



City of Lincoln
CITY COUNCIL

**No Directors' Meeting this week due to evening meeting.
This report is in lieu of an agenda for April 27, 2026**

Next Directors' Meeting – 2 p.m. Monday, May 4

City Correspondence

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"	Administrative Approvals
Parks & Recreation	Event Invite Arbor Day LNK
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Constituent Correspondence

Julie Perez	SP26008 commentary
Thomas Harvat	"
Timo Uiterwaal	N. 1 st Street bike path suggestion
Robert Borer	The Illusion of an Elective Franchise: A Synthesis of Rights, Verification, and Resistance

From: noreply@lonm.org on behalf of [Ashley Wolfe](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
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[Legislative Bulletin #15](#)

The League would like to thank Municipal Clerks receiving the *Bulletin*, and any additional material, for forwarding and/or copying the information to all elected officials.

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From: noreply@lonm.org on behalf of [League Staff](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: 2026 Municipal Accounting & Finance Conference Program, Registration, and Hotel Information
Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 3:09:07 PM
Attachments: [2026 Cornhusker Marriott Reservation Form.pdf](#)
[2026 Cornhusker Marriott Reservation Form.xlsx](#)

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Registration is now open for the 2026 Municipal Accounting & Finance Conference!

Conference Information

[Click here](#) for the **2026 Municipal Accounting & Finance Conference** program, registration form, and conference information. [Click here](#) to register online with a credit card.

The **conference sessions will be recorded**, unless prohibited by the speaker, and emailed to registered delegates for viewing through **Aug. 31, 2026**. If unable to attend in person, municipal treasurers can receive continuing education hours by purchasing and watching the recordings.

MUNICIPAL TREASURERS AND MUNICIPAL ATTORNEYS: The League will let you know as soon as the State Auditor's Office and the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Commission

informs us of the number of hours each will receive.

Cornhusker Marriott Hotel Reservation Instructions

If you are booking a hotel room on behalf of your municipality for anyone attending the Municipal Accounting & Finance Conference and need to make a reservation at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel, the hotel is now required to have an Exemption Permit and Form 13 on file.

Some of you may have already completed this process if someone from your municipality attended the Midwinter Conference in February and stayed at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel.

If you have not completed this process, please follow steps 1-5 below. If the hotel already has your exemption permit and Form 13 on file, you only need to complete step 4 and email it to the Cornhusker.

1. Complete the [Exemption Permit Application for Use of Credit or Debit Cards by Sales Tax Exempt Entities, Form 13CCE](#). The purpose for the Form 13CCE is because cities and villages have a variety of credit or debit cards that they use to make their purchases, including hotel reservations. Hotels are not allowed to make a copy of a card to show that it has a governmental name on the card. Since there is not just one card, like the state and federal governments use, it is difficult for the vendors and hotel operators to know if the card presented is issued directly to, and is paid directly by, the exempt government unit, which is why this Form 13CCE was created. **Any purchases made with**

a personal credit card and later reimbursed by the municipality are taxable, per Sales Tax Regulation [1-093.15](#), which states: *Purchases by employees of the governmental unit using their own funds are subject to sales or use tax, even if the purchases are made on behalf of the governmental unit, and even if the governmental unit will be reimbursing the employees for expenses incurred, including purchases of prepared food and lodging.*

2. Email the completed Form 13CCE and required documentation to **Karen Barrett** (karen.barrett@nebraska.gov) at **the Department of Revenue** for approval. The approval process is simple and quick. Once approved by the Department of Revenue, they will scan back to you an Exemption Permit. By submitting Form 13CCE to the Department prior to making your reservations and getting the Exemption Permit scanned back to you, the hotel can properly code the tax-exempt status of your reservation.
3. Complete the [Nebraska Resale or Exempt Sale Certificate, Form 13](#). Many cities and villages already have submitted a Form 13CCE to the Department of Revenue and have obtained its Exemption Permit with information on your specific credit card. These do not expire and are good if the card is still valid for the municipality. A sales tax exemption is only valid within Nebraska.
4. Complete the [Cornhusker Marriott Reservation Form](#). Please be sure to read through the reminders. *(This form also is attached as a PDF and an Excel file.)*

5. Email to **Mia Sandberg** (msandberg@thecornhusker.com) at the **Cornhusker** the following documents so your city or village can book a room(s) and not be charged tax on your reservation and purchases:
- Exemption Permit
 - Form 13
 - Cornhusker Marriott Reservation Form



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From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [David R. Cary](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#)
Subject: BP260417-1 Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission
Date: Friday, April 17, 2026 3:32:03 PM
Attachments: [BP260417-1 Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission.pdf](#)

Please see attached.

Thank you,



Laura Tinnerstet

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NEBRASKA CAPITOL ENVIRONS COMMISSION

The Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission will hold a meeting on **Friday, April 24, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.** in the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, in **City Council Chambers** on the 1st Floor. For more information, please contact the Lincoln City/Lancaster County Planning Department at 402-441-7491.

AGENDA

April 24, 2026

1. Approval of meeting record from [February 27, 2026](#)

Public Hearing & Action

2. [LPS Parking Lot at 2403 and 2411 J Street](#) – Certificate of Appropriateness
([Lincoln Public Schools: UDR26024](#))

Discuss & Advise

3. Staff report & miscellaneous

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

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From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [Steve S. Henrichsen](#); [David R. Cary](#)
Subject: Please Disregard Previous Email – Administrative Approval Update
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 1:41:10 PM
Attachments: [BP260421-1 Administrative Approvals.pdf](#)
Importance: High

Hi all,

Please disregard my last email stating that we did not have any administrative approvals. We did receive one administrative approval that came in today—please see the attached.

Thank you!



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**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT**

Memo

DATE: April 21, 2026
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Clara McCully
SUBJECT: Administrative Approvals

This is a list of City administrative approvals by the Planning Director from April 14, 2026, to April 21, 2026:

Administrative Amendment 26019, to Use Permit 15005, Firethorn Office Park, was approved by the Planning and Development Services Director on April 21, 2026, to permit the one free-standing sign allowed per main building to be located on any outlot or lot within the boundary of the Use Permit, generally located at S 87th Street and Maddox Drive.

From: [Mike D. Comstock](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Bennie R. Shobe](#); [Brodey B. Weber](#); [James M. Bowers](#); [Justin P. Carlson](#); [Sandra J. Washington](#); [Tom Duden](#); [Tom J. Beckius](#)
Subject: Event Invite | Arbor Day LNK
Date: Monday, April 20, 2026 4:38:53 PM

Good Afternoon,

I am extending an invite to all Council Members to attend Arbor Day LNK on April 26th from noon until 3 PM in Antelope Park. This event is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation and Lincoln Parks and Recreation. More information is available at: [Arbor Day LNK | Arbor Day Foundation](#).

Thank you,



Mike Comstock
Parks Operations Coordinator
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From: [Chris A. Sison](#)
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Subject: City Council Action 04/20/26
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 7:15:25 AM
Attachments: [Action042026.docx](#)
[Action042026.pdf](#)

Good morning - Please see the attached action from the City Council meeting held on 04/20/26. Have a great day.



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**ACTION FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026 3:00 PM**

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT

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.** 26R-161
Reappointing Liz Standish to the StarTran Advisory Board for a term to expire April 3, 2029. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95671)**

- 1.b.** 26R-178
Setting the Board of Equalization Hearing Date of Monday, May 11, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. on the College View Maintenance Improvement District, Havelock Maintenance Improvement District, North 27th Street Maintenance Improvement District, South Street Maintenance Improvement District, University Place Maintenance Improvement District, and the West "O" Street Maintenance Improvement District. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95672)**

2. MISCELLANEOUS REFERRALS – NONE.

- VOTE ON CONSENT ITEMS -

3. PUBLIC HEARING - LIQUOR RESOLUTIONS

- 3.a.** 26R-168
Manager Application of Joseph Brown for Immanuel Retirement Communities dba Landing at Williamsburg Village located at 3500 Faulkner Drive. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95673)**

- 3.b.** 26R-169
Application of Fast Taco, LLC dba Topsy Tina's Taco Cantina for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 20 feet by 100 feet at 800 Q Street on May 5, 2026 from 2:00 p.m. to 11:55 p.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95674)**

- 3.c.** 26R-170
Application of Sidecar Cider, LLC dba Saro Cider for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 10 feet by 10 feet at the Haymarket Farmers Market at 7th & P Street from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for the entire duration of the 2026 Haymarket Farmers Market season. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95675)**

- 3.d.** 26R-171
Application of Kinkaidler Brewing Co., LLC dba Sideshow Spirits for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 15 feet by 15 feet at the Haymarket Farmers Market at 7th & P Street from 5:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for the entire duration of the 2026 Haymarket Farmers Market season. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95676)**
- 3.e.** 26R-172
Application of Jacob Thiessen dba Hub Cafe for special designated licenses to cover an indoor area measuring approximately 30 feet by 30 feet and an outdoor area measuring approximately 200 feet by 170 feet at the Hub Farmers Market at 250 North 21st Street on May 6, 13, 20 & 27, June 3, 10, 17 & 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, August 5, 12, 19 & 26 and September 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2026 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95677)**
- 3.f.** 26R-173
Application of Landshark Realty Group, LLC dba Tank's Country for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 74 feet by 308 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on April 25, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95678)**
- 3.g.** 26R-174
Application of Yard Investments, LLC dba Gate 25 for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 74 feet by 308 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on April 25, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95679)**
- 3.h.** 26R-175
Application of Yin Family, LLC dba Hiro 88 for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 74 feet by 308 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on April 25, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95680)**
- 3.i.** 26R-176
Application of Home-Grown Industries Lincoln dba Mellow Mushroom for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 74 feet by 308 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on April 25, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95681)**
- 3.j.** 26R-177
Application of Landshark Realty Group, LLC dba The CORNER Bar for a special designated license to cover an outdoor area measuring approximately 74 feet by 308 feet at Canopy Street from R to Q Street on April 25, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95682)**

- VOTE ON LIQUORS -

4. PUBLIC HEARING - RESOLUTIONS

- 4.a.** 26R-162
Appeal by Lance C. Perez approval of Special Permit 26008 allowing a residential health care facility for up to 12 residents at 929 South Cotner Blvd. **(MTA #1 ADOPTED, 5-1; VERBAL MTA#2 ADOPTED, 5-1; ADOPTED AS AMENDED, 5-1; A-95683)**
- 4.b.** 26R-163
Approving an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lincoln and the Omaha-Council Bluffs Metropolitan Area Planning Agency for professional aerial mapping products and services. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95684)**

- VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS -

5. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCES 2ND READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (ITEMS 5.a. THROUGH 5.e. HAD 2nd READING)

- 5.a.** 26-34
Text Amendment 26005 - Request of the Planning and Development Services Department to amend Lincoln Municipal Code Section 27.72.120 Accessory Buildings to allow accessory buildings in the AGR Agriculture Residential District to be located in the side yard up to 5 feet from the side lot line.
- 5.b.** 26-35
Text Amendment 26004 - Request of the Planning and Development Services Department to amend Lincoln Municipal Code Chapter 14.50 Sidewalk Cafes to update regulations for sidewalk cafes in the public right-of-way. **(Related Items: 26-35, 26-36, 26-37, 26R-166)**
- 5.c.** 26-36
Text Amendment 26004 - Request of the Planning and Development Services Department to amend Lincoln Municipal Code Chapter 5.04 Alcoholic Liquor to update regulations for sidewalk cafes in the public right-of-way. **(Related Items: 26-35, 26-36, 26-37, 26R-166)**
- 5.d.** 26-37
Text Amendment 26004 - Request of the Planning and Development Services Department to amend Lincoln Municipal Code Section 27.62.110 Food and Drink Establishments Use Group to remove the requirement that restaurants in the O-1 districts be located within a building containing office or residential uses. **(Related Items: 26-35, 26-36, 26-37, 26R-166)**
- 5.e.** 26R-166
Text Amendment 26004 - Request of the Planning and Development Services Department to amend Title 1 General Provisions of the Design Standards by amending Chapter 1.00 Request for Waiver, Procedure, Section 2 Procedure by amending

paragraph 2.5 Lincoln Downtown, South Haymarket, Neighborhood, and Accessory Dwelling Design Standards to add Sidewalk Cafe Design Standards; and by amending Title 3 Design Standards for Zoning Regulations to add a new Chapter 3.78 to adopt the Sidewalk Cafe Design Standards. **(Related Items: 26-35, 26-36, 26-37, 26R-166)**

- END PUBLIC HEARING -

6. RESOLUTIONS - 1ST READING (ITEMS 6.a. THROUGH 6.b. HAD 1ST READING)

6.a. 26R-167

Accepting and approving the report of new and pending claims against the City for April 1 through April 15, 2026.

6.b. 26R-179

Resolution for temporary use of the State Highway System for a special event held by the City of Lincoln.

7. ORDINANCES - 1ST READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (ITEMS 7.a. HAD 1ST READING)

7.a. 26-38

Approving the Third Amended and Restated Facilities Agreement between the West Haymarket JPA and the City of Lincoln, Nebraska.

8. PENDING LIST (EXTENDED ONE WEEK)

8.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)**

8.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)**

8.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 April, open microphone sessions will be held on April 13 & April 27, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT 5:31 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, visitlincoln.ne.gov (keyword: LNKTv). LNKTv City can be found on Spectrum Channel 1300. Meetings are also streamed live at lincoln.ne.gov(keyword: LNKTv) and available later at youtube.com/LNKTvcity. LNKTv, the City government access group of channels, is now available on Roku and Apple TV. The free apps allow people without cable and those living outside of Lincoln to view livestreamed and archived LNKTv City, Health, and Education programs. Residents with Roku, Amazon Fire TV or Apple TV devices will find LNKTv in the channel guide or app store.

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From: [Kellie Cave](#)
Subject: LES Administrative Board Meeting Minutes 4.17.26
Date: Thursday, April 23, 2026 9:29:08 AM
Attachments: [04-April 17, 2026 Administrative Board Minutes.pdf](#)

Good morning,

Please see the attached meeting minutes from the April 17th meeting.

Thank you,
Kellie

Kellie Cave | Senior Executive Assistant



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MINUTES OF LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

Minutes of the regular meeting held at 9:30 a.m., Friday, April 17, 2026, at the Kevin Wailes Operations Center, 9445 Rokeby Road, Lincoln, Nebraska. Public notice of today's meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star on April 10, 2026.

Board Members Present: Kate Bolz, Carl Eskridge, Donna Garden, Andy Hunzeker, Chelsea Johnson, Alyssa Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Eric Schafer, David Spinar.

Board Members Absent: None.

LES Staff Present: Emeka Anyanwu, Emily Koenig, Jason Fortik, David Malcom, Katie Lechner, Jim Rigg, Matt Andersen, Joel Dagerman, Sally Jarecke, Keith Snyder, Denise Parrott, Kellie Cave.

Others Present: Ken Winston, Scott Williams, Kim Morrow, Nathan Svatora, Alyx Knight, and numerous virtual participants via Microsoft Teams.

News Media Present: None.

Chair Lucas Sabalka declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. A safety briefing was provided. Sabalka noted that LES conducts its meetings in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and noted that a copy of the Act is located on the wall at the back of the room and with the Assistant Secretary. Shelley Sahling-Zart, General Counsel, reviewed duties and responsibilities of LES Board members. **Call to Order, Safety Briefing, and Board Member Duties and Responsibilities**

Chair Sabalka asked for approval of the minutes of the March 20, 2026, Board meeting. David Spinar moved approval of the minutes. Carl Eskridge seconded the motion. The vote for approval of the minutes was: ***Approval of Minutes**

Aye: Carl Eskridge, Donna Garden, Chelsea Johnson, Alyssa Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Eric Schafer, David Spinar.

Nay: None

Absent: Andy Hunzeker

Ken Winston, speaking on behalf of the Nebraska Chapter of the Sierra Club, requested the board's attention on four topics:

Comments from Customers

- The positive impact of community benefit agreements, and how they could be utilized to benefit ratepayers.
- That now is an appropriate time to invest in renewable energy to help negate rising costs, particularly due to current global conflict.
- That LES should provide new incentives for customers who generate solar energy. He referenced the Value of Solar Study, and noted batteries would increase value of solar at peak demand times. He suggested capacity payments for customers and adjusted rate structures to reimburse those that have solar generation.
- The benefits of a balcony solar policy and suggestion that one should be adopted.

Scott Williams, representing himself as a resident of Lincoln, expressed his appreciation for public power, and thanked the board for the opportunity to speak at public meetings. He encouraged the board to consider accessibility concerns of meetings including location and time that meetings occur. Williams mentioned reliability and encouraged the addition of more solar into the generation portfolio, as well as battery storage to benefit ratepayers.

Chelsea Johnson, Chair of the Operations & Power Supply Committee reported on committee discussions held on April 6, 2026, including: 1) Local Generation Update, 2) SPP Integrated Transmission Plan and 765kV Projects Overview, 3) Value of Solar Study Review. (Exhibit I)

Operations and Power Supply Committee Report

Kate Bolz, Chair of the Finance Committee reported on committee discussions held on April 17, 2026, including: 1) External Audit Review of 2025 Financial Statements, 2) 2026 First Quarter Financial Review, 3) 2026 Bond Issue, 4) 2026 Report to Rating Agencies Financial Model Case, 5) 2026 Technology Services Capital Budget Discussion, 6) Internal Audit 1st Quarter Report & Follow-Up Report. (Exhibit II)

Finance Committee Report

Kate Bolz moved acceptance of the External Audit Review of 2025 Financial Statements. Carl Eskridge seconded the motion. The vote for approval was:

***Acceptance of External Audit Review of 2025 Financial Statements**

Aye: Kate Bolz, Carl Eskridge, Donna Garden, Chelsea Johnson, Alyssa Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Eric Schafer, David Spinar.

Nay: None

Absent: Andy Hunzeker

Emily Koenig, VP of Financial Service and CFO, provided a brief overview on the authorization for the bond issuance that had been given in 2024. She noted the Finance Committee had reviewed the terms of the bond issuance, and that LES had not issued any long-term bonds in series ordinance. Koenig indicated the bonds would be issued to fund the TBGS turbine additions, pay down outstanding Commercial Paper, and potentially refund exiting bonds for savings, depending on market conditions.

***Approval of 2026 Bond Issuance, LES Resolution 2026-3**

Kate Bolz moved approval of the 2026 Bond Issuance, LES Resolution 2026-3. (Exhibit III). David Spinar seconded the motion. The vote for approval was:

Aye: Kate Bolz, Carl Eskridge, Donna Garden, Chelsea Johnson, Alyssa Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Eric Schafer, David Spinar.

Nay: None

Absent: Andy Hunzeker

Matt Andersen, Specialist, Government Relations, briefed the Board on the conclusion of the 2026 Nebraska legislative session which adjourned on day 60. He noted the governor has five days to sign, veto, or allow bills to become law without a signature. Several bills were vetoed, while others that were not acted upon will expire.

2026 State Legislative Report

Andersen highlighted several bills of interest to LES:

- LB 964 would have required public notice and a hearing before political subdivisions sold, leased or purchased real property. The bill did not advance and will not carry over.
- LB 1010, a priority of the Natural Resources Committee, passed unanimously. The bill defines utility-scale energy storage resources, places them under the Nebraska Power

Review Board's jurisdiction and requires privately owned standalone storage to have power purchase agreements and utility consent. The measure also incorporates provisions from LB 1064 on large-load interconnection standards and LB 1111 on reporting requirements for data centers exceeding 10 megawatts.

- LB 1096, introduced at the governor's request and prioritized by Sen. Bostar, passed 34-15. The bill narrows protections for critical infrastructure from foreign adversaries, limiting restrictions to physical and virtual access. Andersen noted that LES already complies with existing NERC standards.
- LB 161, passed 33-16. The bill allows public electric utilities a limited, five-year option to serve loads of 1,000 megawatts or more by contracting with privately owned generation, while preserving the public power model through governing body approval, retail territory protections and other guardrails. The bill generated extensive legislative debate on topics such as labor standards, Nebraska Power Review Board composition, contract terms and tax treatment before ultimately advancing.

Andersen concluded by noting that LES will remain actively engaged as preparations begin for the next legislative cycle. Members of the board as well as CEO Anyanwu commended Andersen on a successful legislative session and Matt's performance in his role this year. (Exhibit IV)

Scott Benson, Director, Strategy & Innovation, presented the results of LES's 2026 Value of Solar study, which evaluates the financial benefits that customer-owned distributed solar provides to the utility. The analysis examined how 25 megawatts of additional distributed solar would affect LES's system over the next 20 years. The study used typical production assumptions based on national solar modeling tools and reflected the mix of panel orientations commonly found in LES' service area. LES reviewed nine categories of potential benefits: SPP market (direct and indirect), SPP ancillary services, SPP transmission, generation capacity, distribution capacity, distribution losses, renewable energy certificates and carbon emissions.

Value of Solar Study Update

The largest source of value came from avoided energy purchases on the SPP market. Because customer-owned solar reduces the amount of energy LES must buy during daylight hours, it provides a meaningful financial benefit. Other benefits were identified in areas such as ancillary services, distribution

losses, RECs and carbon value. The study found no measurable benefit in several categories, including transmission charges and generation or distribution capacity. These results reflect how LES' system operates: transmission charges are based on rules that do not credit distributed generation, and most long-term capacity needs are driven by winter peaks, when solar output is low.

When all categories were combined, the total calculated value of customer-owned solar was \$63.55 per megawatt-hour. Benson noted the current solar compensation structure, which includes a one-time capacity payment was also analyzed. He recommended extending the existing structure until customer-owned solar reaches 6 megawatts. The extension allows LES more time to evaluate long-term capacity needs and consider how future rate structures should be designed. He concluded the presentation by comparing LES's findings to national research on the value of solar. While methodologies vary widely across the industry, LES' analysis addressed the benefits most commonly captured in these studies. Benson noted LES will host a public meeting on the Value of Solar study on May 5th. Board Member Martin thanked Scott and his team for their diligent efforts during the process. (Exhibit V)

Chair Sabalka asked for a motion to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation. David Spinar made the motion. Chelsea Johnson seconded the motion. The vote for entering executive session was:

Aye: Carl Eskridge, Donna Garden, Chelsea Johnson, Alyssa Martin, Lucas Sabalka, Eric Schafer, David Spinar.

Nay: None.

Absent: Kate Bolz, Andrew Hunzeker.

The Board entered Executive Session at 12:00pm

The Board came out of Executive Session at 12:19 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the LES Administrative Board will be **Next Meeting** Friday, May 15, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

Without further business before the Board, Chair Sabalka declared **Adjournment** the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:19 p.m.

Carl Eskridge, Secretary

BY: *Kellie Cave*
Kellie Cave, Assistant Secretary

Exhibit I



Operations and Power Supply Committee Meeting Summary April 6, 2026

Attendees: C. Johnson (Committee Chair), A. Martin, L. Sabalka, D. Spinar
E. Anyanwu, S. Benson, P. Crist, J. Dagerman, J. Dutton, D. Florom, J. Fortik, E. Koenig, D.
Malcom, S. Sahling-Zart, E. Salinas, N. Wischhof

Local Generation Update (Jim Dutton):

- Staff provided an overview of the Terry Bundy Generating Station, Rokeby Generating Station, and J Street Generating Station operating performance for 2025.
- The outage hours for the combustion turbines at the Terry Bundy plant were lower than in 2024 while the steam turbine experienced a noticeable increase in outage hours due to the failure of the steam turbine lube oil pump. Rokeby Unit 1 experienced an uptick in its energy production due to increased market dispatch.
- Several notable projects were conducted in 2025, including an upgrade of the J Street combustion turbine's 480 volt motor control center and the repair of the unit's fuel oil nozzles.

SPP Integrated Transmission Plan and 765kV Projects Overview (Elijah Salinas):

- SPP develops an annual comprehensive integrated transmission plan that produces recommendations for transmission system upgrades to provide economic benefit, reliability and resiliency improvements, and solutions for short circuit issues that are identified.
- The most recent two years' study results indicate a notable increase in the quantity and cost of transmission project upgrades to address large load increases and generating resource additions in the footprint.
- Due to the increasing magnitude of the loads and generation projects that are expected to be added to the system, SPP has proposed 765kV transmission line additions in the footprint. These projects include notable increases in the costs of the total integrated transmission plan portfolio.

Value of Solar Study Review (Scott Benson):

- Staff provided a third review of the Value of Solar Study results that included additional clarifying information requested by the Committee.
- Amongst a review of other methodology questions and benefits assumptions, staff provided a sensitivity analysis on the cost of carbon dioxide.
- An overview of this study is scheduled to be presented at the 4/17/26 LES Administrative Board meeting.

Exhibit II



Finance Committee – April 17, 2026 (In-Person)

Attendees: K. Bolz (Chair), C. Eskridge, E. Schafer, L. Sabalka, E. Anyanwu, E. Koenig, S. Sahling-Zart, D. Malcom, W. Leibbrandt, D. Auman, T. Hopkins, Forvis: Chris Lindner, Abby Dobson, and Daprese Madlock

1. External Audit Review of 2025 Financial Statements (Forvis)

- a. Representatives from FORVIS, LES' external audit team, provided the Committee with a review of the audit of LES' 2025 financial statements.
- b. LES received an unmodified (clean) audit opinion. This is the highest level of audit assurance that can be attained.
- c. A copy of the annual report and a communication letter from FORVIS have been provided to board members.
- d. A motion will be requested to accept the 2025 annual audit later in today's meeting.

Please make a motion to "accept" the 2025 annual audit during the CEO's reports part of the meeting.

2. 2026 First Quarter Financial Review (Emily Koenig)

- a. 2026 first quarter financial results were favorable to budget due to revenue exceeding budget by a greater margin than expense over runs.
 - I. Retail revenue was \$400 thousand or 0.5% greater than budget.
 - II. Net Power Costs were \$3.8 million or 11% greater than budget.
 - III. Operating Expenses, excluding Power Cost, were \$2.8 million or 10% below budget due to lower payroll and benefits, technology expenses, and Sustainable Energy Program funding. It is expected that most expenses will catch up throughout the year.
- b. Capital expenditures were \$3.5 million below expected year-to-date cash flow due to credits toward substation and generation projects that will clear throughout the year.
- c. Financial metrics are expected to be near budget at year-end, but it is still early in the year.

3. 2026 Bond Issue (Emily Koenig)

- a. The committee was provided an overview of the upcoming long-term bond financing currently planned for early June 2026.
- b. Resolution 2026-3 is being presented to the Board today to authorize LES to proceed with the financing this year, which is planned to be between \$250 to \$300 million depending on market conditions.

Please make a motion to "adopt" Resolution 2026-3 during the CEO's reports part of the meeting.

(See Reverse)

4. **2026 Report to Rating Agencies Financial Model Case (Wade Leibbrant)**
 - a. In late April and early May LES will meet with Standard & Poor's and Fitch for their annual surveillance of LES' bond ratings and to obtain ratings for the new 2026 bonds.
 - b. The committee received an overview of the financial model case that will be presented to the rating agencies during those discussions.
 - c. Financial results are similar to those that were reviewed with the board during the budget process. The primary material changes relate to refinement of the financing projections included within the model case.
 - I. No significant changes from the budget case in revenue or expenses are known at this time.

5. **2026 Technology Services Capital Budget Discussion (David Malcom)**
 - a. The committee received an update on the timing of the planned Outage Management System project, a \$3 million initiative that was previously scheduled to begin in 2026.
 - b. Based on further evaluation of project sequencing, vendor availability, and coordination with the planned GIS migration, staff is proposing to shift the Outage Management project into 2027.
 - c. Staff is also actively reviewing other technology-related capital projects that may be advanced into 2026 to better align with timing and available resources. Should any adjustments be recommended, staff will provide an update to the committee in June.

6. **Internal Audit 1st Quarter Report & Follow-Up Report (David Auman)**
 - a. Internal Auditing presented the first quarter Internal Audit Report
 - b. The following audit reports were reviewed with the Committee:
 - I. Accounts Payable and Expense Management Audit
 - II. Peak Rewards Program Audit
 - III. Communications and Radio Equipment Audit
 - c. The Accounts Payable and Expense Management Audit and the Peak Rewards Program Audit received qualified opinions with minor findings and recommendations.
 - d. The Communications and Radio Equipment Audit had no findings and received an unqualified opinion.
 - e. Internal Auditing also presented the Audit Follow Up report as of March 31, 2026. Good progress continues to be made on implementing audit recommendations. Internal Auditing continues to receive excellent cooperation from LES management regarding audit findings.

Exhibit III

From: [Sue K Burgason](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [Nicholas T. Bussey](#); [Sarah J. Rada](#); [Tyler K. Spahn](#)
Subject: Claims against the City set for Public Hearing 4/27/2026
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 4:12:44 PM
Attachments: [26R-167 Resolution.pdf](#)
[26R-167 Claims Report.pdf](#)
[Letter re Auto Owners Subro Claim \(Event #13744453\) 4.16.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Monge & Associates re Janice Thomas Claim 4.16.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Ivan Kring re Claim 4.10.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Addam Frei re Claim 4.10.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Jason Buzby re Claim 4.10.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Kacie Alatorre re Claim 4.14.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to EMKAY Inc. re Claim 4.10.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Elise Brase re Claim 4.13.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Thomas Olson re Claim 4.15.2026.pdf](#)

Ben: Attached is Resolution and Claims Report that is set for public hearing on April 27, 2026, and letters to claimants that are on the list of denied claims.



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RESOLUTION NO. A-_____

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:
 2 That claims against City of Lincoln listed in attached report marked as Exhibit
 3 "A" dated April 16, 2026, of new and pending tort claims filed with the Office
 4 of City Attorney or the Office of City Clerk, as well as claims which have been
 5 disposed of, are hereby received as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-905
 6 (Reissue 1997). The dispositions of claims by the Office of City Attorney as
 7 shown in attached report are hereby approved:

<u>DENIED CLAIMS</u>	<u>SETTLED CLAIMS</u>
9 Optum o/b/o Auto Owners Insurance	State Farm Insurance
10 a/s/o Laurie Chrastil \$28,859.16	a/s/o Derek Harris \$ 6,716.40
11 Janice Thomas 85,000.00	Farmers Union Insurance
12 Ivan Kring 546.54	a/s/o Kenton Carlson 7,757.29
13 Addam Frei 2,000.00	State Farm Insurance
14 Jason Buzby 1,556.42	a/s/o Beverly Higgins 7,439.12
15 Kacie Alatorre Unspecified Amount	Jennifer Bryan 4,159.95
16 EMKAY, Inc. 8,467.18	FMNE Insurance a/s/o
17 Elise Dawn Brase 925.00	Stephen & Katherine Dietz 9,026.96
18 Thomas Olson 160.00	D&D Refuse 17,308.86
19	Andrew Koszewski 1,479.56
20 <u>WITHDRAWN CLAIM</u>	Lisa Gordon 8,478.90
21 Derek Harris Unspecified Amount	

22 The City Attorney is hereby directed to mail to claimants listed herein a
 23 copy of this resolution which shows final disposition of their claim.

Introduced by:

Approved as to Form and Legality:

City Attorney

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2026: _____ Mayor
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April 16, 2026

Mayor & City Council
Lincoln, Nebraska

RE: Report of Claims Against City of Lincoln for April 1 through April 15, 2026

Dear Mayor & Council:

The following is a report of claims against City of Lincoln which have been disposed of, or are pending, for period of April 1 through April 15, 2026. This report will describe claims and dispositions or status of these claims.

DENIED CLAIMS:

Optum on behalf of Auto Owners Insurance as subrogee of Laurie Chrastil filed subrogation claim during the month of August 2024 in the amount of \$28,859.16 for damage to insured's vehicle when struck by fallen tree near Pioneers Park Golf Course. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Janice Thomas filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$85,000 for injury incurred when claimant was passenger on StarTran bus. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Ivan Kring filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$546.54 for expense incurred as the result of sewer back-up. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Addam Frei filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$2,000.00 for damage incurred as the result of sewer back-up. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Jason Buzby filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,556.42 for damage to vehicle when allegedly struck by traffic barrier or barrel that blew into the street. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Kacie Alatorre filed claim during the month of March 2026 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury that occurred while claimant's son was playing on playground equipment at Briarhurst Park. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

EMKAY, Inc. filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$8,467.18 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Elise Dawn Brase filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$925.00 for damage to door of apartment as the result of action by Lincoln police. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Thomas Olson filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$160.00 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of snow removal activity. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

ALLOWED AND SETTLED CLAIMS:

State Farm Insurance as subrogee of Derek Harris filed claim during the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$6,716.40 for damage to insured's property as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **allowed** in the amount of \$6,716.40.

Farmers Union Insurance as subrogee of Kenton Carlson filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$7,757.29 for damage to insured's vehicle when struck by City snowplow. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$7,757.29.

State Farm Insurance as subrogee of Beverly Higgins filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$7,439.12 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving City vehicle. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$7,439.12.

Jennifer Bryan filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$4,159.95 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$4,159.95.

FMNE Insurance as subrogee of Stephen and Katherine Dietz filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$9,026.96 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving Lincoln Fire and Rescue vehicle. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **allowed** in the amount of \$9,026.96.

D&D Refuse filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$29,608.86 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident at the Landfill. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **settled** in the amount of \$17,308.86.

Andrew Koszewski filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,479.56 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran van. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$1,479.56.

Lisa Gordon filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$8,478.90 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$8,478.90.

WITHDRAWN CLAIM:

Derek Harris filed claim during the month of August 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage incurred to property as a result of the fallen tree limb. Claimant has **withdrawn** his claim.

PENDING CLAIMS:

Joshua James Smallfoot filed claim during the month of February 2023 in the amount of \$50,000 alleging excessive force by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of June 2023 in an unspecified amount for alleged damage to Windstream cable during installation of electrical lines. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of August 2023 in an unspecified amount for alleged damage to Windstream cable during installation of electrical lines. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Jack Wickline filed claim during the month of October 2023 in the amount of \$50,100 for alleged injury incurred when arrested by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jamaal McNeil filed claim during the month of March 2024 in the amount of \$25,050,000 for alleged damages relating to his arrest. This claim is under review and is pending.

Theresa Lemons filed claim during the month of April 2024 in the amount of \$100,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant's scooter tipped over while she was passenger on StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kyra Miller filed claim during the month of April 2024 in the amount of \$12,500 for vehicle sold at police auction. This claim is under review and is pending.

RG Hall LP filed claim during the month of May 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage to property as the result of fallen tree. This claim is under review and is pending.

Evan LaBouef filed claim during the month of June 2024 in the amount of \$50.00 for loss incurred due to disconnection of electrical power in error. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Mackenzie Quinn filed claim during the month of June 2024 in an unspecified amount for injury incurred as the result of accident involving a Health Department vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lucas Long filed claim during the month of August 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Joelle Paige filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred when claimant fell as she was exiting StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Eric Baer filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lisa Study filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage allegedly incurred to property during police investigation. This claim is under review and is pending.

Laura Marshall filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for alleged damages incurred due to claimant's arrest by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Foundation for Education Services filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$10,305.32 for damage incurred in basement of building due to flooding that occurred in an L.E.S. vault during a heavy rainstorm. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Kayla Lee filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$11,357.00 for property damage and alleged emotional distress incurred as the result of no-knock warrant executed by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lee Cosby filed claim during the month of November 2024 in the amount of \$800,000 for alleged damages incurred as the result of his arrest. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kristopher Cody Koebel filed nine claims during the month of December 2024 totaling \$26,500,000 alleging excessive force and unlawful conduct by Lincoln police and other law enforcement agencies. This claim is under review and is pending.

Old Dominion Freight Line filed claim during the month of February 2025 in the amount of \$12,195.79 for property damage incurred as the result of the accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kathleen Pfeffer filed claim during the month of March 2025 in the amount of \$110.00 for out-of-pocket expenses incurred as the result of claimant's fall as she was getting on a StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

First Dakota Indemnity Company as third party administrator of The Bridge of Nebraska Inc. filed claim during the month of March 2025 for workers compensation benefits paid on behalf of injured employee LaNita Nelson as the result of trip and fall on sidewalk. This claim is under review and is pending.

William Burda filed claim during the month of April 2025 in the amount of \$105.50 for damage to sprinkler system during L.E.S. pole installation. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Pamela Prater filed claim during the month of May 2025 in the amount of \$8,218.09 for damage to property as the result of sewer back-up. This claim is under review and is pending.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of May 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage to Windstream property. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Christine Grandgenett filed claim during the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for injury incurred as the result of accident involving Lincoln police vehicle. **Progressive Insurance as subrogee of Christine Grandgenett** filed a subrogation claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$5,000 for medical payments made on behalf of insured as a result of the accident. This claim is under review and is pending.

Allstate Insurance as subrogee of Hoi Wong and Er Fong Wong filed claim during the month of July 2025 in an unspecified amount for medical payments on behalf of insured's driver as the result of accident involving Parks vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Claudia Perez filed claim during the month of July 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred when claimant was a passenger on a StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Arianna Banspach filed claim during the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$201.30 for damage to tire as the result of pothole. This claim is under review and is pending.

Mark Bosak filed claim during the month of August 2025 an unspecified amount for injury incurred as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Geury Brito filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$1,680.00 for damage to windshield of vehicle that claimant was transporting when it was struck by tree limb overhanging street. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jeffrey Luis Lopez filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$250,000 alleging unlawful arrest and excessive force by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Yosha Brown filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$6,500 for injury incurred to daughter when scooter she was riding flipped on an uneven sidewalk. This claim is under review and is pending.

James William Quinn filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$284.95 for damage to fence as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Trenton Rohde filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$150,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant was a passenger on a StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

State Farm Insurance as subrogee of Lionel Brown filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$1,300.00 for proceeds from sale of vehicle at auction. This claim is under review and is pending.

Hannah Middleton filed claim during the month of September 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred as the result of accident involving police vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lannette Griffin-Mack filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$1,250.00 for tree limb removal expense and damage to two vehicles as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Richard Brown filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$2,118.76 for injury incurred as the result of trip and fall on sidewalk. This claim is under review and is pending.

Hunter Robertson filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$2,065.74 for medical expenses incurred while claimant was in police custody. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ronald Pointer filed claim during the month of September 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged illegal tow of vehicle and false incarceration. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ronald Pointer filed claim during the month of September 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged failure by Lincoln police to investigate an assault that claimant reported to Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Charles Rethmeier filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$2,027.89 for damage to vehicle when struck by mower. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jack Kirkland Jr. filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$5,170.00 for tree limb removal expense and damage to property as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kenneth Burley filed claim during the month of October 2025 in the amount of \$150,000 for alleged injury incurred while claimant was passenger on StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Dillon Ballagh filed claim during the month of October 2025 in the amount of \$500,000 for alleged injury incurred as the result of fall from wheelchair while claimant was passenger on StarTran van. This claim is under review and is pending.

Olga Kanne filed claim during the month of October 2025 in the amount of \$1,452.00 for damage to driveway and sidewalk as the result of tree removal. This claim is under review and is pending.

Sharon Schmidt filed claim during the month of November 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jackie Prater filed claim during the month of November 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage to fence when allegedly struck by City mower. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ace Electric filed claim during the month of November 2025 in the amount of \$1,986.00 for damage to property by L.E.S. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Terry Herman filed claim during the month of November 2025 in the amount of \$2,317.05 for damage to vehicle when struck by concrete. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lakeisha Thomas filed claim during the month of November 2025 in the amount of \$500,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant was exiting StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Betty Rodriguez filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$5,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant was passenger on StarTran bus that was involved in an accident. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jade and Alex Wolfe filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$9,830.46 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving Lincoln Fire and Rescue vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Marc and Jennifer Odgaard filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$700.00 for loss of use of driveway and garage during street repairs. This claim is under review and is pending.

Marcos Green filed claim during the month of January 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Tanner Carlson filed claim during the month of January 2026 in the amount of \$1,439.05 for out-of-pocket expenses incurred as the result of accident involving a City snowplow. These claims are under review and are pending.

American Family as subrogee of Susan Zabloski filed claim during the month of January 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident. This claim is under review and is pending.

Quinton Thew filed claim during the month of January 2026 in an unspecified amount for loss of income as the result of accident involving City snowplow. This claim is under review and is pending.

Casa Property Management filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$993.00 for expense incurred to restore water service at rental property. This claim is under review and is pending.

FMNE Insurance as subrogee of Robert and Sheri Wolfe filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$10,327.41 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kevin Lindquist filed claim during the month of February 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to mailbox when struck by tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Hitomi and Thomas Robinson filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for damages incurred as the result of alleged failure to provide and maintain adequate security measures at parking garage. This claim is under review and is pending.

Estate of Eleazar Ocegüera filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 alleging wrongful death due to alleged negligence by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Eleazar Antonio Ocegüera and Aliya Jo Ocegüera filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 alleging wrongful death due to alleged negligence by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Akil Awad Al-Dhary filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$3,600.00 alleging description of vehicle purchased at police auction was incorrect. This claim is under review and is pending.

Katie Black filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$500.00 for damage to fence when struck by tree limb from tree that was being trimmed by City Forestry personnel. This claim is under review and is pending.

Caden Dirks filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$3,054.87 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran van. This claim is under review and is pending.

Max Westerholt filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$4,432.35 for damage to sewer line by L.E.S. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Kurt Kodad filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,000 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving City snowplow. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jeffrey Luis Lopez filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for damages arising from alleged unlawful seizure, impoundment and sale of vehicle by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ronald Baldrige filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,013.51 for damage to windshield of vehicle when struck by errant golf ball from Mahoney Golf Course. This claim is under review and is pending.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of March 2026 the amount of \$1,211.41 for alleged damage to Windstream cable during installation of pole. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Sierra Bogle filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$7,674.34 for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Maranville Enterprises LLC filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$19,000 for damage to property as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Allstate Insurance as subrogee of Mark and Melanie Newhouse filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$7,949.25 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving Lincoln police vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lisa Gordon filed claim during the month of March 2026 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Phillip Greenwood filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$955.72 for damage to vehicle when struck by book cart in parking lot at Anderson Library. This claim is under review and is pending.

Cesar Gomez filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$2,413.13 for damage to vehicle when L.E.S. employee dropped a tool on it. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Daniel and Mary Anne Young filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$435.50 for damage to roof from sagging L.E.S. power line. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Andrew Bray filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$350.00 for damage to windshield of vehicle when struck by errant golf ball from Mahoney Golf Course. This claim is under review and is pending.

NEW CLAIMS FILED DURING PERIOD OF APRIL 1 THROUGH APRIL 15, 2026:

Green Way Shuttles filed claim in the amount of \$971.44 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Matthew Pewthers filed claim in the amount of \$205.73 for damage to property when struck by tree limb from tree that was being removed by City Forestry personnel. This claim is under review and is pending.

Judy Johnson filed claim in the amount of \$1,000,000 for injury incurred when claimant fell on StarTran van. This claim is under review and is pending.

Justin Sharp filed claim in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kimberly Harris filed claim in the amount of \$4,500.00 for injury incurred when claimant fell on StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Beverly Higgins filed claim in the amount of \$386.10 for out-of-pocket rental car expenses incurred as the result of accident involving City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

PENDING TORT LITIGATION:

Marc Timmins filed claim during the month of February 2024 in the amount of \$500,000 for damages incurred as the result of motor vehicle accident that claimant alleges occurred due to lack of signage and street lighting at a roundabout. Claim was withdrawn and suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Kalyn Thomson and Adam Thomson filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$500,000 for injury incurred as the result of accident involving police vehicle. This claim was withdrawn and suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Fernando Figueroa filed claim during the month of November 2024 in the amount of \$50,000 for alleged injury incurred as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. **Cannon Cochran Management Services, Inc. on behalf of Old Dominion Freight Line** filed a subrogation claim in the amount of \$27,767.86 for workers compensation benefits paid as the result of injury sustained by Fernando Figueroa who was an employee/driver of semitruck owned by Old Dominion Freight Line that was involved in the accident. This claim was withdrawn and suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Brendan Welch filed claim during the month of March 2025 in the amount of \$2,342.58 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. Suit was filed in Lancaster County Court. Litigation is pending.

Nathan Hinds filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for injury incurred as the result of accident involving an alleged vehicle pursuit by Lincoln police. Suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Jordan Tyrance filed suit in Lancaster County Court for injury incurred as the result of accident involving a Parks vehicle. Litigation is pending.

Submitted by City Law Department



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 16, 2026

James Knabel
Optum / SubrolQ

RE: Subrogation Claim Against the City of Lincoln, NE
Your Client: Auto Owners Insurance Co.
Your Insured: Laurie Chrastil
Event Number: TPCS-13744453 – 20316012 300-0126636-2024
Date of Incident: 2/29/2024

Dear Mr. Knabel:

This letter is in regard to the above-referenced subrogation claim for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of an incident involving a fallen tree on February 29, 2024. Documentation submitted with the subrogation claim indicates that payment by the insurer was made to Ms. Chrastil on March 15, 2024.

No action has been taken on this claim within the two-year limitations period provided by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-919(1), therefore, the statute of limitations on this claim has now passed. See *Patterson v. Metropolitan Utilities Dist.*, 302 Neb. 442, 923 N.W.2d 717 (2019). Accordingly, this claim will be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied pursuant to the statute of limitations.

The Lincoln City Council will consider this claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may contact the Lincoln City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,

Tyler K. Spahn
Assistant City Attorney



April 16, 2026

Luke Williams
Monge & Associates

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln, NE
Your Client: Janice Thomas
Date of Loss: 1/17/2026

Dear Mr. Williams:

This is in response to the claim against the City of Lincoln related to an incident that occurred when your client, Janice Thomas, was a passenger on a City of Lincoln StarTran bus on January 17, 2026.

I have had an opportunity to investigate the circumstances of the incident that gave rise to Ms. Thomas' claim, along with the information that you provided in your letter dated March 19, 2026. My review of the available information makes clear that the cause of the incident was a vehicle that did not yield to the bus, making a right turn from a middle lane through the bus's direction of travel, which required the bus operator to take appropriate evasive action to avoid an accident. There was no collision with another vehicle. It appears that the StarTran bus was being operated in a normal and usual manner, and I can find no evidence that the actions of the bus operator were negligent or that he could have or should have acted differently to prevent your client's injury. Additionally, when Ms. Thomas boarded the bus, the bus operator directly asked her if she wanted to use a securement system and Ms. Thomas affirmatively responded that she did not.

Although Ms. Thomas' alleged injuries occurred while she was a passenger on the bus, that alone does not make the City liable. Since there is no evidence that would support negligence by the City of Lincoln or its employee, Ms. Thomas' claim will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider this claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nicholas T. Bussey".

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 10, 2026

Ivan Kring
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Kring:

This is in response to your claim received in the City Clerk's Office on February 17, 2026, for expense incurred as the result of a sewer back-up at [REDACTED] Benton Street on January 26, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

In order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such claim. The mere occurrence of an incident resulting in expenses or damages, in and of itself, is not a sufficient basis for a claim for those expenses or damages. In order for this type of claim to be authorized for payment from public funds it must be shown that the City or its employees failed to act or acted in a negligent manner, and it must be shown that the City knew or should have known of the claimed defect prior to the incident giving rise to the claim, and furthermore, that the City failed to act to rectify the potential for damage. According to the records of the Wastewater Department, the subject main has been maintained on a yearly frequency and the cause of the back-up was roots and rags.

The City of Lincoln understands the financial impact you have incurred as the result of this incident, however, because taxpayer funds are used to pay claims of this type, our office can only recommend to the City Council payment of claims in which there exists a legal basis to establish liability. In this case it does not appear that the City was negligent in maintaining the subject main. Therefore, based on the information available to me, your claim will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



April 10, 2026

Addam Frei

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Frei:

This is in response to your claim received in this office on February 19, 2026, for damage incurred as the result of a sewer back-up at [REDACTED] 10th Street on February 18, 2025. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln ("City") and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

Under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-919, all tort claims against the City are forever barred unless a claim is filed with the City Clerk or the City Law Department within one year from when the claim accrued. As noted in your claim, the date of the back-up was February 18, 2025, which is when your alleged claim accrued. Your claim was submitted to the City on February 19, 2026. Therefore, the statute of limitation had expired when you filed your claim.

In addition, in order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such claim. The mere occurrence of an incident resulting in expenses or damages, in and of itself, is not a sufficient basis for a claim for those expenses or damages. In order for this type of claim to be authorized for payment from public funds it must be shown that the City or its employees failed to act or acted in a negligent manner, and it must be shown that the City knew or should have known of the claimed defect prior to the incident giving rise to the claim, and furthermore, that the City failed to act to rectify the potential for damage. According to the records of the Wastewater Department, the subject main has been maintained on a yearly frequency and the cause of the back-up was grease, roots, and rags.

The City of Lincoln acknowledges the inconvenience and financial impact caused by this incident. However, because your claim was not timely filed and because the City was not negligent in maintaining the subject main, your claim will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

Addam Frei
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April 10, 2026

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,



Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 10, 2026

Jason Buzby
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Buzby:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on March 24, 2026, for damage incurred to your vehicle when struck by a traffic barrier/barrel that allegedly blew into the street in the vicinity of 10th and D Street on or about March 22, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

I have reviewed your claim with Lincoln Transportation and Utilities ("LTU") personnel. The sidewalk construction project in the area described in your claim is being performed by an independent contractor. When the City of Lincoln enters into a contract with a private contractor, the contractor is responsible for fulfilling the terms of the contract, and in this case, Lobato Construction would be responsible for any damage to your vehicle. LTU personnel also stated that Lobato Construction may have used Trafcon, Inc., to place the traffic barriers at that site.

While I have no reason to doubt your allegation that an unsecure traffic barrier/barrel blew into the road striking your vehicle, my investigation with LTU personnel supports that City personnel did not place the traffic barrier/barrel at that site. As a result, any damage to your vehicle would not have been caused by the actions of the City or its employees. Your claim against the City of Lincoln will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

By copy of this letter I am advising Lobato Construction concerning your claim.

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney

cc: Lobato Construction, [REDACTED] Lincoln, NE 68508



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 14, 2026

Kacie Alatorre
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Ms. Alatorre:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on March 25, 2026, related to an alleged injury incurred to your son at Briarhurst Park on March 15, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

Briarhurst Park is a private neighborhood park owned by Briarhurst Neighborhood Association. Briarhurst Park is not owned by the City of Lincoln and, therefore, the maintenance of this park is not the responsibility of the City. Accordingly, your claim against the City of Lincoln will be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you do intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Sarah J. Rada
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 10, 2026

EMKAY Inc.


RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln, NE

This is in response to the claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on April 2, 2026, regarding an incident involving a City of Lincoln StarTran bus and your vehicle that occurred on February 27, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

In your claim, you stated that "[o]ur vehicle was parked and unoccupied with a ladder attached. The bus struck the ladder causing damages to the ladder rack and the truck". In support of your claim, you included a damage estimate and a rental vehicle invoice.

After reviewing our file of this incident, which includes a video from the bus during the incident, a motor vehicle accident report, a statement from the driver, and photos taken after the incident, I am recommending denial of your claim, as that documentation clearly demonstrates the incident was caused by the negligence of your own vehicle.

Your vehicle was parked in an angled parking space in the vicinity of 10th and P Street. As you noted in your claim, your vehicle had a ladder that was affixed to the roof of the vehicle. The accident report indicates the ladder was protruding approximately 29 inches from the back of the vehicle and—more importantly—was protruding approximately 23 inches into the street and lane of traffic next to the angled parking space. The StarTran bus did not strike any portion of the parked vehicle and only contacted that portion of the ladder that was protruding into the street. The video shows that the driver did not deviate from the path being driven and the angled parking space made the protruding ladder difficult to see. The driver did not have either the time or opportunity to avoid the hazard that the protruding ladder created.

As such, my review of the available information shows that the City's driver was not negligent in their operation of the bus, and that the incident was primarily caused by the hazard created by your vehicle. As such, your claim against the City of Lincoln will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider this claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,



Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 13, 2026

Elise Dawn Brase
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against City of Lincoln

Dear Ms. Brase:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on April 3, 2026, for damage incurred at [REDACTED] Briarpark Drive [REDACTED] on or about March 27, 2026.

It is this office's responsibility to investigate the merits of claims that are filed against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council. A review of Lincoln Police Department (hereinafter "LPD") records indicates that LPD officers were dispatched to [REDACTED] Briarpark Drive [REDACTED] on March 27, 2026, in reference to a domestic disturbance. LPD received a report that a Mr. Cameron Shatto (who you had a protection order against) was at your apartment and causing a disturbance. Upon arrival, police could hear a male and female voice arguing inside of apartment [REDACTED]. Officers knocked and announced their presence. Officers report that the apartment then became quiet. Officers made attempts to contact you for 20 minutes by knocking on your door, announcing themselves, requesting that you come to the door, and calling you. Officers believe that due to the totality of the circumstances known at the time, forced entry into the apartment was necessary to ensure your safety and welfare. Upon entry, Mr. Shatto was located in the bedroom of your apartment.

In order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such authorization. Based on the circumstances, it appears that the officers' actions were appropriate and that the damage incurred to the door was due to your refusal to cooperate and open the door. Accordingly, it is not possible to authorize your claim from public funds. I am referring your claim to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that your claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person on that date and time to discuss your claim. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Sarah Rada

Sarah Rada
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 15, 2026

Thomas Olson
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Olson:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on April 7, 2026, for damage to sprinkler system at [REDACTED] Fran Avenue as the result of snow removal activity on February 20, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate the merits of claims that are filed against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

In order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such authorization. I have reviewed your claim with Lincoln Transportation and Utilities (LTU) personnel. LTU indicates that Rutalkin, Inc., an independent contractor, was performing snow removal in the area of [REDACTED] Fran Avenue on February 20, 2026. The City of Lincoln is not responsible for damage caused by a contractor performing snow removal. Moreover, it appears that the reported damage occurred on City property, as the area affected was within the City's right-of-way. Therefore, your claim against the City of Lincoln will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied. You may contact Rutalkin directly should you wish to pursue this claim with Rutalkin. By copy of this letter, I am advising Rutalkin of your claim.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by emailing the City Council, at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you do intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney

cc: Rutalkin Inc., Attn: Ryan Anderson, [REDACTED] Avoca, NE 68307

RESOLUTION NO. A-_____

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:
 2 That claims against City of Lincoln listed in attached report marked as Exhibit
 3 "A" dated April 16, 2026, of new and pending tort claims filed with the Office
 4 of City Attorney or the Office of City Clerk, as well as claims which have been
 5 disposed of, are hereby received as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-905
 6 (Reissue 1997). The dispositions of claims by the Office of City Attorney as
 7 shown in attached report are hereby approved:

<u>DENIED CLAIMS</u>	<u>SETTLED CLAIMS</u>
9 Optum o/b/o Auto Owners Insurance	State Farm Insurance
10 a/s/o Laurie Chrastil \$28,859.16	a/s/o Derek Harris \$ 6,716.40
11 Janice Thomas 85,000.00	Farmers Union Insurance
12 Ivan Kring 546.54	a/s/o Kenton Carlson 7,757.29
13 Addam Frei 2,000.00	State Farm Insurance
14 Jason Buzby 1,556.42	a/s/o Beverly Higgins 7,439.12
15 Kacie Alatorre Unspecified Amount	Jennifer Bryan 4,159.95
16 EMKAY, Inc. 8,467.18	FMNE Insurance a/s/o
17 Elise Dawn Brase 925.00	Stephen & Katherine Dietz 9,026.96
18 Thomas Olson 160.00	D&D Refuse 17,308.86
19	Andrew Koszewski 1,479.56
20 <u>WITHDRAWN CLAIM</u>	Lisa Gordon 8,478.90
21 Derek Harris Unspecified Amount	

22 The City Attorney is hereby directed to mail to claimants listed herein a
 23 copy of this resolution which shows final disposition of their claim.

Introduced by:

Approved as to Form and Legality:

City Attorney

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2026: _____ Mayor
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April 16, 2026

Mayor & City Council
Lincoln, Nebraska

RE: Report of Claims Against City of Lincoln for April 1 through April 15, 2026

Dear Mayor & Council:

The following is a report of claims against City of Lincoln which have been disposed of, or are pending, for period of April 1 through April 15, 2026. This report will describe claims and dispositions or status of these claims.

DENIED CLAIMS:

Optum on behalf of Auto Owners Insurance as subrogee of Laurie Chrastil filed subrogation claim during the month of August 2024 in the amount of \$28,859.16 for damage to insured's vehicle when struck by fallen tree near Pioneers Park Golf Course. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Janice Thomas filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$85,000 for injury incurred when claimant was passenger on StarTran bus. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Ivan Kring filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$546.54 for expense incurred as the result of sewer back-up. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Addam Frei filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$2,000.00 for damage incurred as the result of sewer back-up. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Jason Buzby filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,556.42 for damage to vehicle when allegedly struck by traffic barrier or barrel that blew into the street. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Kacie Alatorre filed claim during the month of March 2026 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury that occurred while claimant's son was playing on playground equipment at Briarhurst Park. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

EMKAY, Inc. filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$8,467.18 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Elise Dawn Brase filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$925.00 for damage to door of apartment as the result of action by Lincoln police. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Thomas Olson filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$160.00 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of snow removal activity. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

ALLOWED AND SETTLED CLAIMS:

State Farm Insurance as subrogee of Derek Harris filed claim during the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$6,716.40 for damage to insured's property as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **allowed** in the amount of \$6,716.40.

Farmers Union Insurance as subrogee of Kenton Carlson filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$7,757.29 for damage to insured's vehicle when struck by City snowplow. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$7,757.29.

State Farm Insurance as subrogee of Beverly Higgins filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$7,439.12 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving City vehicle. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$7,439.12.

Jennifer Bryan filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$4,159.95 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$4,159.95.

FMNE Insurance as subrogee of Stephen and Katherine Dietz filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$9,026.96 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving Lincoln Fire and Rescue vehicle. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **allowed** in the amount of \$9,026.96.

D&D Refuse filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$29,608.86 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident at the Landfill. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **settled** in the amount of \$17,308.86.

Andrew Koszewski filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,479.56 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran van. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$1,479.56.

Lisa Gordon filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$8,478.90 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim has been **settled** by the Risk Management Office in the amount of \$8,478.90.

WITHDRAWN CLAIM:

Derek Harris filed claim during the month of August 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage incurred to property as a result of the fallen tree limb. Claimant has **withdrawn** his claim.

PENDING CLAIMS:

Joshua James Smallfoot filed claim during the month of February 2023 in the amount of \$50,000 alleging excessive force by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of June 2023 in an unspecified amount for alleged damage to Windstream cable during installation of electrical lines. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of August 2023 in an unspecified amount for alleged damage to Windstream cable during installation of electrical lines. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Jack Wickline filed claim during the month of October 2023 in the amount of \$50,100 for alleged injury incurred when arrested by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jamaal McNeil filed claim during the month of March 2024 in the amount of \$25,050,000 for alleged damages relating to his arrest. This claim is under review and is pending.

Theresa Lemons filed claim during the month of April 2024 in the amount of \$100,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant's scooter tipped over while she was passenger on StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kyra Miller filed claim during the month of April 2024 in the amount of \$12,500 for vehicle sold at police auction. This claim is under review and is pending.

RG Hall LP filed claim during the month of May 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage to property as the result of fallen tree. This claim is under review and is pending.

Evan LaBouef filed claim during the month of June 2024 in the amount of \$50.00 for loss incurred due to disconnection of electrical power in error. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Mackenzie Quinn filed claim during the month of June 2024 in an unspecified amount for injury incurred as the result of accident involving a Health Department vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lucas Long filed claim during the month of August 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Joelle Paige filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred when claimant fell as she was exiting StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Eric Baer filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lisa Study filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for damage allegedly incurred to property during police investigation. This claim is under review and is pending.

Laura Marshall filed claim during the month of September 2024 in an unspecified amount for alleged damages incurred due to claimant's arrest by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Foundation for Education Services filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$10,305.32 for damage incurred in basement of building due to flooding that occurred in an L.E.S. vault during a heavy rainstorm. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Kayla Lee filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$11,357.00 for property damage and alleged emotional distress incurred as the result of no-knock warrant executed by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lee Cosby filed claim during the month of November 2024 in the amount of \$800,000 for alleged damages incurred as the result of his arrest. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kristopher Cody Koebel filed nine claims during the month of December 2024 totaling \$26,500,000 alleging excessive force and unlawful conduct by Lincoln police and other law enforcement agencies. This claim is under review and is pending.

Old Dominion Freight Line filed claim during the month of February 2025 in the amount of \$12,195.79 for property damage incurred as the result of the accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kathleen Pfeffer filed claim during the month of March 2025 in the amount of \$110.00 for out-of-pocket expenses incurred as the result of claimant's fall as she was getting on a StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

First Dakota Indemnity Company as third party administrator of The Bridge of Nebraska Inc. filed claim during the month of March 2025 for workers compensation benefits paid on behalf of injured employee LaNita Nelson as the result of trip and fall on sidewalk. This claim is under review and is pending.

William Burda filed claim during the month of April 2025 in the amount of \$105.50 for damage to sprinkler system during L.E.S. pole installation. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Pamela Prater filed claim during the month of May 2025 in the amount of \$8,218.09 for damage to property as the result of sewer back-up. This claim is under review and is pending.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of May 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage to Windstream property. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Christine Grandgenett filed claim during the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for injury incurred as the result of accident involving Lincoln police vehicle. **Progressive Insurance as subrogee of Christine Grandgenett** filed a subrogation claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$5,000 for medical payments made on behalf of insured as a result of the accident. This claim is under review and is pending.

Allstate Insurance as subrogee of Hoi Wong and Er Fong Wong filed claim during the month of July 2025 in an unspecified amount for medical payments on behalf of insured's driver as the result of accident involving Parks vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Claudia Perez filed claim during the month of July 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred when claimant was a passenger on a StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Arianna Banspach filed claim during the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$201.30 for damage to tire as the result of pothole. This claim is under review and is pending.

Mark Bosak filed claim during the month of August 2025 an unspecified amount for injury incurred as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Geury Brito filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$1,680.00 for damage to windshield of vehicle that claimant was transporting when it was struck by tree limb overhanging street. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jeffrey Luis Lopez filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$250,000 alleging unlawful arrest and excessive force by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Yosha Brown filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$6,500 for injury incurred to daughter when scooter she was riding flipped on an uneven sidewalk. This claim is under review and is pending.

James William Quinn filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$284.95 for damage to fence as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Trenton Rohde filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$150,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant was a passenger on a StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

State Farm Insurance as subrogee of Lionel Brown filed claim during the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$1,300.00 for proceeds from sale of vehicle at auction. This claim is under review and is pending.

Hannah Middleton filed claim during the month of September 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred as the result of accident involving police vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lannette Griffin-Mack filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$1,250.00 for tree limb removal expense and damage to two vehicles as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Richard Brown filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$2,118.76 for injury incurred as the result of trip and fall on sidewalk. This claim is under review and is pending.

Hunter Robertson filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$2,065.74 for medical expenses incurred while claimant was in police custody. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ronald Pointer filed claim during the month of September 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged illegal tow of vehicle and false incarceration. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ronald Pointer filed claim during the month of September 2025 in an unspecified amount for alleged failure by Lincoln police to investigate an assault that claimant reported to Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Charles Rethmeier filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$2,027.89 for damage to vehicle when struck by mower. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jack Kirkland Jr. filed claim during the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$5,170.00 for tree limb removal expense and damage to property as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kenneth Burley filed claim during the month of October 2025 in the amount of \$150,000 for alleged injury incurred while claimant was passenger on StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Dillon Ballagh filed claim during the month of October 2025 in the amount of \$500,000 for alleged injury incurred as the result of fall from wheelchair while claimant was passenger on StarTran van. This claim is under review and is pending.

Olga Kanne filed claim during the month of October 2025 in the amount of \$1,452.00 for damage to driveway and sidewalk as the result of tree removal. This claim is under review and is pending.

Sharon Schmidt filed claim during the month of November 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jackie Prater filed claim during the month of November 2025 in an unspecified amount for damage to fence when allegedly struck by City mower. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ace Electric filed claim during the month of November 2025 in the amount of \$1,986.00 for damage to property by L.E.S. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Terry Herman filed claim during the month of November 2025 in the amount of \$2,317.05 for damage to vehicle when struck by concrete. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lakeisha Thomas filed claim during the month of November 2025 in the amount of \$500,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant was exiting StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Betty Rodriguez filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$5,000 for alleged injury incurred when claimant was passenger on StarTran bus that was involved in an accident. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jade and Alex Wolfe filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$9,830.46 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving Lincoln Fire and Rescue vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Marc and Jennifer Odgaard filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$700.00 for loss of use of driveway and garage during street repairs. This claim is under review and is pending.

Marcos Green filed claim during the month of January 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Tanner Carlson filed claim during the month of January 2026 in the amount of \$1,439.05 for out-of-pocket expenses incurred as the result of accident involving a City snowplow. These claims are under review and are pending.

American Family as subrogee of Susan Zabloski filed claim during the month of January 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident. This claim is under review and is pending.

Quinton Thew filed claim during the month of January 2026 in an unspecified amount for loss of income as the result of accident involving City snowplow. This claim is under review and is pending.

Casa Property Management filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$993.00 for expense incurred to restore water service at rental property. This claim is under review and is pending.

FMNE Insurance as subrogee of Robert and Sheri Wolfe filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$10,327.41 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kevin Lindquist filed claim during the month of February 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to mailbox when struck by tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Hitomi and Thomas Robinson filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for damages incurred as the result of alleged failure to provide and maintain adequate security measures at parking garage. This claim is under review and is pending.

Estate of Eleazar Ocegüera filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 alleging wrongful death due to alleged negligence by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Eleazar Antonio Ocegüera and Aliya Jo Ocegüera filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 alleging wrongful death due to alleged negligence by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Akil Awad Al-Dhary filed claim during the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$3,600.00 alleging description of vehicle purchased at police auction was incorrect. This claim is under review and is pending.

Katie Black filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$500.00 for damage to fence when struck by tree limb from tree that was being trimmed by City Forestry personnel. This claim is under review and is pending.

Caden Dirks filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$3,054.87 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran van. This claim is under review and is pending.

Max Westerholt filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$4,432.35 for damage to sewer line by L.E.S. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Kurt Kodad filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,000 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving City snowplow. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jeffrey Luis Lopez filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for damages arising from alleged unlawful seizure, impoundment and sale of vehicle by Lincoln police. This claim is under review and is pending.

Ronald Baldrige filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$1,013.51 for damage to windshield of vehicle when struck by errant golf ball from Mahoney Golf Course. This claim is under review and is pending.

CMR on behalf of Windstream filed claim during the month of March 2026 the amount of \$1,211.41 for alleged damage to Windstream cable during installation of pole. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Sierra Bogle filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$7,674.34 for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Maranville Enterprises LLC filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$19,000 for damage to property as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Allstate Insurance as subrogee of Mark and Melanie Newhouse filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$7,949.25 for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of accident involving Lincoln police vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lisa Gordon filed claim during the month of March 2026 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Phillip Greenwood filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$955.72 for damage to vehicle when struck by book cart in parking lot at Anderson Library. This claim is under review and is pending.

Cesar Gomez filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$2,413.13 for damage to vehicle when L.E.S. employee dropped a tool on it. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Daniel and Mary Anne Young filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$435.50 for damage to roof from sagging L.E.S. power line. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Andrew Bray filed claim during the month of March 2026 in the amount of \$350.00 for damage to windshield of vehicle when struck by errant golf ball from Mahoney Golf Course. This claim is under review and is pending.

NEW CLAIMS FILED DURING PERIOD OF APRIL 1 THROUGH APRIL 15, 2026:

Green Way Shuttles filed claim in the amount of \$971.44 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Matthew Pewthers filed claim in the amount of \$205.73 for damage to property when struck by tree limb from tree that was being removed by City Forestry personnel. This claim is under review and is pending.

Judy Johnson filed claim in the amount of \$1,000,000 for injury incurred when claimant fell on StarTran van. This claim is under review and is pending.

Justin Sharp filed claim in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kimberly Harris filed claim in the amount of \$4,500.00 for injury incurred when claimant fell on StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Beverly Higgins filed claim in the amount of \$386.10 for out-of-pocket rental car expenses incurred as the result of accident involving City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

PENDING TORT LITIGATION:

Marc Timmins filed claim during the month of February 2024 in the amount of \$500,000 for damages incurred as the result of motor vehicle accident that claimant alleges occurred due to lack of signage and street lighting at a roundabout. Claim was withdrawn and suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Kalyn Thomson and Adam Thomson filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$500,000 for injury incurred as the result of accident involving police vehicle. This claim was withdrawn and suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Fernando Figueroa filed claim during the month of November 2024 in the amount of \$50,000 for alleged injury incurred as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. **Cannon Cochran Management Services, Inc. on behalf of Old Dominion Freight Line** filed a subrogation claim in the amount of \$27,767.86 for workers compensation benefits paid as the result of injury sustained by Fernando Figueroa who was an employee/driver of semitruck owned by Old Dominion Freight Line that was involved in the accident. This claim was withdrawn and suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Brendan Welch filed claim during the month of March 2025 in the amount of \$2,342.58 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving StarTran bus. Suit was filed in Lancaster County Court. Litigation is pending.

Nathan Hinds filed claim during the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for injury incurred as the result of accident involving an alleged vehicle pursuit by Lincoln police. Suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

Jordan Tyrance filed suit in Lancaster County Court for injury incurred as the result of accident involving a Parks vehicle. Litigation is pending.

Submitted by City Law Department



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 16, 2026

James Knabel
Optum / SubrolQ

RE: Subrogation Claim Against the City of Lincoln, NE
Your Client: Auto Owners Insurance Co.
Your Insured: Laurie Chrastil
Event Number: TPCS-13744453 – 20316012 300-0126636-2024
Date of Incident: 2/29/2024

Dear Mr. Knabel:

This letter is in regard to the above-referenced subrogation claim for damage to insured's vehicle as the result of an incident involving a fallen tree on February 29, 2024. Documentation submitted with the subrogation claim indicates that payment by the insurer was made to Ms. Chrastil on March 15, 2024.

No action has been taken on this claim within the two-year limitations period provided by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-919(1), therefore, the statute of limitations on this claim has now passed. See *Patterson v. Metropolitan Utilities Dist.*, 302 Neb. 442, 923 N.W.2d 717 (2019). Accordingly, this claim will be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied pursuant to the statute of limitations.

The Lincoln City Council will consider this claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may contact the Lincoln City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,

Tyler K. Spahn
Assistant City Attorney



April 16, 2026

Luke Williams
Monge & Associates

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln, NE
Your Client: Janice Thomas
Date of Loss: 1/17/2026

Dear Mr. Williams:

This is in response to the claim against the City of Lincoln related to an incident that occurred when your client, Janice Thomas, was a passenger on a City of Lincoln StarTran bus on January 17, 2026.

I have had an opportunity to investigate the circumstances of the incident that gave rise to Ms. Thomas' claim, along with the information that you provided in your letter dated March 19, 2026. My review of the available information makes clear that the cause of the incident was a vehicle that did not yield to the bus, making a right turn from a middle lane through the bus's direction of travel, which required the bus operator to take appropriate evasive action to avoid an accident. There was no collision with another vehicle. It appears that the StarTran bus was being operated in a normal and usual manner, and I can find no evidence that the actions of the bus operator were negligent or that he could have or should have acted differently to prevent your client's injury. Additionally, when Ms. Thomas boarded the bus, the bus operator directly asked her if she wanted to use a securement system and Ms. Thomas affirmatively responded that she did not.

Although Ms. Thomas' alleged injuries occurred while she was a passenger on the bus, that alone does not make the City liable. Since there is no evidence that would support negligence by the City of Lincoln or its employee, Ms. Thomas' claim will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider this claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nicholas T. Bussey".

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 10, 2026

Ivan Kring
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Kring:

This is in response to your claim received in the City Clerk's Office on February 17, 2026, for expense incurred as the result of a sewer back-up at [REDACTED] Benton Street on January 26, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

In order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such claim. The mere occurrence of an incident resulting in expenses or damages, in and of itself, is not a sufficient basis for a claim for those expenses or damages. In order for this type of claim to be authorized for payment from public funds it must be shown that the City or its employees failed to act or acted in a negligent manner, and it must be shown that the City knew or should have known of the claimed defect prior to the incident giving rise to the claim, and furthermore, that the City failed to act to rectify the potential for damage. According to the records of the Wastewater Department, the subject main has been maintained on a yearly frequency and the cause of the back-up was roots and rags.

The City of Lincoln understands the financial impact you have incurred as the result of this incident, however, because taxpayer funds are used to pay claims of this type, our office can only recommend to the City Council payment of claims in which there exists a legal basis to establish liability. In this case it does not appear that the City was negligent in maintaining the subject main. Therefore, based on the information available to me, your claim will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



April 10, 2026

Addam Frei

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Frei:

This is in response to your claim received in this office on February 19, 2026, for damage incurred as the result of a sewer back-up at [REDACTED] 10th Street on February 18, 2025. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln ("City") and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

Under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-919, all tort claims against the City are forever barred unless a claim is filed with the City Clerk or the City Law Department within one year from when the claim accrued. As noted in your claim, the date of the back-up was February 18, 2025, which is when your alleged claim accrued. Your claim was submitted to the City on February 19, 2026. Therefore, the statute of limitation had expired when you filed your claim.

In addition, in order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such claim. The mere occurrence of an incident resulting in expenses or damages, in and of itself, is not a sufficient basis for a claim for those expenses or damages. In order for this type of claim to be authorized for payment from public funds it must be shown that the City or its employees failed to act or acted in a negligent manner, and it must be shown that the City knew or should have known of the claimed defect prior to the incident giving rise to the claim, and furthermore, that the City failed to act to rectify the potential for damage. According to the records of the Wastewater Department, the subject main has been maintained on a yearly frequency and the cause of the back-up was grease, roots, and rags.

The City of Lincoln acknowledges the inconvenience and financial impact caused by this incident. However, because your claim was not timely filed and because the City was not negligent in maintaining the subject main, your claim will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

Addam Frei
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The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,



Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 10, 2026

Jason Buzby
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Buzby:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on March 24, 2026, for damage incurred to your vehicle when struck by a traffic barrier/barrel that allegedly blew into the street in the vicinity of 10th and D Street on or about March 22, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

I have reviewed your claim with Lincoln Transportation and Utilities ("LTU") personnel. The sidewalk construction project in the area described in your claim is being performed by an independent contractor. When the City of Lincoln enters into a contract with a private contractor, the contractor is responsible for fulfilling the terms of the contract, and in this case, Lobato Construction would be responsible for any damage to your vehicle. LTU personnel also stated that Lobato Construction may have used Trafcon, Inc., to place the traffic barriers at that site.

While I have no reason to doubt your allegation that an unsecure traffic barrier/barrel blew into the road striking your vehicle, my investigation with LTU personnel supports that City personnel did not place the traffic barrier/barrel at that site. As a result, any damage to your vehicle would not have been caused by the actions of the City or its employees. Your claim against the City of Lincoln will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

By copy of this letter I am advising Lobato Construction concerning your claim.

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney

cc: Lobato Construction, [REDACTED] Lincoln, NE 68508



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 14, 2026

Kacie Alatorre
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Ms. Alatorre:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on March 25, 2026, related to an alleged injury incurred to your son at Briarhurst Park on March 15, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

Briarhurst Park is a private neighborhood park owned by Briarhurst Neighborhood Association. Briarhurst Park is not owned by the City of Lincoln and, therefore, the maintenance of this park is not the responsibility of the City. Accordingly, your claim against the City of Lincoln will be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that the claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you do intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Sarah J. Rada
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
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April 10, 2026

EMKAY Inc.



RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln, NE

This is in response to the claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on April 2, 2026, regarding an incident involving a City of Lincoln StarTran bus and your vehicle that occurred on February 27, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate claims against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

In your claim, you stated that "[o]ur vehicle was parked and unoccupied with a ladder attached. The bus struck the ladder causing damages to the ladder rack and the truck". In support of your claim, you included a damage estimate and a rental vehicle invoice.

After reviewing our file of this incident, which includes a video from the bus during the incident, a motor vehicle accident report, a statement from the driver, and photos taken after the incident, I am recommending denial of your claim, as that documentation clearly demonstrates the incident was caused by the negligence of your own vehicle.

Your vehicle was parked in an angled parking space in the vicinity of 10th and P Street. As you noted in your claim, your vehicle had a ladder that was affixed to the roof of the vehicle. The accident report indicates the ladder was protruding approximately 29 inches from the back of the vehicle and—more importantly—was protruding approximately 23 inches into the street and lane of traffic next to the angled parking space. The StarTran bus did not strike any portion of the parked vehicle and only contacted that portion of the ladder that was protruding into the street. The video shows that the driver did not deviate from the path being driven and the angled parking space made the protruding ladder difficult to see. The driver did not have either the time or opportunity to avoid the hazard that the protruding ladder created.

As such, my review of the available information shows that the City's driver was not negligent in their operation of the bus, and that the incident was primarily caused by the hazard created by your vehicle. As such, your claim against the City of Lincoln will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider this claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by email at council@lincoln.ne.gov.

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
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April 13, 2026

Elise Dawn Brase
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against City of Lincoln

Dear Ms. Brase:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on April 3, 2026, for damage incurred at [REDACTED] Briarpark Drive [REDACTED] on or about March 27, 2026.

It is this office's responsibility to investigate the merits of claims that are filed against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council. A review of Lincoln Police Department (hereinafter "LPD") records indicates that LPD officers were dispatched to [REDACTED] Briarpark Drive [REDACTED] on March 27, 2026, in reference to a domestic disturbance. LPD received a report that a Mr. Cameron Shatto (who you had a protection order against) was at your apartment and causing a disturbance. Upon arrival, police could hear a male and female voice arguing inside of apartment [REDACTED]. Officers knocked and announced their presence. Officers report that the apartment then became quiet. Officers made attempts to contact you for 20 minutes by knocking on your door, announcing themselves, requesting that you come to the door, and calling you. Officers believe that due to the totality of the circumstances known at the time, forced entry into the apartment was necessary to ensure your safety and welfare. Upon entry, Mr. Shatto was located in the bedroom of your apartment.

In order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such authorization. Based on the circumstances, it appears that the officers' actions were appropriate and that the damage incurred to the door was due to your refusal to cooperate and open the door. Accordingly, it is not possible to authorize your claim from public funds. I am referring your claim to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that your claim be denied.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person on that date and time to discuss your claim. **If you intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Sarah Rada
Assistant City Attorney



City of Lincoln
**OFFICE of THE
CITY ATTORNEY**

April 15, 2026

Thomas Olson
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Olson:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on April 7, 2026, for damage to sprinkler system at [REDACTED] Fran Avenue as the result of snow removal activity on February 20, 2026. It is this office's responsibility to investigate the merits of claims that are filed against the City of Lincoln and make a recommendation to the Lincoln City Council.

In order for a claim to be authorized for payment from public funds, it must be shown that there exists a legal basis for such authorization. I have reviewed your claim with Lincoln Transportation and Utilities (LTU) personnel. LTU indicates that Rutalkin, Inc., an independent contractor, was performing snow removal in the area of [REDACTED] Fran Avenue on February 20, 2026. The City of Lincoln is not responsible for damage caused by a contractor performing snow removal. Moreover, it appears that the reported damage occurred on City property, as the area affected was within the City's right-of-way. Therefore, your claim against the City of Lincoln will be referred to the Lincoln City Council with a recommendation that it be denied. You may contact Rutalkin directly should you wish to pursue this claim with Rutalkin. By copy of this letter, I am advising Rutalkin of your claim.

The Lincoln City Council will consider your claim at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 112. You may appear in person at that date and time to discuss your claim and/or you may contact the City Council in writing prior to that date by emailing the City Council, at council@lincoln.ne.gov. **If you do intend to appear at the City Council meeting in person, please advise this office prior to Friday, April 24, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Bussey
Assistant City Attorney

cc: Rutalkin Inc., Attn: Ryan Anderson, [REDACTED] Avoca, NE 68307

From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Brandi R. Lehl](#); [Soulinnee Phan](#)
Cc: [Steve S. Henrichsen](#); [Benjamin M. Callahan](#)
Subject: Public Comment SP26008
Date: Friday, April 17, 2026 2:50:01 PM
Attachments: [SP26008_email.pdf](#)
[Site Comparisons.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

We received an email and a document regarding SP26008. I have attached them both here for your reference.

Thank you,



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Proposed Legato Living: 929 S Cotner Rd, Lincoln, NE 68510

Special Permit #26008 requests up to 12 Residents at this residence which currently has three (3) bedrooms.

Property Location:

Street & Access Constraints

- **Speed limit:** 35 mph
- **S. Cotner Boulevard is highly trafficked** → difficult ingress/egress, especially during peak hours.
- **No on-street parking allowed** → all parking demand must be handled on-site.
- **Sidewalk directly against the curb (no buffer)** →
 - Less margin for error when backing out
 - Increased safety risk for pedestrians
 - Limited room for maneuvering vehicles

Parking Situation

The property currently has parking for four vehicles: 2-car garage and 2 parking spaces. Kindred Oaks, LLC, intends to use one of the garage stalls for storage and add two additional exterior parking spaces resulting in **5 parking spaces** total for up to 12 residents.

- With **no street parking**, overflow has nowhere to go
 - The closest road available for on-street parking is Valley Road, one lot south of 929 S. Cotner Blvd.
 - Valley Road, a residential road which connects S 48th Street to S Cotner Blvd, continuing on to S 56th St. Valley Rd provides access to Lefler Middle School, creating peak vehicular and pedestrian traffic street during morning and afternoon pick-up/drop-off.
- Likely outcomes:
 - Business traffic (staff, medical support, deliveries, visitors, etc.) parking illegally or off-site. Delivery trucks often idle in the center turn lane on South Cotner Blvd.
 - Frequent vehicle shuffling/blocking
 - Increased congestion at driveway access point on an already busy street

Proposed Legato Living: 929 S Cotner Rd, Lincoln, NE 68510

Google Map view north to south from southbound lane in front of 929 S Cotner Blvd.

If parking at 929 S Cotner Blvd overflows, the nearest legal street parking is on Valley Rd



Red arrow: Intersection of S Cotner Blvd and Valley Rd

Blue/Black arrow: 929 S Cotner Blvd driveway

Orange arrow: center turn lane used by delivery vehicles

Sidewalk is 3' wide; due to condition, it narrows to 2½' in areas

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Pictures of sidewalk between 929 S Cotner Blvd driveway to Valley Road.



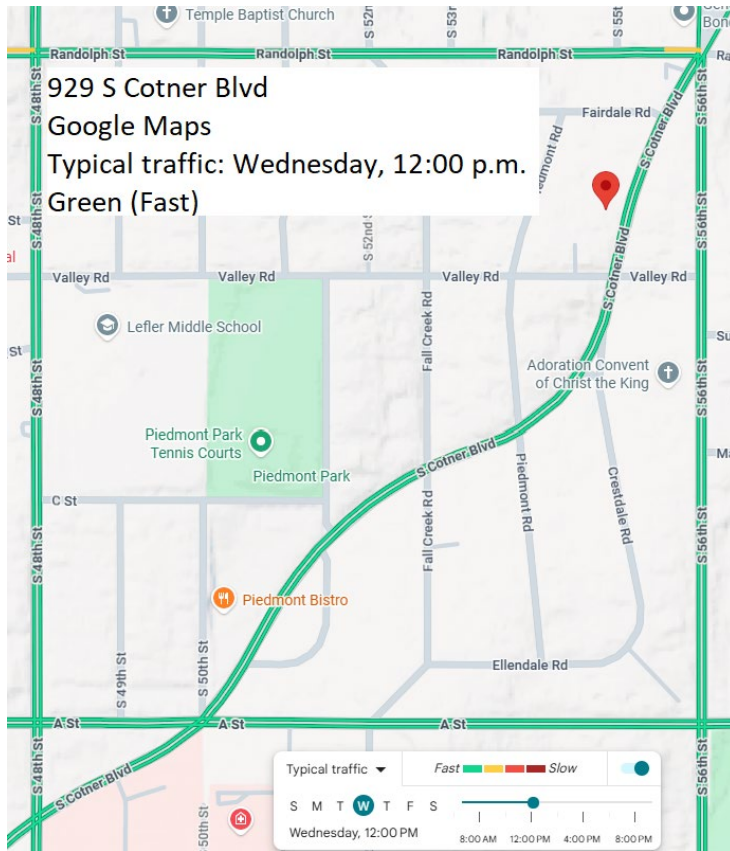
929 S Cotner Blvd – Driveway with car passing. The car moved over towards the center turn lane while passing me.



North to south view of S Cotner Blvd – access to Valley Rd. The sidewalk sits directly next to the roadway and is uneven, narrow, and misaligned, creating potential safety hazards for pedestrians.

Proposed Legato Living: 929 S Cotner Rd, Lincoln, NE 68510

Google Maps depiction of Typical Traffic on S Cotner Blvd and surrounding arterial roads.



Proposed: Legato Living
929 S Cotner Blvd
Units: 12
Lot: 0.58 acres/GIS SF 25,253

The Harbor at Calvert: 3737 Calvert St – 12 Units

Property Location:

Street

- Speed limit: 25 mph
- Located on a residential street with limited traffic.
- On-street parking is prohibited on school days between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Parking Situation

- Attached two-car garage and a detached one car garage.
- Circular drive for easy access/exit
- Additional parking is available on drive which can accommodate up to seven vehicles.

A landscaped green strip separates the sidewalk from the roadway, enhancing pedestrian safety by providing a buffer from traffic.

The Harbor at Calvert: 3737 Calvert St – 12 Units

On April 8 @ approximately 2:40 p.m. there were 3 cars visible in outdoor parking. Garage doors were closed, so there may have been up to 3 cars parked in the garages.

Google Map Satellite image:



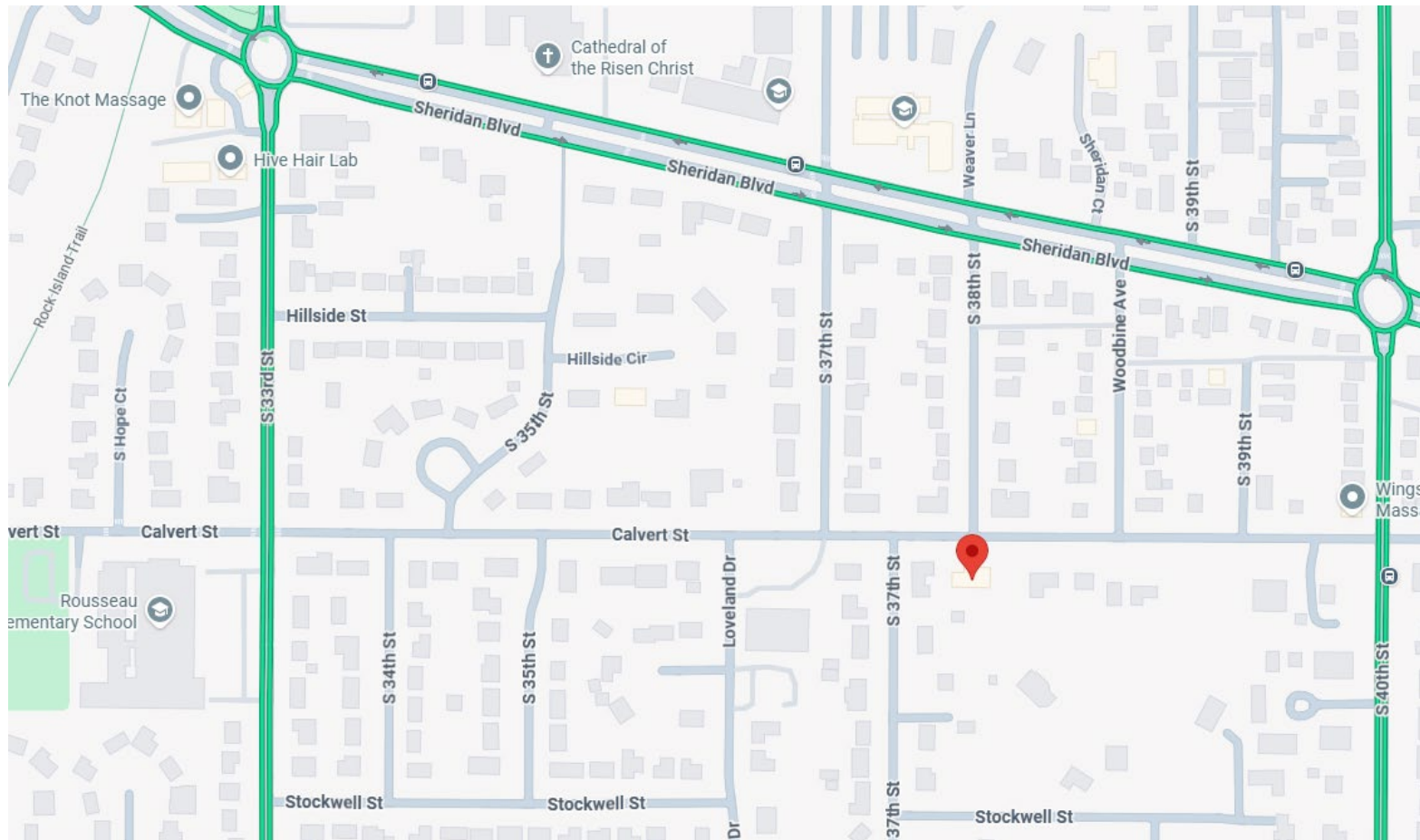
Red arrow: Attached 2-car garage
Blue/Black arrow: Detached 1-car garage
Orange arrow: 4-5 car off street exterior parking stalls
Green arrow: Circle drive

Note: there is a sign posted on the west front facade: "Deliveries this way ->" with arrow pointing to rear of property via driveway.

The Harbor at Calvert
3737 Calvert Street
Units: 12
Lot: 1.22 acres/GIS SF 53,359

The Harbor at Calvert: 3737 Calvert St – 12 Units

Calvert Street runs between 33rd Street and 40th Street and is positioned just south of the major thoroughfare Sheridan Boulevard. Traffic not documented on Google Maps.



The Harbor at Prescott: 3821 42nd Street – 12 units

Property Location:

Street

- Speed limit: 25 mph
- Located at the edge of a cul-de-sac with three properties. Adjacent Streets (S 42nd & Cooper Ave) are not through streets.
- Traffic is limited to residents.

Parking Situation

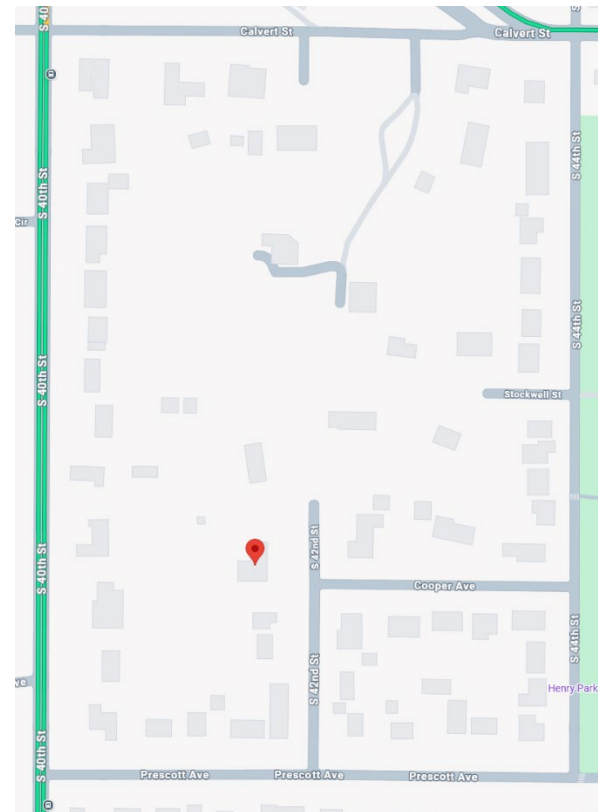
The property has parking for multiple vehicles and street parking is available.

- Circular drive provides easy access/exit
- Parking is available on driveway (up to 4 spaces behind the house and 4 spaces to the north of the house)
- Driveway is wide enough to accommodate the width of two cars
- Tennis court was converted to a 12-space parking lot accessible by a dirt road.
- On street parking is available

The Harbor at Prescott: 3821 42nd Street – 12 units



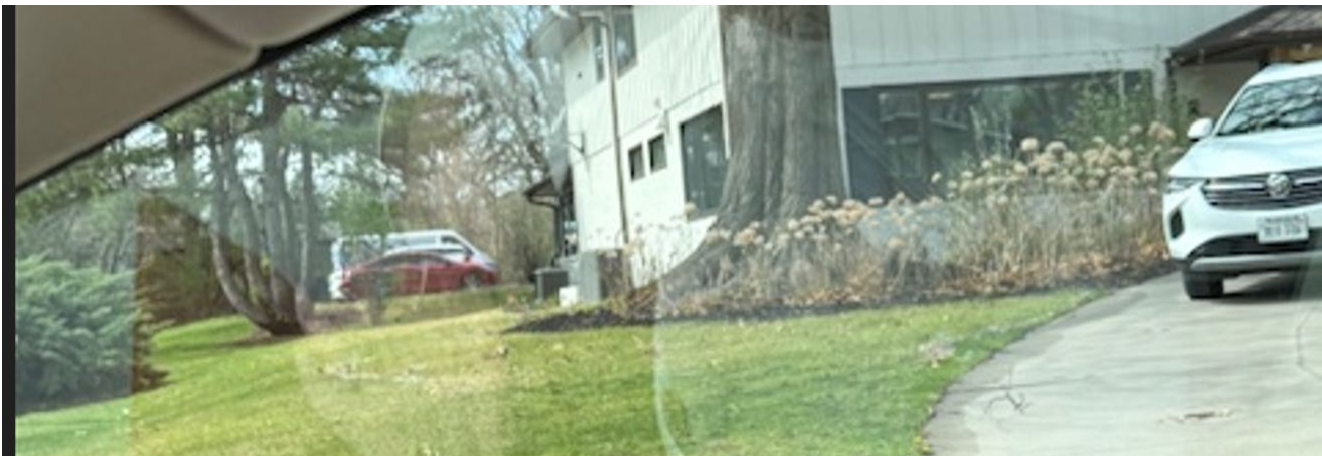
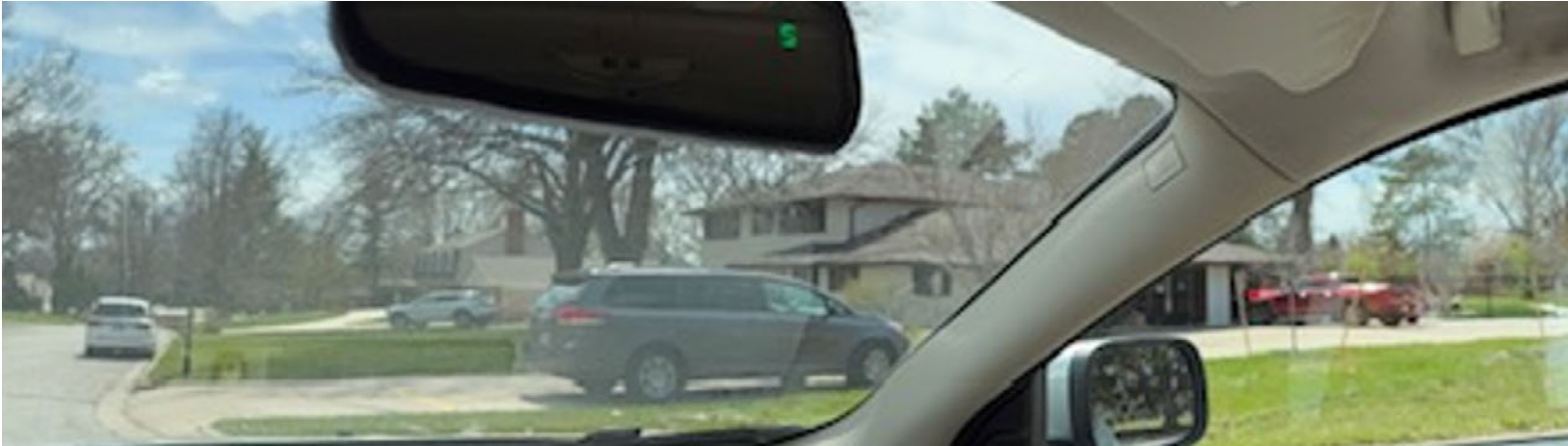
The Harbor at Prescott
3821 S 42nd St
Units: 12
Lot: 0.85 acres/GIS SF 37,110



The Harbor at Prescott: 3821 42nd Street – 12 units

Pictures taken on April 8, 2026 @ 2:30 p.m. = 7 vehicles parked outside of this home:

1 vehicle on street; 1 vehicle in circular driveway; 1 vehicle on side driveway; 1 vehicle outside of garage; 3 vehicles parked in rear



The Harbor at Pinedale: 8421 Pinedale Ct – 6 Units

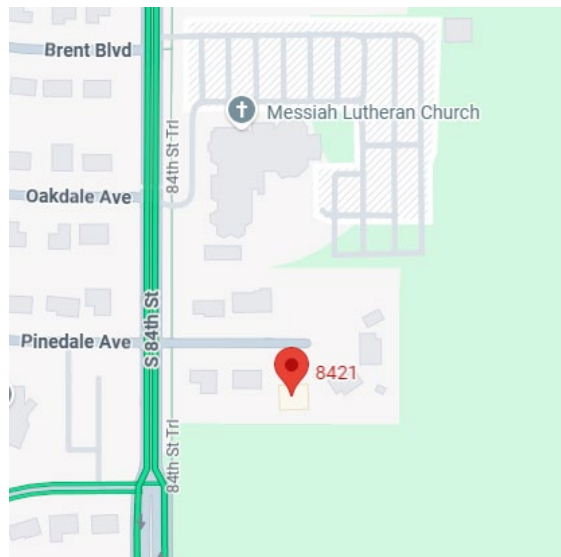
Property Location:

Street

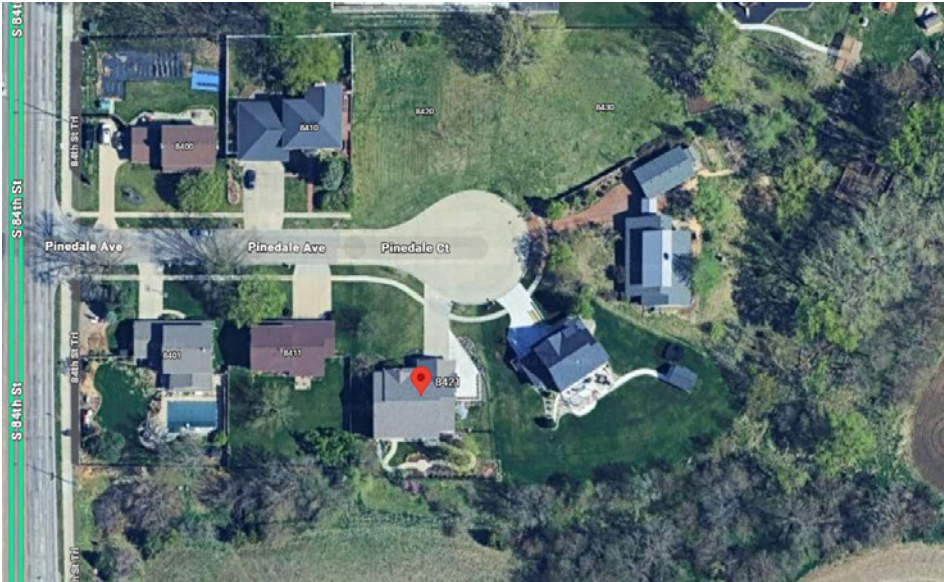
- Speed limit: 25 mph
- Located in a cul-de-sac with three properties.
- Traffic is limited to residents of seven homes. There are two vacant lots.

Parking Situation

- Driveway can accommodate 4 to 5 cars.
- On street parking is available.



The Harbor at Pinedale: 8421 Pinedale Ct – 6 Units



The Harbor at Pinedale
8421 Pinedale Court
Units: 6
Lot: 0.32 acres/FIS SF 14,025

The Harbor at Pinedale: 8421 Pinedale Ct – 6 Units

Photos taken on April 8 @ approximately 2:50 p.m. = 9 vehicles parked outside this home:

4 vehicles in driveway; 5 vehicles in cul-de-sac

* The driveway is used for employees. At shift change, the 1st shift temporarily moves their vehicles to the cul-de-sac and the 2nd shift parks in the driveway. Garage is used for storage of food in a refrigerator; therefore, second space is not used.



Hi Laura,

I have one more document that will be referenced during the hearing on Monday, April 20. I would appreciate it if you would distribute this for me.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Julie

From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Brandi R. Lehl](#); [Soulinnee Phan](#)
Cc: [Steve S. Henrichsen](#); [Benjamin M. Callahan](#)
Subject: Public Comment SP26008
Date: Monday, April 20, 2026 8:22:17 AM
Attachments: [SP26008 Horvath. T \(003\).pdf](#)
[SP26008 J. Perez.pdf](#)

Good morning,

We received an email and a document regarding SP26008. I have attached them both here for your reference.

Thank you,



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To: LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL

Re: Rezoning of lot @ 929 S. Cotner Blvd.

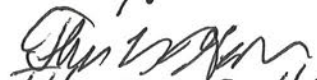
As a Civil Engineer, with experience in City Traffic Engineering, I have made the following observations about rezoning of the 929 Cotner Blvd. Property:

1) The 3' wide curb sidewalks on both sides of Cotner in this area are unsafe for both pedestrians and bicyclists! The average speed of typical motorists along this area is excessive, with no stop signs or traffic lights from 56th & Randolph St., south to "A" St.

2) The proposed rezoning for 12-alzheimer/dementia patients in this living unit (929 S. Cotner) would require at least a dozen parking stalls 'on site'! Food service people, patient vehicles, visitors and staff alone, would need 12-stalls, since there is "no parking" on Cotner, the visitors would likely have to park on Valley Dr., approx. 200' South of subject property. Vehicles parked on Valley Dr. would further limit view and increase congestion for the Cotner and Valley Dr. intersection and increase safety hazards for pedestrians and bicyclists, many of whom are students at Lefler Middle School.

3) Valley Dr. is only 24' wide from gutter to gutter + 6" wide high back curbs! If parking was allowed on only "one-side" of the street, Emergency Vehicles would have difficulty accessing the area.

V.T.Y.


THOMAS R. HARVAT

Bachelor of Science - Civil Engg. in 1967 from UNO
Master of Science in Civil Engg. in 1971 " UNO

Registered Professional Enggr in both Iowa & Nebraska

Conducted a Traffic Engineering Safety Study both for
Harlan, IA. & North Platte, Ne. The studies in both
cities resulted in substantial reductions in annual traffic
accidents (in the 35-40% range). Accident reduction
was largely a result of providing 2-way stop sign
installation (on previously unmarked intersection), the installation
of traffic signals in downtown heavily congested areas, and
speed limit signage in areas w/ greatest #'s of accidents.
I served as city Enggr. in Harlan, Ia. 1977-'78 &

North Platte, Ne. in 1978-2003.

Hi Laura,

I apologize for the late submission of this document which I received from a neighbor this afternoon. Mr. Horvath is a resident of [REDACTED] Cotner Blvd and a Civil Engineer. Mr. Horvath will not be able to attend the appeal hearing on Monday and has asked that this document be shared with City Council members in his absence.

I appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Thank you,

Julie

From: [OpenForms](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Timo Uiterwaal
Date: Saturday, April 18, 2026 8:59:50 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-255.pdf](#)



Council Comment - Timo Uiterwaal

Timo Uiterwaal has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Timo Uiterwaal
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Hello, On the east side of N 1st street between Cornhusker Highway and Nance Ave the nice broad bike path turns into a narrow traditional side walk. I suggest this section be widened and improved for bike traffic. This section handles all of northwest Lincoln's cycle traffic into the connected bicycle network and is the most dangerous section.

From: [Robert Borer](#)
To: [Robert Borer](#)
Subject: The Illusion of an Elective Franchise: A Synthesis of Rights, Verification, and Resistance
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 9:55:25 AM

The Illusion of an Elective Franchise: A Synthesis of Rights, Verification, and Resistance

Thomas Paine’s central premise was that the right of voting is the “primary right”—the sole guarantor of all other liberties. However, Paine’s logic demands that for a right to be real, it must be substantive, not merely symbolic.

1. The Separation of Choice and Verification

If the act of voting is separated from the ability to verify the result, the right itself becomes an illusion. A system that allows a citizen to cast a ballot but bars them from witnessing the count is not a republic; it is a “black box” theater of consent. As Paine argued, “Slavery consists in being subject to the will of another.” When a citizen is forced to move from knowing their vote was counted to merely trusting that it was, they have been transitioned from a sovereign participant to a subject of administrative grace.

2. The Rise of Administrative Priestcraft

The Secretary of State’s office has turned election administration into a form of administrative priestcraft, where the “vail” of technology and complexity is used to hide the Holy of Holies—the count itself—from the eyes of the uninitiated. This vail is not a tool of order; it is a tool of exclusion. By claiming that the average citizen is not “qualified” to see or verify the count, the state effectively places a thick, structural barrier between the people and the truth of their own sovereignty.

3. The Inequality of the “Chosen Counter”

There is no equality of right in an elective franchise where a centralized office claims the exclusive authority to choose who counts the ballots. To Paine, this concentration of power is a “monarchical” vestige. If one office controls the gatekeepers of the tally, the “Primary Right” is no longer held by the people; it is held by the administration. This creates a fundamental inequality: the official becomes the master of the process, while the voter becomes a beggar for transparency.

4. The Obsolete Intermediary

In a system built on “Common Sense,” the simplest solution is always the most secure. Paine noted, “The simple the thing is, the less liable it is to be disordered.” If the ultimate requirement of a free people is to verify the count for the system to have legitimacy, then the presence of expensive, complex intermediaries is a violation of reason. These machines act as a secondary vail. If the people must verify the count anyway to ensure the social contract is intact, the

machine serves no purpose other than to introduce friction against transparency and unnecessary expense to the taxpayer.

5. The Moral Right of the Rebel

Paine's most sobering warning was that you can exclude a man from the right of voting, but you cannot exclude him from the right of rebelling against that exclusion. Exclusion from verification is, in every moral and practical sense, exclusion from voting. When the "vail" of administrative secrecy is drawn over the ballot box, the social contract is breached. At that moment, the citizen's duty to obey the law is replaced by their natural right to challenge the illegitimacy of the system.

The Conclusion:

A vote that cannot be verified by the citizen is a vote that has not truly been cast; it has merely been surrendered. To reclaim the "Primary Right," we must tear the vail of administrative priestcraft and return the count to the hands of the people where it can be seen, felt, and verified in the light of day.

Robert J. Borer

P.S. "vail" = OE