

**DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012**  
**555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 113**  
**2:00 p.m.**

**I. CITY CLERK**

**II. MAYOR**

1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents September Award of Excellence to Associate Engineer Joshua Meyer of Engineering Services, Public Works and Utilities Department.
2. Chief of Staff Rick Hoppe's reply to questions asked during the Directors Meeting on October 15<sup>th</sup> regarding funding of Civic Plaza.

**III. DIRECTORS**

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

1. Parks Futures Committee, Fees and Facilities Committee, and Golf Committee memo from Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director, regarding meetings on Thursday, October 25.

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

1. Revised agenda for the Historic Preservation Commission meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2012.
2. Lincoln's ranking in "best Cities" surveys, with explanation of one of the newest surveys by Reconnecting America. Links included for complete report.
3. Administrative approvals by the Planning Director from October 9, 2012 through October 15, 2012.
4. The October 25, 2012 Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission has been cancelled. Next meeting on November 8, 2012 at the State Capitol.

**PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/STAR TRAN**

1. Reply to John Condon, from Larry Worth, Transit Manager, regarding game day parking on R Street near 12<sup>th</sup> Street. (Mr. Condon's letter listed on Directors' Meeting agenda for October 8, 2012, Correspondence from Citizens, and included with this response)

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

1. Street and alley vacation No. 12007. East/West alley between South 1<sup>st</sup> Street and South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street: and O Street to N Street between 1<sup>st</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street: and the west 14 feet of South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between O Street and M Street.

**IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**V. MISCELLANEOUS**

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-7511

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** October 15, 2012

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831

**MAYOR PRESENTS SEPTEMBER AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**

Mayor Chris Beutler today presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence for September to Associate Engineer Joshua Meyer of the Engineering Services Division of the City Public Works and Utilities Department. The monthly award recognizes City employees who consistently provide exemplary service and work that demonstrates personal commitment to the City. The award was presented at the beginning of today's City Council meeting.

Meyer has worked for the City since 2009. Assistant City Engineer Randy Hoskins and Senior Engineering Specialist Dave Bernt nominated Meyer in the categories of customer relations, productivity and safety for his work to arrange for video from the City traffic cameras to be used live on KLKN-TV, channel 8.

The City began installing the traffic cameras more than a decade ago. The traffic camera video is available on the City website at [lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov), but Public Works and Utilities had long wanted to give the public greater access to the resource. In the past, there has been interest by television stations wanting to use the video on their newscasts, but technical and legal issues made it difficult.

When KLKN contacted the City in late 2010, Meyer took on the project unaware of the previous barriers. He combined a can-do attitude with his extensive knowledge of how to make it happen. He worked with Chris Connolly in the City Attorney's office to clear the legal issues, and an agreement between the City and KLKN was signed in January 2012. In exchange for the use of the traffic camera feeds, KLKN is providing more than \$25,000 worth of public service announcements to help educate the public about the Public Works and Utilities Department.

One of Meyer's first technological challenges was to coordinate the interface between the City network and the KLKN network. After successfully transmitting the traffic camera feed to KLKN, Meyer again used his advanced knowledge and technical background to successfully complete the interface between the KLKN video streamers and the City's cameras.

The arrangement is a win-win, with motorists now having more access to information to plan their travel routes. At the same time, KLKN is helping to educate the public about the important work of the department. The nominators wrote, "As a result of his efforts in doing 'what they said couldn't be done,' Josh has provided a valuable service to the citizens of Lincoln."

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**Award of Excellence**

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The other categories in which employees can be nominated are loss prevention and valor. Consideration also may be given to nominations that demonstrate self-initiated accomplishments or those completed outside of the nominee's job description. All City employees are eligible for the Mayor's Award of Excellence except for elected and appointed officials. Individuals or teams can be nominated by supervisors, peers, subordinates and the general public. Nomination forms are available at [lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov) (keyword: personnel) or from department heads, employee bulletin boards or the Personnel Department, which oversees the awards program.

All nominations are considered by the Mayor's Award of Excellence Committee, which includes a representative with each union and a non-union representative appointed by the Mayor. Award winners receive a \$50 gift certificate, a day off with pay and a plaque. All monthly winners and nominees are eligible to receive the annual award, which comes with a \$250 gift certificate, two days off with pay and a plaque.

## Mary M. Meyer

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**From:** Rick D. Hoppe  
**Sent:** Monday, October 15, 2012 3:00 PM  
**To:** DiAnna R. Schimek; 'EUWC@aol.com'; 'R. Adam Hornung'; joncamp@lincolnhaymarket.com; 'JCookCC@aol.com'; 'eskridgecb@aol.com'  
**Cc:** Mary M. Meyer; Lynn Johnson; Denise K. Pearce  
**Subject:** Civic Plaza Answer

Council

Questions about Civic Plaza funding were asked at today's Directors meeting. I was hesitant to offer numbers off the top of my head and said I would follow-up:

\$1.1 million is the approximate amount budgeted for the art portion of the project and funded by private fundraising. \$600,000 is the approximate amount for the endowment also paid for by private fundraising. \$1.6 million is the approximate amount for the Plaza's infrastructure to be paid for with tax increment financing (TIF) dollars.

These costs do not yet include design as we are still waiting on final bills.

I also wanted to verify that the project will begin in the spring of 2013 with the intent to complete by the end of construction season that year.

If you have additional questions, please contact me.

Rick Hoppe  
Chief of Staff  
Mayor Chris Beutler  
[rickhoppe@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:rickhoppe@lincoln.ne.gov)  
402-441-7511 (business)  
402-430-2505 (mobile)



## Mary M. Meyer

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**From:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** Message to PRAB members

### **Futures Committee and Fees & Facilities Committee members:**

The purpose of this message is to follow up on our discussions from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting on October 11. The Futures Committee will meet from 4 to 4:30 pm on Thursday, October 25 to review the proposed Entryway Corridors Master Plan that will be discussed during the PRAB meeting on November 8. Interested members of the Futures Committee and the Fees and Facilities Committee are invited to meet with members of the golf committee at 4:30 on Thursday, October 25 to review and refine the Purpose and Intent Statement and By-laws for the proposed Lincoln Municipal Golf Advisory Committee. As you know these documents were tabled during the Board meeting on October 11 to allow for further review. I anticipate that the two documents be reviewed for adoption during the PRAB meeting on November 8. Both of the meetings on October 25 will be in the large meeting room at the Parks and Recreation Administration Building, 2740 A Street.

Thursday, October 25

Parks and Recreation Administration Large Meeting Room, 2740 A Street

**4:00 – 4:30 pm** Futures Committee review of the proposed Entryway Corridors Master Plan

**4:30 pm** Joint meeting of Futures Committee, Fees and Facilities Committee and the golf committee to review and refinement the Purpose and Intent Statement and the By-Laws for the proposed Lincoln Municipal Golf Advisory Committee

Please confirm your attendance with Jeanne Bowling at [jbowling@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:jbowling@lincoln.ne.gov). Also, please contact me if you have questions. Thanks, Lynn

Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director  
Lincoln Parks and Recreation  
2740 A Street  
Lincoln, NE 68502  
(402)441-8265, [ljohnson@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:ljohnson@lincoln.ne.gov)



# Historic Preservation Commission

The City of Lincoln Historic Preservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday, **October 18, 2012**. The meeting will convene at 1:30 p.m. in **Room 214, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, County-City Building**, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, to consider the following agenda. For more information, contact the Planning Department at (402) 441-7491.

**October 18, 2012**

## **REVISED AGENDA**

1. Approval of HPC meeting record of September 20, 2012.
2. Opportunity for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission.

## **DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION**

3. Recommendations in accord with Redevelopment Plan for projects at Nebraska Innovation Campus: 4-H Building and Industrial Arts Building.

## **HEARING AND ACTION**

4. Application by Liz Kuhlman for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 235 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Street in the Haymarket Landmark District.
5. Application by NeighborWorks Lincoln for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at the Dr. O. C. Reynolds House, 2530 Q Street.
6. Application by Bennet Hotel Prop. Holdings LLC for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 710 P Street in the Haymarket Landmark District.
7. Application by Scott Sullivan on behalf of Engine House Café for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 6028 and 6030 Havelock Avenue in the Havelock Avenue Landmark District.
8. Application by Everett Neighborhood Association for a Certificate of Appropriateness for pedestrian guide signs, proposed to be installed on public ROW and/or private property along S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street between A St. and Lincoln Mall in the Everett Landmark District.

## **DISCUSSION**

9. Misc.
10. Staff Report.

The Historic Preservation Commission agenda may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/bdscom/hpc/index.htm>

For further information on Historic Preservation in Lincoln, visit <http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/hist/index.htm>

## Jean Preister

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**From:** Jean Preister  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 16, 2012 7:47 AM  
**To:** Jean Preister  
**Subject:** Please send these links to City Council

To: City Council Members  
From: Planning Department

Lincoln ranks high in over a dozen recent “best cities” surveys. One of the newest such surveys was developed by Reconnecting America, a national non-profit organization with the mission of improving mobility and accessibility in local communities. Their report ranks how “complete”, in terms of providing good and multi-modal access to jobs and public and private services, are each of the 366 metropolitan areas in the country. Their system compiles information on 33 different indicators, organized into 4 categories: housing, work, transportation, and health. Each metro area in three size classes is given a cumulative score from A to D for each of these categories. Lincoln was one of just 3 smaller metro areas, and one of 10 metro areas in the country, to receive As in all 4 categories. Below is a link to the article in Atlantic Cities which summarizes and links to the entire report, and a feature story from the report comparing Lincoln to the Greensboro North Carolina metro area:

<http://www.theatlanticcities.com/jobs-and-economy/2012/10/ingredients-complete-communities/3440/>

<http://reconnectingamerica.org/arewethereyet/ataleoftwocities.php>



# Memorandum

**Date:** ♦ October 16, 2012  
**To:** ♦ City Clerk  
**From:** ♦ Teresa McKinstry, Planning Dept.  
**Re:** ♦ Administrative Approvals  
**cc:** ♦ Jean Preister, Planning Dept.

This is a list of the administrative approvals by the Planning Director from October 9, 2012 thru October 15, 2012:

**Administrative Amendment No. 12053** to Special Permit No. 1753B, Vavrina Meadows 1<sup>st</sup> Addition, approved by the Planning Director on October 11, 2012, requested by ESP, Inc., to modify the lot size of Lot 4, Block 33, to add an additional clubhouse building for the residents of the apartment complex, on property generally located at S. 14<sup>th</sup> St. and Yankee Hill Rd.

**Administrative Amendment No. 12055** to Special Permit No. 12014, Pleasant Hill Acres Community Unit Plan, approved by the Planning Director on October 12, 2012, requested by Geico Development, Inc., to revise the minimum building opening elevation for Lot 3A, Block 2, from 1,228 feet to 1,226 feet, on property generally located near S. Coddington Ave. and W. Pleasant Hill Rd.

**Administrative Amendment No. 11068** to Change of Zone No. 10018, Innovation Campus Planned Unit Development, approved by the Planning Director on October 12, 2012, requested by Olsson Associates, to revise the street layout and block layout; remove the open swale along streets; revise the cross section of streets; revise the grading and drainage plan; revise flood plain information by decreasing the storage area, but still resulting in zero net rise; change the number of hotel rooms from 135 to 200; revise the bike trail location to show a protected bike path along Invention Blvd.; establish a height limit of 93 feet, since the height limit was eliminated by City Council in order that it may be set by administrative amendment; clarify and revise the General Notes, and update text on permitted uses, height & area and parking, on property generally located at N. Antelope Valley Pkwy. and Salt Creek Rdwy.

City/County Planning Department  
555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Rm. 213  
Lincoln NE 68508  
(402) 441-7491



## Jean Preister

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**From:** Michele M. Abendroth  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 18, 2012 9:01 AM  
**To:** 'Adam Rupe'; 'Allan Eurek'; 'Amanda Bauman'; 'Branden Collingsworth'; 'Camilla Rice'; Charla Rasmussen; David R. Cary; Derek W. Contreras; Ed Zimmer; 'Gordon Scholz'; 'Gregory Gustafson'; 'Holly Johnson'; 'Ian Singh'; 'Jason Stege'; Jean Preister; Jerry J. Shorney; 'John Badami'; 'John Kaslon'; 'Jon Yoachim'; 'Joyce Ebmeier'; 'Ken Fougeron'; 'Kevin Andersen'; 'Lori Houle'; Lynn Johnson; 'Lynnette Nelson'; Marvin S. Krout; 'Matt Hansen'; Megan Patent-Nygren; 'Nathan Morris'; 'Nicholas Bergin'; 'robert.ripley@nebraska.gov'; 'Ryan Knollenberg'; 'Sarah Hanzel'; 'Scott Hatfield'; 'Stuart Long'; 'tlorenz@pershingcenter.com'; 'tstickney@pershingcenter.com'; 'Zachary White'; Cecil Steward; Christie Dionisopoulos; Jeff Searcy; John Kay; Jon Weinberg; Karen Nalow; Tom Laging  
**Subject:** Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission Agenda

The **October 25, 2012** Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission has been cancelled.

Please note that the next meeting will take place on **November 8, 2012** at the State Capitol. The Capitol Environs Commission will meet at 9:00 prior to the joint meeting with the Capitol Commission at 10:00.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Planning Department at 441-7491.

### **Michele Abendroth**

Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department  
555 South 10th Street, Suite 213  
Lincoln, NE 68508  
402-441-6164



**CITY OF LINCOLN**  
**NEBRASKA**

**MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER**  
lincoln.ne.gov

StarTran  
Public Works and Utilities Department  
710<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508  
402-441-7185  
fax: 402-441-7055



October 17, 2012

Mr. John D Condon  
4613 N 144<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Omaha, NE 68116

Dear Mr. Condon:

Your October 2, 2012 correspondence to the members of the Lincoln City Council regarding game day parking on "R" Street near 12<sup>th</sup> Street was forwarded to me for response.

StarTran, Lincoln's public transit system, has operated football express services for many years between several perimeter parking locations and Memorial Stadium. The 40 buses operating this service have previously transported fans to the East Stadium and parked in the "horseshoe" east of the stadium. The construction expanding the East Stadium this year has resulted in StarTran having to relocate the football express service drop-off/pickup to 12<sup>th</sup> & "R" Streets and parking buses on "R" Street from 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Streets. The parking meters on "R" Street are hooded each home game day this season to operate this service. Although the stadium expansion is scheduled to be completed prior to the 2013 football season, the area east of the stadium is, we understand, going to be redesigned. So, we are unable to know where our operations will be located next year, and may continue at the 12<sup>th</sup> & "R" location.

I acknowledge your need to minimize the distance you walk to the stadium. As such, I would invite you to utilize the StarTran football express services. Two perimeter parking locations are convenient to you – one just south of I-80 on North 27<sup>th</sup> Street and another near the I-80 Lincoln Airport exit. Buses will transport you from either parking location to 12<sup>th</sup> & "R" Street, and back to your car after the game. Call Mr. Mike Weston, Operations Superintendent, at 402-441-8467 for more information including operating times, fares, and parking lot locations.

Sincerely,

Larry Worth  
Transit Manager

cc: Lincoln City Council Members  
Mayor Chris Beutler  
Mike Weston, StarTran

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CITY COUNCIL  
OFFICE

4613 N. 144th Ave.  
Omaha, Neb. 68116  
Oct. 2, 2012

Dear Council Members:

I am one of 85 thousand football fans that come to your city 7 days out of the year to attend the games. Millions are spent in your city, so I think we can ask for a break—7 days!

I am a 50 year season ticket holder that has parked on the street (as I leave early from Omaha) for years. In the past I've parked within 2 blocks west of the Student Union around 12th and P I think. I'm 88 years old and need to park as close to the stadium as I can. Now that is no longer possible as you have capped all those meters around that area or have busses parked in front of them.

You have stymied me for the past home games but we have three left. Can you give me or us a break and open those meters for those and future home games next year? Think of us diehard fans. There are only 7 home games. That isn't too much to ask for three games. But keep it in mind for next year also as there are only 7 days out of the year!. I don't want to quit going to games after 50 years, but at 88 I can only walk so far.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



John D. Condon  
402-895-3699

## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Beutler & City Council Members

FROM: Clinton W. Thomas

DEPARTMENT: City Council Office

DEPARTMENT: Housing Rehab & Real Estate Division

ATTENTION:

DATE: October 17, 2012

COPIES TO: Teresa J. Meier  
Marvin Krout  
Rod Confer  
Byron Blum, Bldg & Safety  
Jean Preister, Planning

SUBJECT: Street & Alley Vacation No.12007 East/West Alley between South 1<sup>st</sup> St. and South 2<sup>nd</sup> St.; and O St to N St. between 1<sup>st</sup> St. and 2<sup>nd</sup> St.; and the west 14 feet of South 2<sup>nd</sup> St. between O St. and M St.

A request has been made to vacate N Street between 1<sup>st</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street along with the west 14 feet of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from O - M Streets and the alley in the block between N Street and O Street. Upon viewing, it was observed that 2<sup>nd</sup> Street is a rock-surfaced street while 1<sup>st</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street are paved. The portion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to be vacated appears as normal street right-of-way except for the northerly 142 feet which is rocked and being utilized as a part of the abutting car lot. The easterly 75 feet of the alley to be vacated appears as an unopened alley while the westerly 200 feet is surfaced and currently being occupied by the used-car lot on that side of the block. Overhead electric, cable and telephone utilities are visible in the east half of the alley and along the east side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. No utilities are visible on the west portion of the alley to be vacated. Staff has indicated the existence of other utilities underground within various parts of the area to be vacated and has requested easements be retained over the entire area for these utilities. Public Works has also asked that a conservation easement be retained over the entire area as it is located within the 100-year flood plain.

Long, narrow strips such as the alley or the portion of South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to be vacated rarely have any value on the general market, but do have some assemblage value to the abutting properties. Vacations of street rights-of-way the width of M Street can have value as buildable lots; however, the retention of easements, particularly the conservation easement, will preclude that from happening. As such, it would have value only as assemblage land for a surface use. The underlying value of the land abutting the area to be vacated is estimated at \$5.00 per square foot. Given the imposition of various easements, a value of 20% of the value of the abutting land is considered appropriate for assemblage lands of this type. Therefore the value of the area to be vacated is estimated at \$1.00 per square foot. A majority of the abutting land is owned by the City of Lincoln and utilized as a fire station or an electrical substation. The area, if vacated, should be assembled into them at no cost. The areas of the remaining portions abutting private land are calculated as follows:

The area of South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and the alley abutting Lots 1, 2, and 3 to be vacated  
2,700 sq. ft. X \$1.00/sq. ft. = \$2,700.00

The area of N Street and the alley abutting Lots 3 through 16 to be vacated  
13,400 sq. ft. X \$1.00/sq. ft. = \$13,400.00

Therefore, it is recommended if the area be vacated it be sold to the abutting property owners for the value shown above.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Clinton W. Thomas  
Certified General Appraiser #990023

**DIRECTORS' AGENDA  
ADDENDUM  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012**

**I. CITY CLERK**

**II. MAYOR & DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE**

**MAYOR**

1. NEWS RELEASE. StarTran offers free shuttles for Boo at the Zoo.
2. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to One Book - One Lincoln events.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler's public schedule for the week of October 20, 2012 through October 26, 2012.

**III. DIRECTORS**

**COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

1. Meeting agenda for Commission on Human Rights on Thursday, October 25, 2012.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

1. Action by the Planning Commission, October 17, 2012.
2. Planning Commission Final Action Notice, October 17, 2012.

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

1. Final Edition of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

**IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS**

1. Mike James InterLinc correspondence stating his views on low impact fees taxing average citizens.

**PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**  
StarTran, 710 “J” Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-7185

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** October 19, 2012

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Kitty Elliott, StarTran, 402-441-7185

## **STARTRAN OFFERS FREE SHUTTLES FOR BOO AT THE ZOO**

StarTran will provide free shuttle bus service from three locations for the annual “Boo At The Zoo” October 26 through 30 at the Lincoln Children’s Zoo.

Continuous shuttle service will begin at 4:30 p.m. from these parking lots:

- Lincoln High School, 2229 “J” Street, north side
- Ideal Grocery and Ace Hardware, 900 block of South 27th Street, west side
- Antelope Park lots north and south of Auld

Buses will run about every 20 minutes until 9 p.m. each evening.

For more information, call StarTran at 402-476-1234 or visit [startran.lincoln.ne.gov](http://startran.lincoln.ne.gov).

**LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES**

136 S. 14th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-8500

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** October 19, 2012

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Barbara Hansen, Lincoln City Libraries, 402-441-8512

**PUBLIC INVITED TO ONE BOOK-ONE-LINCOLN EVENTS**

Lincoln City Libraries invites the community to a series of events celebrating the 2012 One Book – One Lincoln selection, Destiny of the Republic by Candice Millard. The book tells the story of President James Garfield, who rose from abject poverty to the nation's highest office. When he was shot four months after taking office, the nation was plunged into turmoil. Millard details the politics, medicine and science of the era in her best-selling narrative history.

The following programs are free and open to the public:

**Is There a Doctor in the House?**

Susan Lawrence, UNL Professor of History, will explore the time period in medical history when myth, misdiagnosis and misinformation proved fatal to a President.

**Tuesday, October 23**, 7 p.m., Walt Branch Library, 6701 So. 14th Street

**Sunday, October 28**, 2 p.m., Gere Branch Library, 2400 So. 56th Street

**Criminal Insanity - What You Don't Know: Madness, Murder and Motivation**

Lancaster County Attorney Joe Kelly leads a panel of experts in mental health law and clinical psychology in a discussion of the historical, social and psychological aspects of this legal defense.

**Tuesday, November 27**, 7 p.m., Callen Conference Room, Nebraska Wesleyan University

**Sunday, December 2**, 2 p.m., Eiseley Branch Library, 1530 Superior Street

**Campaigns and Cartoons: The Role of Caricature in Political Persuasion**

The Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site traveling exhibit features 36 original sketches and published political cartoons examining the evolution of the art form and the lives of noted artists who produced and popularized symbols such as Uncle Sam, Miss Columbia, the donkey and the elephant.

On display **December and January**, first floor, Bennett Martin Public Library, 136 So. 14th Street

**Friday, December 7**, 6 to 8 p.m., opening reception

**Sunday, December 16**, 2 p.m., gallery talk with political cartoonist Neal Obermeyer

**OLLI Radio Active Players** will present dramatic readings from the book followed by discussion.

**Monday, January 14**, 1 and 7:30 p.m., Lincoln Community Playhouse, 2500 So. 56th Street

Copies of Destiny of the Republic are available at Lincoln City Libraries and retailers in various formats. For more information or to schedule a discussion leader, call 402-441-8500 or visit [lincolnlibraries.org](http://lincolnlibraries.org).

Date: October 19, 2012

Contact: Diane Gonzolas, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7831

**Mayor Beutler's Public Schedule**  
**Week of October 20 through 26, 2012**  
*Schedule subject to change*

Saturday, October 20

- Ralston Arena Grand Opening, remarks - 7 p.m., 7300 "Q" Street, Ralston

Monday, October 22

- Nebraska Wind Conference, remarks - 8:30 a.m., Cornhusker Hotel, 333 S. 13th St.

Tuesday, Oct. 23

- KFOR - 12:30 p.m. (recorded earlier).

Wednesday, October 24

- Lincoln and Nebraska Chambers of Commerce State Legislative Forum breakfast - 7:30 a.m., The Nebraska Club, 233 S. 13th St.
- Niagara Foundation "Lincoln Talks," remarks - UNL Student Union 1400 "R" St., Georgian Room, second floor

Thursday, October 25

- News conference - 10 a.m., topic and location to be announced
- Downtown Lincoln Association annual luncheon, remarks - noon, Embassy Suites, 1040 "P" St.
- Mayor's Committee for International Friendship/Lincoln Commission for International Visitors annual dinner, remarks - 6 p.m., The Knolls, 2201 Old Cheney Road

Friday, October 26

- Convention and Meeting Center Facilities Financing Board's public hearing on City's turnback tax application for Pinnacle Bank Arena, remarks - 9 a.m., Governor's Hearing Room, State Capitol

**CITY OF LINCOLN  
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS  
Thursday, October 25, 2012**

**4:00 p.m.**

City Council Chambers, 555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street

**AGENDA**

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes of September 27, 2012 Commission Meeting
- III. Approval of Agenda for October 25, 2012 Commission Meeting
- IV. Case Dispositions
  - A. Reasonable Cause/No Reasonable Cause
    - 1. LCHR No.: 12-0110-001-PA
    - 2. LCHR No.: 12-0224-006-E-R
    - 3. LCHR No.: 12-0224-007-E-R
    - 4. LCHR No.: 12-0321-012-E-R
    - 5. LCHR No.: 12-0326-013-E-R
    - 6. LCHR No.: 12-0521-024-E-R
    - 7. LCHR No.: 12-0604-011-H
    - 8. LCHR No.: 12-0719-016-H
  - B. Pre-Determination Settlements
    - 1. LCHR No.: 12-0810-018-H
- V. Administrative Closures
  - A. Withdrawal
    - 1. LCHR No.: 12-0628-012-H
- VI. Old Business
  - A. Opportunity for the Chair to comment on the meeting with the Department of Justice representatives
- VII. New Business
  - A. Focus Group
  - B. Robert's Rules of Order
  - C. LCHR By-Laws
- VIII. Public Comment\*\*
- IX. Adjournment

\*\*Public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person. Members of the public may address any item of interest to the LCHR during this open session ***with the exception of LCHR cases***. Also, no member of the public who wishes to address the Commission will be allowed to examine any individual Commissioner or staff member on any item/question before the Commission unless invited to do so by the Chairperson.

**\*\* ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION \*\***  
**October 17, 2012**

**NOTICE:** The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 17, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., in Hearing Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Lincoln, Nebraska, on the following items. For more information, call the Planning Department, (402) 441-7491.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE:** The Planning Commission action is final action on any item with a notation of "FINAL ACTION". Any aggrieved person may appeal Final Action of the Planning Commission to the City Council or County Board by filing a Notice of Appeal with the City Clerk or County Clerk within 14 days following the action of the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission action on all other items is a recommendation to the City Council or County Board.

**AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2012**

**[Commissioners Gaylor Baird, Sunderman and Weber absent]**

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held October 3, 2012. **\*\*APPROVED, 5-0 (Gaylor Baird, Sunderman and Weber absent)\*\***

- 1. CONSENT AGENDA:**  
**(Public Hearing and Administrative Action)**

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:**

- Page 01
- 1.1 Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 12015, to review as to conformance with the 2040 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, the proposal to declare property as surplus, generally located north of Vine Street between N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.  
**Staff recommendation: Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan**  
**Staff Planner: Brandon Garrett, 402-441-6373, [bgarrett@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:bgarrett@lincoln.ne.gov)**  
**Planning Commission recommendation: A FINDING OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, 5-0 (Gaylor Baird, Sunderman and Weber absent).**  
**Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 5, 2012, 3:00 p.m.**

## PERMITS:

- Page 09
- 1.2 Special Permit No. 1118A, an amendment to waive the parking requirement for an existing landmark used as apartments, on property generally located at S. 18<sup>th</sup> Street and L Street (344 S. 18<sup>th</sup> Street).  
**Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval**  
**Staff Planner: Ed Zimmer, 402-441-6360, [ezimmer@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:ezimmer@lincoln.ne.gov)**  
**Planning Commission recommendation: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the staff report dated October 4, 2012, 5-0 (Gaylor Baird, Sunderman and Weber absent).**  
**Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 5, 2012, 3:00 p.m.**

2. **REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL: (See Items 5.1a,b,c below)**

3. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None.**

4. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:**

## COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

- Page 21
- 4.1 County Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 12014, to review the proposed Lancaster County Road and Bridge Construction Program, Fiscal Year 2013 and 2014-2018, as to conformity with the 2040 Lincoln City/Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan.  
**Staff recommendation: Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan**  
**Staff Planner: Michael Brienzo, 402-441-6369, [mbrienzo@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:mbrienzo@lincoln.ne.gov)**  
**Had public hearing.**  
**Planning Commission recommendation: A FINDING OF GENERAL CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, 5-0 (Gaylor Baird, Sunderman and Weber absent).**  
**Public Hearing before the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 20, 2012, 7:00 p.m.**

## MISCELLANEOUS:

- Page 33
- 4.2 Waiver No. 12020, to waive the requirement of the Land Subdivision Ordinance to construct a pedestrian sidewalk, on property generally located at Lucile Drive and Pioneers Boulevard. \*\*\* **FINAL ACTION** \*\*\*  
**Staff recommendation: Denial**  
**Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, [bwill@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:bwill@lincoln.ne.gov)**  
**Had public hearing.**  
**Planning Commission 'final action': DENIED, 5-0 (Gaylor Baird, Sunderman and Weber absent).**

**5. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:**

*(for staff reports on the following items, see October 3, 2012 agenda)*

**ANNEXATION WITH RELATED ITEMS:**

Page 23 5.1a Annexation No. 12004, to annex approximately 5 acres, more or less, generally located at S. 84<sup>th</sup> Street and Amber Hill Road.  
**Staff recommendation: Approval**  
**Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, [bwill@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:bwill@lincoln.ne.gov)**  
**Applicant’s request for additional two-week deferral granted, with CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION scheduled for Wednesday, October 31, 2012, 1:00 p.m.**

Page 23 5.1b Change of Zone No. 12027, from AGR Agricultural Residential District to R-3 Residential District, on property generally located at S. 84<sup>th</sup> Street and Amber Hill Road.  
**Staff recommendation: Approval**  
**Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, [bwill@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:bwill@lincoln.ne.gov)**  
**Applicant’s request for additional two-week deferral granted, with CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION scheduled for Wednesday, October 31, 2012, 1:00 p.m.**

Page 31 5.1c Special Permit No. 06001B, an amendment to the Grand Terrace Community Unit Plan, to expand the boundaries by adding a five acre lot to allow approximately 31 additional dwelling units, with a waiver request to cul-de-sac radius, on property generally located at S. 84<sup>th</sup> Street and Amber Hill Road. **\*\*\* FINAL ACTION \*\*\***  
**Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval**  
**Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, [bwill@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:bwill@lincoln.ne.gov)**  
**Applicant’s request for additional two-week deferral granted, with CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION scheduled for Wednesday, October 31, 2012, 1:00 p.m.**

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**AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO**

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**PENDING LIST:** *none*

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which is broadcast live at 1:00 p.m. every other Wednesday  
will be rebroadcast on Sundays at 1:00 p.m. on 5 City TV, Cable Channel 5.**

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<http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/pcagenda/index.htm>**

**PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION  
NOTIFICATION**

**TO :** Mayor Chris Beutler  
Lincoln City Council

**FROM :** Jean Preister, Planning

**DATE :** October 18, 2012

**RE :** Notice of final action by Planning Commission: October 17, 2012

Please be advised that on October 17, 2012, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission voted 5-0 to **deny** the following waiver request:

**Waiver No. 12020**, requested by Hamann Meadows Townhomes, LLC, to modify the Land Subdivision Ordinance to waive the requirement that a pedestrian way be provided when a block length exceeds 1,000 feet, on property generally located between Crystal and Diamond Courts, approximately one block northeast of the intersection of Pioneers Boulevard and South 76<sup>th</sup> Street.

This is final action unless appealed to the City Council by filing a notice of appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the action by the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission Resolution may be accessed on the internet at [www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov) (Keyword = PATS). Use the "Search Selection" screen and search by application number (i.e. WVR12020). The Resolution and Planning Department staff report are in the "Related Documents" under the application number.

## **DISTRIBUTION OF FINAL EDITION OF CIP**

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**TO:** City Council Members

**FROM:** Sara Hartzell, Planning Department

**DATE:** October 17, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Final Edition of CIP

**COPIES:** Jean Preister - File (with no attachments)

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*The City of Lincoln's FY 2012/2013 - 2017/2018 Capital Improvement Program* has been posted on the Planning Department website at <http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/capital/index.htm>.

In the past we have also distributed a paper copy to City Council Members. In the interest of conserving resources, we are only doing this if requested. If you would prefer a hard copy of the CIP, please let Sara Hartzell at 441-6371 or Michele Abendroth (441-6164) in the Planning Department know and we will get one to you as quickly as possible.

The CIP document can be easily accessed by following the directions below:

Once you have logged onto the City's InterLinc site (<[www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov)>), follow these easy steps to view the portion of CIP document you are looking for:

- Type the keyword "cip" into the Search box in the center of the page
- Select "*Final Edition FY 2012/2013 - 2017/2018*" under the **Current Program** heading
- From there you are able to link directly to the summary tables and departmental programs by clicking the appropriate link

Each file has been created in a "pdf" format, which means that you and your staff will be able to print copies of the CIP as you need them.

If you have any questions concerning how to view and print the document, or if you have questions concerning the content of the CIP, please feel free to contact Sara Hartzell at 441-6371 or [shartzell@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:shartzell@lincoln.ne.gov). Thank you.

## Mary M. Meyer

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**From:** WebForm [none@lincoln.ne.gov]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 21, 2012 10:33 PM  
**To:** Council Packet  
**Subject:** InterLinc: Council Feedback

InterLinc: City Council Feedback for  
General Council

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**Comment or Question:**  
Low Impact Fees tax average citizens

The current impact fee policy makes about as much sense as exempting movie theater popcorn from sales taxes to help out the average popcorn eating, movie attendee. To not tax land developers for their share of the input cost means you are shifting the city's development cost on to the average taxpayer. The price of movie theater popcorn is based on what the market will bear, not what it costs to pop. Just as the price of a residential lot is based on market forces, not input costs. All for profit businesses set their prices based on market forces. Only the government sets prices based on input costs. Low impact fees help the biggest of the big. Small businesses like plumbers, roofers, and electricians do not have pricing power based on impact fee policy. The pricing power is all in the big land holders and lot developers. An artificially low impact fee policy boosts their bottom line at the expense of the average taxpayer.

Imagine if the city Administration raised sales and property taxes to fund subsidies on new residential lot development. What would the reaction would be? The argument should be between how much land developer pays verses building developer of the total cost of the city infrastructure improvement. Keep the average taxpayer out of the equation.

**MINUTES  
DIRECTORS' MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012**

**Present:** Carl Eskridge, Acting Chair; Gene Carroll; Jonathan Cook; Doug Emery; and DiAnna Schimek

**Absent:** Adam Hornung, Chair; and Jon Camp

**Others:** Joan Ross, City Clerk; Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff; and Lynn Johnson, Parks & Rec Director

Chair Eskridge opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

**I. CITY CLERK**

Ross, outlining the formal meeting agenda, stated her handout contained the Miscellaneous Referrals to add a hearing date for November 5<sup>th</sup> on a liquor license application. Motion to Amend, No. 1, page 2, Public Liquor Resolutions, Items 7 and 8, application of Henry's on South, to be called together, as well as Items 9 and 10, and Items 11 and 12. Council received emails on Items 9 and 10. Items 14 and 15, page 3, will be called together.

**II. MAYOR**

1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor presents September Award of Excellence to Associate Engineer Joshua Meyer of Engineering Services, Public Works and Utilities Department.
2. Chief of Staff Rick Hoppe's reply to questions asked during the Directors Meeting on October 15<sup>th</sup> regarding funding of Civic Plaza.

No comment

Hoppe stated they met with Council, in small groups, on the Telecommunications Ordinance and shared drafts. Our goal was to respond to the Legislature, and the restrictions placed on our Telecommunications Tax. Most notably the restriction included no longer taxing telecommunications equipment. Did receive feedback and anticipate introducing within a couple of weeks. The draft will be very similar to the one shared with Council, with one exception. Believe we'll loosen some reporting requirements. Now have three categories reporting but a couple were thought to be onerous and we may remove. Mostly the draft remains as shown to Council, and we will move forward within a few weeks.

**III. DIRECTORS**

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

1. Parks Futures Committee, Fees and Facilities Committee, and Golf Committee memo from Lynn Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director, regarding meetings on Thursday, October 25.

No comment

**PARKS AND RECREATION - Lynn Johnson, Director**

Johnson stated on today's agenda, Ordinance 12-137, is allocation of money designated to the CIP between projects. At first when we took initiative believed some of this funding was suppose to be used for street trees. Initially thought it would make sense to move into the CIP and use for contractual entries. Pioneer's Park now has over 500 Pines which have to come down over the next several months. Under our Unit Price Contract removing one of the trees is about \$120,000 to \$130,000. Our cost to remove is approximately one-third of that amount, so we proposed rather than move money into the CIP put into unclassified labor. Will hire additional staff to work with our forestry crews, as we can do efficiently and cost effective. Will have a Motion to Amend next week to show the shift of funds. The money will go for the same purpose but be more cost efficient if we hire seasonal staff, or unclassified staff, to help.

## **PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

1. Revised agenda for the Historic Preservation Commission meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2012.
2. Lincoln's ranking in "best Cities" surveys, with explanation of one of the newest surveys by Reconnecting America. Links included for complete report.
3. Administrative approvals by the Planning Director from October 9, 2012 through October 15, 2012.
4. The October 25, 2012 Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission has been cancelled. Next meeting on November 8, 2012 at the State Capitol.

No comment

## **PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES/STAR TRAN**

1. Reply to John Condon, from Larry Worth, Transit Manager, regarding game day parking on R Street near 12<sup>th</sup> Street. (Mr. Condon's letter listed on Directors' Meeting agenda for October 8, 2012, Correspondence from Citizens, and included with this response)

No comment

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

1. Street and alley vacation No. 12007. East/West alley between South 1<sup>st</sup> Street and South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street: and O Street to N Street between 1<sup>st</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street: and the west 14 feet of South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between O Street and M Street.

No comment

## **IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS**

No comment

## **V. MISCELLANEOUS**

None

## **VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS**

None

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Eskridge adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.