



**No Directors' Meeting this week in observance of Labor Day
This report is in lieu of an agenda for September 1, 2025**

Next Directors' Meeting – 2 p.m. Monday, September 8

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Cessa Cantrell	Goodhue Tree Removal Appeal – Support
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Mark Wilson	"
John Dahlgren	Residential Street Tree Removal Needed

From: [Andrea S. Ludwig](#)
To: [Adam M. Schaaf](#); [Aging Accounting](#); [Aishah S. Witte](#); [Al L. Neemann](#); [Ashley N. Engler](#); [Batch Approval 3](#); [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Jennifer J. Hartman](#); [Jennifer S. Hatfield](#); [Jillian M. Thiel](#); [Kelli K. Hopkins](#); [Kristi K. Nydahl](#); [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#); [Lori Z. Gastineau](#); [Nancy K. Niemann](#); [Nevaeh C. Lobato](#); [Ngoc Dao](#); [Nicole L. Points](#); [Pat Posey Ribeiro](#); [Scott N. Vrbka](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#); [Stacy R. Woita](#)
Cc: [Shanda H. Wilson](#)
Subject: PCard & Travel Reminders
Date: Friday, August 22, 2025 2:26:21 PM

Happy Friday!

[Purchasing P-Card information](#) [A-95005 Expenses for Education, Training or Travel Expense Statement](#)

This is a reminder of the current PCard and Travel Policies to help your department stay in compliance.

Please remind your team that all City employees on approved travel should have a PCard with them and be familiar with the current PCard and Travel policies.

Key Policy Reminders:

- A PCard should be used for all City-approved purchases while on official business travel. The only exceptions are meals and fuel (if you're using a personal vehicle). These two expenses should be paid out-of-pocket and receipts submitted for reimbursement.
- Hotel Stays: You will likely need a PCard to check into a hotel, even if the room was paid for in advance. Be sure to get a detailed receipt at checkout to include with your expense statement.
- Cost-Effective Travel: All travel-related purchases must be made at the lowest reasonable cost to the City. This means that expenses for air travel upgrades, including extra baggage fees, class upgrades, and priority boarding, are not allowed. Parking is only approved at the long-term parking rate, not the premium or short-term rate.
- Meal Reimbursement: Meals are only reimbursable with an overnight stay and should never be paid for with a PCard.
 - Employees are only reimbursed for meals that occur while the employee is in travel status.
 - On the first and last day of travel, meals will be reimbursed at no more than 75% of the standard daily per diem (excluding incidentals).
 - Meals provided by a third party, such as a conference, hotel, or airline, are not reimbursable.

If in doubt about the overall use of a P-Card while travelling, please contact your Department P-Card coordinator or the Purchasing Division P-Card Administrator.

Thank you,

Here's the attachment as a link for your review:

[P-Card travel-reminders.pdf](#)

Add your comments and collaborate with others in real time. You don't need to download Acrobat or sign up to access the file.



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Accounting Supervisor

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From: [Sherry Wolf](#)
To: [Justin P. Carlson](#); [Brodey B. Weber](#); [James M. Bowers](#); [Tom Duden](#); [Tom J. Beckius](#); [Bennie R. Shobe](#); [Sandra J. Washington](#)
Cc: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Joseph P. Dondlinger](#); [Jon D. Carlson](#); [Yohance L. Christie](#)
Subject: 24-26 Midbiennium Substitute Budget Resolution
Date: Friday, August 22, 2025 7:11:38 PM

Councilmembers,

As you know, each year it is necessary to prepare and offer a substitute budget resolution to incorporate the final valuation numbers we receive from the County Assessor's Office on August 20th pursuant to state statute. We received an update from the County late Wednesday evening, and the budget team has worked to prepare the substitute resolution that is now a live link on the on-line Council agenda.

The final numbers from the County indicate that assessed property valuations for the 2025-26 budget are \$38,482,353,292. This is a 0.47% (less than half of 1%) difference from the \$38,300,703,774 estimate that was approved in the FY24-26 Budget adopted last year. The difference increases the final property tax available by \$406,276. As discussed during the budget presentation, the substitute resolution will apply that available property tax funding along with reserve balances to help ensure the Police and Fire pension is funded. The 911 emergency dispatcher raises of \$150,000 will also use reserve balances for FY25-26 and then can be funded in the FY26-28 budget that will be developed next year.

Two other changes are needed in the substitute resolution:

1. is to recognize the landfill solid waste revenue that is required to be passed through to the State due to action in the last legislative session. This was inadvertently omitted in the draft resolution; and
2. is to increase the 2025-26 General Fund budget amount by \$150,000 to include the increase for 9-1-1 Communication Center dispatchers in paragraph 14.

As in previous years, when the budget resolution item is called for the vote next Monday, a council member should please move the adoption of the substitute resolution to reflect the final assessor information. Then, discussion as needed and vote.

Thank you for all of your time and attention. Please let me know if you have any questions.



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From: [Kristi L. Merfeld](#)
Subject: Urban Design Standards letter
Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2025 11:24:01 AM
Attachments: [5520 Oldham St. appeal letter to Neighbors \(003\).pdf](#)

Please see the attached Urban Design Standards letter for City Council members.

Thank you



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August 26, 2025

To: The property owners in the vicinity of 5520 Oldham Street.

You are receiving this notice because you are the listed owner of a property within 200 feet of 5520 Oldham Street. Dan Buhrdorf has submitted drawings for the construction of a new single-family dwelling with an attached front-facing garage on 5520 Oldham Street.

Since 2000, new infill construction in your area has been subject to the Neighborhood Design Standards addressing such matters as orientation of windows and entrances toward the street, height and massing, the position of garages, and so on. The purpose of the Neighborhood Design Standards is to encourage rehabilitation of existing housing in Lincoln's well-established neighborhoods, while allowing necessary new construction that is compatible with the surrounding development.

The proposed house appears to meet almost all these Standards, but it differs slightly from the Standards in offering front-facing attached garages, which are not common on this block and the facing block front on Oldham Street. When a project does not meet one of the standards, the regulations give David Cary, the Planning Director, the authority to review whether the design meets the intent of the Neighborhood Design Standards and waive a standard if the intent is met (Chapter 3.75, Section 5).

Mr. Cary has decided that this project advances the purposes of the Neighborhood Design Standards to help stabilize older neighborhoods and to improve the design of infill projects.

We are sending you this notice so that you are aware of the Planning Director's decision to approve the deviation request to allow the modifications to allow an attached front-facing garage, as the design proposal makes a visible effort to emphasize the front façade with a covered front porch, with the garage set back 5 feet from the front façade. You are not required to take any action, but if you wish to comment on the design, you may reach out to the contact information provided below.

If you wish, you can appeal the Director's decision to the Urban Design Committee by filing a letter of appeal by September 8, 2025. Such a letter can be addressed to me at the Planning Department, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln NE 68508.

The Neighborhood Design Standards are online at:

<https://online.encodeplus.com/regs/lincoln-ne-ds/doc-viewer.aspx#secid-828>

Please do not hesitate to contact our office at 402-441-6361 or

agopalakrishnan@lincoln.ne.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Arvind Gopalakrishnan, Planner

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CC

Mayor Gaylor Baird

City Council Members

South 48th Street Neighborhood Association

Eastridge Neighborhood Association

Eden Park Neighborhood Association

Knights Court Homeowners Association.

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To: ["KOLN/KGIN"](#); [Aishah S. Witte](#); [Angela Quinn](#); [Barb D. McIntyre](#); [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Bennie R. Shobe](#); [Brenda J. Thomas](#); [Brodey B. Weber](#); [Carl J. Steffen](#); [Chad D. Mohr](#); [Cheri L. Howard](#); [Chris J. Connolly](#); [Chris S. Jones](#); [City Clerk All](#); [Claire Y. Oglesby](#); [Cynthia J. Roth](#); [Daley C. Eldorado](#); [Daniel K. Marvin](#); [David R. Cary](#); [David T. Engler](#); [Elizabeth D. Elliott](#); [Geri K. Rorabaugh](#); [Hallie E. Salem](#); [Holly L. Lewis](#); [James M. Bowers](#); [Jamie Phillips](#); [Jenni R. Ryan](#); [Jennifer L. Mommens](#); [Jessica Loos](#); [Jocelyn W. Golden](#); [Jon D. Carlson](#); [Joseph P. Dondlinger](#); [Justin P. Carlson](#); [Karen Eurich](#); [Kasey L. Simonson](#); [Kerry L. Kernen](#); [Kristi K. Nydahl](#); [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#); [Lin Quenzer](#); [Liza A. Alderman](#); [Maggie J. Stuckey-Ross](#); [Marcia L. Huenink](#); [Mary E. Lowe](#); [Mayor](#); [Melissa M. Ramos-Lamml](#); [Michele M. Abendroth](#); [Michon Morrow](#); [Nicole K. Gross](#); [Peter A. Kroll](#); [Philip L. Dush](#); [Randall S. Jones](#); [Rhonda M. Haas](#); [Ron L. Cane](#); [Ryan S. Wieber](#); [Sandra J. Washington](#); [Sara J. Hoyle](#); [Sara Slama](#); [Scott Parker](#); [Sharon R. Mulder](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#); [Shelly L. Dostal](#); [Sherry Wolf](#); [Souriya Osman](#); [ssahling](#); [ssprackling](#); [Steve R. Owen](#); [Tammy B. Wissing](#); [Thomas A Schaffer](#); [Tim L. Byrne](#); [Tom Duden](#); [Tom J. Beckius](#); [Natalie C. Thompson](#)
Subject: City Council Action 8/25/25
Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2025 12:16:53 PM
Attachments: [Action082525.docx](#)
[Action082525.pdf](#)

Good morning - Attached is the City Council Action for 8/25/25. Have a great day!



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**ACTION FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2025 5:30 PM**

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT EXCEPT BECKIUS & BOWERS

**DUE TO THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY, CITY COUNCIL
WILL NOT MEET ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2025.**

PUBLIC HEARING - CONSENT AGENDA

Anyone wishing to address an item on the Consent Agenda may do so at this time.

1. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

- 1.a.** Lincoln Electric Financial and Operating Statement for July 2025. **(PLACED ON FILE)**
- 1.b.** Clerk's Letter & Mayor's Approval of Resolutions and Ordinances passed by City Council on August 11, 2025. **(PLACED ON FILE)**

2. PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.a. PLACED ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:**
Administrative Amendment 25023, to White Horse Preliminary Plat 17001, was approved by the Planning Director August 11, 2025, to amend the site plan to change the location of the pedestrian way, generally located at Sandalwood Drive and Smoky Hill Road.
Administrative Amendment 25021, to North Creek Commercial Center, Preliminary Plat 01003, was approved by the Planning Director on August 13, 2025, to add Note 28, requiring Lots 5-9 to meet current water quality standards at the time of building permit, generally located at 2140 Wildcat Circle.

3. MISCELLANEOUS REFERRALS – NONE.

- VOTE ON CONSENT ITEMS -

4. PUBLIC HEARING - LIQUOR RESOLUTIONS

- 4.a.** 25R-356
Application of Sandy's Inc. dba Sandy's for a Class C Liquor License located at 110 South 14th Street. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 5-0; A-95324)**
- 4.b.** 25R-357
Manager Application of Michael Tucker for Sandy's Inc. dba Sandy's located at 110 South 14th Street. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 5-0; A-95325)**

- 4.c. 25R-358
Application of Yard Investments, LLC dba Gate 25 for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on September 6, 13 & 20 and October 4, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 5-0; A-95326)**
- 4.d. 25R-359
Application of Yin Family, LLC dba Hiro 88 for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on September 6, 13 & 20 and October 4, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 5-0; A-95327)**
- 4.e. 25R-360
Application of Home-Grown Industries Lincoln dba Mellow Mushroom for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on September 6, 13 & 20 and October 4, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 5-0; A-95328)**
- 4.f. 25R-361
Application of Landshark Realty Group, LLC dba Tank's Country for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on September 6, 13 & 20 and October 4, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 5-0; A-95329)**
- 4.g. 25R-362
Application of Landshark Realty Group, LLC dba The CORNER Bar for special designated licenses to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 308 feet by 74 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on September 6, 13 & 20 and October 4, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 5-0; A-95330)**

- VOTE ON LIQUORS -

5. PUBLIC HEARING - RESOLUTIONS

- 5.a. 25R-348
Accepting and approving the report of new and pending claims against the City for August 1 through August 14, 2025. **(ADOPTED, 5-0; A-95331)**
- 5.b. 25R-349
Approving a Contract between the City of Lincoln and U-SELECT-IT HOLDINGS, INC. dba Intelligent Dispensing Solutions for Harm Reduction Dispensing Machines for Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department Bid No. 25-058, for a five (5) year term. **(ADOPTED, 5-0; A-95332)**

- 5.c. 25R-350
Approving the First Amendment to Contract for operation of a Keno type lottery between the City and EHPV Lottery Services, LLC., to allow digital-on-premises keno lottery tickets. **(ADOPTED, 5-0; A-95333)**
- 5.d. 25R-351
Appeal by Stacy Asher of Capital Environs Commission Certificate of Appropriateness for UDR Record #25071, removal and replacement of street trees along Goodhue Boulevard and the adjacent side streets within the Nebraska Capitol Environs District. **(ADOPTED, 4-1; A-95334)**

- VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS –

- END PUBLIC HEARING –

6. ORDINANCES - 3RD READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS

- 6.a. 25R-341
Amending 2024-2026 City of Lincoln Biennium Budget for the City of Lincoln Operating Budget & Capital Improvement Program (CIP); and authorizing the Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance form for the One and Six Year Street and Highway Program, as required by state law. **(Related Items: 25R-341, 2577) (Public Hearing on 8/18/25; Request to Delay Action to 8/25/25). (MTA #1 TO ACCEPT SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION, ADOPTED, 5-0; ADOPTED AS AMEDED, 5-0; A-95335)**
- 6.b. 25-77
Approving the transfer of unspent and unencumbered appropriations between certain Capital Improvement Projects. **(Related Items: 25R-341, 25-77) (PASSED, 7-0; #21772)**
- 6.c. 25-78
Approving Amendment No. 2 to Agreement for PCS Tower and Appurtenances between the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, to extend the term of the Agreement. **(PASSED, 7-0; #21773)**

7. RESOLUTIONS - 1ST READING (ITEMS 7.a. THROUGH 7.b. HAD 1ST READING)

- 7.a. 25R-352
Appointing Phil Goddard to the Telecommunication/Cable Television Advisory Board for a term to expire July 1, 2026.

7.b. 25R-355

Approving a Contract between the City of Lincoln and Spare Labs Inc. for ADA Compliant Paratransit and On-Demand Scheduling software for a four (4) year term with the option to renew for one (1) additional four (4) year term.

8. ORDINANCES - 1ST READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (ITEMS 8.a. THROUGH 8.f. HAD 1ST READING)

8.a. 25-79

Amending Lincoln Municipal Code Section 2.62.020 Definitions to clarify and update the definition for “Total Disability”; by amending Section 2.62.140 Cost of Living Adjustment; Initial Amounts; Annual Increase, How Funded to revise the language regarding direct transfers from a traditional IRA to the Police and Fire Pension; by amending Section 2.62.165 Purchase of Forfeited Service Credit Under this Plan; Purchase of Prior Service Credit for Service for Another Governmental Employer to add language to specify prior service of less than full time will be added to allow eligible new employees to purchase a pro rata amount of service; and by repealing Chapter 2.62, Appendix “A”.

8.b. 25-80

Amending Lincoln Municipal Code Section 2.65.020 Definitions to clarify and update the definition for “Total Disability”; by amending Section 2.65.140 Cost of Living Adjustment; Initial Amounts; Annual Increase, How Funded to revise the language regarding direct transfers from a traditional IRA to the Police and Fire Pension; and by repealing Chapter 2.65, Appendix “A”.

8.c. 25-81

Amending Lincoln Municipal Code Section 2.76.010 Purpose of Rules to clarify the language; by amending Section 2.76.385 Funeral Leave to revise and clarify the language; and repealing Section 2.76.387 Bereavement Leave as this language was combined with funeral leave under Section 2.76.385.

8.d. 25-82

Amending Lincoln Municipal Code Section 4.64.010 Disability Pension Review Committee; Established; Quorum; Legal Counsel to be gender neutral; by amending Section 4.64.020 Disability Pension Applications; Procedure; Appeal to update the language regarding applications prior to termination of employment with exceptions, to streamline the process of a member who passes away while employed, and to allow payments to begin retro-actively.

8.e. 25-83

Change of Zone 25016 - Application of AMERCO Real Estate Company to change the zoning designation from R-3 Residential District to H-3 Heavy Commercial District over approximately 1.2 acres on property generally located at 5959 Tombstone Ridge Drive.

8.f. 25-84

Amending Lincoln Municipal Code Section 10.02.190 Minibike to clarify the definition; by amending Section 10.14.250 Speed Regulated to increase the fines for speeding; by amending Section 10.14.290 Operation of Vehicle in Careless, Reckless, or Negligent Manner to include driving a motor vehicle in excess of double the maximum lawful speed limit as a reckless offense.

9. PENDING LIST (EXTENDED ONE WEEK)

9.a. 24-130

Change of Zone 24018 - Application of Sesostris Temple Holding Corp., to change the zoning designation from AG Agricultural District to H-4 Highway Commercial District, on approximately 15 acres on the property generally located north of the O Street and Anthony Lane intersection. **(Related Items: 24-130, 24R-526, 24R-527) (11/18/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay with continued Public Hearing & Action two weeks to 12/2/24) (12/2/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay with continued Public Hearing & Action two weeks to 12/16/24) (12/16/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay and Move to Pending List No Date Certain)**

9.b. 24R-526

Special Permit 24030 - Application of Sesostris Temple Holding Corp., to allow a planned service commercial development with associated waivers on the property generally located north of the O Street and Anthony Lane intersection. **(Related Items: 24-130, 24R-526, 24R-527) (Action Date: 12/2/24) (11/18/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay with continued Public Hearing & Action two weeks to 12/2/24) (12/2/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay with continued Public Hearing & Action two weeks to 12/16/24) (12/16/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay and Move to Pending List No Date Certain)**

9.c. 24R-527

Approving the Conditional Zoning Agreement between the City and Sesostris Temple Holding Corp., for the property generally located at 95th and O Street. **(Related Items: 24-130, 24R-526, 24R-527) (Action Date: 12/2/24) (11/18/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay with continued Public Hearing & Action two weeks to 12/2/24) (12/2/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay with continued Public Hearing & Action two weeks to 12/16/24) (12/16/24 - Verbal Motion to Delay and Move to Pending List No Date Certain)**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone wishing to address the council on a matter not on this agenda, and not planned to appear on a future agenda, may do so at the open microphone session. Individuals are allowed a total of 5 minutes to speak regardless of the number of topics. For the month of August, open microphone sessions will be held on Aug. 11 & Aug. 25, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT – 8:38 P.M.

The Lincoln City Council meets every Monday at 3 p.m. except for the last Monday of the month which begins at 5:30 p.m. All City Council meetings are aired live on LNKTV City and re-aired later. For a schedule, visit lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: LNKTV). LNKTV City can be found on all three cable television systems: ALLOChannel 2; Spectrum Channel 1300; Kinetic Channel 1005. Meetings are also streamed live at lincoln.ne.gov(keyword: LNKTV) and available later at youtube.com/LNKTVcity.

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From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [David R. Cary](#); [Steve S. Henrichsen](#)
Subject: Administrative Approvals
Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2025 2:35:58 PM
Attachments: [BP250826-1-Administrative Approvals.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

I've attached the Administrative Approvals for this week.

Thank you,



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MEMO

Date: August 26, 2025
To: City Clerk
From: Clara McCully
Subject: Administrative Approvals

This is a list of City administrative approvals by the Planning Director from August 20, 2025 through August 26, 2025:

Administrative Amendment 25026, to Change of Zone 06075B, Wilderness Commons Planned Unit Development, was approved by the Planning Director on August 26, 2025, to revise the single family and attached single family lots within the R-3 PUD and increasing the total from 467 to 476 units allowed, generally at S 40th Street and Wilderness Hills Blvd.

From: noreply@lonm.org on behalf of [League of Nebraska Municipalities](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Join us for an Open House to celebrate the League's new space!
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 11:17:47 AM

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We hope you can join us on **Sept. 5 for the League's Open House, Ribbon Cutting, and Building Dedication** of our new building at 1335 L Street.

Following the Ribbon Cutting and Building Dedication at 11 a.m., sandwiches, chips, and cookies will be available for those wishing to tour the building.

As noted on the invitation below, please have your municipal clerk **RSVP by Tuesday, Sept. 2**, with a total number coming from your municipality so we can be sure to have enough food and beverages for everyone.

Thank you!

***League President Marlin Seeman
Mayor of Aurora***

**Join us on September 5,
2025!**

11 a.m.

Dedication and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new League Building (1335 L Street).

Remarks by:

- League President Marlin Seeman, Mayor of Aurora
- Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird, City of Lincoln
- Scott Lockard, President, Hampton Enterprises
- Travis Barrett, Architect, Clark & Enersen



12-2 p.m.

Please join us for sandwiches, chips, and cookies before touring the new building which will better serve members of the League, Utilities Section, LARM, and LIGHT for decades to come.

Please have your municipal clerk **RSVP by Tuesday, Sept. 2,** with a total number coming from your municipality so we can be sure to have enough food and beverages for everyone.





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To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [David R. Cary](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#)
Subject: BP 250827-1 Urban Design Committee - Revised
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 4:33:11 PM
Attachments: [BP250827-1-Urban Design Committee.pdf](#)

Hello,

Attached is the revised version of the Urban Design Committee Agenda.

Thank you,



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URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE

The Urban Design Committee will hold a meeting on **Tuesday, September 02, 2025**, at **3:00 p.m.** in the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska in **City Council Chambers** on the 1st floor. For more information, contact the Planning Department at 402-441-7491.

AGENDA

1. Approval of UDC meeting record of [June 03, 2025](#).

ADVISE

2. Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission [Parking Garage Expansion -UDR25041](#) – Advisory Review

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Good morning,

I've attached the latest trend analysis reports from the Budget Office. These show a high-level actual-to-budget comparison for revenues and expenditures through 7/31/2025. These reports are an additional resource to monitor your budget through the fiscal year. If you have any questions, please reach out to your assigned analyst.

Thanks, Chad



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YTD Expenditures to Revised Operating Budget

Fiscal Year 2024-25 as of July 31, 2025

Monthly
YTD Elapsed
91.67%

Biweekly
YTD Elapsed
92.31%

		Current Fiscal Year					Prior Fiscal Year	
		FY 2024-25 Revised ¹ Budget	FY 2024-25 Expenditures ² YTD	FY 2024-25 % YTD	FY 2024-25 Variance Monthly YTD	FY 2024-25 Variance Biweekly YTD	FY 2023-24 % YTD ⁵	FY 2023-24 Variance Monthly YTD
Dept #³	General Fund by Department							
1	City Council	468,997	281,501	60.02%	31.65%	32.29%	67.14%	24.53%
2	Mayor	2,387,845	1,948,334	81.59%	10.08%	10.72%	87.46%	4.21%
3	Law	4,355,467	3,942,702	90.52%	1.15%	1.79%	93.51%	-1.84%
4	Police	57,915,648	49,633,867	85.70%	5.97%	6.61%	81.47%	10.20%
5	Fire & Rescue	52,313,144	43,500,234	83.15%	8.52%	9.16%	82.33%	9.34%
6	Finance	4,591,061	3,964,774	86.36%	5.31%	5.95%	88.42%	3.25%
7	Transportation & Utilities	6,642,635	5,069,608	76.32%	15.35%	15.99%	57.11%	34.56%
9	Parks & Recreation	22,504,431	19,338,289	85.93%	5.74%	6.38%	82.52%	9.15%
10	Human Resources	2,783,702	2,496,379	89.68%	1.99%	2.63%	87.12%	4.55%
11	Planning	2,527,653	2,205,583	87.26%	4.41%	5.05%	89.40%	2.27%
13	Urban Development	1,271,834	1,119,067	87.99%	3.68%	4.32%	75.11%	16.56%
18	City Unassigned	69,477,715	41,587,151	59.86%	31.81%	32.45%	62.12%	29.55%
19	Interfund Transfers	30,972,914	30,263,600	97.71%	-6.04%	-5.40%	97.97%	-6.30%
20	Aging Partners	120,288	120,577	100.24%	-8.57%	-7.93%	99.92%	-8.25%
	00010 - General	258,333,334	205,471,666	79.54%	12.13%	12.77%	78.79%	12.88%
Dept #	Budgeted Funds							
Mult.	00010 - General	258,333,334	205,471,666	79.54%	12.13%	12.77%	78.79%	12.88%
14	⁴ 00030 - Donations	36,153	3,611,702	9990.05%	-9898.38%	-9897.74%	2880.97%	-2789.30%
18	⁴ 00100 - Advance Acquisition	30,000	46,774	155.91%	-64.24%	-63.60%	147.06%	-55.39%
2	00115 - Cable Access Television	222,545	125,856	56.55%	35.12%	35.76%	46.28%	45.39%
14	00120 - Lincoln City Libraries	12,315,887	10,695,872	86.85%	4.82%	5.46%	84.88%	6.79%
20	00125 - Lincoln Area Agency On Aging	4,937,439	3,718,382	75.31%	16.36%	17.00%	82.18%	9.49%
12	00135 - Lincoln/Lancaster Co Health	16,603,872	15,048,279	90.63%	1.04%	1.68%	86.34%	5.33%
12	00140 - Animal Control	3,030,276	3,284,653	108.39%	-16.72%	-16.08%	86.49%	5.18%
12	00145 - Title V Clean Air	737,267	555,172	75.30%	16.37%	17.01%	68.04%	23.63%
4	00155 - 911 Communication	7,829,158	6,075,262	77.60%	14.07%	14.71%	77.17%	14.50%
6	00160 - Social Security	2,000	825	41.25%	50.42%	51.06%	0.76%	90.91%
7	00165 - Transportation Oper & Maint	37,464,671	27,806,012	74.22%	17.45%	18.09%	85.28%	6.39%
10	00170 - Unemployment Compensation	5,000	0	0.00%	91.67%	92.31%	204.88%	-113.21%
6,9,14	00175 - Keno	6,035,131	4,793,381	79.42%	12.25%	12.89%	109.51%	-17.84%
6	00176 - Casino Gambling	100,000	0	0.00%	91.67%	92.31%	0.00%	91.67%
13	00180 - Community Devel Block Grant	3,805,529	2,837,297	74.56%	17.11%	17.75%	72.51%	19.16%
Mult.	⁴ 00185 - Grants In Aid	10,727,063	39,406,269	367.35%	-275.68%	-275.04%	371.49%	-279.82%
2	00191 - Workforce Innov Opp Act (WIOA)	1,173,535	1,295,832	110.42%	-18.75%	-18.11%	103.78%	-12.11%
7	00212 - Vehicle Tax Residual Revenue	9,898,000	9,330,539	94.27%	-2.60%	-1.96%	92.59%	-0.92%
8	00220 - Building & Safety	11,277,167	8,888,408	78.82%	12.85%	13.49%	80.81%	10.86%
7	00225 - Impact Fees	3,515,200	7,111	0.20%	91.47%	92.11%	0.15%	91.52%
7	00255 - Lincoln Bike Share	335,750	273,766	81.54%	10.13%	10.77%	108.95%	-17.28%
7	00320 - Special Assment (Debt Service)	1,885,870	30,835	1.64%	90.03%	90.67%	100.28%	-8.61%
13	00500 - Parking Lots and JPA Garages	2,213,604	2,211,342	99.90%	-8.23%	-7.59%	94.20%	-2.53%
9	00510 - Golf Revenue	5,574,144	5,849,688	104.94%	-13.27%	-12.63%	79.79%	11.88%
13	00520 - Parking Facilities	13,599,657	10,167,463	74.76%	16.91%	17.55%	72.52%	19.15%
7	00540 - Solid Waste Management Revenue	15,835,789	14,329,237	90.49%	1.18%	1.82%	86.31%	5.36%
5	00550 - EMS Enterprise	11,055,130	12,753,131	115.36%	-23.69%	-23.05%	92.48%	-0.81%
7	00555 - Wastewater	34,353,123	22,476,888	65.43%	26.24%	26.88%	61.45%	30.22%
7	00560 - Water	39,524,750	26,690,830	67.53%	24.14%	24.78%	65.80%	25.87%
6	00570 - Broadband Enterprise	1,917,435	750,349	39.13%	52.54%	53.18%	42.73%	48.94%
7	00590 - StarTran Operating	18,601,684	17,582,181	94.52%	-2.85%	-2.21%	95.39%	-3.72%
6	00600 - Information Services	19,155,138	14,324,670	74.78%	16.89%	17.53%	79.10%	12.57%
7	00610 - Transportation & Utilities Rev	13,761,256	13,214,192	96.02%	-4.35%	-3.71%	85.19%	6.48%
10	00620 - Self-Insured Health	50,205,092	49,639,849	98.87%	-7.20%	-6.56%	103.13%	-11.46%
10	00621 - Self-Insured Dental	1,943,481	2,040,872	105.01%	-13.34%	-12.70%	99.28%	-7.61%
10	00622 - COBRA & Retirees Ins Premiums	749,232	602,347	80.40%	11.27%	11.91%	84.14%	7.53%
10	00630 - Worker's Compensation Loss	3,721,334	3,825,814	102.81%	-11.14%	-10.50%	89.23%	2.44%
10	00631 - Damaged Property	581,193	493,800	84.96%	6.71%	7.35%	29.92%	61.75%

		Current Fiscal Year					Prior Fiscal Year	
		FY 2024-25 Revised ¹ Budget	FY 2024-25 Expenditures ² YTD	FY 2024-25 % YTD	FY 2024-25 Variance Monthly YTD	FY 2024-25 Variance Biweekly YTD	FY 2023-24 % YTD ⁵	FY 2023-24 Variance Monthly YTD
10	00632 - Property Self-Insured Loss	46,673	396,888	850.36%	-758.69%	-758.05%	614.50%	-522.83%
10	00633 - General Liability Self-Insured	720,000	697,092	96.82%	-5.15%	-4.51%	294.73%	-203.06%
10	00634 - Insurance Premiums	3,020,867	3,783,295	125.24%	-33.57%	-32.93%	126.13%	-34.46%
10	00635 - StarTran Self-Insured Loss	175,353	75,793	43.22%	48.45%	49.09%	187.22%	-95.55%
10	00637 - Police Self-Insured Loss	208,071	0	0.00%	91.67%	92.31%	0.50%	91.17%
10	00638 - Auto Self-Insured Loss	320,653	143,700	44.81%	46.86%	47.50%	163.62%	-71.95%
10	00640 - Long Term Disability	175,000	168,127	96.07%	-4.40%	-3.76%	59.38%	32.29%
7	00650 - Fleet Services	13,858,623	11,812,446	85.24%	6.43%	7.07%	80.59%	11.08%
4	00655 - Radio Maintenance	2,132,372	1,979,228	92.82%	-1.15%	-0.51%	82.40%	9.27%
4	00660 - Police Garage	10,015,380	9,212,009	91.98%	-0.31%	0.33%	50.30%	41.37%
7	00665 - Municipal Services Center	5,094,763	3,613,696	70.93%	20.74%	21.38%	58.40%	33.27%
10 (15)	00705 - Police & Fire Pension	24,174,735	12,837,467	53.10%	38.57%	39.21%	63.18%	28.49%
14	00730 - Lillian Polley Trust	124,459	107,790	86.61%	5.06%	5.70%	106.08%	-14.41%
10	00760 - FEBA Reimbursement Account	1,349,199	1,483,781	109.97%	-18.30%	-17.66%	92.03%	-0.36%

Legend:

Variance Exceeds 5 Percentage Points = Over Budget YTD

Notes:

1. Revised Budget includes Original Budget, Budget Revisions, and Prior Year Encumbrances and excludes CIP Transfers, CARES, and unclassified Reappropriations (6001).
2. Includes current Open Purchase Orders.
3. Department number applicable to assigned Operating Budget.
4. Fund expenditures include amounts not in the Operating Budget.
5. Prior Year expenditures do not include Open Purchase Orders YTD.

YTD Revenues to Revised Operating Budget

Fiscal Year 2024-25 as of July 31, 2025

Monthly
YTD Elapsed
91.67%

		Current Fiscal Year				Prior Fiscal Year	
		FY 2024-25 Revised ¹ Budget	FY 2024-25 Revenues YTD	FY 2024-25 % YTD	FY 2024-25 Variance Monthly YTD	FY 2023-24 % YTD	FY 2023-24 Variance Monthly YTD
Dept #²	General Fund by Department						
2	Mayor	(183,298)	(132,960)	72.54%	19.13%	160.32%	-68.65%
3	Law	(239,773)	(217,979)	90.91%	0.76%	86.04%	5.63%
4	Police	(806,194)	(294,211)	36.49%	55.18%	26.66%	65.01%
5	Fire & Rescue	(229,000)	(176,822)	77.21%	14.46%	308.86%	-217.19%
6	Finance	(11,726,400)	(11,139,636)	95.00%	-3.33%	115.07%	-23.40%
7	Transportation & Utilities	(105,000)	(69,820)	66.50%	25.17%	65.68%	25.99%
9	Parks & Recreation	(5,259,410)	(3,334,353)	63.40%	28.27%	86.82%	4.85%
10	Human Resources	(844,064)	(1,046,485)	123.98%	-32.31%	103.65%	-11.98%
11	Planning	(1,030,022)	(993,332)	96.44%	-4.77%	97.24%	-5.57%
13	Urban Development	(980,000)	(833,593)	85.06%	6.61%	109.48%	-17.81%
18	City Unassigned	(211,260,585)	(183,733,737)	86.97%	4.70%	86.72%	4.95%
20	Aging Partners	(107,057)	(107,056)	100.00%	-8.33%	100.00%	-8.33%
	00010 - General	(232,770,803)	(202,079,984)	86.82%	4.85%	88.11%	3.56%
Dept #	Budgeted Funds						
Mult.	00010 - General	(232,770,803)	(202,079,984)	86.82%	4.85%	88.11%	3.56%
14	00030 - Donations	(50,000)	(4,492,161)	8984.32%	-8892.65%	10320.08%	-10228.41%
18	00100 - Advance Acquisition	0	(149,234)	0.00%	91.67%	0.00%	91.67%
2	00115 - Cable Access Television	(170,000)	(218,435)	128.49%	-36.82%	80.23%	11.44%
14	00120 - Lincoln City Libraries	(10,984,226)	(8,515,874)	77.53%	14.14%	72.34%	19.33%
20	00125 - Lincoln Area Agency On Aging	(4,200,047)	(4,754,541)	113.20%	-21.53%	99.77%	-8.10%
12	00135 - Lincoln/Lancaster Co Health	(16,100,051)	(20,150,439)	125.16%	-33.49%	91.26%	0.41%
12	00140 - Animal Control	(3,030,276)	(2,756,589)	90.97%	0.70%	90.61%	1.06%
12	00145 - Title V Clean Air	(700,700)	(797,597)	113.83%	-22.16%	101.42%	-9.75%
4	00155 - 911 Communication	(7,339,406)	(7,889,999)	107.50%	-15.83%	108.56%	-16.89%
6	00160 - Social Security	(2,000)	(798)	39.90%	51.77%	0.01%	91.66%
7	00165 - Transportation Oper & Maint	(42,170,709)	(47,833,755)	113.43%	-21.76%	107.95%	-16.28%
10	00170 - Unemployment Compensation	0	(15)	0.00%	91.67%	0.00%	91.67%
6,9,14	00175 - Keno	(6,049,750)	(6,871,189)	113.58%	-21.91%	119.49%	-27.82%
6	00176 - Casino Gambling	(1,500,000)	(1,612,680)	107.51%	-15.84%	177.84%	-86.17%
13	00180 - Community Devel Block Grant	(3,783,847)	(2,222,102)	58.73%	32.94%	81.45%	10.22%
Mult.	00185 - Grants In Aid	(10,690,040)	(33,013,241)	308.82%	-217.15%	268.33%	-176.66%
2	00191 - Workforce Innov Opp Act (WIOA)	(1,173,535)	(1,148,297)	97.85%	-6.18%	93.16%	-1.49%
7	00212 - Vehicle Tax Residual Revenue	(9,898,000)	(9,389,251)	94.86%	-3.19%	93.70%	-2.03%
8	00220 - Building & Safety	(9,527,824)	(9,105,079)	95.56%	-3.89%	78.77%	12.90%
7	00225 - Impact Fees	(6,870,100)	3,692,640	-53.75%	145.42%	96.19%	-4.52%
7	00255 - Lincoln Bike Share	(145,000)	(43,308)	29.87%	61.80%	41.42%	50.25%
7	00320 - Special Assment (Debt Service)	(1,725,000)	(1,676,810)	97.21%	-5.54%	85.03%	6.64%
13	00500 - Parking Lots and JPA Garages	(2,420,693)	(2,400,254)	99.16%	-7.49%	108.07%	-16.40%
9	00510 - Golf Revenue	(5,921,003)	(6,116,893)	103.31%	-11.64%	113.91%	-22.24%
13	00520 - Parking Facilities	(12,874,037)	(11,444,487)	88.90%	2.77%	80.85%	10.82%
7	00540 - Solid Waste Management Revenue	(20,159,619)	(21,823,131)	108.25%	-16.58%	90.32%	1.35%
5	00550 - EMS Enterprise	(10,262,069)	(11,893,944)	115.90%	-24.23%	101.87%	-10.20%
7	00555 - Wastewater	(46,396,224)	(45,250,964)	97.53%	-5.86%	81.17%	10.50%
7	00560 - Water	(63,164,097)	(83,992,126)	132.97%	-41.30%	83.55%	8.12%
6	00570 - Broadband Enterprise	(2,676,109)	(1,563,757)	58.43%	33.24%	75.21%	16.46%
7	00590 - StarTran Operating	(18,601,683)	(18,874,584)	101.47%	-9.80%	74.36%	17.31%
6	00600 - Information Services	(14,306,184)	(15,874,268)	110.96%	-19.29%	86.63%	5.04%
7	00610 - Transportation & Utilities Rev	(13,282,296)	(8,081,104)	60.84%	30.83%	61.85%	29.82%
10	00620 - Self-Insured Health	(50,913,309)	(46,294,141)	90.93%	0.74%	94.71%	-3.04%
10	00621 - Self-Insured Dental	(2,037,543)	(1,945,839)	95.50%	-3.83%	101.13%	-9.46%
10	00622 - COBRA & Retirees Ins Premiums	(819,552)	(593,056)	72.36%	19.31%	73.06%	18.61%
10	00630 - Worker's Compensation Loss	(4,915,780)	(4,582,974)	93.23%	-1.56%	91.16%	0.51%

		Current Fiscal Year				Prior Fiscal Year	
		FY 2024-25 Revised ¹ Budget	FY 2024-25 Revenues YTD	FY 2024-25 % YTD	FY 2024-25 Variance Monthly YTD	FY 2023-24 % YTD	FY 2023-24 Variance Monthly YTD
10	00631 - Damaged Property	(550,000)	(276,660)	50.30%	41.37%	43.61%	48.06%
10	00632 - Property Self-Insured Loss	(260,422)	(277,331)	106.49%	-14.82%	126.14%	-34.47%
10	00633 - General Liability Self-Insured	(946,496)	(1,010,350)	106.75%	-15.08%	250.49%	-158.82%
10	00634 - Insurance Premiums	(3,435,510)	(3,310,486)	96.36%	-4.69%	136.79%	-45.12%
10	00635 - StarTran Self-Insured Loss	(273,710)	(273,710)	100.00%	-8.33%	164.24%	-72.57%
10	00637 - Police Self-Insured Loss	(311,080)	(311,080)	100.00%	-8.33%	100.00%	-8.33%
10	00638 - Auto Self-Insured Loss	(444,989)	(378,999)	85.17%	6.50%	100.61%	-8.94%
10	00640 - Long Term Disability	(225,010)	(224,693)	99.86%	-8.19%	87.49%	4.18%
7	00650 - Fleet Services	(12,141,970)	(7,375,037)	60.74%	30.93%	82.36%	9.31%
4	00655 - Radio Maintenance	(1,794,806)	(2,032,310)	113.23%	-21.56%	103.58%	-11.91%
4	00660 - Police Garage	(6,607,892)	(8,088,501)	122.41%	-30.74%	107.36%	-15.69%
7	00665 - Municipal Services Center	(3,214,875)	(3,269,059)	101.69%	-10.02%	69.92%	21.75%
10 (15)	00705 - Police & Fire Pension	(24,174,735)	(14,011,999)	57.96%	33.71%	49.69%	41.98%
14	00730 - Lillian Polley Trust	(134,000)	(121,806)	90.90%	0.77%	146.96%	-55.29%
10	00760 - FEBA Reimbursement Account	(1,333,715)	(1,566,810)	117.48%	-25.81%	86.15%	5.52%

Legend:

Variance Exceeds 5 Percentage Points = Revenue Shortfall YTD

Notes:

1. Revised Budget includes Original Budget and Budget Revisions and excludes CIP Transfers and CARES.
2. Department number applicable to assigned Operating Budget.
3. Fund revenues include amounts not in the Operating Budget.

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Council Comment - Rosina Paolini

Rosina Paolini has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Rosina Paolini
Phone number	[REDACTED]
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	<p>Goodhue Appeal</p> <p>Thank you for your service, Council Members,</p> <p>Please remember the initial intent of removing the trees on Goodhue was to have a better view of the capital. The outreach conducted with the town hall like meeting at Claire McPhee school was a move toward consensus building and a solution that benefited everyone impacted. It evolved into a modified plan that impacts the neighborhood in the same way as the previous plan only there are more trees planted with a limited maintenance program.</p> <p>The public had one meeting that was not well announced when the plan re-emerged with LPR and the Near South Neighborhood Association. I think you'll note from the McPhee meeting there were more than Near South Neighborhood Association members interested.</p> <p>The pruning cycle that disappeared some time ago needs to be reinstated. We have numerous grants for planting trees with</p>

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little follow through to maintain those trees after a year unless the efforts are volunteer led. The Goodhue plan has the benefit of maintenance during the 4 young years of their life and then it is left to tenants, landlords and homeowners. Notice the in the same way trees are not planted on the city strip along "27th south" appears to be the same plan with Goodhue putting the responsibility on the property owner.

The last storm cost LES \$2million in cleanup and as I rode through the neighborhood, I noticed mostly street tree damage to be the cause. How much did LTU, LPD and LFR cost our taxpayers with an increase in calls and need for service? An estimated cost to LPR based of the July storm last year is ~\$1.2 million. The damage is evidence of the lack of systematic pruning for the last ~30 years. The branches were weak, then hit with repeated high winds. The short-sightedness of eliminating the pruning cycles is at great cost to the tax paying citizens. Since we lost FEMA dollars in Trump's bill, reimbursement is not likely, despite Pillen's request. Any investment in pruning will decrease the cost of future cleanups.

Remember residential waste removal companies who pick up the debris customers leave as trash have and will continue to pass on to their cost to the consumer.

You've heard from those who live in the neighborhood who shared how the impact of clear cutting 29 trees results in increase in energy costs due to the lack of shade and the newly paved streets that heat up the neighborhood. The impact hits those who can least afford it during a time when LES just raised their rates another 4%.

I hope you can look at an incremental long-term solution to remove those trees that must go and prune the trees that are still living while infilling with young trees to preserve some canopy and a maintenance plan that supports the community over time.

We are "Tree City USA" what is the "real price" for not resurrecting the pruning cycles to improve tree maintenance in

Lincoln? Remember Cecil Steward?

From: [Cessa Cantrell](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Appeal Against Goodhue Boulevard Tree Removal
Date: Monday, August 25, 2025 8:22:20 AM

Hi, I would like to add an appeal statement to the existing measure to be determined today. My name is Cessa Cantrell & I live at [REDACTED] I run daily through the Everett Neighborhood & have lived here for 14 years. In all the time I've lived here, I have not known any of the ancient trees on these streets to just randomly fall down. They do shed sometimes, but that can be cleaned up & should not be a major concern. Without some kind of forceful weather instigation: I just don't feel like their removal is warranted. Additionally, I have never felt unsafe running underneath the canopy of trees lining Goodhue Boulevard. I think the sudden creation of an "old tree crisis" is overblown, meddlesome, & all too human - whoever has been donned the leader of the most recent forestry decisions in my neighborhood is a little too chainsaw happy. Calm down. These majestic trees provide shade & character to this neighborhood. Please don't cut them down! I would also like to add that the rate of tree replacement concerning those that have already been cut down in this area is non-existent. You can destroy in a matter of minutes, yet the follow-through of patenting a complete forestry replacement is just not happening. What a half-baked bunch of bullshit. Where are the new trees? 5 trees on my immediate block have been removed in the past several years & none have been planted in their place. This does not create trust with the public in your institution's ability to make good, thorough decisions for the community. We are the people who live here & are the ones who see your messy choices every single day. However: I know this can be corrected, & I do hope my viewpoint can push for better actions from those who are governing these matters. Thank you for hearing me today & for taking my opinion into consideration.

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To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Kendall D Weyers
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Council Comment - Kendall D Weyers

Kendall D Weyers has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Kendall D Weyers
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	<p>Goodhue tree testimony for 8/25/2025 Council meeting My name is Kendall Weyers. I live at [REDACTED]</p> <p>I am an ISA certified arborist with TRAQ and Urban Forest Professional credentials. I have a working knowledge of the ISA Tree Risk Assessment process and I've reviewed all of the Goodhue tree assessments. I disagree with many of the conclusions and final recommendations.</p> <p>Tree risk assessment is not a black and white process but instead a series of judgement calls. When an assessment is done it is given a time frame during which the assessor is giving their prediction of what will happen during that time frame. When these assessments were done over several days nearly two months ago, they were given a 30 day time frame. 25 of the 29 trees were given a probable or imminent likelihood of failure. We are well beyond the end of that time</p>

frame, during which we had multiple wind events, including two July events with wind gusts over 60mph and the early August event with gusts over 90mph. Yet all of these trees still stand, and “failures” were limited to a few small branches. Even non-professionals can conclude from this evidence that the judgement calls made in these assessments, and resulting predictions, were simply not accurate for nearly all of these trees.

However, the risk assessments of a few trees did prove correct, having been given a low risk rating, and unlikely to fail. Yet even the trees with a low risk rating are recommended for removal by LPR.

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On the removal vs pruning question, the ISA Tree Risk Assessment Manual makes these two clear statements: “Tree removal may be an obvious choice in some situations, but in others it should be the last and least desirable option. Tree removal should be considered for high- and extreme-risk trees.”

“Pruning to remove a primary branch hazard, thereby significantly reducing the level of residual risk, is often the preferred treatment.”

By not pruning low or moderate risk trees (nearly half received this rating), and instead choosing the removal option, LPR appears to be taking an approach exactly opposite of the recommended practices. If this approach is approved it would set a terrible precedent, because since all trees have flaws, any tree in Lincoln could be designated for removal.

Risk is never zero for trees. But risk is all never zero for athletic activities, pools, or even crosswalks. Yet we accept these risks because the benefits outweigh the relatively minor risks.

At a time when data keeps pouring in on the value and

benefits of the community forest, Lincoln is rapidly losing canopy and those many proven benefits. Premature removal of any still valuable tree unnecessarily accelerates that decline and is simply not a wise practice, especially when there are higher priority removals waiting all over the city. Removal of the worst trees on Goodhue makes sense, but so does keeping and pruning the rest. For these reasons I recommend the proposed number of removals not be approved.

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Council Comment - Mark Wilson

Mark Wilson has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Mark Wilson
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	<p>Dear City Council Members,</p> <p>I am writing to express my support for the filed appeal (8/25/2025) to the proposal for 29 tree removals on Goodhue Blvd. The proposal from the Parks has evolved from an initial near-clear cut with no replanting (as presented at the initial CEC hearing on this topic) to a slightly less aggressive removal and a much-improved replanting plan. This better but still-flawed plan is the result of a protracted and sometimes contentious community engagement by Parks. This engagement process should have been better, focusing on residents rather than property owners in this rental-heavy neighborhood and drawing upon the extensive roster of forestry experts in Lincoln who are outside of Parks' employ. What follows is a list of the central defects in Parks' proposal.</p> <p>1. Parks use of TRAQ is, in the opinion of forestry experts that I have consulted, problematic. The completed TRAQ forms</p>

list a timeframe of “30 days” which is meant to indicate the length of time that the assessment is valid (i.e. its predictive period). The city arborist is therefore predicting failure of either branches or whole trees within just one month, while arborists would typically use a one-year timeframe for most assessments. Some of these trees should be removed, but the durability of most of the Goodhue trees to repeated high wind events in the past year is clear physical evidence that not all 29 are imminent risks for catastrophic failure, as the city arborist claims.

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2. Parks Director Stuckey-Ross has previously indicated that safety pruning of these trees would be considered, an option that was also strongly advocated at the prior CEC meeting and at the McPhee meeting by Near South residents and other members of the public. However, all trees in this proposal have only one mitigation option: removal. The completed TRAQ forms list several trees where branch failure is the only risk indicated, and yet whole-tree removal is prescribed. It is best practice for arborists using TRAQ to list options for mitigating the highest risk parts of the tree, rather than whole tree removal. This is a primary purpose of TRAQ, with removal considered a last resort for trees that lack any other remediation strategy. Parks does not propose any other remediation, despite this being the most contentious and sustained request from the affected community.

3. The large-scale removal of trees, often over vocal objections from residents, seems to be the preferred mode of forestry operation in Lincoln. The Goodhue Blvd. proposal is only the most recent example of industrialization of tree removals in Lincoln. On Huntington Avenue, all mature pin oaks were summarily removed, with the stated cause being safety and efficiency. Since all trees have a removal cost, some of them quite high, front-loading these costs in the current fiscal year is quite wasteful, in addition to being poor

community forestry practice. It is widely acknowledged by community forestry experts that the lives of trees with 50% or more live canopy should be extended as long as possible through safety pruning, which allows for better long-term planning, staggered removals when needed, and infill replanting distributed over the course of years. This practice, followed in countless communities across the US but not in Lincoln, reduces the impact of tree loss to the neighborhood, the cost to taxpayers, and is best practice. Lincoln Parks seems resistant to adopting these best practices for some reason, and they should be held to a higher standard of community forestry than they are currently meeting. I hope that the council will require Parks to move from non-standard and non-optimal procedures to accepted best practices in community forestry.

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Council Comment - John Dahlgren

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Name	John Dahlgren
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Your comment	have been on list for tree removal for two years ,now. your going remove Goodhue trees please have my council person call me, we have had damage to property and vehicles nno help from parks department / please someone help [REDACTED] [REDACTED]