



Date/Time: February 22, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, 1128 Lincoln Mall, Suite 100 and
Teams Conference (remote): [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Topic: ACT Business Meeting

MINUTES

Attendance:

Name	Entity	In person	Remote	Absent
Amy Eidenmiller, Co-Chair	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jeanne McClure, Co-Chair	ACT Committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Andrew Bateman	ACT Committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Katie Bohlmeier	ACT Committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kyle Fischer	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Zachary James	ACT Committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rick Krueger	ACT Committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Melissa Landis	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Russell Miller	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vish Reddi	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Alynn Sampson	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Robert Suarez	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shea Svoboda	ACT Committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hunter Traynor	ACT Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Elizabeth Elliott	LTU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Erika Hill	LTU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kris Humphrey	LTU	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laura Paeglis	LTU (taking minutes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nicole Ramirez	LTU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thomas Shafer	LTU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Erin Sokolik	LTU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Steve Henrichsen	Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

AGENDA

The draft agenda and draft PowerPoint slides were provided to ACT members in advance of the meeting and revised PowerPoint slides were shown during the meeting. Revised PowerPoint slides will be sent to the Committee with the meeting minutes.

1. Getting Started
 - a. Welcome
 - b. Charge Statement / Ballot Language – Read by Jeanne McClure
2. Public Awareness and Education
 - a. Around the Community
 - i. 2023 Annual Report is now available on the website:
<https://app.lincoln.ne.gov/city/ltu/streets/annual-report.htm>
 - ii. December 18, 2023, News Conference with the Mayor on the Annual Report – Thank you to Amy, Jeanne, and Kyle for speaking during the news conference.
 - iii. Social Media Posts
 - (1) Videos of the new pedestrian hybrid beacon at N 48th St & Huntington Ave – community service announcement on how to use the signal whether you are a driver or a pedestrian – PROWAG guidelines will guide how LTU handles pedestrian access going forward
 - (2) Updates on the number of potholes filled with promotion of UPLNK to report potholes – UPLNK database stores the requests and routes them
 - iv. Projects Webpage <https://lincoln.ne.gov/projects> - Kris showed the Google analytics of the page views and sessions – bell curve with greater web access during peak construction months
 - v. Upcoming Public Meetings:
 - (1) Country Club Residential Rehab and Watermain CIPP Lining, March 14th 5:00 to 7:00pm, Sheridan Elementary School, 3100 Plymouth Ave
 - (2) 11th Street, South St to K St, March 12th 5:00 to 7:00pm, Everett Elementary School, 1123 C St
 - (3) S 84th St, Pinedale Ave to Sandalwood Dr, March 19th 5:00 to 7:00pm, Messiah Lutheran Church, 1800 S 84th St
 - (4) S 14th St, Yankee Hill Rd to Pine Lake Rd – TBD
 - (5) W Highland Blvd & W Fletcher Ave, tentatively March 11th 5:00 to 7:00pm, location TBD
 - (6) LTU will have updated “What is Lincoln on the Move” boards at future public meetings.
3. General LOTM Program Updates
 - a. Revenues
 - i. The current fiscal year collections continue to trend above projections. FY23/24 LOTM projection is \$15.7M. Through February 2024, collections for the current fiscal year exceed projections by almost \$1.2M.
 - ii. The LOTM funding is split between Existing Streets (73.5%), Growth (25.0%), and the Joint Project at 33rd & Cornhusker (1.5%).

- b. Recent Bids – projects are coming in really well (under estimates) as are sidewalk projects. Question on reasoning for lower prices and new names, DAX Construction, Lobato. Kris noted that both of these are newer companies and perhaps with more competition prices are down. Inflation is also a factor. These are the first round of projects bid this year. Kris added that Bookstrom typically constructs utility projects, but the Country Club residential rehabilitation project they bid on was tied to a water main lining project. K2 was awarded the bid of the Country Club rehabilitation project because they were the lowest responsive bidder of adding the bids of the street improvement project with the water main lining project because the bids were tied together. It was noted that when new contractors bid on projects with the City, they meet with the City to discuss their capabilities prior to potentially being awarded a project. This is done to prequalify Contractors to do the work on specific types of projects.
 - i. W Highland Blvd & W Fletcher Ave - \$1M under estimate
 - ii. S 84th St, Pinedale Ave to Sandalwood Dr - \$0.5M under estimate
 - iii. 11th Street, South St to K St - \$0.75M under estimate
 - iv. Country Club Residential Rehab - \$45K under estimate
- c. Project Updates
 - i. Three projects are carrying over from 2023
 - (a) 48th St, mill, base repairs and overlay will be completed in 2024 between Huntington and Madison coordinating this project with the Leighton project
 - (b) W A St street construction will continue between SW 36th and SW 23rd
 - (c) S 40th, Rokeby to Yankee Hill
 - ii. 2024 Street Construction – LOTM
 - (1) W Highland Blvd & W Fletcher Ave – 1/10/24 bid
 - (2) S 84th St, Pinedale Ave to Sandalwood Dr – 2/09/24 bid
 - (3) Leighton Ave, 48th to 70th – March bid
 - (4) S 14th St, Yankee Hill Rd to Pine Lake Rd – March bid with base repair this year, UBAS in 2025 to coordinate with the NW 12th St project
 - (5) Country Club Neighborhood – 12/07/23 bid
 - (6) 11th St, South St to K St – 1/05/24 bid
 - ~~(7) Eastridge Neighborhood – April bid (moved to 2025 to coordinate with school and water main construction)~~
 - (8) Other projects:
 - (a) 17th St, A St to S St – street improvements moved to 2025, water main improvements from A to H and K to O will be constructed in 2024. This allows for unknowns associated with water main construction to not impact the street improvement schedule.

- (b) Normal Blvd, 33rd St – 70th St – construction schedule under evaluation
- iii. 2024 Non-LOTM projects
 - (a) 66th & Cotner Blvd & Adams St – signal replacement (Federal aid) – 2/29/24 NDOT bid
 - (b) 84th & College Park Dr - signal replacement (Federal aid) – 2/29/24 NDOT bid
 - (c) 16th & S St sidewalk ramp improvements – March bid
 - (d) 31st & Old Cheney Rd rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) – April bid
- iv. Question on the status of the 14th & Warlick intersection – Kris may have more information at the next meeting as coordinating with NDOT on West Beltway updates
- v. Other Project Updates
 - (1) Geotechnical work is currently being performed for potential 2025 projects. This information combined with available funding will be used to determine 2025 projects. Potential projects include:
 - (a) N 33rd St/ Fletcher Ave, Superior St to 27th St (District 1)
 - (b) S 70th St, Pioneers Blvd to Van Dorn St (District 2)
 - (c) S 48th St, Normal Blvd to S Cotner Blvd (Districts 2 and 3). A question was asked if the intersection of S 48th & Cotner will be a roundabout. This intersection is part of a future federal aid project and currently the design involves replacing the signal at this intersection.
 - (d) Pine Lake Rd, S 14th St to S 27th St (Districts 2 and 3) – a suggestion was made to extend the east limit of this project to 30th St to include the business district area. The City will evaluate this suggestion.
 - (e) S 27th St, Nebraska Pkwy to South St (District 3)
 - (f) 10th St, A St to Q St (District 4)
 - (2) Other Projects – b thru d below are currently having geotechnical work performed and will be considered for 2025 projects.
 - (a) R St, 48th St to N Cotner Blvd (District 1) – additions to this project resulted in the scope costing more than available funding resulting in a re-evaluation of the project. After further review, the City decided in the best interest to postpone this project indefinitely and divert funding to higher priority projects
 - (b) Nebraska Pkwy 14th to 27th (District 3)
 - (c) Nebraska Pkwy 48th to 56th (District 2)
 - (d) Vine St 48th to 70th (District 1) – the City has received many pavement condition complaints along this street segment

4. Other Topics

- a. Kris noted that projects are heavy on arterial streets this year with a lot of work going on. The City has a robust public involvement initiative this year consisting of combinations of pre-construction open houses, letters, and postcards depending on the project. The City is utilizing the USPS “Every Door Direct Mail” system which delivers mail more efficiently to apartments and businesses. Nicole and Erika are working closely with Project Delivery staff with public engagement on each project.
- b. 2024 ACT meeting location/times – moved to the Chamber of Commerce with virtual option
 - i. April 25
 - ii. June 27
 - iii. August 22
 - iv. October 24
 - v. December 12

5. Wrapping Up

- a. Anything else we need to cover?
 - i. Erika Hill noted that she has received approval to start planning an education campaign thru the City of Lincoln that will start off answering the big main transportation questions and slowly transition into LOTM education. She is starting to brainstorm different topics to focus on. Erika would love to hear the big questions we anticipate that the public has. Please email her with any topics. Discussion began on the following topics.
 - (1) Funding sources – Shea believes that information & communication on what the wheel tax is would be beneficial. The public thinks roads are so bad. He said the wheel tax in terms of a pie chart would show the breakdown. An additional pie chart with all funding options would help as well. Jeanne added that viewing the entire city budget vs LTU would be helpful to see where all the money goes. Perhaps an interactive view could show streets vs utilities and how it all gets broken down. This also relates to how the Mayor discusses City finances. Shea noted showing the public “the colors of money” as people need more information.
 - (2) Shea has heard more complaints about potholes this winter and he asks has LTU heard more or less complaints and what are we doing to proactively inform the public? Erika noted that more potholes this year with freeze/thaw cycles in January and February. How can LOTM help the pothole situation? Are there statistics from other cities similar to Lincoln that can show how Lincoln compares to others in terms of the number of potholes?

- (3) Shea recalls a graphic of how much money is needed and the funding gap that is needed to repair all streets. Perhaps that can be included again as the amount of money needed to complete all projects is immense.
 - (4) Kris added that it would be beneficial to include how projects are chosen and how projects get into the queue. They start with the L RTP and fiscal constraints. Incorporate information from Erin and Thomas in this area.
 - (5) What goes into a project when federal funding is included? How do federal, state, county, and city funds work together on projects? Several examples: 56th St, Randolph St, and A St. Federally funded projects are worth the wait! Federally funded projects allow us to use local funds for other projects. It is a lengthy wait, but it is additional non-local money. How to better inform the public of this?
 - (6) People can get used to certain levels of unfixed areas. LTU does not know about repair areas unless people report it. LTU urges the public to report items in the UPLNK app.
 - (7) Russell inquired about funding gaps and how arterial streets are to be built by impact fees. Yet these impact fees have been frozen for new construction. What is going on with impact fees currently?
 - (8) Federal funds typically provide 80% of the project and the remaining 20% is City funded for local match. In the future we may need to have our local dollars going to these match projects if additional revenue sources are not available.
 - (9) Nice to have LTU's own public information office to handle many requests. Kris noted that it makes projects more cohesive and well thought out which makes it easier for LTU. Project consultants coordinate with Erika and Nicole as well.
- b. Future Topics:
- i. Community conversations about the Lincoln on the Move program
 - ii. Public Rights of Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG)
 - iii. Federal Regulations for birds and bats

Meeting ended at 3:50pm.

NEXT MEETING

**Thursday, April 25, 2024, 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, 1128 Lincoln Mall, Suite 100,
Conference Room with virtual option**

Follow-up: Provide the revised PowerPoint presentation to the Committee members with the minutes of the meeting. The revised PowerPoint presentation includes:

- 1. The updated list of the public meeting locations and date/times
- 2. Google analytic numbers of the LTU projects pages over 2023
- 3. The updated list of other project updates
- 4. Correction of District numbers on the other project updates slide