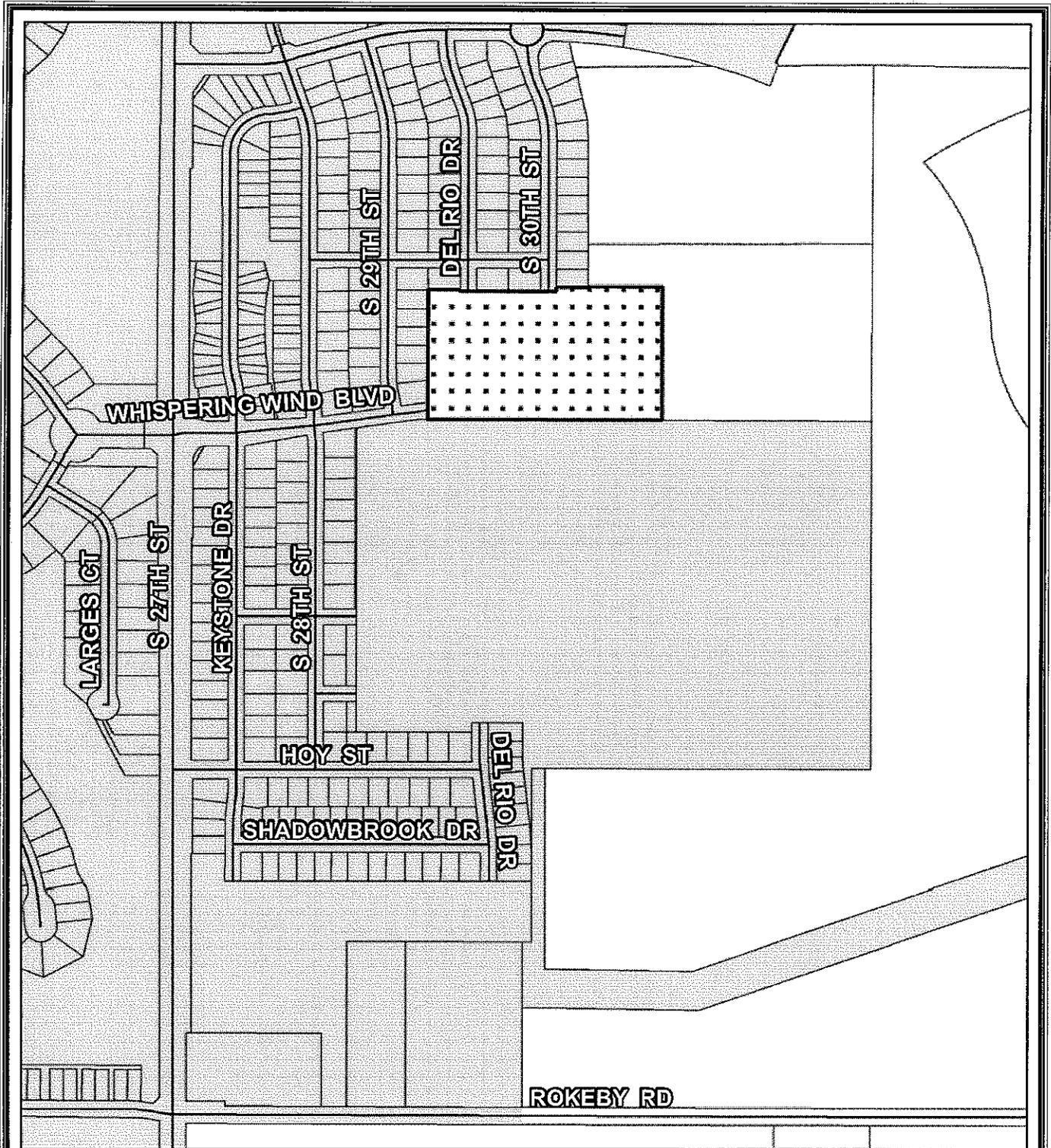
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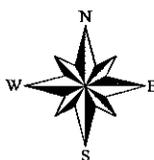
Annexation by Ordinance
Ordinance # 19388
Effective: June 22, 2010
43.65 Acres

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

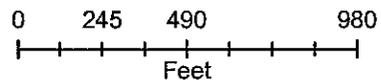




**Annexation by Ordinance
Ordinance # 19390
Effective: June 22, 2010
10.1 Acres**



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



Mary M. Meyer

Subject: Agenda for July 8th Joint meeting

Joint Meeting

PRAB - LPF - FOPNC

Thursday, July 8, 2010

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Prairie Bldg. Auditorium at Nature Center

A G E N D A

1. Brief walking tour of PPNC facility
2. Welcome and introductions
3. Current projects update
4. FY 2010-11 Budget Overview
5. Remarks by Mayor Beutler
6. Pioneers Park Nature Center discussion
 - a. operation costs / revenue overview
 - b. summary of studies
 - c. partnering
7. Adjourn

6:00 p.m. - Post meeting discussion for any/all interested parties:

proposed LES routing

Jeanne Bowling

Executive Secretary to the Director
Lincoln Parks & Recreation Dept.
2740 "A" Street
Lincoln, NE 68502
402-441-8264
fax: 402-441-8706



Mary M. Meyer

Subject: FW: Saving the City money

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To: mayor@lincoln.ne.gov, lpd315@CJIS.LINCOLN.NE.GOV, lpd1101@CJIS.LINCOLN.NE.GOV

From: "Ronald Klem/Lincoln Police Dept." <LPD315@CJIS.LINCOLN.NE.GOV>

Date: Fri, 02 Jul 2010 08:29:31 -0500 (CDT)

Mayor Beutler:

You say you want to hear from city employees on ways to save the city money. Well, here's mine and I hope you consider it.

I am a 36 year employee of the city, specifically a uniform sergeant with the police department. I am not a member of LPU's bargaining team or pension board.

Lets call this a 'Retirement Incentive Plan'. It would only affect 'C'plan (7%) members of the Police Department. It would not affect any police officers in 'M' class or currently enrolled in DROP. The majority of the employees that it would affect have 30-40 plus years of service with the city, most of which are supervisors.

Make a one time only offer of a 75% pension pay out to eligible 'C'plan members. The stipulation to this plan would be that the employee would not have the option of taking their contribution and rolling it into a retirement account upon separation with the city as is currently allowed. That money stays with the city.

How this plan would benefit the city and save money:

1. Immediate reduction of 25% in salary payed to employees that are at the top of their pay scale.
2. Those vacated positions would be filled (or not) by younger personel at a much lower pay grade, an immediate saving to the city.
3. Immediate reduction of top salaried overtime pay outs.
4. Speed up the city's goal to have all LPD to be 'A' plan (8%) members.
5. Eliminate 'on duty injury' pay outs by the city. All members are close to, at, or over 60yrs. of age and more easily prone to injury. The city saves money again.
6. Eliminate sick leave/loss time when unable to work. The city wouldn't be paying a salary to someone that isn't at work.
7. Immediate reduction in 'longevity' pay out to members. A maxed out sergeant (P03) = \$2,546.00 per year in addition to base salary at the highest pay grade.
8. Immediate reduction in 'college pay' to eligible members. A sergeant with a bachelors degree hired prior to 1985 receives \$2,401.56 per year. More money saved by the city.

The truth of the matter, which could be statistically supported, is that the majority of 'C'plan members will not out live their pension benifits. The city saves again.

It is obvious that this plan would save the city a considerable amount of money immediately. My hope is that you give it your serious consideration. I am looking forward to your response.

Respectfully,

Sergeant Ron Klem #315

Lincoln Police, Southwest

Mary M. Meyer

From: Carolyn Nash [csncritters3@huskeraccess.com]
Sent: Monday, July 05, 2010 7:53 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Last nights Fireworks

I have lived in Lincoln since 1978 and last night was pathetic!! Except for a short year and a half in Washington KS, population 1,029, who allows nothing but organized fireworks!!! No one in town shoots them off.....

But, come to Lincoln Nebraska, population of 200,000 plus, and because you folks don't want money to go to Waverly, or out of state, you clear fireworks that used to be illegal here, and plan to approve more for 2011!!

No wonder the Capital Hummane Society ends up with more lost, and scared animals. I consider this to be abuse and neglect on the city's part toward our 4 legged friends. How many of you have a pet???

I couldn't even see down my street last night, there was such a haze, and so much smoke. Where is our consideration to others?? Or do we have any respect for others? I'm waiting to hear the injury report, if that is shared, or is that what it will take, some injuries, as that is usually what it takes to get intersections and such fixed in this town.

For for the reasons I have stated above, animals, pollution, injuries, and inability to sleep, I hope you reconsider allowing this to ever happen again.

Caroyn Nash
3835 Everett Street

Mary M. Meyer

From: Carolyn Nash [csncritters3@huskeraccess.com]
Sent: Monday, July 05, 2010 7:31 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Fireworks!

Council Members,

As a visitor to this city for the weekend, I thoroughly enjoyed the Saltdogs game, even though they lost. However, I was appalled to discover there was no way I could sleep until 12:30 a.m. when the incessant fireworks finally stopped! I grew up here and moved to Colorado in 1979, which is a place where fireworks are NOT allowed by the public in any shape or form. I realize you get a lot more rain here and don't have to worry about fire like we do in Colorado, but I would think you would be more enlightened than to allow your citizens to pollute the air (it was terrible last night) and leave the remains of the burned fireworks in other people's yards. I'm not sure of your intent in allowing the booming, loud, obnoxious fireworks but my sister, who lives here, tells me it was economic. If that is the case, you can count on me not spending ANY money here on future July 4th holidays!

I hope you will reconsider your decision(s) to allow this madness to continue. Hopefully I can stay awake for my drive back to Golden where it is peaceful and quiet!!!

Marcia
303-277-9593

Mary M. Meyer

From: Lynn Holm [lynnholm@navix.net]
Sent: Monday, July 05, 2010 10:36 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Close the alcohol sales buffer loophole

Importance: High

I request that you vote to support Ordinance 10-70 (Change of Zone #10012) to close the alcohol sales buffer “loophole.”

TO: City Council
555 So. 10th
Suite 111
Lincoln, NE 68508

June 30, 2010

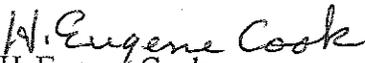
Why is it that the Omaha Mayor and city council has so much more common sense and business savvy than those in Lincoln?

An article in the June 10, 2001 edition of the Lincoln Journal Star said that the sellers were responsible for the hazardous waste cleanup in the Quest Center in Omaha. Any prudent purchaser would require that the seller be responsible. Here in Lincoln this burden is being forced on the taxpayers because of totally irresponsible decisions of our elected officials. To make matters even worse, the primary landowner Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, that is owned by one of the worlds richest men Warren Buffett is the one that Lincoln taxpayers will be subsidizing. **WHAT A HORRIBLE HORRIBLE SITUATION.**

I don't know how you people can live with yourselves or sleep at night given the unbearable tax burden being placed upon Lincoln taxpayers with the humongous General Obligation Bond that will have to be paid for with tax increases. I know of several people that have moved from Lincoln because of the terrible Nebraska tax burden.

Now the mayor doesn't even want the state auditor to monitor the expenditures. I assume that is so that he can in some way hide the true cost of cleanup. The big cleanup that is really needed is right in city hall. As a senior citizen I have never witnessed so many half-truths and biased opinions to get taxpayers to support a public project. Are you ever going to cleanup you act?

Sincerely;


H. Eugene Cook
2200 Larchdale Drive
Lincoln, NE 68506

CC: Mayor Chris Buetler - What are you planning to hide?

CC: Warren Buffett - Why don't you pay for you own cleanup instead of taking advantage of our incompetent Lincoln City Council and Mayor

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JUL 06 2010

CITY COUNCIL
OFFICE

July 2, 2010

John Spatz
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

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JUL 07 2010

CITY COUNCIL
OFFICE

Re: Public Service Officers

Dear John;

This is in reference to the Mayor's proposal to do away with the public service officers who are responsible for enforcing parking laws. His proposal will turn the enforcement of the down town area over to a private firm, but the enforcement of the parking laws for the rest of the city will apparently be handled by the regular police officers.

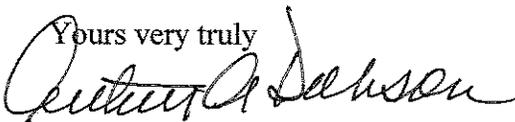
I have no problem with the enforcement of the down town area being privatized, but I have real reservations about having no one to enforce the parking laws in the residential areas. The enforcement of the whole residential area of the city is enforced by four officers. Between the parking complaints, abandoned bikes and cars, wheel tax violations and traffic control at accidents and fires this is a full time job. Apparently the public service officers handle about five thousand complaints per year. Please note that these are the initial complaints, there are many times at least one follow up for each complaint. If these officers are let go, then who is going to handle their duties? Chief Casady's quote "We'll pick that up as best we can" gives you some idea of how much time and energy his busy officers are going to devote to enforcing these laws. This in no way is critical of the regular officers, it is just that you will be adding to their already full schedule of handling more serious offenses. Just to refresh your memory, the reason lower paid public service officers were created was to relieve regular officers from the responsibility of enforcing the parking laws so that they could handle the more serious violations.

I, therefore, feel very strongly that the city council has two options: 1. Retain the four public service officers charged with enforcing residential parking, or 2. Repeal the residential parking laws, since there will be essentially no way to enforce them unless more higher paid regular officers are added to handle these complaints.

Since option 2 is not feasible, I strongly recommend that the City retains the four public service officers in their current capacity.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours very truly



Arthur Dobson
5046 Old Creek Road
Lincoln, NE 68516

July 6, 2010

1920 J St., Apt. 7
Lincoln, NE 68510

The Honorable John Spatz
Lincoln City Councilman
555 S. 10th St., Room 111
Lincoln, NE 68508

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JUL 07 2010

CITY COUNCIL
OFFICE

Dear Mr. Spatz:

I am writing in reference to Mayor Beutler's proposal to eliminate the city's public service officer positions and turn them over to a private company. Unfortunately I will be unable to attend the public hearing on the 2010-11 budget next month, but I would like to address the proposal.

The words in the job title "public service officer" are worth looking at more closely. These people are performing a public service. So much attention is paid to the negative aspect of their jobs – issuing parking tickets – the fact that they're the ones keeping the parking situation in Lincoln from becoming one of total chaos is often ignored. I would hate to see what would happen if drivers get the sense that parking rules are not being enforced as effectively as they are now.

My other concern has to do with the standard of living in Lincoln. To make a profit, a private company will likely turn these into jobs paying a low or non-living wage, possibly without benefits, and with high turnover and little job satisfaction – all of which would contribute to the poverty in our community.

The citizens of Lincoln, in the mayor's outcome-based budgeting process, have continually ranked police as one of the top services the city provides. As I see it, public service officers perform duties that aid, supplement and enhance the police force. Therefore I do not think it would be a good idea to hand them over to a private company.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Eric Foster

Mary M. Meyer

From: Frank Oslzly [frank.oslzly@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 12:51 AM
To: Cathy Oslzly
Cc: farm@ag.state.ia.us; gotexan@TexasAgriculture.gov; pub.info@TexasAgriculture.gov; ksag@kda.ks.gov; coa@mail.coa.gov.tw; mailbox@afcd.gov.hk; customs enquiry@cutsoms.gov.hk; Mary M. Meyer; Comer, Dale; adam.beutler@lincoln.ne.gov; Lin Quenzer; complaint.re.executive.board@gmail.com; ombud@leg.ne.gov; marshall.lux@nebraska.gov; marshall.lux@nebraskalegislature.gov; bavery@leg.ne.gov; bgiese@leg.ne.gov; bettyjo.williams@nebraska.gov
Subject: Hello, a little FYI regarding the Nebraska Trade Mission

cc:
Iowa Dept. of Agriculture
Kansas Dept. of Agriculture
Texas Dept. of Agriculture
Taiwan Council on Agriculture
Hong Kong Department to Issue License for Dutiable Commodities
Nebraska Ombudsman
Lancaster County Commisioners
Lin Quenzer
Lincolns' Mayor Beutler
Misc. Congressmen
myself
bcc'd various media outlets

I've spent the last 10 years taping myself attempting to utilize the Nebraska Court System, but it simply doesn't work.

So I'm explaining the problem with this to the recipients of Nebraskas' Trade Delegation, and the States that could theoretically take up any theoretical agricultural slack.. Any trade with Nebraska would literally put money in the hands of a state with some bizarre authoritarian and un-American principals.

On August 10,2004 I taped myself running through all levels of Nebraska government in order to get a criminal charge filed against a neighborhood boy who sexually assaulted me (the future references to this will be 'held down, raped, and urinated in. That's right, in), release police records regarding a child protection investigation, release police records regarding a bizarre criminal charge my mother brought against me, show some simple and some extra-ordinary errors made during the pre-sentence investigation and correct them, as well as point out that my mother had never actually gotten medical treatment for what my pediatician called a 'terminal insomnia'.

This was due to my experiences with Nebraska county contractors for State Health and Human Services who 'regularly over-medicated,abused, and sexually assaulted' children therein. I watched a 13 year old girl get raped 10 days before I was arrested for 'stealing jewelery' my parents wore in dated photographs while I was incarcerated. You'd think that a police incident in some form would have been made after said county contractor made the papers for 'regularly over-medicating, abusing, and sexually assaulting' children. Where.. where is it Lincoln Police Department? Where is it Seward County Sheriff?

A settlement was reached between the victims (not me, no police report even though court records exist stating I was there and the doctor attempted to commit some sort of insurance fraud, they were carbon copied to

prosecuting attorney Rodney Reuter, the Lancaster County Separate Juvenile Court Judge Toni Thorson, and Juvenile Probation Officer Rodney Savage. but as I was not a party I feel I can still talk about it.

I was also the victim of child abuse the day I got home from said county contractor for Nebraska Health and Human Services. I spent 8 days in a group home with facial bruising. The group home provided services to the City of Lincoln, I was arrested and brought before a judge with those bruises. It was days after I was arrested, well over a week since it happened, constantly in the care of people who work in social services but are unaware they have to report child abuse.

The courts did indeed fail me, but what was more shocking was that no law enforcement officials (on duty 24/7, and for all crimes presumably) watched these matters with amusement. There was no police report even though it was asked for.

More shocking was the response given by the Nebraska Attorney Generals' Office. I was told to take all matters to a legislative body which was authorized to 'investigate administrative agencies of state government' even though many of these matters pertained to local political subdivisions of Nebraska. Everything.

Bear in mind that I had been requesting a form required by Nebraska Revised Statute to make a complaint about State Government not stepping in when it came to Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln.

More shocking was that the tort claim form was also not made available.

I finally did get the forms. In Nebraska, tolling of the minors statute of limitations begins on the minors twentieth birthday (21). I needed both of those forms in 2001. I got one in 2006, the other in 2008.

Both of the forms were unavailable for online perusal on August 10, 2004.

More shocking still was that said legislative agency (the Ombudsman of the State of Nebraska) had authority to refer these matters on to proper authorities, but to date I can't seem to find any trace of them doing so.

The employee I spoke with, Hong Pham, accepted documents, put them back into my hands, and only noted some items. Among what she ignored were legal petitions which had been denied hours before seeking writs of mandamus, equitable relief in getting records (I should have had a disability in 1994 according to Irving Middle School headed by Susette Taylor and Principal-ed by Dave Van Horn), and since I knew from experience that all of those would be denied, damages. This means that service of all those matters was completed with Hong Pham, who was authorized to forward matters to appropriate agencies.

She noted that a juvenile doctor had destroyed my records in violation of state law but didn't forward the matter to appropriate authorities.

July 7, 2010, it happened again.

<http://smotri.com/video/view/?id=v1472039d662>

I know that Nebraska has it's sites set on the East Asian markets, but their terrible, terrible, terrible record with human rights issues, Klansman patrolling the federally funded highways, and multiple false convictions coming to light, I don't see them understanding the lack of response for something so basic as the rape that occurred to me in 1985, the lack of response to my experiences within Rivendell, and withholding/destroying medical records of the disabled (in order to save money on disability payments? That would be weird since the Nebraska Department of Roads seems to spend it's surpluses on unnecessary road cones and highway lane closures using the Nebraska Department of Roads Philosophy, shouldn't Nebraska

Health and Human Services Successor Agencies be climbing over each other to put some disability dough in my pocket?

I have NEVER lived ABOVE the poverty line.

And that is the result of Sue Gourleys' Lincoln Public Schools system.

I do have a high school diploma.

However the Nebraskans responsible didn't count the credits right and I don't have sufficient credits to attend Southeast Community College in a degree seeking capacity. I should have been able to re-enroll in school until the age of 25. I was born in 1980, so I really should have been able to rectify my deficiencies after going to court in 2004. I was 24, which is less than 25.

I've maxed out my potential for education in America because other people made mistakes in a State where there usually isn't a chance, let alone a second chance.

The Public Counsel has documentation stating I returned my parents jewelry on Christmas 1994. I was released from incarceration July 1995. Apparently I escaped from the Jenny B. Harrell Attention Center to do so.

Documentation will be provided in my next email, then I'll cease to bother you.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Frank Oslzly [frank.oslzly@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 12:23 PM
To: ombud@leg.ne.gov
Cc: AGO - Department of Justice; ABeutler@lincoln.ne.gov; adam.beutler@lincoln.ne.gov; Aging Partners; bavery@leg.ne.gov; bgiese@leg.ne.gov; bob.zagozda@dhhs.ne.gov; bonnie.engel@dhhs.ne.gov; Ben T. Houchin; bettyjo.williams@nebraska.gov; Cheri Marti; Eskridge, Carl; sheila.cooper; Captain Jon Sundermeier; Mary M. Meyer; Comer, Dale; ceo@dhhs.ne.gov
Subject: I told you I was taping Nebraska employees in 2004. And uploading them in a non-english language.

And functioning as my own attorney.

<http://smotri.com/video/view/?id=u165771780f1>

Where was leadership, fella?

New York Postal Police have taken the complaint about you, whereas your local postal police haven't. You've acknowledged illegally destroyed medical records, refused to pass on news of a written instrument detailing destruction of Health and Human Services records, and basically acted like a spoiled 4 year old knowing that courts employees were refusing petitions, and refusing to take a complaint about that administrative agency of government.

Since then, I've been harassed by judicial employees on a related matter, and you couldn't even pass my complaint on the the attorney general. What is wrong with you?

Your employees are so poorly trained they don't even know Nebraska law. That would apply to your State Patrol Employee Tom Rheinhardt as well.

Your employee Hong was aware that I have been denied rape counseling. did she forward my matter to DHHS?

I'd like you to open up a dictionary and look up the word torture, then consider if denying access to medial treatment is torture.

Think about it.

Here is video taped proof that the Attorney General of Nebraska refers non-Ombudsman matters to the Ombudsman. It is July 7th, 2010, and they are now statutorily prohibited from investigating themselves.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Frank Oslzly [frank.oslzly@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 11:07 AM
To: Beaty, Jeffry
Cc: vcoa@mail.coa.gov.tw; mailbox@afcd.gov.hk; customs enquiry@cutsoms.gov.hk; Mary M. Meyer; Comer, Dale; adam.beutler@lincoln.ne.gov; Lin Quenzer; complaint.re.executive.board@gmail.com; ombud@leg.ne.gov; marshall.lux@nebraska.gov; marshall.lux@nebraskalegislature.gov; bavery@leg.ne.gov; bgiese@leg.ne.gov; bettyjo.williams@nebraska.gov; LPD304@cjis.lincoln.ne.gov
Subject: Re: Forwarding of complaint from Ombudsman

All things considered, I'm not surprised it happened like this. The gentleman who was responsible for that center raised a crack-addicted son who shot at the minimum two people, one fatally, and killed someone in a high-speed car wreck driving high on crack while taking a friend to court (!).

These are the people responsible for processing the complaints that come through regarding their own institutions, right?

http://journalstar.com/news/local/article_ed98d9bc-997f-5216-b92b-ad767ee6e0a1.html

Mr.. Banks' son stole \$90 from my car when I gave him a ride after he plead hardship. Apparently the reason no-one took it seriously is he was Somebodies' Kid.

I can't help but feel that preferential-ism is the sole culprit in my complaints not being found. I'm nobody, therefor I don't have a voice. And my letters may as well be blank.

I bet you he will be pardoned soon. I mean really, terroristic threats dismissed by prosecutor? Here is a highlight of this privileged youths criminal career

http://lincoln.ne.gov/asp/cnty/crimcase/detail.aspx?case_id=138093&docket=CR08-800&Court=District+Court

Murder!

http://lincoln.ne.gov/asp/cnty/crimcase/detail.aspx?case_id=354119&docket=CR05-910&Court=District+Court

Manslaughter!

http://lincoln.ne.gov/asp/cnty/crimcase/detail.aspx?case_id=329797&docket=CR05-410&Court=District+Court

What did I do again? Get born out of the wrong womb??

On Thu, Jul 8, 2010 at 11:52 AM, Frank Oslzly <frank.oslzly@gmail.com> wrote:

I taped myself earlier this year on the horn with CCC. Apparently I broke out of jail in order to return stolen merchandise. I had to pay restitution for it. Somehow my mother sent me jewelery matching the police report in 2008. This was in 1994. Will your office authorize a lawsuit against Banks? How Negligent was he for letting me out of a secure facility? Why didn't he take a note?

cc: Hong Kong

Taiwan

LPD 304

Ombudsman

My mother

Others

On Thu, Jul 8, 2010 at 11:33 AM, Beaty, Jeffrey <jeffry.beaty@nebraska.gov> wrote:

Frank,

I have spoken with the other staff in our office and we have no record of a complaint being forwarded from the ombudsman's office regarding your case during the 2003-2006 timeframe. It is possible it was forwarded to a former staff member who did not leave any record as our staff has turned over since that time. Our executive director was here at that time, however, and did not recall your case or any complaint. If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Jeff Beaty

Executive Policy Analyst

Community Corrections Council

W: (402) 471-2259

C: (402) 617-4220

Email: jeffry.beaty@nebraska.gov

Mary M. Meyer

From: WebForm [none@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 12:49 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for
General Council

Name: Tom Schulte
Address: 8120 Whitney Ct.
City: Lincoln, NE 68507

Phone:
Fax:
Email:

Comment or Question:

I am writing to you today to respectfully request that you oppose the expansion of the occupation tax to include telecommunication equipment. Passage of this ordinance would unfairly increase costs on the purchase of telecommunications equipment in the City of Lincoln and may very well result in people from Lincoln choosing to purchase these items in another community, thereby reducing the overall sales tax collected by the City of Lincoln. Collection of sales tax at point of sale on a "carve out" such as communications equipment is inefficient and difficult to enforce because the definition of equipment is so broad that it includes everything from telephones, phone lines, phone jacks, and even batteries. So many retailers sell these items that collection of the tax from all of the small retailers would be extremely burdensome and difficult. Using the broad definition as set out in the proposed ordinance is the same thing as charging a wheel tax on floor mats that are purchased for an automobile or an extension of property tax on a lawn mower. It simply goes too far.

Please oppose this ordinance and continue to promote Lincoln as a pro-business community.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

**DIRECTORS' AGENDA
ADDENDUM
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010**

I. CITY CLERK

II. CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE MAYOR & DIRECTORS

MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. Water Main break causes partial closure of northbound 84th Street.
2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for week of July 10 through July 16, 2010.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to workshop on future of Lincoln. City also seeking "Bright Ideas" from community.

CITIZEN INFORMATION CENTER

1. Antelope Valley project reaches milestone. Floodplain to shrink with completion of open channel.

DIRECTORS:

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING

1. ADVISORY. Preconstruction Public Open House. A Street; 17th Street - 27th Street. A Street; 27th Street - Capitol Parkway. 27th Street; A Street - South Street. Project #540014.
2. ADVISORY. "A" Street; 70th Street - Imperial Drive Stimulus Project to start. Project No. LCLC-5220 (3), Control No.13041, City Project No. 701808.
3. ADVISORY. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Projects. Proposed Arterial Rehabilitation Projects. Vine Street; 70th Street - Sierra Drive. State Project No. LCLC 5247 (1), CN 13038, City Project No. 701811.
4. ADVISORY. O Street; 29th Street - 44th Street Stimulus Project to start. Project No. LCLC-34-6 (140), Control No. 13037, City Project No. 701812.

III. COUNCIL RFI'S & CITIZENS CORRESPONDENCE TO INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP

1. Police Chief Tom Casady's reply to questions sent regarding the Lincoln false alarm reduction program.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS TO COUNCIL

1. Email from Frank Oslzly.
2. Email from Analise Alloway. Concerned about potential loss of arborists. Give consideration to the importance of maintaining Lincoln's trees, for us and for future generations.
3. Email from Ohair. Please vote to restore the position of City Forester and the three certified arborist positions.
 - a) Save Lincoln's Trees flyer. It is crucial that Lincoln retain its City Forester and Arborist positions.

4. Letter from Dennis Duckworth giving individual reasons why not to lay off the Public Service Office from the Lincoln Police Department. (Individual letters went to each Council Member)
5. Email from Jim Kalisch, Department of Entomology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, appealing to the City to reconsider the proposed budget cuts affecting the City Forester position and arborist positions and the Community Forestry Program.
6. Email from Julia Bartek. As a registered voter expressing concern with privatizing the Public Service Officer's duties.
7. Email from Julia Bartek asking for a "no" on the privatization of parking.
8. Email from Danny Reitan. Before making a final decision on releasing parking enforcement to a private agency consider the other duties performed by the Public Service Officers. The PSO's serve a vital function to Lincoln neighborhoods.
9. Email from Cinnamon Dokken. Do not eliminate the positions of City Forester and three certified arborists. In the next 1 to 3 years our Ash trees will be damaged and/or killed by the infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer. We need their leadership to implement a readiness plan.
10. Email from Geralynn Powell. Do not approve a 2:00 p.m. bar closing time.
11. Fax from Mark W. Barfield, Radio Shack Vice President and Treasurer, in opposition to the proposed ordinance to impose a six percent gross receipts tax on the sale of telecommunications equipment. (Individual faxes sent to each Council Member)
12. Letter from Kevin R. Salvo, Deshler, NE., asking for approval and assistance in taking photographs for use on his train layout, which is open to the public. (Each Council Member received individual letter)
13. Fax received from RadioShack Manager, Gary Hardt, in opposition to the proposed ordinance to place a 6% gross receipts tax on the sale of any telecommunications equipment.
14. Email from H. Arnold Wassenberg regarding the alarm registration money grab.
15. Email from Dr. Alvin L. Baker. Opposed to canceling our Christmas parade.
16. Email from Robert L Boyce. It is crucial that Lincoln retain its City Forester and Arborist positions.
17. Email from Laura Baker. Dismayed to learn the Mayor is cutting the Star City Holiday parade.
18. Email from Alex Golubow. Please do not eliminate our City Forester and Arboretum positions!
19. Email from Ohair, Save Lincoln's Trees. Retain the positions of City Forester, Arborist II and Arborist I positions. Included links to web sites showing brief synopsis of Omaha's financial loss and risk by eliminating their City Forester.
20. Email from Deb Walz. Reconsider the dog ordinances and do not punish responsible law abiding citizens because of the irresponsibility of a few.
21. Email from Dan L. McCord. Dangerous roadway, NW 48th Street, is in need of immediate repairs.
22. Email from Deb Walz. Suggestion for dog ordinance exemption. If the dog/owner had passed an obedience exam or the canine Good Citizen Exam the voice control in your own yard law would be exempt.
23. Fax received from Jason Hill, RadioShack Manager, at 5130 N. 27th Street. Urging Council to vote no on the proposed ordinance to place a 6% gross receipts tax on the sale of any telecommunications equipment.

V. INVITATIONS

- 1. Lancaster County Adult Drug Court Graduation**
Keynote speaker:
Graduate Zackery Stearns
RSVP: Jared Gavin 441.8122

Wednesday
July 28, 2010
6:00 p.m.
Law School Auditorium on the East Campus of UNL
- 2. 2010 Federal Legislative Summit sponsored by the chamber, businesses, communities & leaders from the State.**
RSVP: Registration. \$95/Person

Thursday
August 19, 2010
7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Strategic Air & Space Museum
- 3. “Light The Night@Walk”**
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
Request to offer greetings to assembled group during opening ceremonies at 7:00 p.m.
RSVP: Natalie Markley 344.2242.

Thursday
September 30, 2010
6:00 p.m.
Homes Park and Lake



NEWS RELEASE

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PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

Lincoln Water System, 2021 N. 27th St., Lincoln, NE 68503, 441-7571, fax 441-8493

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 9, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Steve Owen, Lincoln Water System, 499-4058

Dave Norris, Citizen Information Center, 441-7547

WATER MAIN BREAK CAUSES PARTIAL CLOSURE OF NORTHBOUND 84TH STREET

One lane of northbound 84th Street south of "O" Street is closed due to a water main break near the State Farm Insurance offices. Both lanes of southbound 84th Street remain open to traffic.

Lincoln Water System (LWS) hopes to have water service restored to the area by mid-morning today.

Due to the water main break, State Farm Insurance is expected to be closed until noon today.



For immediate release July 9, 2010

For more information, contact:

- Diane Gonzolas, City of Lincoln, 441-7831
- Meg Lauerman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 472-0088
- Mike Mascoe, Lower Platte South NRD, 476-2729

ANTELOPE VALLEY PROJECT REACHES MILESTONE
Floodplain to shrink with completion of open channel

The Joint Antelope Valley Authority (JAVA) has announced that the Antelope Creek floodplain in central Lincoln will shrink from a width of about 1,700 feet to less than 200 feet. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has approved the floodplain map change, which means about 700 structures will no longer be in the floodplain, and flood insurance will no longer be required for projects in the area.

The change is the result of the Antelope Valley Project, a flood reduction project that included the construction of an open channel from Salt Creek Roadway to “J” Street. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers completed the channel construction last month. Antelope Creek had been channeled into an outdated underground conduit, which has been in service since about 1920.

The JAVA Partners – the City of Lincoln, the University of Nebraska - Lincoln and the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District (LPSNRD) – marked the milestone with a program today in the amphitheater of Union Plaza, a new park in the project area. The Antelope Valley Project, which also includes traffic improvements and community revitalization efforts, has been funded with City, State, NRD and federal funds. The celebration featured remarks by U.S. Senator Ben Nelson, who was praised by the JAVA partners for his work to secure federal funding for the project.

The effective date of the new floodplain map is October 8, 2010. FEMA posted a legal notice in the Lincoln Journal Star June 3 and a 90-day comment period will follow the second posting June 10. During that time, the public can request that FEMA reconsider the base flood elevations based on scientific or technical data. The comment period ends September 7. A second floodplain map change will be submitted to FEMA once additional projects are completed between 27th and South streets. When all improvements are completed from Salt Creek Roadway to Holmes Lake, the floodplain will include only the immediate channel area and a few low-lying areas on public property. A total of 400 acres will no longer be in the floodplain.

Antelope Valley traffic improvements include construction of 12 bridges and about six miles of roadway, including the “Big X” elevated intersection near the Devaney Sports Center. In addition to Union Plaza, revitalization efforts include construction of the new \$50 million Assurity Life Insurance headquarters; several new housing projects; and infrastructure improvements in the residential neighborhoods. Turbine Flats, a business incubator providing low-cost space to entrepreneurs, is the first private research and development project in Antelope Valley, which is envisioned as a research and development corridor anchored by Innovation Campus to the north.

More information on the Antelope Valley Project is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: antelope).

Comments on the Antelope Valley Project:

U.S. Senator Ben Nelson:

“Driving through the City of Lincoln, I have been struck by just how expansive the Antelope Valley Project is and how important it is to the continued growth and development of the Capital City. I helped secure funding for this project because it’s not only beautiful, but it provides flood control, transportation and housing redevelopment and will result in economic development for the City.”

Mayor Chris Beutler:

“The entire community can now see the major benefits of this investment in our community. The Antelope Valley Project has changed the face of central Lincoln in a way that will improve the quality of life for many future generations. This historic accomplishment could not have been achieved without strong partnerships like JAVA, strong leaders like Senator Nelson and outstanding community involvement over the last two decades.”

UNL Chancellor Harvey Perlman:

“The Antelope Valley Project opens new opportunities for the University of Nebraska - Lincoln. More available land for research and teaching facilities means more opportunities to help Lincoln and the state expand on the educational and economic advantages offered by UNL. The project also improves campus access and provides new connections to City trails for students, faculty and staff.”

Glenn Johnson, LPSNRD General Manager:

“The threat of flooding from the 100-year flood event or one more frequent has been eliminated for most of the properties and residents of the Antelope Creek floodplain by this innovative project. It is a real multi-purpose project in providing expanded recreation opportunities, and linear, green open space in the heart of the City, and serves to connect the City’s trail network. The Corps of Engineers has been a great federal partner, and it couldn’t have been done without the diligence of Senator Nelson in securing the funding each year.”

Tom Henning, Chairman, President and CEO of Assurity Life Insurance Company:

“The plan to remove the Antelope Valley’s floodplain designation was crucial to our decision to building The Assurity Center, our company’s new home office building in that area. We are very appreciative of Senator Nelson’s assistance in obtaining funding for the important work needed to effect this change.

Tim Francis:

“As a property owner in Antelope Valley, I am ecstatic at not having to pay flood insurance and not having to worry about flooding. I am excited to see the redevelopment going on adjacent to my property.”



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Date: July 9, 2010

Contact: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 441-7831

Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule
Week of July 10 through 16, 2010
Schedule subject to change

Sunday, July 11

- Send-off ceremony for 360 members of the 67th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade and 1167th Support Company - 9 a.m., Seacrest Field, 7400 "A" St.

Monday, July 12

- Mayor's budget presentation to City Council - 1:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.
- Mayor's Award of Excellence - 3 p.m., City Council Chambers
- Mayor's Neighborhood Roundtable meeting - 5:30 p.m., Mayor's Conference Room, County-City Building

Tuesday, July 13

- Dinner honoring Fabian W. Bruskewitz on the 50th anniversary of his ordination - 5:30 p.m., Cornhusker Hotel, 333 S. 13th St.

Thursday, July 15

- KFOR - 7:45 a.m.
- News conference - 9:30 a.m., topic and location to be announced

Friday, July 16

- Special Olympics USA National Games news conference, remarks - 10 a.m., Duncan Aviation
- Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run ceremony, remarks - 4:30 p.m., State Capitol (north steps)



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CITY OF LINCOLN
NEBRASKA

LINCOLN/LANCASTER COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

555 South 10th Street, Suite 213, Lincoln, NE 68508, 441-7491, fax 441-6377

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 9, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Nicole Fleck-Tooze, Planning Department, 441-6363

PUBLIC INVITED TO WORKSHOP ON FUTURE OF LINCOLN

City also seeking "Bright Ideas" from community

The public is invited to a workshop exploring the kind of community Lincoln will be in 30 years. "Living and Working in 2040: Forecasts and Speculations for Lincoln and the Globe" is from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, July 13th in the City Council Chambers, County City Building, 555 South 10th St. Free parking will be available. The workshop will be carried live on 5 CITY-TV and is available on Time Warner Cable channel 5 and online at lincoln.ne.gov (click on the 5 CITY-TV logo).

Nationally recognized futurist Dr. Arthur C. Nelson and a panel of local experts will discuss global, national and local trends in growth, climate, population, transportation and technology. The workshop is part of LPlan 2040, Lincoln and Lancaster County's update to the Comprehensive Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan.

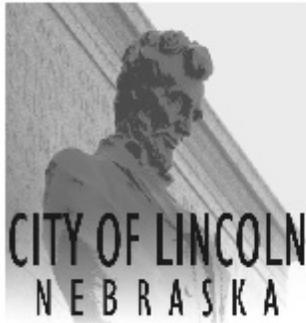
Nelson the Director of the Metropolitan Research Center, University of Utah. Local panelists are:

- Phil Baker, Labor Market Information Center Director, Nebraska Workforce Development
- David Drozd, Research Coordinator, UNO Center for Public Affairs Research
- Dr. Ernie Goss, Chair and Professor of Economics at Creighton University, Omaha
- Dr. Eric Thompson, Director of the Bureau of Business Research, UNL

The public is encouraged to attend the discussion or to participate by phone or through e-mail during the event. The public can call 441-6688 or e-mail plan@lincoln.ne.gov with questions during the broadcast. Residents also can view a recording of the program at another time and e-mail questions. The video will be available through video-on-demand at lincoln.ne.gov and will be re-aired on 5 CITY-TV.

The workshop also marks the kick-off for residents to submit their "Bright Ideas" through the Virtual Town Hall at lplan2040.org. Bright Ideas is a visionary brainstorming exercise. Members of the community are invited to share their ideas of Lincoln and Lancaster County 30 years into the future. Through the Virtual Town Hall, participants will not only be able to share their ideas, they also will be able to comment on the other ideas submitted and vote on their favorites. Residents are invited to visit lplan2040.org and sign up for an e-mail notification.

For more information, visit lplan2040.lincoln.ne.gov or contact the Planning Department at 441-7491.



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July 7, 2010

**“A” STREET; 70TH STREET - IMPERIAL DRIVE
STIMULUS PROJECT TO START
PROJECT NO. LCLC-5220 (3) CONTROL NO. 13041
CITY PROJECT NO. 701808**

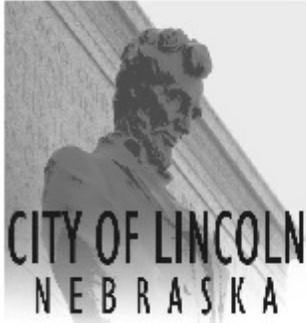
As part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), the City of Lincoln Public Works and Utilities Department is planning to resurface/rehabilitate “A” Street from 70th Street to Imperial Drive. This work will be completed by a private contractor and will include milling off and replacing the existing driving surface, base repair, curb repair and sidewalk repair as needed. “A” Street will be closed to through traffic and you may be inconvenienced by the temporary loss of access, but traffic will be maintained to Den Hartog Field, local businesses and residents.

The contractor for this project is Constructors Inc. They are scheduled to begin sidewalk repair on July 12, 2010 before closing the street to through traffic for surface milling on July 14, 2010. The construction will take approximately 3 weeks to complete (weather permitting).

If you have any questions, please contact one of the following people:

Constructors Inc.
Steve Samuelson
(402) 430-8314

City of Lincoln, Engineering Services
Brian Dittmann
(402) 525-5646



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July 6, 2010

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Projects Proposed Arterial Rehabilitation Projects

Vine Street; 70th Street - Sierra Drive

**State Project No. LCLC 5247 (1) CN 13038
City Project No. 701811**

The City of Lincoln proposes to mill and overlay Vine Street from 70th Street to Sierra Drive starting the week of July 12, 2010 weather permitting. 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. Vine Street will be closed to through traffic for 19 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 (keyword: recovery). If you have questions or comments, please contact one of the following:

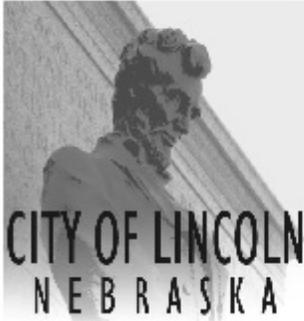
Erika Nunes
Engineering Services
(402) 441-5675
enunes@lincoln.ne.gov

Warren Wondercheck, Project Manager
Engineering Services
(402) 441-7014
wwondercheck@lincoln.ne.gov

Mike Tidball
Pavers Inc.
(402) 786-5900

City Project Number 701811

State Project Number LCLC - 5247 (1), CN 13038



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June 29, 2010

**O STREET; 29TH STREET - 44TH STREET
STIMULUS PROJECT TO START
PROJECT NO. LCLC-34-6 (140) CONTROL NO. 13037
CITY PROJECT NO. 701812**

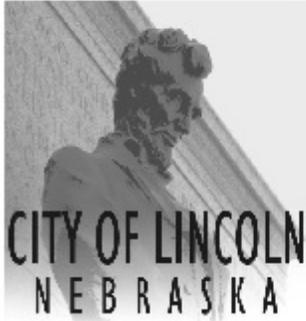
As part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the City of Lincoln Public Works and Utilities Department is planning to resurface/rehabilitate O Street from 29th Street to 44th Street. This work will be completed by a private contractor and will include milling off and replacing the existing driving surface with concrete base repair, curb repair and sidewalk repair as needed. The majority of the work will be completed in the evening/nighttime hours between 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. in which the direction of travel will be under total closure. There is also the possibility of some daytime lane closures during non-peak times. Detours will be required during periods of total closure, but at no time will both directions of travel on O Street be closed at the same time. Access to adjacent businesses and residences will be restricted at times, but the contractor will coordinate those restrictions with the abutting properties.

The contractor for this project is Constructors Inc. They are scheduled to begin work on July 12, 2010 and be completed on or before September 24, 2010.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the following people:

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Steve Samuelson
(402) 430-8314

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July 9, 2010

PRECONSTRUCTION PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

**A Street; 17th Street - 27th Street
A Street; 27th Street - Capitol Parkway
27th Street; A Street - South Street
Project #540014**

The City of Lincoln is hosting an informational open house regarding the two A Street rehabilitation projects from 17th Street to 27th Street and 27th Street to Capitol Parkway and also 27th Street, A Street to South Street. These projects include street rehabilitation (concrete base repair, asphalt mill and overlay, and some curb replacement), traffic signal replacement, and some sidewalk and ramp reconstruction. Construction is scheduled to begin Monday, July 19, 2010 east of 27th Street. Pavers LLC will be the contractor for all the projects.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, July 15, 2010 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Antelope Park Shelter (north and east of the Auld Center), 1650 Memorial Drive. The public is invited to stop in anytime between 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be an opportunity to meet the contractor, ask questions, and learn about the construction schedule, phasing, etc. Representatives from the City's Public Works Department will also be there. If you are unable to attend, you can contact the project engineer at the number listed below with any questions or concerns.

Project Engineer: Holly Lionberger
Phone: (402) 441-8400
Email: hlionberger@lincoln.ne.gov

Mary M. Meyer

From: Thomas K. Casady [tcasady@lincoln.ne.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 1:05 PM
To: Jon Camp; John Kelly
Cc: Tom K Casady; Steve D Hubka; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: RE: Lincoln False Alarm Reduction Program

Councilman Camp:

Here is the information you requested, copied to Mr. Kelly.

My estimate to the Finance Department was that the new alarm ordinance will result in approximately \$150,000 in revenue in the coming fiscal year. Since registration is required only in even number years, this will be a two-year cycle with one peak year in which alarm registration fees are received by the City, followed by an off-peak year in which no registration fees are received.

The fees go to the City general fund. We responded to 3,181 false alarms in 2009, an average of 8.7 per day. We have responded to 4 so far today, as of noon. The average cost of a police dispatch in Lincoln is just over \$250. The intent of the ordinance, as I understood the City Council's deliberation and discussion, is not to weed out alarm systems, rather it is to recover more of the City's costs in responding to false alarms, and to provide a greater incentive for the most egregious false alarm violators to reduce or eliminate their chronic problems.

Tom Casady, Chief of Police

On Fri, 09 Jul 2010 12:33:23 -0500 Jon Camp <jcamp@lincoln.ne.gov> wrote:

>John:

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>I will forward your questions to Police Chief Tom Casady and to our
>Budget Officer, Steve Hubka, to ensure accurate information is provided.

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>Best regards,

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>Jon

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>Jon A. Camp

>Lincoln City Council

>402.474.1838 (personal office)

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>From: John Kelly [johnk@kdsi.net]

>Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:29 PM

>To: Jon Camp

>Subject: Lincoln False Alarm Reduction Program

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>Jon,

> I would like to know how much this new tax will bring in? Were will
>it all go? Is this like a wheel tax? I will respect some answers back.

>How many false alarms is there in Lincoln per 24 hours? How much does

>it cost LPD? Is this a way to weed out the alarm systems in town? At

>this time I do not feel this is right. Please help me.

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>If you would like you can call me @450-0930

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>Thanks
>John Kelly
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Mary M. Meyer

From: foslzly@hushmail.com
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 3:47 PM
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Subject: Fwd: Do you really know about Nebraska?

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In Nebraska, the age of majority ends at 19 years of age. Tolling of the statute of limitations begins on the minors twentieth (sometimes twenty-first birthdays).

As a juvenile, I had my fair share of issues, mainly due to a learning disabled father, a mentally ill mother, and being raised in Nebraska.

I never asked to be born inside that jurisdiction, however I am still suffering the consequences thereof today.

As a child, it was noted that my insomnia, bleeding ulcers, and depression were preventing me from achieving academically in school. Since attending school is a required life activity (required by law) in Nebraska, it stands to reason that medical conditions were disabling me. Sleep is also a required life activity. I should have been disabled in 1995.

It never happened.

I was also abused, sent to school with facial bruising, sent to county contractors for State health and Human Services, and arrested with facial bruising. This was after I was taken to the excellent Rivendell facility in Seward, Nebraska which would later be shut down because the staff was 'regularly over medicating, abusing, and sexually assaulting' the child patients there.

That is why I am disabled. I watched a grown man rape a girl in a psych ward. My parents had documented that they took me to at least 3 psychological establishments prior and none would accept me.

Rivendell

of Nebraska was officially shut down due to ongoing Medicaid fraud.

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The reason my parents were putting me in these places was to minimize the effect of a child abuse charges I made against them. And of course, the one place they took me was across County lines (a political sub-division comparable to a prefecture) willing to try to commit insurance fraud by alleging I was in severe danger of self-harm. This was in contrast to my prior three refusals of treatment based on my parents' statements.

This is America, and I thought I could take care of it when I grew older.
Not so.

There are two things you need in Nebraska, pursuant to statute, in order to file a claim. You need to file a claim to persuade Nebraska Government to do anything, as it's Legislature has opted to to repeal sovereign immunity to actions by State employees. Under Nebraska law, contractors are frequently performing the duties of the State and gain this immunity.

As a consequence, I don't have access to medical records taken by political subdivisions like my schools, I don't have access to medical records from my 28 day stint as a Ward of the State, I don't have records period.

Except for a juvenile criminal record that can be located here:

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/studies/6885?archive=ICPSR&q=nebraska+juvenile+records>

I have the original study that sparked this. It was downloaded after a simple sign-up with a hotmail.com email address.

Juvenile records are supposed to be confidential. Especially in Nebraska.

But the people enforcing it are immune from their own misdeeds, so I'm guessing the Separate Juvenile Probation Office of Lancaster County decided to unethically make a few bucks. They've never responded to my queries about protecting my records. By statute, they are responsible...

As far as responsibility goes, it is the duty of the probation officer to perform a pre-sentence investigation. Mine didn't. His name is Rodney Savage. My mother was a State employee with publicly available salary data.

When she reported her income, she lied. Her pay for that fiscal period was approximately double what she submitted. And she had a part time job editing papers for the American Journal of Law and Psychology while employed at the University of Lincoln's Psychology department.

Adding insult to injury, while I was incarcerated at a juvenile detention facility, my parents took family photos wearing jewelry matching the description enclosed in the police report for this 'crime'.

This was in Christmas. Letters stating I had returned stolen jewelry were submitted to the Lancaster County Attorneys Office after I had sent a letter requesting an appointment about Rodney Reuters' actions before and during the prosecution, as well as his inability to put pen to paper and crank out a written response about releasing my own records to me.

The letter had (apparently) never been forwarded to Gary Lacey apparently.

But Rodney Reuter popped out of the wood work, looked at the statements (completing service). We had a brief conversation that revolved around the documents, he asked why my parents weren't there, and I pointed at my mother who was standing behind me and to my right.

His tone

changed, he squatted like a bird laying an egg, and he gave away free, unsolicited legal advice. While I was taping him.

The courts systems in Nebraska are run similarly, as the Clerks and the desk help are also given Immunity. Apparently, court proceedings are protected by First Amendment rights, and the law enforcement officials witnessing this were deliberately indifferent to those rights. A reasonable and prudent person would find out what his rights and responsibilities are and act accordingly. This tenet of law is what keeps ignorance from being used as an affirmative defense (I never read a murder statute, therefore I'm not a murderer). The other side of this is that frequently, people who are unable to understand their own actions (the disabled) are held to an amazingly high standard of conduct.

That standard would apply to police in my eyes, immunity aside.

So the courts were closed. Where to go? Law enforcement for a incident report? Check. Attorney Generals' office to discuss inactions of political subdivisions? Check Neither of these two elements of Nebraskan Society did anything.

The Attorney General for the State of Nebraska employed a person named Deb Owens who referred all of these matters to the Legislative Public Counsels Office (frequently called the Ombudsman). They had little statutory authority over any of these complaint topics. However, they bluntly refused to refer any matters on.

One Ombudsman employee, Hong Pham, confirmed that medical records had been destroyed prior to the date allowed by Nebraska Statute.

The attorney General of Nebraska also refused to send out two forms that were legally mandated for me to even initiate a simple writ of mandamus forcing various State and Local Political Sub-division entities to reply in writing.

I received one in 2005, the other in 2006. In order for everything to have happened correctly, I would have needed those forms in May of 2000. I was trying to join the United States Navy in a higher capacity, and would have needed to legally overturn a pair of decisions to get the security clearance required, and pass the Department of Energy's Human Reliability Program.

I cannot go to college. Lincoln Public Schools graduated me with insufficient English credits to attend community college. I may not be educated, but I can count. Unlike the Educated employees of Lincoln Public Schools. The Navy was literally the only way out of landlocked Nebraska for me. Aside from being mentally disabled, I was asthmatic. I couldn't join the Navy. In 2005 I was finally able to afford to move out of Nebraska.

I had been working since I was 13 years old, enrolled in school full time, and was volunteering as a teacher and distributing grants through the Lancaster County Co-Operative Extension.

There has been no police reports regarding the time a neighborhood boy raped me in 1985, no police reports for the rape I witnessed in 1994, I was never invited to the settlement proceedings of Rivendell as I was a juvenile and my crazy mother and slightly retarded father never believed me. Of course, they also committed fraud on a court of law by lying about income.

There has been no court action. The only possibility I ever had was a public records petition filed with the Nebraska Attorney Generals Office, which resulted in a claim the State doesn't feel it's liable for. I would have to go to Nebraska to enforce my rights to records which have been documented as destroyed by one Jodi Fenner, functioning as head of Nebraska DHHS at the time.

It's a crime to destroy records.... here is the State Patrols take on these matters:

<http://smotri.com/video/view/?id=v14733489185>

it's now 2010. The Public Counsel is statutorily barred from taking complaints about itself. The Attorney Generals' Office referred matters to a agency that can't do anything again. AGAIN.

<http://smotri.com/video/view/?id=v1472039d662>

The State Ombudsman referred domestic court matters to the NCJJ.
They never responded, or even acknowledged that there MUST be a problem when a non profit organization in Pennsylvania is being referred Nebraska court issues.

Simply put, Nebraska has issues.

NEVER take your children there.

NEVER.

This is the state. What happens at the local level is infinitely worse.

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Analise Alloway [aaalloway@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 12:26 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Arborist cuts

Dear Council Members,

Although I understand the need to make spending cuts, and while I applaud the council's efforts to balance Lincoln's budget, I am deeply concerned about the (potential) loss of arborists to care for our city's trees. Environmental issues and pleasing aesthetics aside, I think - from a legal standpoint - it would be a huge mistake to lose professional oversight of our city's trees. It would only take one lawsuit to wipe out any potential savings such a cut would afford - and that's to say nothing of the negative PR our city would incur should a child be injured or killed due to said action.

Please give careful consideration to the importance of maintaining Lincoln's beautiful trees, not only for this generation of residents, but for those in the years to come, as well.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A Alloway

Mary M. Meyer

From: Ohair42@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 2:39 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Cc: Jon Camp; Jonathan A. Cook; Doug Emery; Eugene W. Carroll; Adam A. Hornung; John Spatz; Jayne L. Snyder
Subject: Save Lincoln's Trees
Attachments: SaveLincolnsTrees.pdf

Dear Council Members,

In the 2010-2011 budget for the city of Lincoln , Mayor Beutler has proposed to cut the Community Forestry program by eliminating the position of City Forester and 3 certified arborist positions.

Lincoln needs the experienced leadership of our City Forester now more than ever to maintain and protect Lincoln 's more than 1.5 million trees. In the next 1–3 years, Lincoln 's Ash trees will be damaged and killed by the infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB).

The City of Lincoln has adopted the Emerald Ash Borer Readiness Plan and we will need an experienced City Forester to implement and lead the plan. The devastation, and tree loss is projected to be more than 10 times as many trees as the October,1997 blizzard.

Please vote to restore these positions to the Forestry Program in the City Budget.

Sincerely,

Save Lincoln's Trees

www.savelincolnstrees.com

Please see the attached flier for more information



Mayor Chris Beutler has pledged not to cut programs essential to public safety but in his proposed budget he plans to cut Lincoln's Community Forestry program. It is crucial that Lincoln retain its City Forester and Arborist positions.

- **Keep Our City Safe** - Lincoln needs the experienced leadership of our City Forester and our professional arborists now more than ever. In the next 1 - 3 years Lincoln will face the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), an insect already responsible for killing tens of millions of Ash trees in the Upper Midwest. Lincoln has 108,000 Ash Trees at risk for EAB infestation which will pose a huge public safety threat.
- **Keep Our City Green** – Lincoln is the home of the National Arbor Day Foundation. It is the only city in the US that concurrently holds all 5 'Tree City USA' designations. Trees increase our property values, they improve our energy efficiency, and they are vital and tangible contributors to our quality of life through our parks, trails, golf courses, and beautiful tree-lined streets.
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Tell Mayor Beutler and the City Council that you value Lincoln's trees, parks, and trails. Ask them NOT to eliminate our City Forester and Arborist positions.

Mayor's Office

Phone: 441-7511

E-mail: mayor@lincoln.ne.gov

City Council

Phone: 441-7515

E-mail: council@lincoln.ne.gov

**For more information go to www.SaveLincolnsTrees.com
or www.facebook.com keyword: Save Lincolns Trees**

John Spatz
Lincoln City Council
c/o City of Lincoln
555 S 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

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July 7, 2010

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Mr. Spatz:

I am writing to you to reconsider the laying off of the Public Service Officers from the Lincoln Police Department. I write to you from a different perspective – I not only worked with these fine employees for many years, but I also supervised them directly as the Sergeant in charge of parking enforcement, and later as the day shift Duty Commander for the Police Department.

Dave Andreasen, the Public Service Officer that works in the Southeast Team area is a 40 to 45 year employee of the City of Lincoln. He started his City career as a Police Cadet, then became a Police Officer, when he retired from the Police Department he became a Public Service Officer. Dave could always be counted on to assist with any type of call for help from the citizens. Many times he would help the officers set up a perimeter, trying to keep fleeing suspects confined to an area, he is another set of eyes that the police department uses for much more than parking enforcement.

Linda Ewoldt, the Public Service Officer that works in the Northeast Team area is an over 30 year City employee. Every time there is a fire call, or a serious accident, you will find her there, directing traffic, keeping other citizens out of harms way.

Deb Northcott, the Public Service Officer that works the Northwest Team area is another over 30 year City employee. She works every football game, keeping the parking situation in the North Bottoms under control. You can not imagine the guff she takes as the face of the City for enforcing the basic common sense parking of cars.

Brenda Miller, the Public Service Officer that works the Southwest Team area is also another 30 year plus City employee. She enforces parking and patrols the area around the City lots for employees. Without her efforts, many City employees would be unable to find the parking spots so that they can come into the buildings and work.

Dave Haumont is the Public Service Officer that works the Center Team area. He can be found everyday picking up abandoned bicycles, directing traffic around the numerous accidents in the down town area, and doing many other tasks.

These team areas all have schools, many of them public as well as private high schools where we need the enforcement of parking on the surrounding streets. These employees work diligently to satisfy the neighborhoods and their quest for quiet and safe streets.

All of these employees direct traffic, they work on abandoned vehicles, they do so much more that just write parking tickets, which by the way, generates an income for the city.

I can attest to the fact that many citizens are more incensed over receiving a parking ticket than if you had run over their dog. Who do you think takes the brunt of that anger? Just look at the names listed above as well as the other Public Service Officers who work the downtown and University areas. How many complaints do you hear about them, very few if any, because they are the ambassadors for the City, and they do it by enforcing the laws that the City Council enacts, treat the citizens with dignity, and keep the traffic flowing as safely as possible.

Without the professional demeanor of these employees, you can be assured of an increase in citizen complaints, and an increase in other problems: decreased traffic flow; business owners upset as drivers leave their cars parked longer than allowed in front of their business; less revenue for the City; and wait for the snow parking bans to come into effect and see how much more slowly the streets are cleared.

Lincoln has decided that we need to have a new arena. It is going to be placed in a confined space with little parking and tiny streets. Do you really think that an untrained, unmotivated, parking enforcement business can quickly adapt to the problems this entails? Now, more than ever we will need the skills of these professionals.

I have always believed that a government restricting business for the benefit of a few is a false economy. I also believe that restricting parts of government for the benefit of a few businesses is a dangerous way to balance your budget. Finally, would these layoffs in any way help you balance the budget a year from now? If not, I suggest that you find other ways of balancing the budget.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis Duckworth". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Dennis Duckworth
7611 Jason Drive
Lincoln, NE 68516
489-9777

Mary M. Meyer

From: Jim Kalisch [jkalisch1@unl.edu]
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 8:48 AM
To: Mayor; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: City Forester and Community Forestry Program
Attachments: jkalisch1.vcf

Dear Mayor Beutler and Lincoln City Council:

I appeal to you all to reconsider the proposed budget cuts affecting the City Forester position and arborist positions and the Community Forestry program. I realize the burden you are under to manage the city's budget during these tough economical times, but this program is vital to support as our Lincoln community grows and especially with the imminent arrival of the Emerald Ash Borer. I have gotten to know Steve Schwab, as we have worked together for several years in the Emerald Ash Borer Working Group, a multi-agency committee (USDA-APHIS-PPQ, Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Nebraska Forestry Service, Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska Arborists Association, etc.) to determine effective responses to invasion of this devastating pest. Steve has a lot of experience that we are depending upon to locally manage EAB and the thousands of ash trees that likely will need to be removed or treated. He is has already been executing a proactive plan to plant diversity of trees in the Lincoln landscape to minimize the impact of EAB. And his many years of experience as a community forester will be an asset in guiding other smaller communities in Nebraska as they confront EAB invasion, dispose of dead trees and restore barren landscapes. Aside from EAB, I support the Community Forestry program because it is visionary and has been quite productive in its major role in making Lincoln a beautiful, green oasis for its citizens to enjoy. The program has produced a living and enduring testimony that the taxpayers' investment was well spent!

With best regards,

Jim Kalisch
Department of Entomology
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Mary M. Meyer

From: Julia Bartek [julia_gulia02@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 5:32 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: PSO's

Dear Councilmembers,

As a registered voter, I am sending you this email to express my concern with privatizing the Public Service Officer's duties. I do not agree with the Mayor's stance that privatizing the position will better the community. Allowing a for-profit company to take over Lincoln's parking system will encourage an overabundance of ticket writing thus causing downtown business to deteriorate. Please vote against privatization of parking.

I sincerely thank you,

Julia Bartek

The New Busy think 9 to 5 is a cute idea. Combine multiple calendars with Hotmail. [Get busy.](#)

Mary M. Meyer

From: Julia Bartek [cjl.mailbox@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 5:47 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Parking vote

Dear Members of the Lincoln City Council,

I am sending this email to ask for a 'NO' on the privatization of parking. I do not believe that privatizing the city's parking will be beneficial for our community. If a private company were to have the power to write tickets, who would ensure that the community would not be suffocated with fines in order for the company to maximize profit? Another concern with bringing in a private company is how delicate the parking in the downtown area is already. If the balance between writing too few and writing too many violations is not kept, businesses downtown will find it difficult to bring in customers, therefore disrupting the downtown business market. I would hate to see this city's downtown area turn to that of so many other larger cities; desolated, barren, and blighted. Please vote against the Mayor's proposal.

Thank You,

Concerned Registered Voter

Mary M. Meyer

From: dreitan8@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 3:20 PM
Subject: PSOs and Parking

I apologize if this is a duplicate message.

Council members,

Before making any final decisions on the Mayor's proposed budget, and the release of parking enforcement to a private agency, please consider the other duties that are performed by the Public Service Officers which will fall to sworn members of LPD. This is not as simple an issue as the downtown meter enforcement. Neighborhoods will be affected.

Quality of life issues are paid a great amount of lip service in the sound bytes given to the media. Ordinances against junked vehicles were passed to promote healthy neighborhoods. Yet, the primary investigators for these types of violations are being let go. The expectation is that a sworn Police Officer will take up the duties. They will do as they are told, as always, but the priority of these issues will fall to the bottom of the list. Those vehicles without plates, non-running vehicles, or vehicles put into on-street 'storage' will multiply in a very short time without someone who, as their primary responsibility, responds in a timely and efficient manner to enforce the ordinances governing parking and junked vehicles.

Do you want a sworn Police Officer using his or her training and experience to be the one who is picking up abandoned bicycles from an alley to be taken to the impound lot? Is that cost effective?

Please look beyond the issues surrounding downtown Lincoln and the meter enforcement issue. PSOs serve a vital function to the neighborhoods of Lincoln.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message, and for your willingness to serve the city as council persons.

Danny Reitan
1876 Kennedy Dr.
Lincoln NE

Mary M. Meyer

From: cinnamon dokken [cinnamondokken@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 2:21 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: City Forester

Dear Council Members,

I am writing in support of the position of City Forester in the 2010 Lincoln City Budget.

In the proposed budget, Mayor Beutler has cut the Community Forestry program by eliminating the position of City Forester and 3 certified arborist positions.

Lincoln needs the experienced leadership of our City Forester now more than ever to maintain and protect Lincoln's more than 1.5 million trees. In the next 1-3 years, Lincoln's Ash trees will be damaged and/or killed by the infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB).

The City of Lincoln has adopted the Emerald Ash Borer Readiness Plan and we will need an experienced City Forester to implement and lead the plan. The devastation and tree loss is projected to be more than 10 times as many trees as the 1997 blizzard.

Please vote to restore these positions to the Forestry Program in the City Budget.

Sincerely,

Cinnamon Dokken
A Novel Idea Bookstore

Mary M. Meyer

From: g [imgalso@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 4:29 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: 2:00am bar closing time

I am writing this to beg you to not approve the 2:00am closing time.

My husband and I run karaoke shows in the City, and see how intoxicated young people get by 1:00am. Stumbling, vomiting, not wanting to let others drive for them or take cabs, and one more hour of drinking will make it way worse.

Not to mention how many students already go to class hung over or don't go at all.

And how many more people will be calling in sick to work, possibly losing their jobs, because they were out until 3:00am, by the time they get home, after drunk eating at Perkins or McDonalds or Hiway Dinner.

And how many more on the job accidents will happen because workers are not alert because they lost more sleep because of later closing times.

As it is now, we get home around 2:00am. With a later close time we will not get home till after 3:00am. And my husband works a labor job. We are both worried about this.

If you do approve it, please only approve Friday and Saturday late closings.

Thank you,
Geraldyn M. Powell
6130 Kearney Ave
Lincoln, NE 68507
402-430-9949

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Mark W. Barfield
Vice President and Treasurer

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E-Mail: mark.barfield@radioshack.com

July 8, 2010

The Honorable Jon Spatz
Lincoln City Council Member
County/City Building
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: *July 12, 2010 Agenda Item: Proposed Ordinance to Impose Telecommunication Occupation Tax*

Dear Councilman Spatz:

I am writing to express RadioShack's opposition to the proposed Ordinance to impose a six percent gross receipts tax on the sale of telecommunications equipment.

RadioShack is proud to operate three retail stores in Lincoln, Nebraska. This tax would create an (a) undue financial burden on RadioShack and (b) put our Lincoln stores at a competitive disadvantage to other telecommunication retailers located in neighboring communities.

- (a) RadioShack operates some 4,475 stores in the US, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Three of our stores are located in Lincoln, Nebraska. Our stores operate on a uniform point of sale system. Making a program change for three stores is a costly and complicated endeavor. This tax would be applied to many, but not all, of the products we sell. Not only would an additional tax need to be added for these three stores, but the specific taxable products would need to be coded in our system to ensure compliance with this proposed ordinance.

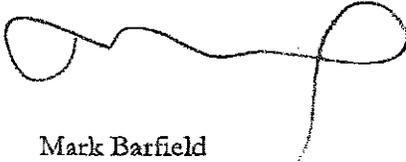
Additionally, the cost of compliance is significant. This creates additional layer of record-keeping and reporting for our local stores and corporate accounting office. The penalties and interest associated with non-compliance is significant and could be onerous if some products were inadvertently under or over-taxed due to the broad definition.

- (b) Our consumers are price sensitive. Adding another six percent to the cost of telecommunications products sold in Lincoln, Nebraska will cause consumers to look outside the city limits to find a better price. That could mean a trip to Omaha, or a trip on the Internet to find a vendor that does not collect and remit taxes in Nebraska.

We understand that the City is looking for ways to enhance revenues. However, we believe that this proposal could do more harm than good to Lincoln.

If you have any questions regarding our comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (817) 415-3734.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Barfield'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Mark Barfield

Vice President and Treasurer

Kevin R. Salvo
P.O. Box 296
Deshler, NE 68340
(402) 365-7614

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8 July 2010

John Spatz
Council member Northwest District
City Council Office
County-City Building
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Re: permission to photograph some alleys in Lincoln

Mr. Spatz:

I am a 100% VA disabled retired Marine who is building a very large HO scale (1:87) train layout (83' x 20') inside a commercial building that we own in downtown Deshler, NE. I work on it whenever my disabilities allow. The part of the layout I have built has turned into a tourist attraction that was unplanned by me (there has been no advertising). I have had visitors from Canada, Europe and all over the United States. This layout is not a business nor is it planned to ever become one, this is just my hobby.

The layout is at the point that I am working along the wall that abuts the edge of the layout. The section I am working on is a downtown area of a major city scene. I am not an artist (of painting pictures) by any means. I have the need to have some alleys between the buildings that are against the wall. I would like to take photographs (six) of some alleys in downtown Lincoln for this use. I have talked to some people in the Planning Department of Lincoln and received suggestions for alleys to photograph along with the best time and day of the week. I plan to take photographs early evening on some Sunday if the council agrees to approve my request. The major problem is that the photographs can not have any vehicles in the cross street in front of the alley to be photographed. I would need the help of the Lincoln Police Department to stop traffic while I take the actual photograph (approx. 1 minute or less per photograph), traffic would not be affected during setup or break-down at each location.

Being fully disabled means I have a fixed income. I was told that there might be a fee to have the Police Department to assist. It would assist my budget if the council saw fit to waiver any fees that might be required.

It boils down to three things I am asking the Lincoln City Council to do:

1. Approve my taking photographs of alleys in Lincoln for use on my train layout.
2. Approve the Lincoln Police Department to assist me in taking the photographs.
3. Waiver any fees that might be required for the first two items.

Attached is a letter of testimony from the President of the Deshler Chamber of Commerce about the train layout I am building.

This same letter has been provided to:

- Chris Beutler, Mayor of Lincoln
- Jon Camp, Council Member Southeast District
- Jonathan Cook, Council member Southwest District
- Doug Emery, Council member Northeast District
- Eugene Carroll, Council member At-Large
- R. Adam Hornung, Council member At-Large
- Jayne Snyder, Council member At-Large

Thank you for your time and trouble in this matter.

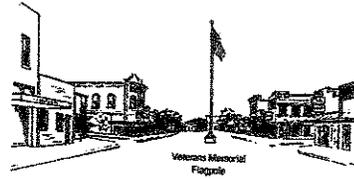
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KRS', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kevin R. Salvo
GySgt USMC Retired
Life member of National Model Railroad Association

Deshler Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 449
Deshler NE 68340



June 3, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

Kevin Salvo is the owner/operator of "Salvo Hill Line", H^o Scale Model Railroad enterprise located at 111 4th Street in Deshler Nebraska.

Mr. Salvo's displays are open to the public at no charge.

Naomi Grupe
President, Deshler Chamber



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July 8, 2010

The Honorable Jon Spatz
Lincoln City Council Member
County/City Building
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Proposed Ordinance to Impose Telecommunication Occupation Tax
July 12, 2010 Lincoln City Council Agenda

Dear Councilman Spatz:

I manage the RadioShack located at 4848 Van Dorn Street. I am opposed to the proposed Ordinance to place a 6% gross receipts tax on the sale of any telecommunications equipment. It would have a negative impact on health of my store.

Our customers shop for the best deal. Adding 6% to the cost of our smart phones and other products would motivate our customers to shop in Crete, Papillion, Omaha or on the Internet for a better price.

This Ordinance would make Lincoln an uncompetitive island in the telecommunications marketplace. We cannot afford to lose any sales during these tough economic times.

Please oppose the proposed Ordinance to place a 6% gross receipts tax on the sale of any telecommunications equipment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary Hardt'.

Gary Hardt
Store Manager

Mary M. Meyer

From: H. Arnold Wassenberg [HWASSENBERG@neb.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 3:11 PM
To: Jon Camp; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: RE: Alarm registration money grab

Dear Councilman:

I am mad. There is just so much government greed that a person can tolerate and this tops it all. Instead of charging the false alarm offenders for their mistakes, they make everyone pay. My alarm company calls me with an alarm notification and asks what the problem is FIRST, THEN if it turns out to be worthy, they send the authorities. But, I have to pay. I am a crime fighter by having an alarm system, and I have to pay. They have never gotten a false alarm from me, and they never will but I will pay for the bureaucracy FOREVER. This is BAD GOVERNMENT. Stand up and say something. Good God, every time the Police ask for something do we have to kiss their bloated bureaucratic behinds.

Thank you,

H. Arnold Wassenberg

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[H. Arnold Wassenberg](mailto:HWASSENBERG@neb.rr.com)

Owner/President

Wassco LLC.

P. O. Box 5402
120 College Park Cr., Office
Lincoln, NE 68505
402-430-7647
888-466-1202 fax



WVA

Mary M. Meyer

From: A.L. Baker [alvinlbaker@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 11, 2010 9:02 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Canceling our Christmas parade

Dear City Council Members:

I was concerned but not surprised of Mayor Beutler's decision to axe the Christmas parade from his budget. I hope that you all have more foresight and sense of community to realize that this is a lazy way to cut the budget, a way that harms all that is pleasant in Lincoln. Parades and parks bolster a city's sense of community, and this our mayor unfortunately does not seem to appreciate. Save our parade. You all have cut the hours of the downtown library and BURIED all but one of the downtown fountains. Do you want to completely ruin the downtown? I won't be voting for Beutler and I promise to vote for whoever your rival will be in my district if you vote with Beutler.

Sincerely,

Dr. Alvin L. Baker
1901 D St. Apt. C
Lincoln
742-9608

Mary M. Meyer

From: Bob Boyce [bobboyce66@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 4:21 PM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Save Our City's Trees!

Mayor Chris Beutler has pledged not to cut programs essential to public safety but in his proposed budget he plans to cut Lincoln's Community Forestry program. It is crucial that Lincoln retain its City Forester and Arborist positions.

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I and most others I have talked with would willingly pay another \$25 a year in property taxes to have a city we can be proud of--a city with beautiful trees, well-maintained streets, sidewalks kept in repair.

Please consider the public's priorities when looking over the Mayor's budget.

Thank you.

Robert L. Boyce, III
(Retired--fixed income taxpayer)
735 South 37th Street
Lincoln NE 68510
402-770-6865

Mary M. Meyer

From: Laura Baker [laurabaker107@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 11, 2010 8:33 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Star City Holiday Parade

Dear council members,

My family and I were dismayed to learn of our esteemed mayor's latest scheme to "save" money by cutting the Star City Holiday parade. We realize that the city is under a budget crunch but, according to the paper, most of the cost of the parade is covered by corporate sponsors. Please look at the parade as an investment. This event brings in thousands of participants and spectators to the downtown from across Lincoln and the state. The people pay for parking, going out to eat, and shopping in Lincoln. It is a great way for Lincoln to show off our city. Families and children look forward to this event. Please save our parade. Voters will remember which council members canceled Christmas.

Laura Baker
1901 D St Apt C
Lincoln, NE 68502

402-742-9608

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Mary M. Meyer

From: Alexander Golubow [golubow@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 11, 2010 12:49 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: City Forester and Arboretum positions...

Please, do NOT eliminate our City Forester and Arboretum positions!...

Sincerely,

Alex

Hotmail has tools for the New Busy. Search, chat and e-mail from your inbox. [Learn more.](#)

Mary M. Meyer

From: Ohair42@aol.com
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 7:23 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer; Mayor; Jon Camp; Jonathan A. Cook; Doug Emery; Eugene W. Carroll; Adam A. Hornung; John Spatz; Jayne L. Snyder
Subject: Save Lincoln's Trees

Dear Lincoln City Council,

Save Lincoln's Trees is an group which was formed to educate the citizens of Lincoln regarding the proposed cuts for FY 2010-2011 to the Lincoln Community Forestry division of the Lincoln City Parks Department. . We ask that you retain the position of City Forester, retain the Arborist II position, and Arborist 1 positions as they were in the 2009-2010 budget.

The city of Omaha eliminated their city forester ten years ago, with great risk to the city and disastrous loss to the quality of life of its citizens through a decimation of that city's urban forest. Please take exactly 2 minutes and view a short investigative segment of the news from KMTV channel 3 which will give you a brief synopsis of Omaha's financial loss and continued risk.

<http://www.kmtv.com/Global/story.asp?S=12534335>

The EAB Readiness Plan is a Directorial Order, signed by Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation director, Don Taute for the City Attorney, and Don Herz, Finance. It was filed on April 13, 2009 at the city clerk's office. Please see page 2, executive summary, which details the estimated total loss to the City of Lincoln's Urban forest as \$137,403,770.

<http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/parks/CommunityForestry/links/eabplan.pdf>

Save Lincoln's Trees provides this information today with the request that you retain a professional City Forester position and forestry crews to maintain the "green" infrastructure of our city.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Mary M. Meyer

From: Deb W [debles2009@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 7:17 AM
To: Jon Camp; Jonathan A. Cook; Doug Emery; Eugene W. Carroll; Adam A. Hornung; John Spatz; Jayne L. Snyder; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Dog ordinances

Dear Members,

I have heard of your plan to make it illegal to have your dog under your voice control in your own unfenced yard. We have two obedience trained therapy certified golden retrievers that we keep under our voice control in our large front yard . We have a large front and side yard and a very small fenced back yard. Our back yard is not big enough for reasonable exercise for our dogs. As I am disabled, I can no longer walk my dogs as I used to. We now exercise them by doing short retrieves in our front yard. Our dogs are under our control, are trained not to leave the boundaries of our yard (always with us physically) and are very friendly loving golden retrievers .

This new ordinance sets out to punish responsible dog owners because of the irresponsibility of a few. Making this a law will not make irresponsible dog owners now obey the law. It will only punish the responsible dog owner. Those irresponsible people are already breaking the law by walking an unleashed dog and then it bites someone. How many dog bites actually occur on the owner's property? and was the owner even present?

We cannot afford to fence in our large front yard just because irresponsible people are already breaking the law by owning dogs who bite and failing to supervise them. PLEASE reconsider this ordinance and do not punish responsible law abiding citizens because of the irresponsibility of a few.

Thank You.

Sincerely,
Deb Walz

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Deb Walz

Mary M. Meyer

From: DAN MCCORD [danjody2@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 7:25 AM
To: Mayor; Mary M. Meyer
Subject: dangerous roadway in need of immediate repairs

Mayor Chris Beutler
Lincoln City Council

7/12/10

Re: NW 48th Street, Lincoln Air Park Area

Dear Mayor Beutler and Council Members:

I have recently had occasion to drive this roadway on a regular basis. NW 48th is the only access to Air Park from the South and carries heavy traffic all hours of the day and night. The build up of homes served by this two lane road has increased dramatically over the past few years. I would conservatively estimate that at least 10,000 residents in the general area are served by this dilapidated roadway.

This road is absolutely horrendous after a person passes the sign that says "City Limits". It is extremely dangerous. There are areas where if you let your vehicle slip off the narrow roadway and onto the shoulder just a little, your tires will hit deep ruts and holes that could easily cause you to veer into oncoming traffic.

Please take the time to drive this stretch of road and see for yourself how dangerous it is. It needs immediate attention to prevent unnecessary accidents, injuries and deaths.

As a trial lawyer I know that any serious accident on this road in this condition would likely result in the City being joined in any lawsuit over damages.....and liability would be likely. In the past, a multi-million dollar verdict was obtained against Chicago for a dangerous roadway.

Very truly yours,
Dan L. McCord

Mary M. Meyer

From: Deb W [debles2009@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 8:49 AM
To: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: Dog ordinance

Dear members,

I wrote you earlier about your upcoming vote on the dog/voice control ordinance. A suggestion/compromise would be that to be exempt from the "voice control in your own yard" law would be if the dog owner had proof that the dog/owner had passed an obedience exam or the canine Good Citizen Exam. As both my dogs have.

Thank you.
Deb Walz

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Deb Walz



July 8, 2010

The Honorable Doug Emery
Lincoln City Council Member
County/City Building
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Proposed Ordinance to Impose Telecommunication Occupation Tax
July 12, 2010 Lincoln City Council Agenda

Dear Councilman Emery:

I manage the RadioShack located at 5130 North 27th Street in Lincoln, NE. I am writing to urge you to vote no on the proposed Ordinance to place a 6% gross receipts tax on the sale of any telecommunications equipment.

My business cannot afford for the City Council to add 6% to the cost of my merchandise. My customers are Internet savvy and price sensitive. This Ordinance would cause me to lose sales to out of town merchants because Lincoln by pricing us out of the marketplace.

Reduced sales would result in reduced payroll.

Please oppose the proposed Ordinance to place a 6% gross receipts tax on the sale of any telecommunications equipment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason Hill', written over a horizontal line.

Jason Hill
Store Manager

**MINUTES
DIRECTORS' MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010**

Present: John Spatz, Chair
Gene Carroll, Vice Chair
Jayne Snyder
Jon Camp
Doug Emery
Jonathan Cook

Absent: Adam Hornung

Others Present: Joan Ross, City Clerk
Rod Confer, City Attorney

Chair Spatz opened the meeting at 1:32 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Law.

I. CITY CLERK

Ross stated which items under Public Hearing Ordinances to be called together, and read a short description she would read at the formal meeting. On amending Chapter 6.04, relating to animal control regulations, listed items to call together. Items 19, 20, and 21 relate to contracts will be called together. Distributed a Facilities Agreement draft, on Item 24.

Emery stated there are amendments on the three new arena taxes. Item 72 relates to hotel rooms, and clarifies an issue with companies who give different rates. Confer stated there has been litigation in some states with third parties who book hotel rooms and take the position they should only pay occupational taxes on their wholesale rate. They charge customers the full occupant tax on the retail rate, but keep the difference between the wholesale and retail rate. He then gave an example and added this amendment will ensure whatever the hotel operator collects the tax is paid to the City.

Emery commented the other two amendments are definitive sunset dates with the Restaurant Association in agreement. There will be a date to end both taxes.

Snyder stated it is the same with #28 and #29. On #24, the facilities agreement, it is not the final verbiage. She said they met with the University attorney making sure the language meets with the previous agreements, and is the reason for this draft.

Cook asked on the telecommunications, understand we're delaying a week. Affirmative response.

Ross said on Item 40, Pederson requested to remove from pending and will need to request for public hearing and then action. Cook asked if Council should continue with public hearing, a resolution or an ordinance item? Ross replied an ordinance action. Camp asked when the public hearing would be, stating he will make the motion to have on the 26th. Cook stated Council would have public hearing then in another week action.

Ross stated on Item 17, 10-80, a motion to amend was distributed in Council's packets. Spatz thought Dart had indicated he would attend, but Dart stated Beal has requested to speak on the topic.

II. MAYOR & DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE TO COUNCIL

MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE. West Van Dorn pedestrian bridge closed.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents May Award of Excellence to Terry Gustafson.
3. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will release the "Taking Charge" program prioritization used to develop the 2010-2011 City budget at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 22, 2010.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Public urged to comment on priority list of city programs. City using list to develop budget.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Park Boulevard bridge to close.
6. NEWS RELEASE. Historic Hudson Cabin moved to new home.
7. NEWS RELEASE. City making progress on street rehab projects.
8. Washington Report, June 18, 2010.

Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Fiscal Impact Statement, Mayor/Aging Partners/Downtown Senior Center.
2. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference Thursday, July 1, 2010 in the Mayor's Conference Room to discuss his proposed public safety budget for the 2010 - 2011 fiscal year.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor proposes changes in Public Safety budget.
4. Washington Report, June 25, 2010.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. NEWS RELEASE. City offices closed Monday, July 5, 2010.
2. The Joint Antelope Valley Authority partners and U. S. Senator Ben Nelson to celebrate two historic accomplishments for the Antelope Valley Project. Friday, July 9, 2010, 2:30 p.m. at the Dickinson Dinsmore Graf Amphitheater, Union Plaza.
3. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for the week of July 3rd through July 9, 2010. (Forwarded to Council Members)
4. NEWS ADVISORY. Uncle Sam Jam 2010 celebration begins at 1:00 p.m. July 4th at Oak Lake Park.
5. NEWS RELEASE. City's Uncle Same Jam postponed to Monday, July 5th.
6. Letter to Mayor Beutler regarding the elimination of Public Service Officers or Public Service Specialists.
7. NEWS RELEASE. Winners announced in city employee art contest.
8. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler will hold a news conference, Thursday, July 8th, at 10:00 a.m., Room 303, in the County-City Building, to discuss details of his proposed budget.
9. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor proposed alternatives for funding programs.
10. NEWS ADVISORY. Two media event on Friday, July 9th. 1) Mayor Beutler will brief media on his proposed budget at 12:30 in the Mayor's conference room, and 2) the Joint Antelope Valley Partners, with U. S. Senator Nelson and other community leaders will celebrate Antelope Valley Project milestones at 2:30 pm in the amphitheater at Union Plaza.
11. Washington Report, July 2, 2010.

No comments

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY (JPA)

1. Agenda for the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) Meeting, Thursday, July 8, 2010
2. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) Board Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2010.
No comments

DIRECTORS

CITY ATTORNEY

1. Reply to Raquel Corbin on her July 5th email regarding Kaplan University. (Corgin email listed on Director's Meeting agenda for July 5, 2010, under Miscellaneous, z6)
2. Letter to Attorney Jayne Sebby regarding the Haymarket Hotel trade name. (Sebby email listed on Director's Meeting Addendum for June 28, 2010, under Miscellaneous, z11)
No comments

FINANCE/BUDGET

1. June sales tax reports reflecting April 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.No comments

FINANCE/TREASURER Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Monthly City Cash Report for May, 2010.
No comments

HEALTH DEPARTMENT Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. NEWS RELEASE. Community appearance survey shows clean city.

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1. NEWS RELEASE. Unhealthy air quality expected on July 4th, health advisory issued for sensitive individuals.
No comments

PARKS AND RECREATION

1. Hudson Cabin being moved to the Pioneers Park Nature Center photo.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. Joint Meeting Agenda for the PRAB - LPF- and FOPPNC on Thursday, July 8, 2010, at 4:00 p.m.
No comments

PLANNING DEPARTMENT Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Participate in the online survey for the 2040 Lincoln Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan update, by Friday, July 2nd.

2. Map of annexation by ordinance. Ordinance # 19388, effective June 22, 2010, 10.1 acres.
3. Map of annexation by ordinance. Effective May 18, 2010, 1.02 acres.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. Urban Design Committee meeting agenda for July 7, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.
2. Email and corrected maps for Annexation Ordinances #19388 and #19390.

No comments

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Action by Planning Commission on June 30, 2010.

No comments

PUBLIC WORK AND UTILITIES

1. Letter to Dale Gardner from Harry Kroos, Sidewalk Services, regarding bidding four contracts for significant sidewalk repair throughout the community. Included is a map highlighting repair locations in the College View area. (Distributed to Council Members before meeting on June 21, 2010)

No comments

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

JON CAMP

1. Letter to Jayne Snyder, West Haymarket JPA Chair, on the JPA budget considerations.
 - a) West Haymarket Joint Public Agency Proposed Total Project Budget; and
 - b) West Haymarket Joint Public Agency Proposed Operating Budget, June 11 to August 31, 2010.

Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Correspondence to Mayor Beutler on economizing on the proposed ice skating rink, with web link attached.

No comments

DOUG EMERY

1. Reply from City Attorney Rodney Confer to questions submitted on local ordinances and legal opinion on damage from snow plows.

No comments

IV. MISCELLANEOUS Received Week of July 5, 2010

1. Letter from the Lincoln Airport Authority with Resolution No. 526 stating that no tax levy should be made for airport purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010.

No comments

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS TO COUNCIL

1. Email from Sara Friedman on purchasing land for the arena before testing for toxicity.
2. Email from Sara Friedman urging support for the Lincoln Arts Council in budget.
3. Correspondence from Bob Downey, Capital Humane Society, regarding Bald Eagles at the

Zoo.

4. Letter from Dick Campbell on the issuance of occupation taxes for pay for arena. (Distributed to Council Members on July 23, 2010)
5. Email from Russell Miller, Lincoln Neighborhood Alliance, supporting the Change of Zone 10012 regarding sale of alcoholic beverages as proposed.

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1. Email from Julie Escobar requesting support of Ordinance 10-70, Change of Zone #10012.
2. Email from Raul Escobar in support of Ordinance 10-70, Change of Zone #10012.
3. Judy Hart email asking for support of Ordinance 10-70, Change of Zone #10012, to close the alcohol sales buffer “loophole”.
4. InterLinc correspondence from Lee Lamson. Tax on cell phone purchases.
5. Letter from Herb Welter on not allowing wasted space in the arena design.
6. InterLinc correspondence from Raquel Corbin regarding attending Kaplan University and loan amounts. (Sent to City Attorney on 06.30.10)
7. InterLinc correspondence from Sue Bartek in opposition of having a private parking enforcement rather than PSO’s.

Received Week of July 12, 2010

1. Email from Sergeant Ron Klem, Lincoln Police, with suggestions on how the City could save money.
2. Email from Carolyn Nash expressing opinion of July 4th activities.
3. Email from Marcia regarding fireworks in Lincoln.
4. Lynn Holm email requesting Council vote to support Ordinance 10-70 (Change of Zone #10012) to close the alcohol sales buffer “loophole”.
5. Letter from H. Eugene Cook on costs of the arena hazardous waste cleanup, the tax burden with the humongous General Obligation Bond, and not wanting the State Auditor to monitor expenditures.
6. Letter from Arthur Dobson regarding public service officers who are responsible for enforcing parking laws, and suggesting two options. Recommend the City retain the four public service officers in their current capacity. (Council members rece’d individual letters)
7. Letter from Eric Foster on eliminating the city’s public service officer positions, and citing reasons the PSO’s jobs should be retained.
8. Email from Frank Oslzly on Thursday, July 8, 2010.
9. Email from Frank Oslzly on Wednesday, July 7, 2010.
10. Email from Frank Oslzly on Thursday, July 8, 2010.
11. InterLinc correspondence from Tom Schulte requesting Council oppose the expansion of the occupation tax to include telecommunication equipment.

No comments

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Spatz adjourned the meeting at 1:42 p.m.