

Directors' Meeting Minutes for Monday, November 3, 2025

Council Present: Tom Beckius, Justin Carlson, Bennie Shobe, Brodey Weber, Tom Duden, James Michael Bowers

Others Present: Jon Carlson & Rick Hoppe, Mayor's Office; David Cary, Planning; Yohance Christie, Law; Carl Stephen, I.S.; Liz Elliott, LTU; Dave Engler, LFR; Dan Marvin, Urban Development; Joe Dondlinger, Finance; Randy Jones, Aging Partners; Kerry Kernen, Health; Barb McIntyre, HR; Michon Morrow, LPD; Maggie Stuckey Ross, Parks & Rec; Ryan Wieber, Libraries; Soulinee Phan, City Clerk; Ben Sobel, City Council Secretary; Peter Breen, Lincoln Journal Star

Council Chair Carlson opened the meeting at 2:01 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

Minutes from October 19 meeting were accepted as posted.

City Clerk Advisories

- Mayor's Award of Excellence will be presented today
- No Council meeting next week
- The following items will be called together:
 - o 4.a. & 4.b.
 - o 4.c. & 4.d.
 - o 4.e. & 4.f.
 - o 5.b. & 5.c.
 - o 6.d., 6.e., & 6.f.
- Duden will move to request November 17 action date on 5.b. & 5.c., 5.d.

Director Advisories

Yohance Christie:

- Hiring 2 new attorneys to start in December in the Civil division
- LCHR will graduate 12 MyCityAcademy participants
- All-staff meeting: visited Music Box, discussed departmental strategic plan
 - o Strategic plan will be first undertaken at the Attorney's office
 - Large turnover recently, largely due to retirements
 - Will be giving additional updates as specifics are determined

Liz Elliott:

- Many construction projects are near or in the process of completion
- Water 2.0:
 - New 54" pipe has been bored for expanding existing facilities, will give increased capacity until 2048 completion of Missouri River source
- Project "O" Street out for bid as of Friday, open house tomorrow
 - o Contractor will be on board in December
- Iconic 13th & "O" star will remain, all other pavers will be replaced
 - o Carlson asked for a budget estimate:
 - Elliott: number not public to avoid skewing bidding process

Councilmember Committee & Commission Updates

Shobe:

• DEC met, nothing major to report

Public Comment

None

Council Chair Carlson adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.