

DIRECTORS' ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

**Monday, April 5, 2021
555 S. 10th Street
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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Angela M. Birkett

From: Robert L. Walla
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 7:02 AM
To: Council Packet; Jennifer J. Brinkman
Subject: Pre-Qualification Approval

Good Morning,

R.W. Engineering has applied with the City of Lincoln for prequalification in the fields of Construction Management, Civil Engineering and Surveying. I have reviewed the information and references for R.W. Engineering and approve of their application in these fields. If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact me. Thank you

Bob Walla

*Robert Walla - CPPB
City of Lincoln/Lancaster County Purchasing Agent
402-441-8309
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Lincoln, NE 68508*

Angela M. Birkett

From: Trevor Reilly <t.reilly0621@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2021 6:50 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Much more to bump stocks
Attachments: Ali Alkazahg and Trevor Reilly 2017.jpg

To clarify, I think bump stocks are a gimmick, but I also think this ordinance is just one of many that lead to unintended consequences.

What wound up happening to Ali was that he was overcharged in a military hearing and he is only now approaching the end of his incarceration. NCIS dug so deep that they used a birth certificate misprint to justify "false enlistment" charges.

<https://www.stripes.com/news/us/marine-private-sentenced-to-three-years-after-attempting-to-bring-illegal-firearms-onto-offutt-afb-1.614843>

Trevor Reilly
2436 C Street, Apt 1
Lincoln, Ne 68502
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"Do something wonderful... people may imitate it"
-Albert Schweitzer



Angela M. Birkett

From: Robert Borer <robert.borer@doane.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Council Packet; Mayor; Robert Borer; fuhrerbaird@tyrant.com
Subject: Revised in-person city council statement on all things "pandemic," for the written public record

Fearful Council Members-

It's been over a year now since our fuhrer declared a state of emergency over an alleged contagion that has never been isolated, over a diagnostic test that has never been FDA approved and over a manufactured right to a hospital bed if you should get sick. (Remember how it was all about flattening the curve to save our "healthcare" system? We didn't have a right to work or congregate, but we had a right to a hospital bed. Utter BS.)

Nonetheless, she's been trying to fear-monger the community ever since, and CON everyone into wearing unapproved face diapers...into being antisocial...and into getting unapproved quackccines. (By unapproved, I mean that it was never approved by the FDA, and ONLY authorized for emergency use...which simply means it is purely experimental and therefore cannot be mandated...which further simply means she has to keep her fake pandemic emergency declaration going, because if there's no declared emergency, then emergency-use only products can not be used...and she cannot defraud the American taxpayer of the extra "federal" and "state" dollars she desires to get her hands on so she can play God and decide winners and losers in the community.

Real pandemics don't require 24/7 marketing campaigns and advertising.

Real Americans don't participate in non stop fear-mongering and propaganda.

And herein is the problem. Fuhrer Baird is not a real American. She is anti-American. She is an anti-God, anti-inherent and unalienable rights, anti-liberty and anti-Constitution political hack.

....which means she was internally compelled to obey her anti-American overlords and help facilitate the biggest scam in the history of the world.

And you all were likewise compelled, being cut from the same cloth.

No one stopped to think and ask, how would we know there's a pandemic here in Nebraska, if not for this unapproved test? (The answer is, we wouldn't have known, because there was no pandemic, here, or elsewhere.)

No one stopped to think and ask, why are they only encouraging people to get tested, and not FORCING them, i.e., ALL of us?

The answer, of course, is because a test authorized for emergency use-only cannot be mandated. People had to voluntarily participate in the manufacture of this fake pandemic by voluntarily getting tested. That killed two birds with one stone. It gave them the false positive test results they needed and it gave them the buy-in they needed.

No one stopped to think and ask, what authorizes them to essentially arrest healthy people from their daily lives and occupations and force them to wear masks and close their businesses?

No one. No one stopped to think. Least of all, you, Council members. Everyone just assumed they had the authority. (Which tells us no one knew their God-given rights and Constitution.)

If anyone would have actually read municipal code (8.18), they would have found that nothing there gives anyone the authority to control healthy and otherwise law-abiding citizens.

Nothing.

Nothing gives them the authority to test *healthy* people—or even sick people for that matter—for the simple reason that the test is authorized for emergency use only (which means it's experimental and can NOT be mandated).

Without a positive test result, nothing authorizes them to come to the conclusion that you are a carrier, asymptomatic or not. And if you know the test in this case is purely experimental, then you would know that even that doesn't authorize them to conclude you are a carrier (who should be quarantined). The dominoes all fall from there. Nothing authorizes them to close businesses, or write citations. The citations are meaningless, and thrown out in court, if you fight them and don't roll over.

People ignore the lunacy of walking into a restaurant with a mask on when the place is full of people seated withOUT masks! Since when did people stop breathing, talking, sneezing and coughing just because they sat down?

I watched Sleepy Joe drop his mask the other day just so he could cough. I've watched U.S senators do the same, in session. I thought that was the whole point of the mask. I guess not.

I have news for you. You're not wearing that mask for my benefit. I've been around tens of thousands of unmasked people this past year, across several states, and I haven't been sick yet. Not once. Nor have I made anyone else sick.

I repeat, you are not protecting anyone by wearing that face diaper and supporting this anti-social nonsense. You aren't protecting grandma. She's locked up somewhere. Even if she wasn't, you wouldn't be protecting her by having that dumb thing over your face.

You aren't making "others feel comfortable" by wearing it, either. That's just an excuse to cover for your cowardice to stand up to their lies. You are only demonstrating your willingness to be a pawn. You are only telling your neighbor that you regard them as your enemy. You are only promoting and fueling fear. You are only facilitating more economic, social and emotional harm. Only an enemy would do that.

Real Americans aren't afraid. They are fearless. (Real, self-employed Americans know that if they don't work, they don't eat.)

But fear is all that I see in this Council. Several of you are now wearing two masks. How silly and fearful of you? How silly and fearful are you going to get?

You're afraid of the boogeyman, afraid of the fuhrer and afraid of your own bodies. If you weren't, you'd stand up and expose her for the fraud that you know she is.

There is no God-given or Constitutional right to a hospital bed. Life itself is a risk. If you don't like the risk on a given day, stay home and starve.....or have your parents hire someone to suckle you until you grow up

Robert Borer

Angela M. Birkett

From: Justin R. Kohmetscher
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 8:20 AM
To: Council Packet
Cc: webhelp
Subject: FW: InterLinc - Feedback

From the website feedback form.

From: OpenForms <noreply@openforms.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 7:02 PM
To: webhelp <webhelp@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: InterLinc - Feedback



InterLinc - Feedback

Web Feedback

Name	Patsy Shald
Street Address	1221 Beechcraft Rd
City	Lincoln
State	NE
Zip Code	68527
Phone Number	4024712109
Email	pudgepl@hotmail.com
Comments	I would like the council to keep the barricades CLOSED on our street(s). Our streets are not made for any more traffic that what our area has. Weathford has made an increase in crime and undo traffic here. The kids in our area enjoy playing in the yards and with the neighbors and with it opening up, it will only get worse.

Angela M. Birkett

From: rbradley002@neb.rr.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 11:36 AM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Testimony letter to City Council
Attachments: Letter to City Council (1).docx

Hello Angela,

Thank you for letting me know that you did not receive my e-mail yesterday. I'm sending it again with the correct e-mail address. I've attached our testimony letter to the Lincoln City Council for the April 5th , 2021 meeting. This is regarding Resolution No PC 01746. Please make this part of the public record and for the agenda for the April 5th council meeting. Also please share a copy of the letter with the Lincoln City Clerk. Thank you.

Hope you are feeling better soon.

Sincerely,

Richard and Roberta Bradley
402-489-7748

March 29, 2021

City Council Office
555 South 10th Street
Suite 111
Lincoln, NE 68508

RE: Waiver WVR21001
Resolution No PC 01746

Dear members of our Lincoln City Council,

This letter is to explain our appeal of the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission's March 3, 2021, approval of Waiver WVR21001. We are unable to attend the City Council's meeting due to the COVID virus, but would like all the council members to know our objections to WVR 21001.

Mr. Euler of Euler Rentals is requesting a waiver of the 3:1 width to depth ratio on his rental property at 3239 South 46th St. in order to put in another driveway and build a house in the backyard of the property. In his request he states the request waiver is "minor". But to the people in our neighborhood, this is a major change that would directly affect our homes, property, and privacy. To build a house in the back of the property affects at least a dozen homes and their families. The residents in the rental property at 3239 South 46th St. especially would have no privacy to go in their backyard to relax, use their grill, have their children play, etc. They would be in the "front yard" of the house built behind their house!

We have lived in this neighborhood since 1975—46 years. We bought our home because it has a large lot as our neighbors probably did so for the same reason. We all take care of our properties and love this neighborhood. Mr. Euler has been buying properties in our neighborhood over the years. We feel that if he is allowed to build a house in the back of his rental property at 3239 South 46th St., he will do this to more in the area—all for more profit rather than for the good of all the families in our neighborhood. This would set a precedent and it is important to stop trying to squeeze a second house anywhere on a property.

We are certain no one on our City Council would approve of building a house in their or their neighbor's backyard and give away their privacy. The house Mr. Euler proposes to build is only about 100 feet from our backyard on Sherman Street. Mr. Euler has implied that he has come into our neighborhood as our saving grace to clean up all the trash filled properties which is simply not true. We love our neighborhood and take care of our properties.

On March 3, 2021, two members of the Lincoln City/Lancaster County Planning Commission voiced concerns and had reservations about Mr. Euler and his Waiver21001 and his plans, but

went ahead anyway and approved the waiver. We strongly feel it should not have been approved and this is why we are making an appeal to our Lincoln City Council.

Other neighbors have their objections on record with the Lincoln City/Lancaster County Planning Commission. We ask that you read these also.

Please consider our objections and those of our neighbors and overturn the approval for Waiver 21001 Resolution PC01746. We want to keep our neighborhood and not have it in control of someone who is in it for a profit rather than thinking of what is good for the people in our area. Please do not let Mr. Euler destroy our neighborhood!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Richard and Roberta Bradley
4502 Sherman St.

Angela M. Birkett

From: Lin Quenzer
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 4:47 PM
To: bruce b; Mayor; Council Packet; James M. Bowers; Sandra J. Washington; Right of Way Services; Transportation and Utilities
Cc: Taylor L. Buss; Sara Slama
Subject: RE: utility cable in back yard

Mr. Bartlett:

Thank you for including Mayor Gaylor Baird on your many emails concerning the loose line running from a utility box in the right of way behind your house at 9409 Blacksmith Road to a neighbor's property. LTU is correct that we do not control private utilities' infrastructure.

That said, I am asking if LTU can identify the private utility to notify them of the line's presence. Someone from the department will follow up with information to me on the situation. Please feel free to contact me for more details if you do not see any changes in the next week or two.

Your time in including Mayor Gaylor Baird's office on your emails is appreciated. Please contact me should you have questions or concerns about departments of Lincoln City government in the future. I am always glad to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Lin Quenzer
Ombudsman
Title VI/ADA Official
Office of the Mayor
City of Lincoln, Nebraska 68508
402.441.7511



From: bruce b <brubart@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 4:34 PM
To: Mayor <mayor@lincoln.ne.gov>; Council Packet <CouncilPacket@lincoln.ne.gov>; James M. Bowers <JBowers@lincoln.ne.gov>; Sandra J. Washington <SWashington@lincoln.ne.gov>; Right of Way Services <LTUROW@lincoln.ne.gov>; Transportation and Utilities <LTU@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: FW: utility cable in back yard

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From: [bruce b](#)
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 2:03 PM
To: [Transportation](#)
Subject: Re: utility cable in back yard

there is no way for me to know who owns this cable. It is actually in the right of way between my backyard and the street. The city mows this right of way so you will be the people responsible when my neighbor loses his tv or internet.

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From: Transportation <transportation@lincoln.ne.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 1:14:28 PM
To: brubart@hotmail.com <brubart@hotmail.com>
Subject: RE: utility cable in back yard

Thank you for contacting us about this issue. The City has no jurisdiction or ability to handle any utilities on private property. Owners will need to contact the appropriate utility company for resolution to the issue.

Transportation | Transportation
City of Lincoln Transportation and Utilities

From: Transportation and Utilities <LTU@lincoln.ne.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 11:51 AM
To: Transportation <transportation@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: FW: utility cable in back yard

From: bruce b <brubart@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 11:42 AM
To: Transportation and Utilities <LTU@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: utility cable in back yard

We have had a cable laying on top of the ground in our back yard at 9409 blacksmith rd in Lincoln since last fall. It is connected to a utility box in our back yard and runs over to a neighbors house. I do not know if it is Allo or windstream or who. If it is not removed or buried it will probably get run over by someone's lawn mower since it is about mowing season. I was told by a Allo person that it is a windstream cable so I contacted windstream and got no response. Please help.

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Angela M. Birkett

From: Meghan person <dana.elizabeth.friesen@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 7:41 PM
To: Mayor; NewsHelp; Council Packet; James M. Bowers; Richard W. Meginnis; Jane Raybould; Tammy J. Ward; Sandra J. Washington; Roy A. Christensen; Bennie R. Shobe
Subject: Defund and Reform the Police

Dear Mayor Gaylor Baird and Members of City Council,

My name is Dana Friesen and I am a resident of Lincoln. I write this letter to urge you to begin defunding and demilitarizing the Lincoln Police Department. LPD's budget has increased by 14% since the 2017-2018 budget. For the 2019-2020 year, the portion of the general fund spent on LPD was just under 25%. LPD's increased funding is a direct harm to other necessary and more needed services in our city. Other services including parks and recreation, transportation and utilities, and urban development take much less out of the general cost for the city: 9.8%, 1.3%, and 0.5% respectively (Source: 2018-2020 Council Adopted Biennial Operating Budget). LPD is a direct cost to other services this city desperately needs.

As Lincoln residents, we therefore demand that you take immediate action to ensure the following:

- * Reduce LPD's allocation from the General Fund.
- * Reallocate those funds into housing, jobs, youth programs, restorative justice, mental health workers, and community development programs to keep the community safe.
- * Disallow unauthorized overtime by LPD.
- * Discontinue use of General Fund dollars to pay for settlements due to police murder, misconduct, and negligence.

Lincoln cannot wait any longer for a budget that meets the needs of its residents. The only way to achieve this is to take immediate steps to defund LPD.

Thank you,
Dana Friesen
dana.elizabeth.friesen@gmail.com

Angela M. Birkett

From: James Brewster <jamesbrwstr@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 01, 2021 12:21 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Fwd: Phil Euhler development.

James Brewster

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From: James Brewster <jamesbrwstr@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 31, 2021, 6:38 AM
Subject: Phil Euhler development.
To: Sandra J. Washington <SWashington@lincoln.ne.gov>, <jraybould@lincoln.ne.gov>

Council members with what was agreed upon with Phil Euhler and rega in the zoom meeting and also when we neighborhood testified in the meeting down town. He said he only was going to cut down 7 trees. You need to come by and see how much he has deviated from his testimony in front of you. The road is going to be closer to my property than what was said in the zoom meeting. Looks like a bomb was dropped from a plane with all the trees that have been cut down. Since you voted unanimously for him to do what he wants. Thought there needs to be a licensed arborist? He has cut about 30 trees down. The road next to my house in the back is with in about 30feet and he doesn't have to put a fence up? There will be traffic that will effect my health and way of life. Not right there is no body from the city to monitor the destruction of our neighborhood. Thought he was to put a fence up during this process. Believe there was a amendment by the country attorney to put a fence up along my property and also around his development? The last 2 times it has rained the water or stream was not going into the culvert that was put in last year.. It is bypassing the culvert and myself and my back yard neighbor have had a stream going through our property. You promised that he was going to have to abide by the rules and laws of the city. This is a dereliction of duty to us homeowners. You promised that he was going to watched very close by the city. Also i thought it was a law to block the drainage system along my street and other measures in place. As you promised that he was going to have to abide by the rules and laws of the city. Well he is not. So I'm requesting that you shut him down. And if the road is going to be closer to my property i beg you to make him put in a permanent fence along my backyard. If anyone of you members lived here and were looking at the destruction of our neighborhood i guarantee you would not of voted yes. Some Council members should be ashamed and if they had morals and values you would not of voted unanimously for the development and destruction of our neighborhood where i have lived for almost 30 years and raised my 4 children here and now looks like he has a green light to do what ever he wants. It has been nothing but lies and money for the mayor and some Council members. Sure wish you could check to see if and who received money from Phil Euhler.

My heart and spirit is broken and i don't know if I'm ever going to recover from this.

Thank Sondra Washington and Jane Raybould. Tell the other Council members that just voted yes without even coming out here to look at the development that they should feel ashamed and dishonest and also not trust worthy. For some members that are running for city council again I'm going to do my very best to see that there not elected. I'm going to the media outlets in the city to tell them what has happened with our broken system(political). This was all about the money and nobody stuck up for us homeowners except for Sondra Washington

and Jane Raybould. I'm very sorry I have to write this. But I'm appalled and very disappointed in the broken system and this was all about the money and not the homeowners. Thought you Council members were to protect our rights and neighborhood from obliteration? I have had pneumonia since February 21. Antibiotics have not worked because I don't have a immune system or antibodies to fight off any infections or organisms. Also i don't believe that a farm tractor can legally plow our street and any other use of the city streets. I'm sorry to bother you but i thought you need the truth on what is morally right and what is going on. Since i listened very well at the meeting you had with all the homeowners that were there and if this approved Phil Euhler development proposal would have to abide by the rules and laws of city. Since you gave him the green light he has changed his engineering plans to fit or line his pockets. Where is the city that was going to keep close eyes on this. (Quote)
This whole area needs to be fenced off so nobody gets hurt. I still have pneumonia as of today.

Please enforce what the amendment from the County Attorney's added and the other issues. I would appreciate all the help you can provide. Mr Meginnis I know you were raised with morals and values, what happened I guess you lost your way. Maybe you should get in your twin engine plane and relocate. You don't have enough knowledge to be chairmen of the city council. Let me guess must be the money you inherited is why you were even elected. I'm don't know if you even know what the elevation is in Lincoln. Let me tell you 1214 ft. Above sea level.
I guess money does change a person and alcohol. Such a broken city and the political system. The promises that were made by Rega and Phil Euhler and others was just a bunch of.....!

Sondra Washington you promised me you would send me the city code of a fence? How tall can i get even in my back yard and also from the front of my house to the side walk? Also all bullet points from the meeting down town at city county blg. Also the zoom meeting with you and Jane Raybould, Kenny Bro, Rega, Phil Euhler, myself. Have not received anything.

Thank you,

James Brewster

Angela M. Birkett

From: Wayne Boles <WBOLES@telesis-inc.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 01, 2021 1:42 PM
To: Council Packet
Subject: Carbon Storage Holds Promise, Senators Told
Attachments: scan.pdf

Esteemed and Beloved Friends,

Thank you for encouraging citizens to share their thoughts with you regarding issues and decisions, which you must address.

The attachment is from the Omaha World Herald.

Very sincerely,

Wayne

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Carbon storage holds promise, senators told

Flood says sequestration facility in state would be win for ethanol, climate

PAUL HAMMEL
World-Herald Bureau

LINCOLN — Nebraska would create a “win-win” for the state’s ethanol industry as well as climate change by facilitating the creation of a carbon capture and storage facility, state lawmakers were told Tuesday.

State Sen. Mike Flood of Norfolk said establishing a carbon sequestration facility in Nebraska would provide ethanol plants, coal-fired power plants and

manufacturers a place to store their carbon dioxide emissions instead of releasing them into the atmosphere.

For an ethanol plant, storing its carbon would improve the “carbon score” for the corn-based fuel it produces, making it more attractive for sale to California, which seeks fuels produced with low carbon.

“When I can find a win-win (situation), I’m all for it,” Flood said.

His proposal, Legislative Bill 650, would set up the legal and regulatory framework for the development of carbon sequestration wells, which would be at

least 2,600 feet deep and store carbon, in an intermediate gas/liquid state, in underground formations conducive to storage.

Matt Joeckel, the state geologist and director of the Conservation and Survey Division at the University of Nebraska, said prior studies have shown that there are areas of central and western Nebraska that have the right conditions for carbon storage.

Joeckel added that he is aware of a company that is exploring establishing a carbon storage facility at an ethanol plant in the state but emphasized that it’s still an emerging technology. There are two dozen such sequestration

facilities worldwide, with one in the U.S., at Decatur, Illinois.

“It is vital that comprehensive geologic and engineering studies are done first,” Joeckel said. “It matters what rock formations you’re putting this into, down to the microscopic scale.”

Two state senators, John Cavanaugh of Omaha and Eliot Bostar of Lincoln, raised concerns about such a project before LB 650 advanced from first-round debate on a 41-0 vote.

Bostar questioned whether increased seismic activity could be sparked by injecting the carbon

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underground, as fracking has done in oil well regions of Oklahoma. Cavanaugh wondered how personal property rights might be impacted.

Flood said he would work to ad-

dress any environmental concerns about carbon sequestration before the bill got to second-round debate. Joeckel, when asked later Tuesday about Bostar’s concern, said that carbon sequestration is quite different from fracking for oil, and that the risk would be “vastly” lower.

Flood said he introduced the

bill because it could help rural Nebraska. Venango Sen. Dan Hughes, who represents an area that could be conducive for carbon sequestration, said it presents a tremendous economic opportunity.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency, Flood said, would continue to have primary jurisdic-

tion over carbon sequestration projects under LB 650. Two states, North Dakota and Wyoming, have passed bills to assume primary responsibility of carbon sequestration projects, he said.

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