



City of Lincoln
CITY COUNCIL

Directors' Meeting Agenda

2 p.m. Monday, July 20, 2026
555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, NE
Bill Luxford Studio

- I. Open Meetings Law Announcement**
- II. Approval of Directors' Meeting Minutes from July 13**
- III. City Clerk Advisories**
- IV. City Council Advisories**
- V. Director Advisories**
- VI. Councilmember Commission, Committee, and Event Updates**
- VII. Public Comment**
- VIII. Post-Meeting Council Members' Calls to City Directors**
- IX. Adjournment**

Next Directors' Meeting – 2 p.m. Monday, August 3

City Correspondence

City Clerk	City Council Action 7/13/26
City Comms	August 20th ALLO will no longer offer TV services
Urban Development	RE: July 13 Mayors Neighborhood Roundtable Meeting
Mayor's Office	FOOD BANK CAMPAIGN 2026 July 20th - Aug 7th
AJC	RE: AJC Internship Celebration
Planning & Dev	Administrative Approvals
"	BP260716-1 Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission
LES	Lincoln Electric System Financial Statements - June 2026
Law	Claims against the City set for Public Hearing 7/20/2026

Constituent Correspondence

Rosina Paolini	City of Lincoln Outreach
Lincoln Journal Star	Shine a Spotlight on Women in Government Service: Inspire Awards
Mary Geisler	Oppose – Meadowlane Pool Budget Amendment
Mary Schwab	Support – Meadowlane Pool Budget Amendment
Chris Jones	"
John & Julie Dove	"
Linde Matthiesen	"
Shannon Butalla	"
Jennifer Platt	"
Ruth Schuldt	"
Jamie Jakub	"
Susie Harley	"

Jeremiah Majorins	"	
Ronald Koch	"	
Sean Stradley	"	
Stacey Duncan	"	
Dallas & Denith Koffarnus	"	
David Brandl	"	
Terri Bayne	"	
Carrie Scribner	"	
Brian Meyers	"	
John Hoppin	"	
Sarah Stoecker	"	
Stephanie Werner	"	
Taylor Gold	"	
Jessica Cook		Support – TCAN/VITA Budget Amendment
Colleen Hughes	"	
Lexie Heinle	"	
Patricia Lee Hughes	"	
Judy Nicholson	"	
Linda Mahloch	"	
Brittany Planos	"	
John Wallace Peery	"	
Angela Hogan	"	
Katie Cronin	"	
Kimberly Schuller	"	
Clark Schulte	"	
Dorothy Elliott	"	
Anonymous	"	
Samuel Ortega-Salazar	"	
Corrine Reeder	"	
Larry Ellison	"	
Janet LaFollette	"	
Dominic Dongilli	"	
Chien-Chi Huang	"	
Farough Habak	"	
Teresa Reed	"	
Josephine	"	
Jewan Mohammed	"	
Debbie Miller	"	
Brian Escobedo	"	
Barbara Albers	"	
Anonymous	"	
Akemy Montoya	"	
Nathalie Fitzgerald	"	
Jeff Barnett	"	
Vicki Geisler	"	
Brad Thiel	"	
James Michael Johnson		Oppose – TCAN/VITA Budget Amendment

From: [Kimberly N. Behrens](#)
To: ["KOLN/KGIN"](#); [Aishah S. Witte](#); [Angela S. Quinn](#); [Anthony J. Leetch](#); [Barb D. McIntyre](#); [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Bennie R. Shobe](#); [Brenda J. Thomas](#); [Brodey B. Weber](#); [Carl J. Steffen](#); [Chad D. Mohr](#); [Cheri L. Howard](#); [Chris J. Connolly](#); [Chris S. Jones](#); [City Clerk All](#); [Claire Y. Oglesby](#); [Daley C. ElDorado](#); [Daniel K. Marvin](#); [David R. Cary](#); [David T. Engler](#); [Elizabeth D. Elliott](#); [Hallie E. Salem](#); [Holly L. Lewis](#); [James M. Bowers](#); [Jamie L. Reyes](#); [Jamie Phillips](#); [Jenni R. Ryan](#); [Jessica Loos](#); [Jocelyn W. Golden](#); [Jon D. Carlson](#); [Joseph P. Dondlinger](#); [Justin P. Carlson](#); [Kasey L. Simonson](#); [Katie N. Herrunzie](#); [Kerry L. Kernen](#); [Kristi K. Nydahl](#); [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#); [Lauren S. Triplett](#); [Liza A. Alderman](#); [Maggie J. Stuckey-Ross](#); [Marcia L. Huenink](#); [Mary E. Lowe](#); [Mayor](#); [Melissa M. Ramos-Lamml](#); [Michele M. Abendroth](#); [Michon Morrow](#); [Nina J. Anderson-Trumble](#); [Peter A. Kroll](#); [Philip L. Dush](#); [Randall S. Jones](#); [Rhonda M. Haas](#); [Ron L. Cane](#); [Ryan S. Wieber](#); [Sandra J. Washington](#); [Sara J. Hoyle](#); [Scott Parker](#); [Sharon R. Mulder](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#); [Shelly L. Dostal](#); [Sherry Wolf](#); [ssahling](#); [ssprackling](#); [Steve R. Owen](#); [Tammy B. Wissing](#); [Thomas A Schaffer](#); [Tim L. Byrne](#); [Tom Duden](#); [Tom J. Beckius](#); [Vanessa A. Cruz](#)
Subject: City Council Action 7/13/26
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 11:16:46 AM
Attachments: [Action071326.docx](#)
[Action071326.pdf](#)

Hi,

Please see the attached for the action from the City Council meeting of 7/13/26.

Thank you,



Kimberly Behrens

Office Specialist

City of Lincoln

Office of the City Clerk

Office: 402-441-7438

Fax: 402-441-8325

555 S 10th St, Rm 103

Lincoln, NE 68508

lincoln.ne.gov/Clerk

**ACTION FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MONDAY, JULY 13, 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-305
Approving Lincoln Holdings LTD dba Ramo's Pizza located at 2435 S. 48th St., Lincoln, NE 68506 as a new Keno Satellite. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95810)**
- 1.b.** 26R-306
Approving the Supplemental Agreement No. 4 between the City of Lincoln and Felsburg Holt and Ullevig (FHU) to perform additional Environmental Services for the Randolph Street. Capitol Parkway to 40th Street, Rehabilitation Project, LCLC-5224(1), CN 13434, City Project No. 705290. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95811)**
- 1.c.** Clerk's Letter & Mayor's Approval of Resolutions and Ordinances passed by City Council on June 15, 2026. **(PLACED ON FILE)**

2. PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.a.** 26R-323
Setting the hearing date of Monday, July 27, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. on the Application of Silverado Sales Inc. dba Outcast Bar & Nightclub for a Class C Liquor License located at 1332 P Street, Suite 1. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95812)**
- 2.b. REFERRED TO LINCOLN TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES:**
Informal petitions to create a Wastewater Special Assessment District in the Hillcrest Heights neighborhood submitted by Tony Milana, Tom and Linda Nicholson, James Verhoeff, Robert and Vanessa Gorman, Zach and Jenni Limbach, Zach Stivrins, Kim Morrow & Mark Harris.
- 2.c. PLACED ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:**
Administrative Amendment 26030, to Special Permit 15035, Knolls Senior Living Community, was approved by the Planning and Development Services Director on June 29, 2026, to increase the allowed density for the senior living community to 285 people, generally located at Old Cheney Road and Norman Road.
Administrative Amendment 26020, to Preliminary Plat 25001, West View Ridge, was approved by the Planning and Development Services Director on June 30, 2026, to adjust the grading in the southeast corner of the site, generally located at NW 56th and W Holdrege Streets.
Administrative Amendment 26027, to Use Permit 140H, Appian Way Regional Center, was approved by the Planning and Development Services Director on June 29, 2026, to show right-in, right-out access onto S 91st Street from a private roadway, generally located at 91st and Nebraska Parkway.

3. MISCELLANEOUS REFERRALS – NONE.

- VOTE ON CONSENT ITEMS -

4. PUBLIC HEARING - LIQUOR RESOLUTIONS

- 4.a. 26R-324
Manager Application of Tina Bretting for JDHQ Hotels, LLC dba Embassy Suites located at 1040 P Street. **(ADOPTED FOR APPROVAL, 7-0; A-95813)**

- VOTE ON LIQUORS -

5. PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTIONS

- 5.a. 26R-307
Accepting and approving the report of new and pending claims against the City for June 1 through June 15, 2026. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95814)**
- 5.b. 26R-308
Approving the Downtown Lincoln Association's 2026-2027 Maintenance and Management BID Budget and Program of Work. (Request to delay vote to 7/20/26) **(VERBAL MOTION TO DELAY WITH CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING & ACTION ONE WEEK TO 7/20/26, 7-0)**
- 5.c. 26R-309
Proposed Revisions to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Air Pollution Control Program Regulations and Standards (LLCAPCPRS): Article 2, Sections 1, 14, and 17. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95815)**
- 5.d. 26R-310
Approving an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lincoln on behalf of the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department and the City of Crete for environmental health regulation inspection and enforcement within the corporate limits and one-mile jurisdiction of the City of Crete. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95816)**
- 5.e. 26R-311
Waiver 26004- Application of Star City Optimist Youth Foundation to waive the paving requirements for a portion of a parking lot to serve an outdoor recreational facility on property located at 5300 S. Folsom Street. **(ADOPTED, 7-0; A-95817)**

- VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS -

**6. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCES 2ND READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS
(ITEMS 6.a. THROUGH 6.i. HAD 2ND READING, SEE ITEM 6.b.)**

6.a. 26-56

Change of Zone 26010 - Application of Colorshow, LLC., requesting a change of zone for the 48th & Pioneers Planned Unit Development (PUD), for a change of zone on approximately 10 acres from B-1 to B-3 PUD, B-3 to B-3 PUD, R-2 to B-3 PUD, R-6 to B-3 PUD, O-2 & B-1 to O-2 PUD, and R-2 to O-2 PUD, generally located between S. 47th Street and 49th Street and between Meredeth Street & Linden Street.

6.b. 26-57

Annexation 26006 - Application of Winston and Amanda Ostergard, to annex property generally located at S. 88th Street and Taliesin Drive, including land north of Pioneers Boulevard. (Request to Delay Public Hearing to 8/10/26) **(VERBAL MOTION TO DELAY WITH CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING FOUR WEEKS TO 8/10/26, 7-0)**

6.c. 26-58

Annexation 26007 - Application of White Holdings, LLC., to annex East Dominion Estates 4th Addition, annexation of property generally located at N. 112th Street and O Street. **(Related Items: 26-58, 26-59)**

6.d. 26-59

Change of Zone 26011 - Application of White Holdings, LLC., to change the zoning designation at East Dominion Estates 4th Addition, for a change of zone from AG Agricultural to H-4 General Commercial, and from AG Agricultural to R-3 Residential, on property generally located at N. 112th Street and O Street. **(Related Items: 26-58, 26-59)**

6.e. 26-60

Request to amend the pay schedule for the employee group whose classifications are assigned to the pay range prefixed by the letter 'W' to create the classification of 3025 - Fire Marshal W04.

6.f. 26-61

Amending the pay schedule for a certain employee group by adjusting the schedules of annual, monthly, biweekly and hourly pay range equivalents for employees of the City of Lincoln whose classifications are assigned to pay ranges prefixed by 'X'.

6.g. 26-62

Amending the pay schedule for a certain employee group by adjusting the schedules of annual, monthly, biweekly and hourly pay range equivalents for employees of the City of Lincoln whose classifications are assigned to pay ranges prefixed by 'E'.

6.h. 26-63

Amending the pay schedule for a certain employee group by adjusting the schedules of annual, monthly, biweekly and hourly pay range equivalents for employees of the City of Lincoln whose classifications are assigned to pay ranges prefixed by 'W'.

- 6.i. 26-64
Amending the pay schedule for a certain employee group by adjusting the schedules of annual, monthly, biweekly and hourly pay range equivalents for employees of the City of Lincoln whose classifications are assigned to pay ranges prefixed by 'DSS'.
- 6.j. 26-65
Amending the pay schedule for a certain employee group by adjusting the schedules of annual, monthly, biweekly and hourly pay range equivalents for employees of the City of Lincoln whose classifications are assigned to pay ranges prefixed by 'B'. This adjustment is in accordance with the terms of the parties bargaining agreement.
- 6.k. 26-66
Amending the pay schedule for a certain employee group by adjusting the schedules of annual, monthly, biweekly and hourly pay range equivalents for employees of the City of Lincoln whose classifications are assigned to pay ranges prefixed by M. This adjustment is in accordance with the terms of the parties bargaining agreement.
- 6.l. 26-67
Amending the pay schedule for a certain employee group by adjusting the schedules of annual, monthly, biweekly and hourly pay range equivalents for employees of the City of Lincoln whose classifications are assigned to pay ranges prefixed by 'P'. This adjustment is in accordance with the terms of the parties bargaining agreement.

7. **ORDINANCES - 3RD READING WITH CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING**

- 7.a. 26-51
Change of Zone 22023A - Application of Lincoln Lumber Company to amend the Turbine Flats Planned Unit Development (PUD) to add approximately 4.47 acres, with a change of zone from H-3 Highway Commercial to R-6 Residential PUD, including associated waivers on property generally located between N. 22nd and N. 23rd Streets, and Y and W Streets. **(Related Items: 26-51, 26-52) (6/29/26 - Public Hearing continued to 7/13/26) (PASSED, 7-0, #21884)**

- END PUBLIC HEARING -

8. **ORDINANCES - 3RD READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS**

- 8.a. 26-52
Street and Alley Vacation 26002 - Application of Lincoln Lumber Company to vacate the north-south alley, generally located between N. 23rd and N. 24th Streets, south of Y Street. **(Related Items: 26-51, 26-52) (PASSED, 7-0, #21885)**
- 8.b. 26-53
Approving the StarTran Transportation Agreement between the City and the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for StarTran to provide transit service between UNL Main Campus and East Campus (Routes 24 and 25) and Main Campus and Nebraska Innovation Campus (Route 22) with a term to expire on August 20, 2028 with an option to renew for one additional two (2) year term. **(PASSED, 7-0, #21886)**

9. RESOLUTIONS - 1ST READING (ITEMS 9.a. THROUGH 9.i. HAD 1ST READING)

- 9.a.** 26R-314
Approving the 2026-2027 Joint Budget Committee Funding recommendations.
- 9.b.** 26R-315
Approving Agreement for construction engineering services between the City of Lincoln and Alfred Benesch & Company for the 70th & Nebraska Parkway Turn Lane Improvement Project, HSIP-5247(14); CN13458; City Project #705641.
- 9.c.** 26R-316
Approving Supplemental Agreement No. 4 between the City of Lincoln and Alfred Benesch & Company to perform Engineering Services for A Street, 6th to 17th Street, Project No. LCLC-5220(7), CN 13495, City Project No. 705552.
- 9.d.** 26R-317
Approving the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Lincoln and Felsburg Holt and Ullevig (FHU) to perform Environmental Services for the Rock Island Trail Undercrossing, Lincoln, Project No. CRP-55(197), Control No. CN 13581, City Project No. 706555.
- 9.e.** 26R-318
Approving 2.1.O's, LLC dba G.O.A.T.'s Table located at 2901 S. 84th Street, Suite 16, Lincoln, NE 68506 as a keno satellite.
- 9.f.** 26R-319
Approving an Amendment for renewal of Contract between City of Lincoln and Downtown Lincoln Association for Downtown Management and Maintenance Services, RFP No. 22-017 for a period of two (2) years from July 20, 2026 through July 19, 2028.
- 9.g.** 26R-320
Comprehensive Plan Conformance 26004 - Application of the Urban Development Director to review as to conformance with the 2050 Lincoln Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, an amendment to the Lincoln Center Redevelopment Plan, the Gold's Lot 3 Redevelopment Project, to construct a building with residential and commercial uses, with the main project located north of N Street between 10th and 11th Streets, and also including nearby rights-of-way for 10th, 11th, N, and O Streets.
- 9.h.** 26R-321
Accepting and approving the report of new and pending claims against the City for June 16 through June 30, 2026.
- 9.i.** 26R-326
Reappointment of Yohance L. Christie as the City Attorney for a two-year term effective July 21, 2026.

10. ORDINANCES - 1ST READING & RELATED RESOLUTIONS (ITEMS 10.a. THROUGH 10.c. HAD 1ST READING)

10.a. 26-69

Annexation 26002 - Application of Kendog, LLC, to annex approximately 39 acres generally located southeast of the intersection of South 84th Street and South Street. **(Related Items: 26-69, 26-70, 26R-325)**

10.b. 26-70

Change of Zone 26002 - Application of Kendog, LLC, Fire Trail Planned Unit Development (PUD), to change the zoning on approximately 19 acres from AG Agricultural to B-2 PUD, R-4 PUD, and R-T PUD on property generally located southeast of South 84th Street and South Street, with associated waivers. **(Related Items: 26-69, 26-70, 26R-325)**

10.c. 26R-325

Approving the Conditional Annexation and Change of Zone Agreement for the Fire Trail Development between the City of Lincoln and Kendog, LLC for the property generally located southeast of the intersection of South 84th Street and South Street. **(Related Items: 26-69, 26-70, 26R-325) (Action Date: 7/27/26)**

11. PENDING LIST (EXTENDED ONE WEEK)

11.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)**

11.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)**

11.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)

11.d. 26R-295

Approving the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lincoln and the County of Lancaster, Nebraska to design, construct, and fund Phase 2 Saltillo Road Intersection improvements to include three additional roundabouts and addition of a third lane at S. 62nd Street. **(6/29/26 - Moved 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 July, open microphone sessions will be held on July 20 & July 27, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT 3:48P.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.

The City Council Agenda and Action Sheet may be accessed on the Internet at: lincoln.ne.gov

ACCOMMODATION NOTICE

The City of Lincoln complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 guidelines. Ensuring the public's access to and participating in public meetings is a priority for the City of Lincoln. In the event you are in need of a reasonable accommodation in order to attend or participate in a public meeting conducted by the City of Lincoln, please contact the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights at 402-441-7624, or the City Ombudsman at 402-441-7511 as soon as possible before the scheduled meeting date in order to make your request.

From: [Beau A. Wolfe](#)
To: [Soulinnee Phan](#); [Kimberly N. Behrens](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#); [Clara E. McCully](#); [Courtney J. Lyons](#); [Leila A. Luft](#); [Mindy Burbach](#); [Joshua Genrich](#)
Cc: [Austin M. Oltmans](#); [Melissa M. Fuller](#); [Saige Rasmussen](#); [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Katie N. Herrunzie](#); [Garret C. Swanson](#)
Subject: August 20th ALLO will no longer offer TV services.
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 11:37:11 AM

Morning, on August 20th ALLO will no longer offer TV services. We are updating the information on our website to let the community know how to watch City TV. Wanted to make sure you knew as well to allow time to update information you might provide on agendas or websites.

Below is a quick example of how our message is going out with the help of our PIOs.

City of Lincoln broadcasts meetings and events live on LNKTV, the City government access channel. LNKTV is available on Spectrum channel 1300. Programs will also be streamed at LNKTV.lincoln.ne.gov, YouTube.com/LNKTVcity and Facebook.com/lincolnnebraska. In addition, LNKTV apps are available on Roku, Apple TV, and Amazon Fire TV.

Thanks



Beau Wolfe

Public Information Specialist III
City of Lincoln
City Communications

Office: 402-441-7432

555 S 10th St, Ste 301
Lincoln, NE 68508
lincoln.ne.gov/Communications

From: [Stephanie L. Rouse](#)
Cc: [walterinne](#); [Anna M. Oetting](#)
Subject: RE: July 13 Mayors Neighborhood Roundtable Meeting
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 12:56:59 PM

Good afternoon Roundtable Members,

Below are the meeting notes from last night's Mayor's Neighborhood Roundtable meeting. Hope to see you August 10 for a presentation from the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights.

https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/urban-development/neighborhoods/roundtable/2026_july-13-mayors-neighborhood-roundtable-meeting-notes.pdf

Stephanie Rouse, AICP
Livable Neighborhoods Manager
City of Lincoln
Urban Development

Office: 402-441-8211
Mobile: 531-350-0783

From: Stephanie L. Rouse
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2026 8:40 AM
Cc: Tim Rinne <walterinne@gmail.com>; Anna M. Oetting <AOetting@lincoln.ne.gov>
Subject: July 13 Mayors Neighborhood Roundtable Meeting

Good morning Roundtable Members,

Below is the agenda for our Mayors Neighborhood Roundtable meeting next Monday evening. Hope to see you all there.

- July 13 Agenda: https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/urban-development/neighborhoods/roundtable/2026_july-13-mayors-neighborhood-roundtable-agenda.pdf



Stephanie Rouse, AICP
Livable Neighborhoods Manager
City of Lincoln
Urban Development

Office: 402-441-8211
Mobile: 531-350-0783

555 S 10th St, Ste 205
Lincoln, NE 68508

lincoln.ne.gov/Urban

From: Cheri L. Howard
To: Jacquelyn Eden; Jeffrey S. Krotz; Jill C. Engel; Maggie F. Schumacher; Chelsea F. Beaver; Benjamin A. Sobel; Rhonda M. Haas; Melissa S. Titus; Carmen J. Flynn; Natasha J. Betts; Grace A. Ollinger; Kirsten C. McMan; Mary J. Liernan; Heath R. Gewecke; Roy Rivera Barcenas; Angela C. Williams; Chris S. Jones; Janae M. Hood; Michele M. Abendroth; Miranda C. Ayala; Nina J. Anderson-Trumble; Shelly L. Dostal; Tammy J. Craig; Daley C. ElDorado; Angela S. Quinn; Shelli K. Reid; Kristi K. Nydahl; Soulinee Phay; Enrique Ramirez; Jeanette Du Plessis; Brenda J. Thomas; Barbara C. Young; Katie N. Hernandez; Randal S. Jones; Bernice A. Shobe; Joseph P. Dondlinger; Kerri L. Kenna; Barb D. McElhiney; Yohance L. Christie; David T. Engler; Ryan S. Weber; Michon Morrow; Elizabeth D. Elliott; Dylan Wren; Maggie J. Stucker-Ross; David R. Cary; Daniel K. Martin; Carl J. Steffany; Carla M. Coster; Jessica Loos; Cybil Jenkins III; LeahAnn L. Seigrist; Sarah E. Dale; Brooke A. Weber; Rick D. Hoppe
Subject: FOOD BANK CAMPAIGN 2026 July 20th - Aug 7th
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 4:22:56 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[CityCounty Donation Flyer.pdf](#)
[Most_Needed_Items_2026.pdf](#)

Greetings to all –

It is that time of year already for the **County/City Food Bank Campaign from July 20th to August 7th** giving our employees the opportunity to support the **Food Bank of Lincoln** and our neighbors who may be experiencing food insecurity. Now more than ever, this is such an important effort and our public service staff always shine!

This will be easy. The Food Bank folks will be glad to drop off bins at the following locations:

- 6 for County/City building
- 6 for the LLCND / Parks & Rec
- 1 for County Corrections
- 4 for Lincoln City Libraries – (Gere, Walt, Eiseley, and Anderson)
- 1 for the Crisis Center
- 1 for Star Tran
- 2 for Municipal Services Center

Please note not every department or location is on the list, and that is okay! The Food Bank is relying more so on digital donations via the QR code embedded in the attached flyer. You'll note when you scan, it will give you the opportunity to donate and then select which County or City agency you work for.

We are asking you to please circulate the flyer information to your staff via email, and to post them in key locations like breakrooms, entryways, near elevators, the back of a restroom stall door (ha!) or wherever you think people may have a moment to Scan and Give!

There is also a MOST NEEDED ITEMS flyer if you would like to share them / or post them both, knowing some staff prefer to shop for these valuable items.

If you have any questions, please let myself or Katie Herrunzie in the Mayor's Office know and we'll be glad to help. Another outstanding resource is our point of contact at the Food Bank, Annelise Lowery alowery@lincolinfoodbank.org or 402.466.8170 ext. 2009.

If people prefer to donate cash, or if you host a special event like a bake sale, please collect those monies and Annelise will be glad to pick that up at the end of the campaign. Their staff can also come and empty any overflowing bins during – and will be around to collect them all after Aug 7th as we bring our efforts to close.

Because this drive is for County/City employees, visitors to our locations are welcome to contribute to the barrels, but they want to donate, please just refer them to the Food Bank's main page: <https://www.lincolinfoodbank.org/cah/>

Thank you so much for all that you to help make this possible. Our community is incredibly appreciative!

Cheri


Cheri Howard
Mayor's Office Manager
City of Lincoln
Office: 402-441-7511

Hello all,

Thanks so much for all of your efforts in helping the Food Bank achieve their goals and help those in need!

Attached/linked are some of the materials for the campaign, and the link to our online giving site!

Online Giving Site: <https://www.lincolinfoodbank.org/citycounty-cah/>

Poster PDFs:
[City-County CAH Poster 2026 - 8.5x11.pdf](#)
[City-County CAH Poster 2026 -11x17.pdf](#)

In addition, here are some stats about food insecurity in our service area:

- Approximately 47,380 neighbors—including 14,330 children—are facing hunger in Lancaster County.
- In Lancaster County, approximately 1 in 7 neighbors—1 in 5 children—don't have consistent access to nutritious food.
- The number of neighbors who are food insecure in Nebraska would fill Memorial Stadium **more than three times**.
- \$1 = approximately 2 meals for a neighbor facing hunger in Southeast Nebraska.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need anything else at this time.

Thank you!

Annelise Lowery

Food Bank of Lincoln



Annelise Lowery (she/her)

Special Events & Design Coordinator
402.466.8170 ext. 2009
1221 Kingbird Road
Lincoln, NE 68521



Our Mission: To alleviate hunger in Southeast Nebraska.

Our Values: Collaboration | Compassion | Diversity | Education | Responsibility



UNITED AGAINST HUNGER!

CITY/COUNTY CAMPAIGN AGAINST HUNGER ONLINE GIVING

How to Donate:

1. Visit the City/County CAH online giving site or scan the QR code.
2. Select the amount you'd like to donate.
3. Select your agency/department.
4. Fill out your personal information and complete the donation.



lincolnfoodbank.org/citycounty-cah/

The most needed food and personal care items at the Food Bank of Lincoln include:

Non-perishable, non-expired food items:

- Canned meals (soup, stew, chili)
- Canned fruits and vegetables (in juice or water, pop-top lids)
- Canned meats (tuna, chicken)
- Peanut butter
- Spices
- Macaroni and cheese and other boxed dinners
- Rice and pasta sides
- Low-sugar whole grain cereals
- Healthy snacks (granola bars, nuts, dried fruit)
- Olive or canola oil

We cannot accept individual jars of baby food. We can accept jars of baby food that are encased in plastic, in various case sizes. We can also accept boxes of baby cereal.

***Expiration guidelines:** We can accept dry good donations that are up to one year past the printed expiration date and canned good donations that are up to two years past the printed expiration date.

Personal care items:

- Toilet paper
- Diapers
- Soap
- Feminine hygiene products
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Shampoo and conditioner

From: [Daley C. ElDorado](#)
To: [Daley C. ElDorado](#)
Subject: RE: AJC Internship Celebration
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 10:50:38 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

Hi everyone,

If you haven't already, please RSVP to this invite by **Friday, July 24th**. We can't wait to get together with you and all of our interns on Wednesday, July 29th at the Antelope Park Enclosed Shelter to celebrate the amazing things they have accomplished this summer. Coworkers, parents/guardians, friends, and other guests are welcome too!

Daley



Daley ElDorado (she/her)

Business Manager
City of Lincoln
American Job Center

Office: 402-441-6376
Mobile: 402-326-1350

1330 N St, Ste B
Lincoln, NE 68508
ajc.lincoln.ne.gov

-----Original Appointment-----

From: American Job Center <AJC@lincoln.ne.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 5:25 PM
Subject: AJC Internship Celebration
When: Wednesday, July 29, 2026 5:00 PM-7:00 PM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada).
Where: Antelope Park Enclosed Shelter; 1650 Memorial Drive, Lincoln, NE 68502



Interns, Supervisors, Board Members, City/County Staff, and friends,

Join us to celebrate the end of the summer internship for:

Mayor's Youth Employment Program
Lancaster County Youth Employment Program
The Bay Gap Year Program
Kawasaki Internship Program

You are welcome to bring one guest for an evening of networking and congratulations for our hard-working summer interns as they move on to the next chapter in their lives. We look forward to seeing you there!

Please contact Daley Eldorado, deldorado@lincoln.ne.gov or 402-326-1350, with any questions.

From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [Steve S. Henrichsen](#); [David R. Cary](#)
Subject: Administrative Approvals
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 1:21:34 PM
Attachments: [BP260715-1 Administrative Approvals.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

I've attached the Administrative Approvals for this week.

Thank you,



Laura Tinnerstet
Administrative Aide II
Lincoln-Lancaster County
Planning and Development

Office: 402-441-6365

555 S 10th St, Ste 203
Lincoln, NE 68508
lincoln.ne.gov/PlanDev



Memo

DATE: July 15, 2026
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Clara McCully
SUBJECT: Administrative Approvals

This is a list of City administrative approvals by the Planning Director from July 7, 2026, to July 13, 2026:

Administrative Amendment 26031, to Preliminary Plat 20004, Schworer Commercial Center, was approved by the Planning and Development Services Director on July 14, 2026, to revise the site plan and grading plan and include detention west of the parking lot, generally located at N 33rd Street and Superior Street.

Administrative Amendment 26032, to Special Permit 20003, Garden View at Vintage Heights Community Unit Plan (CUP), was approved by the Planning and Development Services Director on July 15, 2026, to reduce the rear yard setback from 20 feet to 10 feet for Lots 68-79, Block 1, generally located at S 93rd and Far Niente Lane.

From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [David R. Cary](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#)
Subject: BP260716-1 Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 2:51:59 PM
Attachments: [BP260716-1 Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

Please see attached.

Thanks,



Laura Tinnerstet

Administrative Aide II

Lincoln-Lancaster County

Planning and Development

Office: 402-441-6365

555 S 10th St, Ste 203

Lincoln, NE 68508

lincoln.ne.gov/PlanDev



NEBRASKA CAPITOL ENVIRONS COMMISSION

The Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission will hold a meeting on **Friday, July 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

July 24, 2026

1. Approval of meeting record from [May 22, 2026](#)

Public Hearing & Action

2. St. Mary's Improvement along the K Street; (Clark & Enersen; UDR26072)

Discuss & Advise

3. Rotary Peace Pole on Centennial Mall (Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs)
4. Staff report & miscellaneous

AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM

NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO.

ACCOMMODATION NOTICE: *The City of Lincoln complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 guidelines. Ensuring the public's access to and participating in public meetings is a priority for the City of Lincoln. In the event you are in need of a reasonable accommodation in order to attend or participate in a public meeting conducted by the City of Lincoln, please contact the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights at 402-441-7624, or the City Ombudsman at 402-441-7511, as soon as possible before the scheduled meeting date in order to make your request.*

From: [Nick Wolf](#)
To: [Nick Wolf](#)
Cc: [Emily Koenig](#)
Subject: Lincoln Electric System Financial Statements - June 2026
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 7:32:28 AM
Attachments: [June 2026 LES FOS - External.pdf](#)

Good Morning,

Attached are Lincoln Electric System's June 2026 financial statements.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Nick

Nicholas Wolf | Controller



Office: 402-473-3297
Mobile: 402-805-7276

[LES.com](https://www.les.com) | 9445 Rokeby Rd. | Lincoln, NE 68526



LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING STATEMENT

June 2026



INDEX

REVENUE & EXPENSE STATEMENT - CURRENT MONTH -----	1
REVENUE & EXPENSE STATEMENT - YEAR-TO-DATE -----	2
REVENUES, ENERGY & CUSTOMERS - CURRENT MONTH-----	3
REVENUES, ENERGY & CUSTOMERS - YEAR-TO-DATE -----	4
OPERATING EXPENSE STATEMENT - CURRENT MONTH-----	5
OPERATING EXPENSE STATEMENT - YEAR-TO-DATE -----	6
BALANCE SHEET-----	7
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS-----	8

NOTE: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission accounting guidance for the Southwest Power Pool Integrated Market (SPP IM) transactions (purchases, sales and other charges) requires netting together these transactions based on the time increments. If, during the time increment, sales to SPP are greater than purchases from SPP, the net amount is recorded as wholesale revenue. If, during the time increment, purchases from SPP are greater than sales to SPP, the net amount is recorded as purchased power cost. Because of this netting process, the energy (MWH's) amounts no longer directly correlate to wholesale revenue.



REVENUE & EXPENSE STATEMENT

CURRENT MONTH

JUNE 2026

DESCRIPTION	CURRENT MONTH ACTUAL	CURRENT MONTH BUDGET	VARIANCE FROM BUDGET AMOUNT	%	LAST YEAR MONTH ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM LAST YEAR AMOUNT	%
OPERATING REVENUES							
1. Retail	\$36,808,336	\$35,028,971	\$1,779,365	5.1%	\$29,433,105	\$7,375,231	25.1%
2. Wholesale	2,825,608	1,657,035	1,168,573	70.5%	3,237,625	(412,017)	-12.7%
3. Other Revenue	841,827	993,976	(152,149)	-15.3%	471,056	370,771	78.7%
4. Total Operating Revenues	40,475,771	37,679,982	2,795,789	7.4%	33,141,786	7,333,985	22.1%
OPERATING EXPENSES							
5. Purchased Power	8,572,784	8,788,685	(215,901)	-2.5%	8,353,221	219,563	2.6%
6. Produced Power	7,024,637	6,251,549	773,088	12.4%	5,466,794	1,557,843	28.5%
7. Operations	3,273,578	2,839,346	434,232	15.3%	2,561,968	711,610	27.8%
8. Maintenance	1,070,385	1,079,255	(8,870)	-0.8%	1,200,122	(129,737)	-10.8%
9. Admin. & General	5,022,627	5,995,767	(973,140)	-16.2%	5,112,013	(89,386)	-1.7%
10. Depreciation	3,247,854	3,282,240	(34,386)	-1.0%	3,378,530	(130,676)	-3.9%
11. Total Operating Expenses	28,211,865	28,236,842	(24,977)	-0.1%	26,072,648	2,139,217	8.2%
12. OPERATING INCOME	12,263,906	9,443,140	2,820,766	29.9%	7,069,138	5,194,768	73.5%
NONCAPITAL SUBSIDIES							
13. CDFUO Revenue (a)	1,408,660	1,320,075	88,585	6.7%	1,108,592	300,068	27.1%
14. CDFUO Expense (a)	(1,274,197)	(1,274,197)	0	0.0%	(1,143,204)	(130,993)	11.5%
15. PILOT (b)	(1,473,427)	(1,538,320)	64,893	-4.2%	(1,169,233)	(304,194)	26.0%
16. Total Noncapital Subsidies	(1,338,964)	(1,492,442)	153,478	-10.3%	(1,203,845)	(135,119)	11.2%
17. OPERATING INCOME AND NONCAPITAL SUBSIDIES	10,924,942	7,950,698	2,974,244	37.4%	5,865,293	5,059,649	86.3%
NONOPERATING INCOME (EXPENSES)							
18. Interest Income	647,097	633,368	13,729	2.2%	1,057,207	(410,110)	-38.8%
19. Interest Expense (c)	(193,558)	(2,277,385)	2,083,827	-91.5%	(1,475,742)	1,282,184	-86.9%
20. Other Income (Expense)	0	0	0	--	0	0	--
21. Total Nonoperating Income (Expenses)	453,539	(1,644,017)	2,097,556	-127.6%	(418,535)	872,074	-208.4%
22. Income Before Contributions	11,378,481	6,306,681	5,071,800	80.4%	5,446,758	5,931,723	108.9%
CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL							
23. Contributed Capital Received	165,392	64,115	101,277	158.0%	730,942	(565,550)	-77.4%
24. Contributed Capital Used (d)	(165,392)	(64,115)	(101,277)	-158.0%	(730,942)	565,550	77.4%
25. Net Contributed Capital	0	0	0	--	0	0	--
26. CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$11,378,481	\$6,306,681	\$5,071,800	80.4%	\$5,446,758	\$5,931,723	108.9%

(a) City Dividend for Utility Ownership.

(c) Bond Interest -\$980,811 + Software Agreements Interest -\$9,131 + Variable

Interest -\$275,990 + Amortization of Issuance Costs on Outstanding Debt -\$14,579

+ Amortization of Loss on Refunded Debt -\$32,892 - Amortization of Discount/

Premium -\$1,119,845 = -\$193,558.

(b) Payment In Lieu of Tax.

(d) Reduction of Plant Costs Recovered through Contributions.



REVENUE & EXPENSE STATEMENT

YEAR-TO-DATE

JUNE 2026

DESCRIPTION	YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	VARIANCE FROM BUDGET AMOUNT	%	LAST YEAR YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM LAST YEAR AMOUNT	%
OPERATING REVENUES							
1. Retail	\$179,741,606	\$175,591,215	\$4,150,391	2.4%	\$149,826,161	\$29,915,445	20.0%
2. Wholesale	19,574,062	12,683,429	6,890,633	54.3%	22,046,612	(2,472,550)	-11.2%
3. Other Revenue	7,104,127	4,854,809	2,249,318	46.3%	5,518,790	1,585,337	28.7%
4. Total Operating Revenues	206,419,795	193,129,453	13,290,342	6.9%	177,391,563	29,028,232	16.4%
OPERATING EXPENSES							
5. Purchased Power	51,664,345	43,541,649	8,122,696	18.7%	44,697,165	6,967,180	15.6%
6. Produced Power	33,876,146	34,112,745	(236,599)	-0.7%	32,676,221	1,199,925	3.7%
7. Operations	17,799,925	15,660,522	2,139,403	13.7%	15,070,446	2,729,479	18.1%
8. Maintenance	5,653,649	6,526,482	(872,833)	-13.4%	8,321,180	(2,667,531)	-32.1%
9. Admin. & General	30,698,774	36,116,133	(5,417,359)	-15.0%	30,435,612	263,162	0.9%
10. Depreciation	19,349,201	19,568,710	(219,509)	-1.1%	20,261,604	(912,403)	-4.5%
11. Total Operating Expenses	159,042,040	155,526,241	3,515,799	2.3%	151,462,228	7,579,812	5.0%
12. OPERATING INCOME	47,377,755	37,603,212	9,774,543	26.0%	25,929,335	21,448,420	82.7%
NONCAPITAL SUBSIDIES							
13. CDFUO Revenue (a)	8,027,219	7,476,496	550,723	7.4%	6,527,265	1,499,954	23.0%
14. CDFUO Expense (a)	(7,645,182)	(7,645,182)	0	0.0%	(6,859,224)	(785,958)	11.5%
15. PILOT (b)	(8,066,755)	(8,361,745)	294,990	-3.5%	(6,806,372)	(1,260,383)	18.5%
16. Total Noncapital Subsidies	(7,684,718)	(8,530,431)	845,713	-9.9%	(7,138,331)	(546,387)	7.7%
17. OPERATING INCOME AND NONCAPITAL SUBSIDIES	39,693,037	29,072,781	10,620,256	36.5%	18,791,004	20,902,033	111.2%
NONOPERATING INCOME (EXPENSES)							
18. Interest Income	3,375,363	2,636,540	738,823	28.0%	4,138,454	(763,091)	-18.4%
19. Interest Expense (c)	(7,537,579)	(11,308,694)	3,771,115	-33.3%	(8,775,281)	1,237,702	-14.1%
20. Other Income (Expense)	0	0	0	--	(102,315)	102,315	100.0%
21. Total Nonoperating Income (Expenses)	(4,162,216)	(8,672,154)	4,509,938	-52.0%	(4,739,142)	576,926	-12.2%
22. Income Before Contributions	35,530,821	20,400,627	15,130,194	74.2%	14,051,862	21,478,959	152.9%
CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL							
23. Contributed Capital Received	5,942,514	384,690	5,557,824	1444.8%	19,259,227	(13,316,713)	-69.1%
24. Contributed Capital Used (d)	(5,942,514)	(384,690)	(5,557,824)	-1444.8%	(19,259,227)	13,316,713	69.1%
25. Net Contributed Capital	0	0	0	--	0	0	--
26. CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$35,530,821	\$20,400,627	\$15,130,194	74.2%	\$14,051,862	\$21,478,959	152.9%

(a) City Dividend for Utility Ownership.

(c) Bond Interest -\$7,983,849 + Software Agreements Interest -\$56,689 + Variable Interest -\$1,835,997 + Amortization of Issuance Costs on Outstanding Debt -\$558,081 + Amortization of Loss on Refunded Debt -\$388,357 - Amortization of Discount/Premium -\$3,285,394 = -\$7,537,579.

(b) Payment In Lieu of Tax.

(d) Reduction of Plant Costs Recovered through Contributions.



REVENUES, ENERGY & CUSTOMERS

CURRENT MONTH

JUNE 2026

DESCRIPTION	CURRENT MONTH ACTUAL	CURRENT MONTH BUDGET	VARIANCE FROM BUDGET		LAST YEAR MONTH ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM LAST YEAR	
			AMOUNT	%		AMOUNT	%
REVENUE							
1. Residential	\$16,073,279	\$14,311,593	\$1,761,686	12.3%	\$14,007,078	\$2,066,201	14.8%
2. Commercial & Street Light	17,628,173	17,608,898	19,275	0.1%	12,473,539	5,154,634	41.3%
3. Industrial	3,106,884	3,108,480	(1,596)	-0.1%	2,952,488	154,396	5.2%
4. Total Retail	36,808,336	35,028,971	1,779,365	5.1%	29,433,105	7,375,231	25.1%
5. SPP Sales	2,026,503	968,169	1,058,334	109.3%	2,352,391	(325,888)	-13.9%
6. Contract Sales	799,105	688,866	110,239	16.0%	885,234	(86,129)	-9.7%
7. Total Wholesale	2,825,608	1,657,035	1,168,573	70.5%	3,237,625	(412,017)	-12.7%
8. Total	\$39,633,944	\$36,686,006	\$2,947,938	8.0%	\$32,670,730	\$6,963,214	21.3%
ENERGY (MWH'S)							
9. Residential	131,539	118,350	13,189	11.1%	118,257	13,282	11.2%
10. Commercial & Street Light	204,852	198,416	6,436	3.2%	135,662	69,190	51.0%
11. Industrial	38,302	42,182	(3,880)	-9.2%	38,752	(450)	-1.2%
12. Total Retail	374,693	358,948	15,745	4.4%	292,671	82,022	28.0%
13. SPP Sales	29,015	10,470	18,545	177.1%	28,585	430	1.5%
14. Contract Sales	32,057	25,464	6,593	25.9%	16,285	15,772	96.8%
15. Total Wholesale	61,072	35,934	25,138	70.0%	44,870	16,202	36.1%
16. Total	435,765	394,882	40,883	10.4%	337,541	98,224	29.1%
CUSTOMERS - AT MONTH END							
17. Residential	138,463	139,244	(781)	-0.6%	136,751	1,712	1.3%
18. Commercial & Street Light	18,092	18,465	(373)	-2.0%	17,995	97	0.5%
19. Industrial	239	235	4	1.7%	236	3	1.3%
20. Total Retail	156,794	157,944	(1,150)	-0.7%	154,982	1,812	1.2%
21. Wholesale	4	4	0	0.0%	6	(2)	-33.3%
22. Total	156,798	157,948	(1,150)	-0.7%	154,988	1,810	1.2%



REVENUES, ENERGY & CUSTOMERS

YEAR-TO-DATE

JUNE 2026

DESCRIPTION	YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	VARIANCE FROM BUDGET		LAST YEAR YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM LAST YEAR	
			AMOUNT	%		AMOUNT	%
REVENUE							
1. Residential	\$75,676,949	\$74,726,540	\$950,409	1.3%	\$70,493,495	\$5,183,454	7.4%
2. Commercial & Street Light	87,053,136	84,458,931	2,594,205	3.1%	62,722,710	24,330,426	38.8%
3. Industrial	17,011,521	16,405,744	605,777	3.7%	16,609,956	401,565	2.4%
4. Total Retail	179,741,606	175,591,215	4,150,391	2.4%	149,826,161	29,915,445	20.0%
5. SPP Sales	14,844,690	8,682,698	6,161,992	71.0%	16,751,940	(1,907,250)	-11.4%
6. Contract Sales	4,729,372	4,000,731	728,641	18.2%	5,294,672	(565,300)	-10.7%
7. Total Wholesale	19,574,062	12,683,429	6,890,633	54.3%	22,046,612	(2,472,550)	-11.2%
8. Total	\$199,315,668	\$188,274,644	\$11,041,024	5.9%	\$171,872,773	\$27,442,895	16.0%
ENERGY (MWH'S)							
9. Residential	652,896	638,726	14,170	2.2%	660,890	(7,994)	-1.2%
10. Commercial & Street Light	1,055,314	961,347	93,967	9.8%	728,439	326,875	44.9%
11. Industrial	210,815	224,471	(13,656)	-6.1%	218,993	(8,178)	-3.7%
12. Total Retail	1,919,025	1,824,544	94,481	5.2%	1,608,322	310,703	19.3%
13. SPP Sales	185,655	80,935	104,720	129.4%	193,608	(7,953)	-4.1%
14. Contract Sales	155,919	142,137	13,782	9.7%	98,708	57,211	58.0%
15. Total Wholesale	341,574	223,072	118,502	53.1%	292,316	49,258	16.9%
16. Total	2,260,599	2,047,616	212,983	10.4%	1,900,638	359,961	18.9%
CUSTOMERS AVERAGE							
17. Residential	138,001	139,009	(1,008)	-0.7%	136,483	1,518	1.1%
18. Commercial & Street Light	18,087	18,438	(351)	-1.9%	18,000	87	0.5%
19. Industrial	238	235	3	1.3%	235	3	1.3%
20. Total Retail	156,326	157,682	(1,355)	-0.9%	154,718	1,608	1.0%
21. Wholesale	5	4	1	25.0%	5	0	0.0%
22. Total	156,331	157,686	(1,354)	-0.9%	154,723	1,608	1.0%



OPERATING EXPENSE STATEMENT

CURRENT MONTH

JUNE 2026

DESCRIPTION	CURRENT MONTH ACTUAL	CURRENT MONTH BUDGET	VARIANCE FROM BUDGET AMOUNT	%	LAST YEAR MONTH ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM LAST YEAR AMOUNT	%
POWER COST							
1. SPP Purchased Power	\$2,567,625	\$2,244,745	\$322,880	14.4%	\$2,954,857	(\$387,232)	-13.1%
2. Non-Owned Asset Power	6,005,159	6,543,940	(538,781)	-8.2%	5,398,364	606,795	11.2%
3. Total Purchased Power	8,572,784	8,788,685	(215,901)	-2.5%	8,353,221	219,563	2.6%
4. Produced Power	7,024,637	6,251,549	773,088	12.4%	5,466,794	1,557,843	28.5%
5. Total Power Cost	15,597,421	15,040,234	557,187	3.7%	13,820,015	1,777,406	12.9%
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE (O&M)							
6. Energy Delivery	2,312,419	2,311,380	1,039	0.0%	2,567,876	(255,457)	-9.9%
7. Transmission	2,031,544	1,607,221	424,323	26.4%	1,194,214	837,330	70.1%
8. Total O & M Expense	4,343,963	3,918,601	425,362	10.9%	3,762,090	581,873	15.5%
ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL (A&G)							
9. Administration	712,008	857,458	(145,450)	-17.0%	237,457	474,551	199.8%
10. Communication & Corporate Records	105,652	128,081	(22,429)	-17.5%	195,928	(90,276)	-46.1%
11. Corporate Operations	(167,540)	262,600	(430,140)	-163.8%	873,089	(1,040,629)	-119.2%
12. Customer Services	1,323,517	1,268,992	54,525	4.3%	1,122,793	200,724	17.9%
13. Financial Services	1,175,638	1,383,142	(207,504)	-15.0%	525,153	650,485	123.9%
14. Power Supply	466,981	519,646	(52,665)	-10.1%	515,083	(48,102)	-9.3%
15. Technology Services	1,406,371	1,575,848	(169,477)	-10.8%	1,642,510	(236,139)	-14.4%
16. Total A & G Expense	5,022,627	5,995,767	(973,140)	-16.2%	5,112,013	(89,386)	-1.7%
17. DEPRECIATION	3,247,854	3,282,240	(34,386)	-1.0%	3,378,530	(130,676)	-3.9%
18. TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$28,211,865	\$28,236,842	(\$24,977)	-0.1%	\$26,072,648	\$2,139,217	8.2%



OPERATING EXPENSE STATEMENT

YEAR-TO-DATE

JUNE 2026

DESCRIPTION	YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	VARIANCE FROM BUDGET		LAST YEAR YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	VARIANCE FROM LAST YEAR	
			AMOUNT	%		AMOUNT	%
POWER COST							
1. SPP Purchased Power	\$18,403,965	\$7,265,233	\$11,138,732	153.3%	\$11,950,081	\$6,453,884	54.0%
2. Non-Owned Asset Power	33,260,380	36,276,416	(3,016,036)	-8.3%	32,747,084	513,296	1.6%
3. Total Purchased Power	51,664,345	43,541,649	8,122,696	18.7%	44,697,165	6,967,180	15.6%
4. Produced Power	33,876,146	34,112,745	(236,599)	-0.7%	32,676,221	1,199,925	3.7%
5. Total Power Cost	85,540,491	77,654,394	7,886,097	10.2%	77,373,386	8,167,105	10.6%
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE (O&M)							
6. Energy Delivery	13,512,527	13,878,266	(365,739)	-2.6%	16,603,008	(3,090,481)	-18.6%
7. Transmission	9,941,047	8,308,738	1,632,309	19.6%	6,788,618	3,152,429	46.4%
8. Total O & M Expense	23,453,574	22,187,004	1,266,570	5.7%	23,391,626	61,948	0.3%
ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL (A&G)							
9. Administration	4,308,353	5,456,009	(1,147,656)	-21.0%	2,036,862	2,271,491	111.5%
10. Communication & Corporate Records	650,785	721,391	(70,606)	-9.8%	1,194,285	(543,500)	-45.5%
11. Corporate Operations	(57,942)	1,603,454	(1,661,396)	-103.6%	5,389,546	(5,447,488)	-101.1%
12. Customer Services	6,636,146	7,663,574	(1,027,428)	-13.4%	6,356,803	279,343	4.4%
13. Financial Services	7,022,037	7,902,962	(880,925)	-11.1%	3,056,041	3,965,996	129.8%
14. Power Supply	2,877,131	3,078,768	(201,637)	-6.5%	2,911,211	(34,080)	-1.2%
15. Technology Services	9,262,264	9,689,975	(427,711)	-4.4%	9,490,864	(228,600)	-2.4%
16. Total A & G Expense	30,698,774	36,116,133	(5,417,359)	-15.0%	30,435,612	263,162	0.9%
17. DEPRECIATION	19,349,201	19,568,710	(219,509)	-1.1%	20,261,604	(912,403)	-4.5%
18. TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$159,042,040	\$155,526,241	\$3,515,799	2.3%	\$151,462,228	\$7,579,812	5.0%



BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 2026

ASSETS & DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES & NET POSITION		
DESCRIPTION	END OF MONTH BALANCE	VARIANCE SINCE JANUARY 1	DESCRIPTION	END OF MONTH BALANCE	VARIANCE SINCE JANUARY 1
CURRENT ASSETS:			CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
1. Revenue Fund (includes CDFUO)	\$140,553,921	\$55,281,942	OTHER LIABILITIES		
2. Payment in Lieu of Tax Fund	6,501,542	(7,158,634)	1. Accounts Payable	\$25,834,420	\$1,637,126
3. Rate Stabilization Fund	42,539,135	544,494	2. Accrued Payments in Lieu of Taxes	7,980,710	(6,818,721)
4. Bond Principal & Interest Funds	37,021,475	18,825,376	3. City Dividend for Utility Ownership Payable	5,096,788	0
5. Construction Fund	109,484,821	109,484,821	4. Commercial Paper Notes	75,000,000	(75,000,000)
6. Other Restricted/Designated Funds (a)	6,881,804	2,951,873	5. Accrued Software Interest	86,258	45,013
7. Restricted/Designated Funds Total	195,927,235	131,806,564	6. Accrued Liabilities	24,095,839	3,431,240
8. Total Current Asset Funds (b)	342,982,698	179,929,872	7. Total Other Liabilities	138,094,015	(76,705,342)
9. Receivables Less Uncollectible Allowance	29,904,532	2,053,873	CURRENT LIABILITIES - RESTRICTED ASSETS		
10. Unbilled Revenue	26,792,592	6,310,595	8. Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	37,580,000	0
11. Accrued Interest Receivable	1,591,569	1,065,986	9. Accrued Interest	5,240,566	(693,300)
12. Materials, Supplies & Fuel Inventory	36,383,390	(945,968)	10. Other Current Liabilities	1,265,215	140,069
13. Plant Operation Assets	21,396,467	1,399,859	11. Total Current Liabilities - Restricted Assets	44,085,781	(553,231)
14. Other Current Assets	6,154,882	(2,056,857)	12. Total Current Liabilities	182,179,796	(77,258,573)
15. Total Current Assets	465,206,130	187,757,360			
			NONCURRENT LIABILITIES:		
NONCURRENT ASSETS:			13. 2013 Bonds	0	0
16. Bond Reserve Funds	15,551,522	6,440,852	14. 2015A Bonds	69,775,000	0
17. Self-Funded Benefits Reserve Fund (IBNP)	1,256,465	37,336	15. 2016 Bonds	61,035,000	(4,925,000)
18. Segregated Funds (c)	24,210,860	2,624,347	16. 2018 Bonds	88,000,000	(26,900,000)
19. Restricted Funds Total (b)	41,018,847	9,102,535	17. 2020A Bonds	70,740,000	0
20. Unamortized Debt Expense	2,301,522	845,850	18. 2020B Bonds	96,620,000	(39,920,000)
21. Lease Receivable	7,450,170	(164,271)	19. 2026 Bonds	299,975,000	299,975,000
22. Accrued Lease Interest	211,527	26,526	20. Total Revenue Bonds	686,145,000	228,230,000
23. Other Noncurrent Assets	7,165,368	467,136	21. Less Current Maturities	37,580,000	0
24. Total Noncurrent Assets	58,147,434	10,277,776	22. Less Unamortized Discounts/Premiums	(53,890,624)	(30,622,341)
			23. Note Purchase Agreement	0	0
CAPITAL ASSETS:			24. Revolving Credit Agreement	0	0
25. Utility Plant in Service	1,918,173,922	21,977,695	25. Net Long Term Debt	702,455,624	258,852,341
26. Accumulated Depreciation & Amortization	(1,016,589,028)	(12,773,097)	25. Liabilities Payable from Segregated Funds	24,199,401	815,359
27. Construction Work in Progress	231,682,138	15,337,922	27. Asset Retirement Obligation	3,518,446	133,228
28. Total Capital Assets	1,133,267,032	24,542,520	28. Software Liabilities	2,350,705	(360,183)
			29. Other Noncurrent Liabilities	1,235,130	0
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			30. Total Liabilities	915,939,102	182,182,172
29. Deferred Loss on Refunded Debt	434,752	(5,252,577)			
30. Deferred Costs for Asset Retirement Obligations	3,518,446	133,228	DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	0	0
31. Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	3,953,198	(5,119,349)	31. Deferred Inflow of Resource	6,637,028	(254,686)
			32. Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	6,637,028	(254,686)
			NET POSITION:		
			33. Net Investment in Capital Assets	324,488,234	(163,752,400)
			34. Restricted for Debt Service	38,928,785	25,959,528
			35. Restricted for Employee Health Insurance Claims	3,203,910	548,728
			36. Unrestricted	371,376,735	172,774,965
			37. Total Net Position	737,997,664	35,530,821
32. TOTAL ASSETS & DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$1,660,573,794	\$217,458,307	38. TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES & NET POSITION	\$1,660,573,794	\$217,458,307



STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
JUNE 2026

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR-TO-DATE
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
1. Received from Sales to Customers and Users	\$36,971,199	\$200,508,342
2. Sales Tax Receipts	\$1,859,295	\$10,098,583
3. Paid to Suppliers for Goods & Services	(\$12,687,160)	(\$111,043,969)
4. Paid to Employees for Services	(\$4,193,906)	(\$24,807,691)
5. Payments for Sales Tax	(1,546,523)	(9,687,154)
6. Cash Flow from Operating Activities (a)	20,402,905	65,068,111
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
7. Payment in Lieu of Tax	0	(14,885,474)
8. City Dividend for Utility Ownership Revenue	1,408,660	8,027,219
9. City Dividend for Utility Ownership Payments	0	(7,645,182)
10. Other	0	0
11. Cash Flow from (used for) Noncapital Financing Activities	1,408,660	(14,503,437)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
12. Net (Purchases) Sales of Investments	(197,773,190)	(190,525,929)
13. Interest Income	(440,919)	2,196,444
14. Cash Flow from (used for) Investing Activities	(198,214,109)	(188,329,485)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
15. Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets	(10,848,061)	(49,228,944)
16. Salvage on Retirement of Plant	0	533,504
17. Cost of Removal of Property Retired	(210,958)	(1,986,230)
18. Debt Issuance Cost Paid	(1,237,131)	(1,237,131)
19. Net Capital Contributions	153,934	5,557,873
20. Capital Contributions Recv'd in Advance	0	1,200,000
21. Cash Received from Leases	42,185	252,779
22. Payments for Software Agreements	(365,267)	(526,607)
23. Net Proceeds from Issuance of Long-Term Debt	267,219,192	267,219,192
24. Principal Payments on Commercial Paper	(75,000,000)	(75,000,000)
25. Principal Payments on Long-Term Debt	0	0
26. Interest Payments on Debt	(346,901)	(10,513,146)
27. Cash Flow from (used for) Capital Financing Activities	179,406,993	136,271,290
28. Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,004,449	(1,493,521)
29. Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of Period	54,845,713	59,343,683
30. Cash and Cash Equivalents End of Period (b)	57,850,162	57,850,162
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW FOOTNOTES		
(a) Reconciliation of operating income to cash flows from operating activities		
1. Net Operating Revenue	\$12,263,906	\$47,377,755
2. Lease Revenue	(\$42,865)	(\$256,785)
3. Noncash items included in operating income	3,381,264	20,117,025
4. Changes in Assets & Liabilities Increase/(Decrease)	4,800,600	(2,169,884)
5. Net cash flows from operating activities	\$20,402,905	\$65,068,111
(b) Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash and investments with original maturities of three months or less.		

From: [Sue K Burgason](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [Yohance L. Christie](#); [Abigail F. Littrell](#); [Sarah J. Rada](#)
Subject: Claims against the City set for Public Hearing 7/20/2026
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 11:32:01 AM
Attachments: [26R-321 Resolution.pdf](#)
[26R-321 Claims Report.pdf](#)
[Letter to Claudia Perez re Claim 7.09.2026.pdf](#)
[Letter to Ian Mitchell re Claim 7.07.2026.pdf](#)

Ben: Attached is Resolution and Claims Report that is set for public hearing on July 20, 2026, and letters to claimants that are on the list of denied claims.



Susan Burgason

Paralegal

City of Lincoln

Office of the City Attorney

Office: 402-441-8802

Fax: 402-441-8812

555 S 10th St, Rm 300

Lincoln, NE 68508

lincoln.ne.gov/Attorney

Confidentiality Notice: This e-mail message, including any attachment(s) is intended for the sole use of the intended recipient(s) and may contain confidential and privileged information. Any unauthorized use, review, disclosure, or distribution is prohibited. If you are not the intended recipient, please contact the sender and destroy this e-mail, any attachments, and all copies thereof. Thank you.



July 1, 2026

Mayor & City Council
Lincoln, Nebraska

RE: Report of Claims Against City of Lincoln for June 16 through June 30, 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 June 16 through June 30, 2026. This report will describe claims and dispositions or status of these claims.

DENIED CLAIMS:

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 has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

Ian James Mitchell filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **denied**.

ALLOWED AND SETTLED CLAIMS:

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 has been reviewed by this office and has been **allowed** in the amount of \$500.00.

Dale and Lindy Kurtzer filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$124.40 for damage to property as the result of action by Lincoln Fire and Rescue. This claim has been reviewed by this office and has been **allowed** in the amount of \$124.40.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Matthew Pewthers filed claim during the month of April 2026 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 during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for injury incurred when claimant fell on StarTran van. This claim is under review and is pending.

Michael Doeden filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$300.00 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of tree removal activity. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jordan Gomez filed claim during the month of April 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle as the result of striking an alleged unmarked L.E.S. cable. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

United States Postal Service filed claim during the month of April 2026 in the amount of \$264.56 for damage to vehicle as the result of accident involving City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Linda and Acie Bettinger filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to sprinkler system when L.E.S. was burying electrical wires on property. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Rose Medina filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to patio when L.E.S. drove on claimant's property to access transformer box on neighbor's property. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Raymond Hill filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for alleged injury incurred while claimant was passenger on StarTran bus that was involving in accident. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lillian Tangeman filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$150,000 for alleged injury incurred as the result of trip and fall on sidewalk. This claim is under review and is pending.

Wade and Kristin Fornander filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$23,859.00 for damages incurred as the result of L.E.S. encroaching on sewer line. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Christel Matthiesen filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$600.00 for damage to sprinkler system during sewer line replacement. This claim is under review and is pending.

Terry Ray Rush filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to sod during curb replacement. This claim is under review and is pending.

Michael Case filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$7,124.44 for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Thomas Traore filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to driveway allegedly caused by location of manhole. This claim is under review and is pending.

Norman Sefrna filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$52,200 for injury and damage to motorcycle when the motorcycle that claimant was operating struck a no U-turn sign laying in the street. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kory Dean Tweedy filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle when struck by debris during mowing activity in the median. This claim is under review and is pending.

Kelsey Kaplan filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$454.21 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of sidewalk construction. This claim is under review and is pending.

Abdul Ghafoor filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Sue Sun filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for injury incurred as the result of trip and fall incident at Holmes Lake Park walking trail. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lindsay Brady filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$325.00 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of sidewalk construction. This claim is under review and is pending.

LaMia Union filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$6,000 for injury incurred when claimant was exiting StarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

SubroClaims on behalf of Geico as subrogee of Teri and Armando Chavez filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$18,606.53 for damage to insureds' vehicle as the result of accident involving City snowplow. This claim is under review and is pending.

USAA as subrogee of Jo and Bruce Waldo filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$16,833.53 for damage to insureds' vehicle as the result of accident involving City snowplow. This claim is under review and is pending.

Angela Green filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$149.76 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of roots from City tree. This claim is under review and is pending.

Alexa Morales Compos filed claim during the month of May 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Mark Ballmer filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$230.00 for damage to sprinkler system due to possible water hammer that occurred when Lincoln Fire and Rescue responded to garage fire in the vicinity of claimant's property. This claim is under review and is pending.

John Finnell filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$3,929.17 for damage incurred as the result of sanitary sewer back-up. This claim is under review and is pending.

Richard and Debra Nogorski filed claim during the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$81.13 for damage to mailbox when struck by City equipment. This claim is under review and is pending.

Manuel Ruiz filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$10,045.80 for damage incurred as the result of sewer back-up. This claim is under review and is pending.

Barb Bailey filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$166.78 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of action by L.E.S. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Kush's 7 Day Furniture filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$9,656.08 for damage to delivery truck as the result of striking a tree limb overhanging street. This claim is under review and is pending.

Shannon Hayes filed claim during the month of June 2026 in an unspecified amount for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Beatrice Hernandez filed claim during the month of June 2026 in amount of \$275.00 for damage to vehicle as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Dominic Wilson filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$300.00 for damage to fence as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Jordan Spatz filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$807.51 for expense incurred to remove fallen tree limb and damage to fence as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Deanna Johnson filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$950.00 for damage to siding and gutter as the result of fallen tree limb. This claim is under review and is pending.

Merry Schleining filed claim during the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$2,451.83 for damage to vehicle as the result of striking fallen street sign. This claim is under review and is pending.

NEW CLAIMS FILED DURING PERIOD OF JUNE 16 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026:

Billy John Kraft filed claim in the amount of \$1,800.00 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of sidewalk construction. This claim is under review and is pending.

Olsen Sutton filed claim in the amount of \$250.00 for damage to bicycle as the result of accident involving SarTran bus. This claim is under review and is pending.

Evelyn Richards filed claim in the amount of \$4,543.00 for expense incurred for repair of sewer line allegedly damaged by roots of a City tree. This claim is under review and is pending.

Lucas Huber filed claim in the amount of \$13,115.60 for damage incurred as the result of sewer back-up. This claim is under review and is pending.

Daniel Black filed claim in the amount of \$128.34 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of action by L.E.S. This claim is pending review and ratification by L.E.S. Administrative Board.

Jack Skivanek filed claim in the amount of \$400.00 for damage to mailbox when struck by City vehicle. This claim is under review and is pending.

Leslie and Sharon Cook filed claim in the amount of \$3,573.51 for damage to property due to possible water hammer that occurred when Lincoln Fire and Rescue responded to garage fire in the vicinity of claimants' property. This claim is under review and is pending.

Alan Goodenberger filed claim in the amount of \$172.32 for damage to sprinkler system as the result of tree stump removal activity. 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. This 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.

Erica Brent filed claim during the month of December 2025 in the amount of \$60,000 for alleged injury incurred while claimant was passenger on StarTran bus. This claim was reviewed by this office and denied. Suit was filed in Lancaster County District Court. Litigation is pending.

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 July 1, 2026, of new and pending tort claims filed with the Office of
4 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:

8	<u>DENIED CLAIMS</u>	<u>SETTLED CLAIMS</u>
9	Claudia Perez Unspecified Amount	Katie Black \$500.00
10	Ian James Mitchell Unspecified Amount	Dale & Lindy Kurtzer 124.40

11 The City Attorney is hereby directed to mail to claimants listed herein a
12 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



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

July 9, 2026

Claudia Perez
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Ms. Perez:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln for alleged injury incurred while riding on a StarTran bus on March 21, 2025.

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. Because taxpayer funds are used to pay claims of this type, this office can only recommend to the City Council payment of claims in which there exists a legal basis to establish liability.

I have reviewed the video from the bus and medical records provided by Bryan Medical Center, Dialysis Center of Lincoln, and Health at Home Consultants. Although you may have been jostled while you were riding a StarTran bus, the video and medical records provided do not provide any evidence that the StarTran bus operator was in any way negligent in operating the bus on which you were riding. Therefore, based on the information available to me, your claim 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 July 20, 2026, at 3:00 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, July 17, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Abigail F. Littrell
Assistant City Attorney



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

July 7, 2026

Ian James Mitchell
[REDACTED]

RE: Claim Against the City of Lincoln

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

This is in response to your claim against the City of Lincoln received in this office on May 14, 2026, for damage incurred to your vehicle as the result of a fallen tree limb on May 14, 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 the City of Lincoln failed to act or acted in a negligent manner, or in this case, that the City should have acted to treat or trim the subject tree and failed to do so. I have had an opportunity to investigate your claim with City Forestry personnel. City Forestry personnel reports the City has received no notice that the subject tree was in need of treatment, trimming, or was in otherwise poor condition prior to May 14, 2026.

The City of Lincoln understands the inconvenience and financial impact you have incurred as the result of this incident, however, because taxpayer funds are used to pay claims of this type, this office can only recommend to the Lincoln City Council payment of claims in which there exists a legal basis to establish liability. Based on information provided by City Forestry personnel, it does not appear that the City or its employees failed to act or acted in a negligent manner, and therefore your claim will be referred 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 July 20, 2026, at 3:00 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 Lincoln 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, July 17, 2026, by phone at 402-441-7281.**

Sincerely,

Sarah Rada

Sarah Rada
Assistant City Attorney
402-441-7281
srada@lincoln.ne.gov

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Rosina Paolini
Date: Monday, July 13, 2026 7:15:24 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-292.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Rosina Paolini

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

Name	Rosina Paolini
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
	The city of Lincoln was known for their outreach in the previous administration. Beutler's administration took transparency and public outreach to the next level. It was expressed as I paraphrased here - we had a republican city council at the time and needed outside influences requiring outreach. To be far, community outreach always needs to be a priority. At the Mayor's Resiliency Task Force, it was suggested that the city was able to do that work now of the dismantled M.E.T.F., I reminded Kim, the Mayor's Environmental Task Force initiated raising the EPA benchmarks to progress Lincoln that are now rebooting 15 years later. I don't care what party our city council is – I care that your words match your actions and you are following the comprehensive plan. LTU has stepped up their outreach engagement, meeting people where they are at community gatherings to learn what people want for a

blighted area while teaching the process. We learned things we wouldn't have known, like, Bryan hospital employees are notorious for running the stop sign at 14th and Lake at shift change, especially early morning shift.

Despite LPR's hiring of a Minnesota community outreach consultant not familiar with Lincoln to focus on Community Outreach, LPR doesn't engage in such outreach as demonstrated by the money they have cost the taxpayers with mediators, loss of donor funds, throwing together presentations as a reaction rather than an action requiring costly public hearings. It cost you in trust of the people. Between the Van Dorn push for Botanical Gardens, expansion of the tennis court for tournaments and the tree removal on Goodhue Boulevard and recently, JJ's private Fitness Loop project update hike with a non – profit without inviting the public or the stakeholder who was paying for the project is not cost efficient. The culverts LTU doesn't know about in Wilderness Park demonstrate the lack of communication between departments.

Sadly, all but the culverts issue is stakeholder led not community developed whether it be Steve and Alice, Bob Ripley, Adam Hintz with Friends of Wilderness Park or the Woods Tennis Association. Public outreach needed to be conducted; in most cases we learned of your proposed action and attempted to thwart it in advocacy of the people. Even the youth, and landlords, our historians and future geniuses who had sound alternatives to LPR's plan for sustainability, economic vitality, and cost efficiency; all within the guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan rather than removing all

Your comment

those trees showed up.

Dismissed were those who had sound alternatives, professionals that were better accredited in tree diagnostics than LPR staff.

In this case, we need to return to the past. Crews with arborists, with season accountable staff who undergo review rather than contracting jobs out to people who spray poison within 50 feet of toddlers and their parents on a breezy day at Stransky Park who will expect a renewal of their contract. We can avoid the contractors who forgot where they removed the trees this winter, left big holes to fill this spring but missed a few which are now grown over in grass. To avoid an elder and his dog on the Rudge Park path, I went into the grass on my bike and fell into a hole that was not visible; good thing I can ride a bike.

Just yesterday morning a huge limb fell at 19th and High. We will save the claims paid out and to whom they are paid for another session. In short, the person who has liability insurance and got their car totaled by a fallen street tree now has no car.

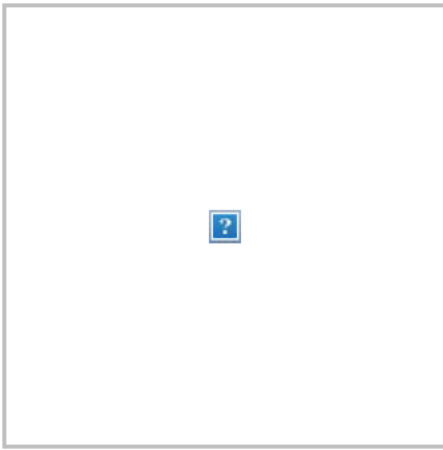
LPR needs to come under the same guidelines as LTU and the rest of the departments. JJ needs to run his plans and proposals by the Planning Commission and the City Council like the other departments abiding by the outreach process outlined in the Comprehensive Plan the mayor and department heads learned in the Community Development Outreach Conference in Minneapolis a couple of years ago which Maggie was not invite to attend. A Parks Advisory Board that meets every other month with a focus on golf and this month will conduct a private meeting at Mahoney State Park, so our next opportunity for a 3 minutes

testimony will be in September, another demonstration of poor public outreach. As Justin and Sandra know, rubber-stamping is a thing with few questions and unanimous approval. You are of the few who did question on occasion. There is a comfort level and jocularity that is at times quite unprofessional.

I express these concerns as someone who has been advocating for LPR for decades during budget cuts and cared for Wilderness Park when there were no funds, developed a maintenance manual with Sara Hartzell adopted by the Parks Advisory Board which LPR does not adhere – another subject for another time all to say, there needs to be a change.

All to say, more oversight is needed of the LPR likely saving you money. The email regarding the private hike with Friend of Wilderness Park membership is attached. If you'd like the message I received announcing the hike, I can share the message.

Now more than ever stepping up transparency and getting in the dirt with your community is crucial. You don't know who is watching, you only hear from a few loud voices, many are quietly saying the same thing. We are always available for the conversation. I will forward the email which Maggie acknowledged though has not responded. Sandra, one of the council member will be able to forward you the document as you email is still blocked to me.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [JSP Inspire](#)
Subject: Shine a Spotlight on Women in Government Service: Inspire Awards
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 4:04:21 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Some people who received this message don't often get email from inspire@journalstar.com. [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello,

I hope you're doing well! I'm reaching out to share an opportunity to recognize outstanding women in Lincoln through the Inspire Awards.

One category we're highlighting is **Excellence in Government Service**, which honors women serving in federal, state, or local government who make a positive impact through their professional leadership, community involvement, and support of local nonprofits and organizations.

If you know someone who embodies these qualities, I encourage you to nominate her. Even receiving a nomination is a meaningful recognition of the difference she makes in our community.

You can submit nominations easily through [this link](#). Please feel free to nominate multiple individuals if you know of others who fit this category - or any of our other award categories.

Thank you for helping us celebrate the incredible women making a difference in Lincoln. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

We look forward to receiving your nominations!

Sincerely,



The Inspire Team at Lincoln Journal Star

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Mary E Geisler
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 10:40:26 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-294.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Mary E Geisler

Mary E Geisler has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Mary E Geisler
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Please DO NOT have the city citizens pay for the Meadow Lane Pool.....My cousins lived near in the 1960's and they never invited us. It was "PRIVATE".....unless you OPEN IT UP TO THE CITY TO USE.....if it is for the Meadow Lane area then MEADOW LANE can PAY FOR IT. PUBLIC PAY.....THEN PUBLIC (ALL OF ANYONE). PRIVATE?? THEN Meadow Lane PAY !! ! I will NOT pay for A PRIVATE POOL.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

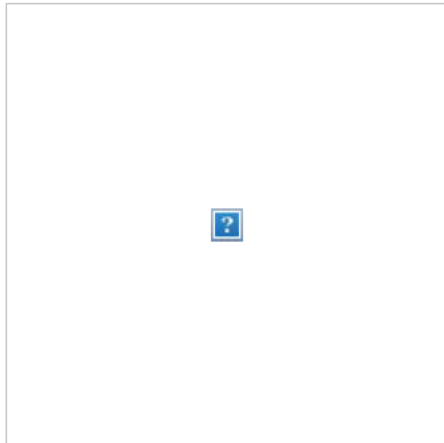
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Mary Schwab
Date: Monday, July 13, 2026 4:14:46 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-293.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Mary Schwab

Mary Schwab has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Mary Schwab
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I am asking that all Lincoln City Council members support James Michael Bowers' amendment to the Lincoln City Budget regarding the \$152,000 needed to re-open the Eastridge Community Pool.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Christine Jones](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadow Lane Pool Budget Amendment
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 7:58:55 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello,

My name is Christine "Chris" Jones. I have owned my home near the Meadow Lane Pool since 2012, and I previously served as the pool board's membership coordinator from 2020 to 2022.

This pool is the heartbeat of our neighborhood. It is a vital catalyst for community engagement, youth recreation and employment, and local connection. Since its closure, our neighborhood has felt a profound void.

Leaving this property vacant poses urgent risks. This year, the unlit, empty lot has become a public safety hazard, attracting illicit activity and dangerous motorized scooter traffic. Prolonging this vacancy will inevitably depress neighborhood property values and place an unnecessary strain on municipal resources.

The current pool board has exhausted its resources, and delaying the project any further will only drive up renovation costs. Because the pool already has the necessary infrastructure, bylaws, and governance in place, it will operate and maintain itself independently without ongoing financial support from the city.

The most cost-effective, immediate solution to address this vacancy is to approve a one-time funding injection to start the renovations. I respectfully ask you to support Council Member Bowers' budget amendment for \$152,000 in the city budget to reopen the Meadow Lane Pool.

Sincerely,
Christine "Chris" Jones
Meadowlane resident

From: [Julie Richter](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowland Pool
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 1:31:38 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

My husband and I support the one time funding proposed to reopen Meadowlane Pool - this will be fantastic for the neighborhood kids and families and Lincoln - great use of funds!

John and Julie Dove
[REDACTED]

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Jessica Cook
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 2:43:16 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-295.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Jessica Cook

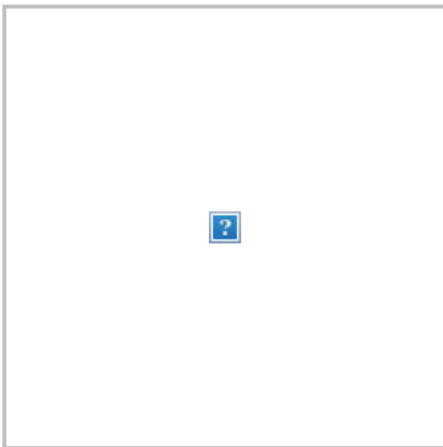
Jessica Cook has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Jessica Cook
Phone number	
Email address	
Your comment	I strongly support the proposed funding for the Tax Credit Alliance of Nebraska (TCAN). TCAN plays an extremely useful role in preparing volunteers to do the job of helping thousands of people in Nebraska to complete tax documents accurately and at no expense. Without TCAN, there would be too many difficulties in making tax reports for low-income families, elderly people, and those with disabilities. This program is especially needed now when new laws were adopted in the federal tax system and people need to be familiarized with these laws and complete tax documents correctly. In other words, this kind of program makes sure that people know how to file tax return, and what credits and refunds they are entitled to. This is not just funding a nonprofit. It's investing in a program that enables people to fulfill their tax obligations and to become more financially stable

and to get federal money for the local economy. A relatively small public investment (in this case) will support a proven program that uses trained volunteers to provide a needed public service.

Funding is needed right now only due to a temporary hold on private foundation funding for their University of Nebraska grants while the process is under review and not due to the program's failure. This is exactly the type of temporary circumstance where a one-time investment from the City of Lincoln can make a meaningful difference while TCAN secures future private funding.

I ask the Council to fund this program and support something that has shown that it works for Nebraska families, for the economy of our community, and for the taxpayers of Lincoln.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

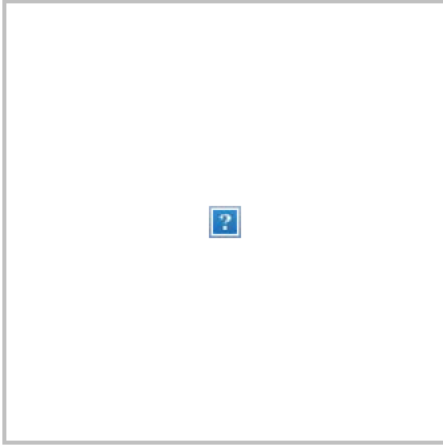
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Colleen Hughes
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 3:30:30 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-296.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Colleen Hughes

Colleen Hughes has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Colleen Hughes
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I want to encourage the city council to support funding for the VITA tax preparation program. I have volunteered with this program for over 10 years and we assist many Lincoln taxpayers with low incomes prepare their yearly federal and state returns (at no cost to them). The private tax preparation companies charge \$300 and up and this of course lowers the amount available for the taxpayers to spend on necessities. They tell us they are using their refunds for new tires on a car with "bald" tires, needed car repairs, to license their vehicles, for groceries, for gas, to pay overdue bills to name just a few. The taxpayers are appreciative of the service and I hope the City of Lincoln will assist us in continuing to be able to provide the service. I realized i was privileged the first year i helped with VITA as I had used my tax refunds in the past for fun, unnecessary items. I quickly learned this was NOT the case with our clients. They are spending on much needed items. Thanks for considering this.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

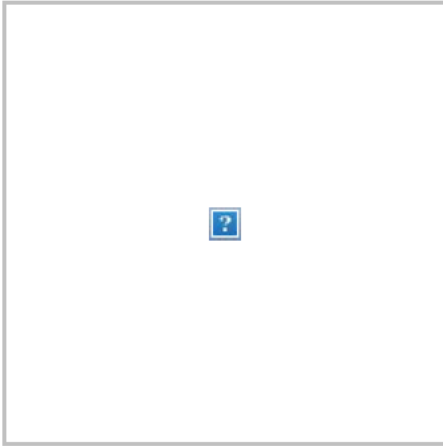
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Lexie Heinle
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 3:58:24 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-297.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Lexie Heinle

Lexie Heinle has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Lexie Heinle
Phone number	
Email address	
Your comment	Hello, I'm writing in support of the TCAN/VITA program. I've been a volunteer for several years, beginning when I was still a student at UNL and continuing since I moved back to Lincoln after college. I keep volunteering as it's very clear to see from our clients that it's a vital and helpful resource for members of our community. These low income or elderly individuals typically have fairly simple returns and fewer resources to resort to for-profit tax preparation. I enjoy doing my best by preparing accurate returns and making sure to explain the complicated tax system. Additionally, I advocate for others to volunteer and connect with community members with other backgrounds as well as provide a concrete community service impact. The gratitude I receive from each and every client makes the sixty-four tax returns in 2025 worth it, and I've already signed up for next year's. Thank you, Lexie Heinle



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Patricia Lee Hughes
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 4:30:57 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-298.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Patricia Lee Hughes

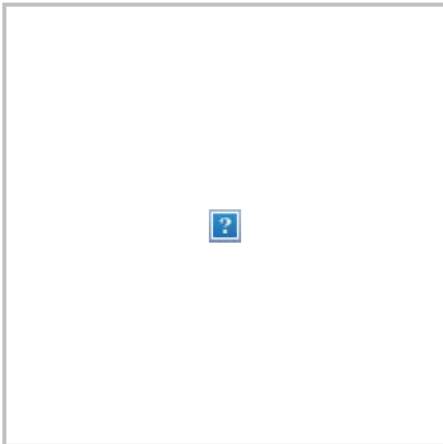
Patricia Lee Hughes has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Patricia Lee Hughes
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I have been an Advanced VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) tax preparer for the past 11 years. During that time, I have seen firsthand how important this program is for individuals and families with low incomes who need free, reliable tax preparation services. Many of the people we assist do not have access to computers or the skills needed to prepare and electronically file their federal and Nebraska state income tax returns. Through VITA sites at libraries and other community locations, they receive accurate, no-cost assistance from trained volunteers. This service not only helps taxpayers claim the refunds and credits they have earned, but also helps ensure that federal and state tax returns are filed correctly and that taxes owed are paid. VITA is made possible primarily by dedicated, unpaid volunteers who complete IRS training and pass certification exams each year to ensure they

are knowledgeable and qualified to prepare tax returns accurately.

Please continue funding the Tax Credit Alliance of Nebraska VITA program. This investment provides an essential service to Nebraska residents, strengthens our communities, and supports tax compliance while helping those who need it most.

Thank you
Patricia Lee Hughes



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Linde M](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane pool
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 5:50:23 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello distinguished Council members,

My name is Linde Matthiesen and I would love to see the pool reopen!

Since 2006 the sounds of kids and families walking with their towels in hand in the neighborhood has always been the official kickoff to summer. In [REDACTED] the east of the pool on meadowdale drive. Hearing the music playing during swim practice or lessons in the mornings with kids laughing and playing in the water brings the community together. The summer events and festivities are so much fun. The meets and neighborhood togetherness we have missed these past few years. Please approve as this is one of the best neighborhoods in the city to help each other with kindness and we miss this pool desperately.

Linde Matthiesen

[REDACTED]
Lincoln, ne 68505

From: [Shannon Butalla](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Fund the gap - Meadowlane Community Pool.
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 5:54:14 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Meadowlane Community Pool is a tremendous asset to Northeast Lincoln and the residents in surrounding neighborhoods.

Thank you, James Michael Bowers, for prioritizing our citizens and neighborhoods by proposing to close the funding gap to revitalize and restore this Lincoln landmark. We need more opportunities for families to engage in affordable, active recreation that encourages knowing our neighbors which, in turn, strengthens our communities. This small investment will have huge impact and many returns for generations to come.

Please fund the gap to allow Meadowlane Community Pool to re-open to ensure current and future residents a neighborhood with the best chance to thrive and prosper.

Shannon Butalla

[REDACTED]

Lincoln, NE 68527

[REDACTED]

From: [Jennifer Platt](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 6:08:20 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

Good afternoon,

I am emailing in support of the Meadowlane pool and asking for the city council to support James Michael Bowers proposal to close the gap and open the pool for the northeast Lincoln community. Considering we have a very old YMCA in Northeast Lincoln that doesn't have an outdoor pool, the public could greatly benefit from a neighborhood pool. We are not all fortunate enough to have country club memberships. The Meadowlane pool will be a great option for our family to swim in the evening since my husband and I both have 8-5 jobs.

Thanks for your consideration. We really hope to see Meadowlane back open next summer!

Jennifer Platt
Waterford Estates homeowner

From: [Ruth Schuldt](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 6:30:45 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

My husband and I moved to the Meadowlane area 45 years ago. We were members of the Meadowlane pool during the time we raised our 2 children. They were active in swim and dive teams while growing up as well as spending many many hours there with their friends.

I encourage you to pass the amendment to bridge the final financial gap so the pool can reopen in 2027. I can't tell you how much this would mean to the Meadowlane community.

Gus and Ruth Schuldt.

From: [Jamie Jakub](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool renovation project
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 7:19:13 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello,

I'm writing to compel you to vote yes to fund the Meadowlane Pool renovation project. I am not typically a letter writer but I do feel strongly about this project. My family has a deep history with Meadowlane pool. My husband grew up in the neighborhood and would ride his bike to the pool daily for swim team and later to meet friends for a fun day at the pool. He still has a thick stack of ribbons for swim team. Fast forward to our kids, they had much of the same experience with Meadowlane Pool. My three older boys were all on swim team and spent countless hours at the pool. We had our bonus surprise baby 7-12 years after his brothers were born and it makes me so sad that he hasn't been able to experience what the rest of the family has. Having a pool back in the area would be such a great thing. The board has worked so hard at raising the money to reopen. I honestly was shocked that they were able to secure the funding that they have. We are so close to the finish line and it would be a shame to not have it work out for the pool to open. I sincerely hope that you will consider voting yes to fund this worthy project. We need some positives right now. Thank you for your consideration.

Jamie Jakub

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [susie harley](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadow-lane Pool
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 8:22:58 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to ask for your support in providing funding for our Meadow-Lane community pool, which is operated by a nonprofit organization and serves as an invaluable asset to our town.

Although our pool is not a city-owned public facility, it plays a vital role in the health, safety, and quality of life of our community. Every summer, it provides a safe place for children and families to gather, stay active, and build lasting memories. It also offers swimming lessons that teach life-saving water safety skills, giving children confidence while helping prevent drowning accidents.

Beyond recreation, the pool strengthens our community by bringing people together through family swim nights, youth programs, and community events. It is one of the few places where residents of all ages can connect, exercise, and enjoy time together during the summer months.

As a nonprofit organization, the pool relies heavily on community support, donations, and fundraising efforts to cover operating costs, maintenance, and necessary improvements. Rising expenses continue to make it increasingly difficult to provide the quality experience our residents deserve without additional financial assistance.

Investing in our pool is an investment in our children, families, and the future of our town. Losing this facility would mean losing an important resource that promotes recreation, safety, wellness, and community pride.

I respectfully ask that you consider providing funding to help ensure our pool remains open and continues serving our community for years to come. Your support would make a meaningful difference and help preserve a place that so many families rely on and cherish.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and your continued commitment to our community. We do not live in district 1 but do live in district 2. We joined Meadow-lane pool 20 years ago because it was the best fit for our family and have meant lifelong friends who live in the neighborhood.

Sincerely

Susan and Jim Harley

From: [Jeremiah Majorins](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane pool
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 9:09:42 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello,

Please support the funding to help reopen Meadowlane pool!

Dear Members of the City Council,

I am writing to you today as a resident of the Meadowlane neighborhood to advocate for the funding necessary to reopen our Meadowlane pool.

The Meadowlane pool has long been an asset to our neighborhood, providing a safe, accessible place for families to gather, children to learn how to swim, and neighbors to connect. Its closure has left a significant void in our community, particularly during the summer months. It truly is a family favorite!

I kindly request that the City Council consider allocating the necessary funds to help repair and reopen this cherished community resource. Investing in the Meadowlane pool is an investment in the health, well-being, and unity of our north Lincoln neighborhood.

Thank you for your time, leadership, and dedication to our community. I look forward to hearing about the city's plans for this space.

Best,

Jeremiah Majorins

From: [Ronald Koch](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 11:12:59 PM

[You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. Learn why this is important at <https://aka.ms/LearnAboutSenderIdentification>]

As a life long Lincoln resident, I grew up in Meadowlane and in the late 60's through early 80's our family was a member. We had 5 kids that lived at that pool. We all learned to swim there and several of us were on the swim team and dive teams for several years. It's a shame the neighborhood lost this pool and as a Lincoln resident hope you will budget money to help them get it open again so the people in the area can once again enjoy the pool.

From: [Sean Stradley](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane pool renovation funding
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 7:28:51 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

I am writing to ask you to vote YES on the Meadowlane pool renovation project. My wife and I purchased our home in 2015 and we live about 2 blocks from the pool. In 2019 we joined the pool and started taking our kids almost daily in the summer to enjoy a break from the heat. We were heartbroken when it closed. We have been following the efforts of the new board to reopen the pool, and have contributed to the fundraisers to try and get our pool back open. The new board has been doing a fantastic job with communication and fundraising and I think they deserve your support.

There are many families in the area with a story similar to ours. We just want a safe, convenient place for our kids during the summer heat. Thank you for taking time to read this.

Sean Stradley

From: [Stacy Duncan](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:00:11 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear City Council,

Please approve the budget amendment on Monday, July 20, to help close our remaining construction funding gap for Meadow Lane pool. Please vote YES to fund this project. I have three young boys who ride their bikes by the pool often and wish it were open so they could swim. It's been three years of waiting. Thank you for your support of our northeast neighborhood.

Sincerely,
Stacy Duncan

From: [Dallas Denith](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowland Pool
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:02:42 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

TO: The Lincoln City Council
RE: Grant for Meadowland Pool Repair

What a loss it has been for so many families the past three years to not have this pool available to the neighborhood. It was the main source of entertainment for us to take our grandchildren to in the summer. It provided great exercise for our grandkids and us. What better activity is there to have the kids put down their phones for a while than spending time at the pool? What a safe place it creates to keep kids off the streets!

I strongly urge you to vote in favor of the grant to expedite repairs that are needed. So many have worked so hard and donated so much that this extra would help put the project in motion. It basically is a small return of tax dollars that is paid to the city from this neighborhood.

Thank you for your support!
DALLAS & DENITH KOFFARNUS
[REDACTED]
Lincoln, NE

From: [David B](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Supporting the Meadowlane Pool Renovation Budget Amendment
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:25:46 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed budget amendment scheduled for consideration on Monday, July 20, to help close the construction funding gap for the Meadowlane Pool renovation project. I urge you to vote "yes" on this critical funding.

The Meadowlane Pool is far more than just a place to swim. It is a vital cornerstone of our local community that fosters social connection, promotes physical health, and provides a safe, positive environment for children and families during the summer months.

Our community has already shown incredible dedication to this project, raising significant funds through fundraisers, donors and grant partners. City support at this final stage is crucial to bring this long-awaited renovation to the finish line and ensure the pool can continue serving Lincoln residents for generations to come.

Thank you for your time, leadership, and continued investment in our neighborhoods. Please vote yes to fund the Meadowlane Pool renovation.

Sincerely,

David Brandl

From: [Judy Nicholson](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Vita free tax service
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 9:41:11 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

It would be a real disservice to not have this for our low income community and immigrant community.

I have only volunteered for 3 years as a greeter. Every person we see is so appreciative for our service.

Judy Nicholson.

From: [Terri Bayne](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 10:01:11 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

To the Lincoln City Council,

It has been 3 long summers we have been without a pool. Our beloved pool. The pool my husband's family joined when he was in grade school. The pool we rejoined when my son was 18 months old, now 34, where he learned to swim. Where later his grade school friends and junior high friends would hang out together, enjoy swimming and pizza on Friday nights. Where us adults that are growing older still enjoy getting together and chatting while floating in the pool. Or getting some exercise that is easy on our older bodies. Watching the new families with their small children learning to make memories.

These last 3 years have been tough. Yes there are the public pools but our pool is family. We enjoy the July 4th celebrations. Sell hot dogs and burgers to keep the pool running. Have pop walks for the kids to win a liter of pop. Have a water balloon toss and cannon ball competition and even watermelon races. Then to finish the year we have a dog splash to raise more money on the last day. I will never forget these memories. I just don't want the future families of this little pool to not enjoy what we started and what we kept going.

Please consider donating the last of the funds to restore our pool for the future of the families and children of our community. We have already lost 3 precious years, don't make us continue to fundraise. Make this the last year without our beloved pool. I am getting older and not sure how many more I will get to enjoy.

I work at the Realtors Association of Lincoln and have met several of you. I know you will do the right thing.

Thank you again,
Terri Bayne
[REDACTED]

From: [Carrie Scribner](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Swimming Pool
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 10:36:50 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello!

I just wanted to reach out to you to tell you about the beloved Meadowlane swimming pool in a North Lincoln neighborhood. The BEST part of this swimming pool is how it nestles right inside a sweet neighborhood. When my children were toddlers, the nearest outdoor pool that we could go to was the YMCA at Cooper, which was about a 25 minute drive. Often, I would pack a ton of stuff and have the thought that we had to stay because it took us so long to drive there. The public pools were too much for me and my 4 little children on my own. That's when we decided to join Meadowlane and it was the PERFECT place. It has been a huge blessing for me and my kids, and my kids have loved going there. They still miss it even though they are teenagers now! We could go for 30 minutes or 3+ hours since it's so close to our house.

PLEASE say yes to help finish funding this Northeast gem! Northeast Lincoln gets overlooked SO much, but this is a time when I really wish it weren't. It truly is a wonderful place for families, toddlers to teenagers! It's small, but so wonderful!

Thanks for reading!

Carrie Scribner

From: dmb5mil@gmail.com
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool Support
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 11:08:54 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

I courage the City Council to amend the budget to fill the remaining construction funding gap for the needed repairs at the Meadowlane Pool. Please vote YES to fund this project.

Sincerely,

Brian Meyers

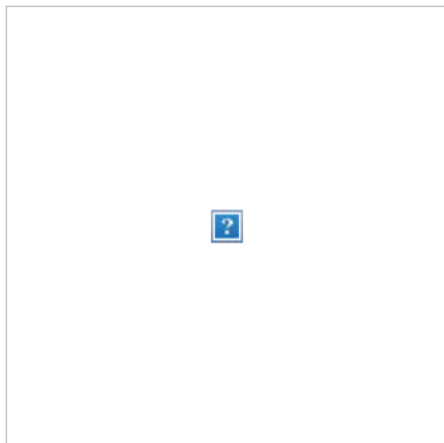
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Linda D Mahloch
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 12:41:57 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-299.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Linda D Mahloch

Linda D Mahloch has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Linda D Mahloch
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	As a tax counselor with the Lincoln VITA program, I hope you will consider providing support for this important effort to help lower income people in Lincoln file their tax returns. Volunteers offer their time. Hopefully you will offer some help as well.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [John Hoppin](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool Funding
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 1:19:58 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello from concerned Grandparents!

When we visited our family in Lincoln over the past number of years, it was always a pleasure to go to Meadowlane Pool and enjoy the amenities there. Our grandson, Max, learned to swim there with "Papa" guiding him in the shallow end. And the community atmosphere at the pool made us feel apart of the city that we both love to visit. Since its closure, we have missed that. Our daughter in-law kept us in the loop as to the possibility of it reopening and now it seems there is only one more hurdle to that happening. We urge you all to help this community by funding the remaining amount of money that they need to accomplish their goal of reopening the pool soon.

Thank you,

John and Vicki Hoppin
Apache Junction, AZ
[REDACTED]

[Sent from AOL on Android](#)

From: [Brittany Planos](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Support of VITA
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 2:40:21 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Lincoln City Council:

My name is Brittany Planos, and I am a local banking professional and volunteer with the Tax Credit Alliance of Nebraska's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. I volunteer at the Asian Community & Cultural Center tax site. I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed City funding for VITA.

Each year, VITA provides free, IRS-certified tax preparation services to low- and moderate-income university students, individuals and families in our community. Our services help taxpayers avoid costly preparation fees and claim valuable tax credits they have earned. For many households, tax season represents the most significant financial event of the year, and their refund may be the largest single payment they receive.

Through volunteering with VITA, I have seen firsthand how impactful these services are. Tax refunds have helped community members pay for delayed medical care and automotive repairs. Many families rely on their refunds to pay bills, build savings, reduce debt, or manage unexpected expenses.

From a banking perspective, tax season also provides an important opportunity to connect unbanked households with safe, affordable banking services. VITA is bridge linking taxpayers to our local community banks, increasing economic inclusion. Banking participation ensures Lincoln residents receive their refunds securely, reducing the risk of fraud and costly check-cashing fees.

Treasury estimates that nationally, roughly 67 million filers were eligible for VITA but only 1.6 million returns were filed through the program.

City funding would help strengthen the reach of the program and would ensure that Lincoln residents can continue to access free, high-quality tax preparation assistance.

I respectfully encourage you to support this funding request. This investment promotes financial stability, strengthens our community, and helps keep funds locally.

Thank you for your continued support of financial literacy and economic empowerment for all Lincoln residents.

Sincerely,

BRITTANY PLANOS, MBA, M.Ed., AFC®
VITA Volunteer

From: [Sarah Stoecker](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Funding to Reopen Meadowlane Community Pool
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 3:27:00 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear Lincoln City Council Members,

I am writing to express my support for providing the funding needed to close the remaining gap and restore the Meadowlane Community Pool.

The Meadowlane Pool has been a valuable community asset for generations of Lincoln families. It provides a safe, affordable place for children to learn to swim, families to gather, and neighbors to build connections. In a time when access to recreation and youth activities is increasingly important, reopening this facility is an investment in the health and well-being of our community.

What makes this opportunity especially compelling is that the majority of the work has already been done. The infrastructure exists, and community members have worked tirelessly to raise nearly all of the funding required for restoration. A one-time investment of approximately \$152,000 would bring another public pool back into operation without creating ongoing operating expenses for taxpayers.

Compared to the alternatives—leaving the facility unused for another summer, constructing a new pool at a significantly higher cost, or taking on long-term ownership and operational responsibilities—this proposal represents a practical and fiscally responsible solution. It maximizes the value of existing infrastructure while expanding access to swimming, recreation, and water safety programs for Lincoln residents.

I encourage the City Council to support funding the remaining gap and help make the reopening of Meadowlane Community Pool a reality for the 2027 season. This is a unique opportunity to partner with a committed community and create a lasting benefit for Lincoln families.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued service to our city.

Sincerely,

Sarah Stoecker
Lincoln, Nebraska

AllPeoplePeopleFilesFilesMeetingsMeetingsEmailsEmailsChatsChatsChannelsChannelsSitesSitesOtherOther

From: [Stephanie Werner](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Meadowlane Pool
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 3:32:05 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Lincoln Council Members-

We are writing to express our support for the budget amendment allocating funding for the restoration and revitalization of Meadowlane Pool, a cherished neighborhood asset that has served generations of families in Lincoln, including our own. Two of our children who learned to swim at Meadowlane went on to swim in high school as well. We have spent many days and evenings at the pool. It is much more than a place to swim. The pool has long been a cornerstone of community life, providing an affordable, safe, and welcoming place for recreation during Nebraska's hot summer months. The closure of Meadowlane Pool and its extended operating hours has left a significant void in our community.

The Meadow Lane Park Association has demonstrated a thoughtful and responsible approach to this project. By addressing critical structural and safety needs identified through engineering evaluations and inspections, they are committed to ensuring that Meadowlane Pool meets modern standards while preserving a treasured community landmark. Their comprehensive fundraising campaign has demonstrated broad community support and a long-term vision for sustainability. We are excited about the new vision for expanding membership and providing programming in partnership with other community non-profits to better serve the community.

The most difficult work has already been accomplished. The infrastructure is in place, extensive engineering and planning have been completed, and the community has already raised nearly all of the funding needed to restore and reopen Meadowlane Community Pool. The alternatives are far more costly. Rather than leaving the pool vacant for a fourth consecutive summer, by investing a fraction of the cost of new construction, we can restore an existing community asset, expand access to affordable swimming, water safety instruction, and recreation, and maximize the value of infrastructure that already serves our community.

We encourage you to **vote yes** and make this investment in children, families, and the future of Lincoln. The benefits extend well beyond recreation. Your investment will help ensure that future generations have the opportunity to learn, play, and build community.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and your commitment to strengthening our community!

Sincerely,

Jude and Stephanie Werner

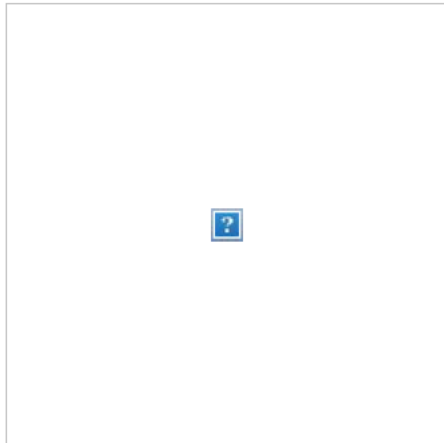
Former members of Meadowlane Pool

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - John Wallace Peery
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 5:27:49 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-300.pdf](#)

Council Comment - John Wallace Peery

John Wallace Peery has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	John Wallace Peery
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	The VITA program is a life saver helping people with their taxes. When money is getting tighter every year with the higher cost of just basic needs. VITA makes a major difference in people's lives!!



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

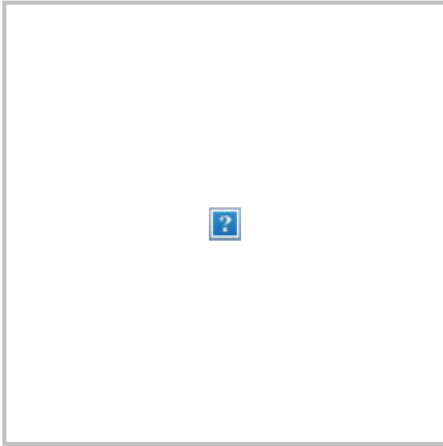
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Angela Hogan
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 6:34:49 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-301.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Angela Hogan

Angela Hogan has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Angela Hogan
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I wish to provide comment on the proposed funding for the Tax Credit Alliance of Nebraska (TCAN) VITA Program in the next City budget. My husband and I retired three years ago and do not have a lot of assets, which made using a CPA too costly and unnecessary for us. I found the VITA program from a flyer at Gere Library and we have used the service since the 2023 tax year. It was truly a savings of over \$300 to us and we are grateful the University has assisted in providing it to the community. The funding would continue the service for us and many of the Lincoln residents who need the service and I believe the it would be a benefit to Lincolniters that we need to retain. Someone who isn't tech savvy or has limited funds needs this assistance and are grateful for their help. Angela Hogan [REDACTED] Lincoln



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

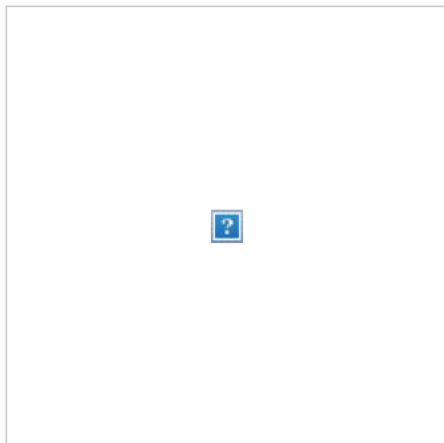
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Katie Cronin
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 7:08:47 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-302.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Katie Cronin

Katie Cronin has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Katie Cronin
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I have had brain surgery and used this service since I couldn't do my taxes on my own with my TBI. If it wasn't for them, I dont know how i would've gotten my taxes done being on disability money is super tight.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

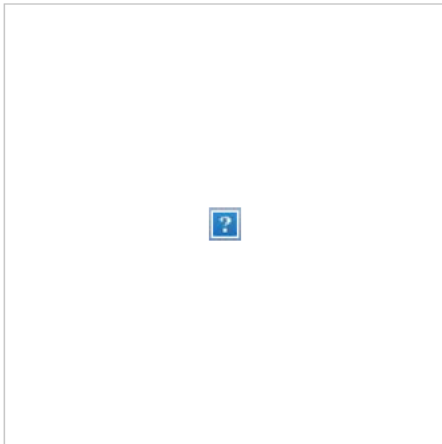
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Kimberly Schuller
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 7:09:59 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-303.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Kimberly Schuller

Kimberly Schuller has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Kimberly Schuller
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Love using the VITA program. It's very important to have in the community



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

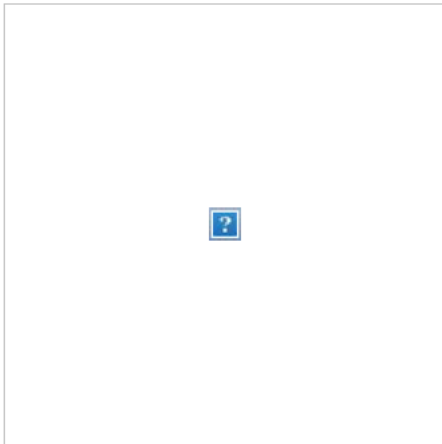
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Clark Schulte
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:03:00 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-304.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Clark Schulte

Clark Schulte has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Clark Schulte
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Please help Vita tax , I use them every year. They are very helpful to me.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

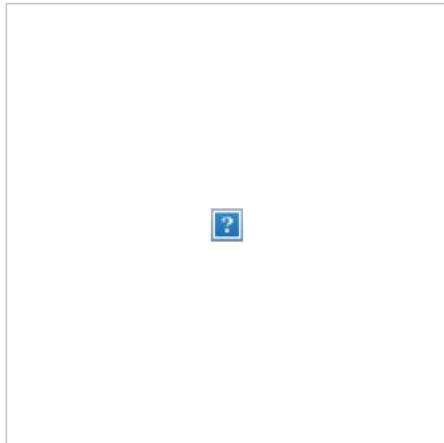
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Dorothy Elliott
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:18:49 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-305.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Dorothy Elliott

Dorothy Elliott has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Dorothy Elliott
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I make approximately 25k a year. I cannot afford to pay someone to do my taxes. I don't have a computer so doing taxes online by myself is not really an option



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

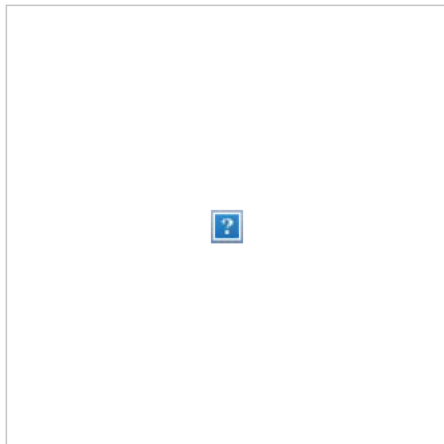
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment -
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:26:45 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-307.pdf](#)

Council Comment -

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

Name	
Phone number	
Email address	
Your comment	The vita has helped me cause I can't afford someone to do my taxes and I don't understand how to do it myself.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

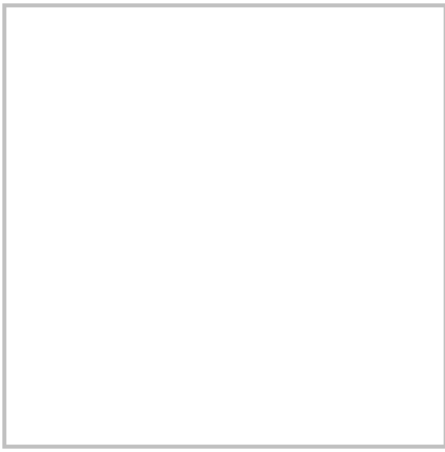
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Samuel Ortega-Salazar
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:35:25 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-308.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Samuel Ortega-Salazar

Samuel Ortega-Salazar has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Samuel Ortega-Salazar
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I hope VITA get fully funded. VITA means to me a way to prepare my taxes as international person. I totally understand prepare an accurate taxes is really important so VITA was a key component to prepare my taxes. As an international student there is a law at knowledge gap about taxes so VITA has helped me to prepare it since I arrived to Lincoln. This service should continue to serve to the community to prepare the taxes. Without their help, I'm not sure how I would do it, or how many mistakes I'd do.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

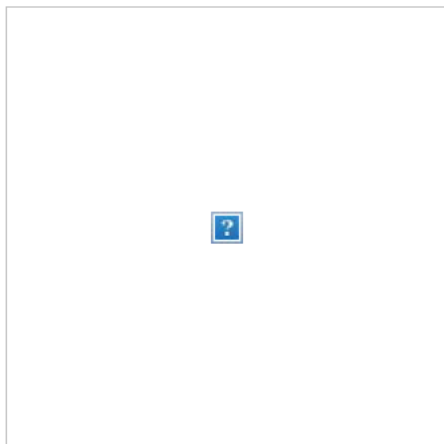
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Corrine Reeder
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:45:01 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-309.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Corrine Reeder

Corrine Reeder has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Corrine Reeder
Phone number	
Email address	
Your comment	After my husband's death, then my retirement, the VITA tax preparation was made so much easier for a senior citizen and the people were so helpful, caring and understanding. I am hopeful that this program will be available in the future for all low income Lincolmites that need the assistance for tax purposes.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

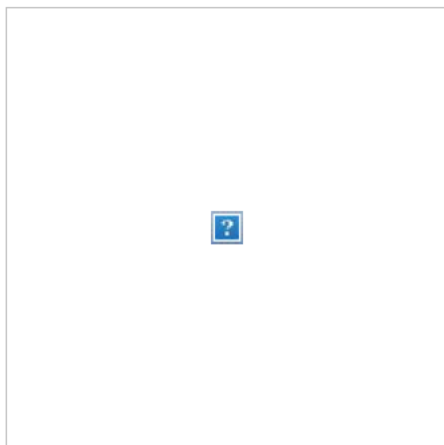
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - James Michael Johnson
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 8:51:15 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-310.pdf](#)

Council Comment - James Michael Johnson

James Michael Johnson has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	James Michael Johnson
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Don't fund the free tax service.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

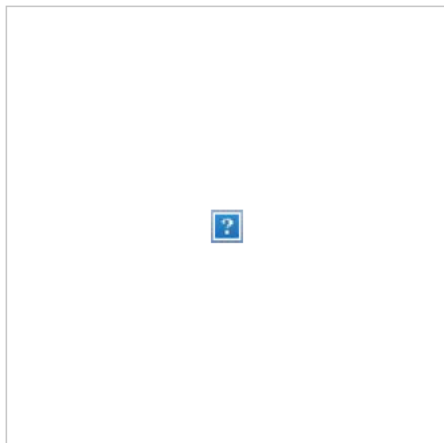
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Larry Ellison
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 9:04:50 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-311.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Larry Ellison

Larry Ellison has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Larry Ellison
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Please keep the VITA program, as it performs a very valuable service to residents of Lincoln. Their service is a very valuable community service. I support it 100 percent and I'm sure there are other voters who support it as well. Thank you



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

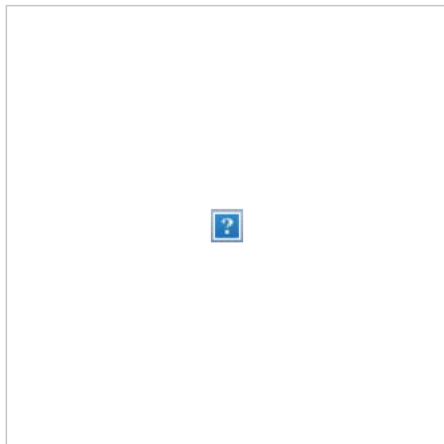
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Janet LaFollette
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 9:15:51 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-312.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Janet LaFollette

Janet LaFollette has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Janet LaFollette
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Please consider helping to fund the VITA tax program. It has been a big help to me and my family. I have used them for years and my mother also used them when she was alive. It is nice to know you can go somewhere that is reliable and that they will help you. Thank you for your time.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

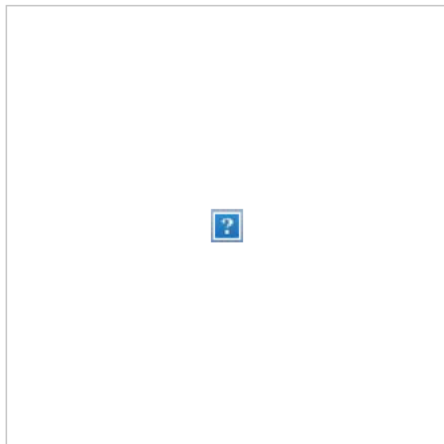
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Dominic Dongilli
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 9:18:13 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-313.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Dominic Dongilli

Dominic Dongilli has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Dominic Dongilli
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I am writing in support of VITA tax preparation services. As someone who moved to Lincoln for a job, trying to make sense of multiple state tax obligations was a burden. VITA was so helpful and made my relocation to Lincoln so much smoother.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

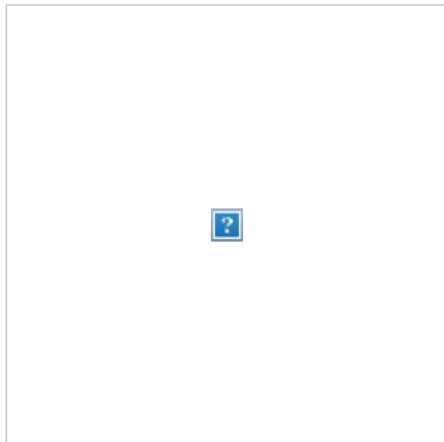
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Chien-Chi Huang
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 9:20:14 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-314.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Chien-Chi Huang

Chien-Chi Huang has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Chien-Chi Huang
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I'm writing to urge you to fund VITA program so it can continue providing tax filing assistance for seniors and people in need. I fled home to break away from my abusive ex in Massachusetts 3 years ago and I have been the recipient for this free services. Please kindly vote to continue your support!!



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Farough Abak
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 10:06:53 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-315.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Farough Abak

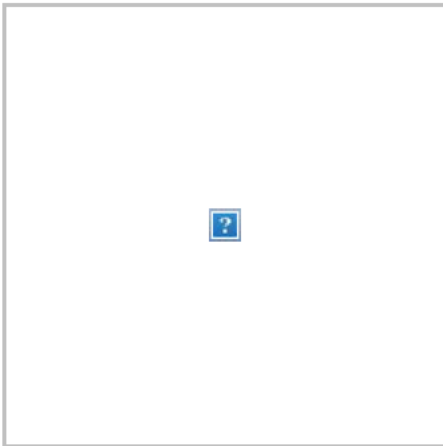
Farough Abak has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Farough Abak
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Dear Lincoln City Council Members, I would like to share my appreciation for the TCAN VITA Program and the important service they provide to our community. VITA helped my family by preparing our taxes professionally and correctly without charging us any fees. This support made a big difference because tax preparation can be expensive, and having a trusted program available gave us peace of mind. The volunteers were kind, respectful, and knowledgeable. They took the time to answer our questions and make sure everything was done properly. Because of VITA, families like mine can save money and feel confident that their taxes are handled correctly. I believe this program is very important for Lincoln because it helps many individuals and families

who may not otherwise be able to afford tax preparation services. I hope the City Council will continue supporting TCAN VITA so this valuable service can remain available in our community.

Thank you for considering funding this important program.

Sincerely,
Farough Abak



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

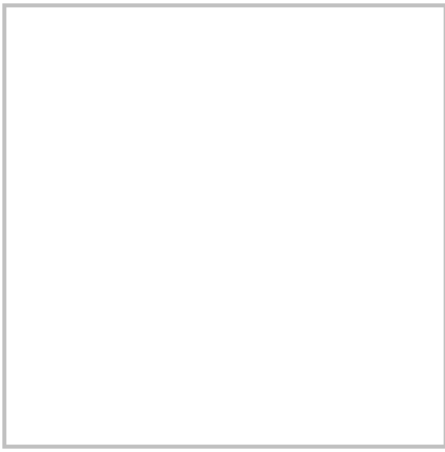
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Teresa Reed
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 10:51:49 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-316.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Teresa Reed

Teresa Reed has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Teresa Reed
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I pray the Vita program continues. This program has helped me over the years. I only work part-time so my return isn't much. I had paid to have my taxes done a few times until someone let me know about the Vita program. I saved at least \$200.00 for my children and I. That was close to amount I needed for rest of our necessities for the month. This program has been a blessing for my family & remains a blessing to me. I'm sure, I'm not alone in how helpful this program has been & is to those of us less fortunate. I GREATLY APPRECIATE ALL THOSE who have & are involved in making this program possible. THANK YOU!



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

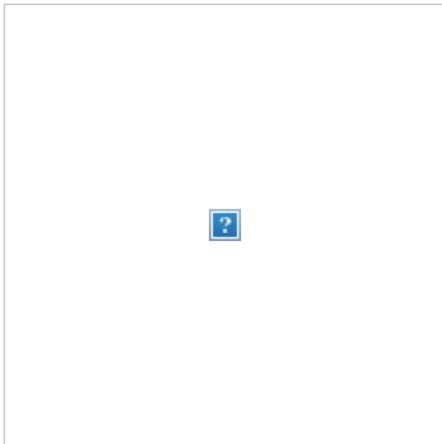
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Josephine
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 11:09:34 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-317.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Josephine

Josephine has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Josephine
Phone number	
Email address	
Your comment	VITA is very important to the community helping out many people who may struggle with their taxes which is why they should stay



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

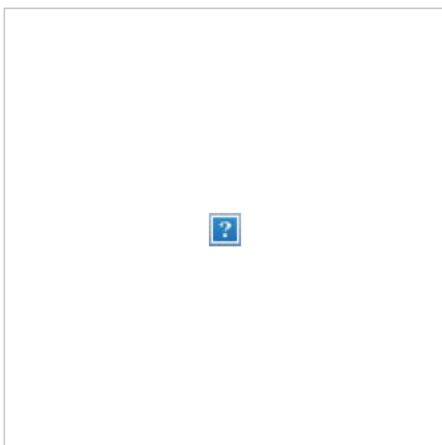
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Jewan Mohammed
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 11:47:37 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-318.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Jewan Mohammed

Jewan Mohammed has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Jewan Mohammed
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	The VITA program provides an essential service for hardworking families by offering free, reliable tax preparation. It helps people receive the refunds and tax credits they have earned without the burden of expensive filing fees. Please continue funding this valuable program so it can keep supporting individuals and families in our community.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Debbie Miller](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Please save VITA tax program
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 11:55:23 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Hi Lincoln city council.

Please continue funding Lincoln's VITA tax program. I've benefited from their services for 10 years, during most of which I've been unable to work full-time yet have not qualified for SSDI.

Many people leave below sustainable level financially yet do not qualify for services such as SNAP or SSDI. The more support services the intersection of federal, state, & city governments take away or make inaccessible, the more people die or will die in the streets—including many people of marginalized groups such as those who are racialized &/or have disabling conditions.

The more powers that be degrade humanity, the more degraded peoples living conditions become, a vicious circle.

One question to ask is which programs most efficiently & effectively support Lincoln area residents? The VITA program is run in many ways by volunteers. From my vantage point it is a very efficient program with tremendous benefit to people whose income does not allow all the layered fees of software. We also may not know who to engage for what reason.

Please genuinely & fully contemplate the importance of filing taxes with assistance of those who know more than is feasible by self education.

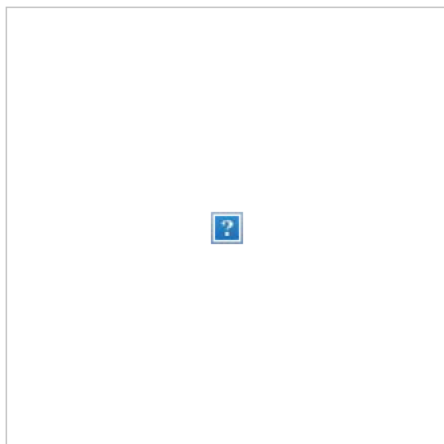
Debbie Miller
[REDACTED]

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Brianna Escobedo
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2026 11:59:39 PM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-319.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Brianna Escobedo

Brianna Escobedo has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Brianna Escobedo
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	VITA has been a truly amazing and helpful to our community. Without VITA many would suffer greatly. Please consider funding this program.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

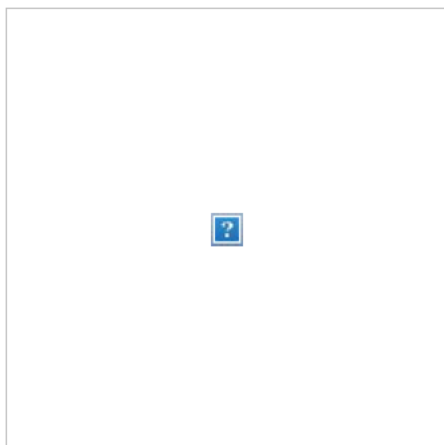
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Barbara Albers
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 6:58:23 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-320.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Barbara Albers

Barbara Albers has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Barbara Albers
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	My disabled son & I have used Vita to prepare our taxes for several years. I have no way to prepare/print them myself. It has been a big relief off my shoulders to have this service available to us. Asking for your consideration for those of us on extremely low income.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

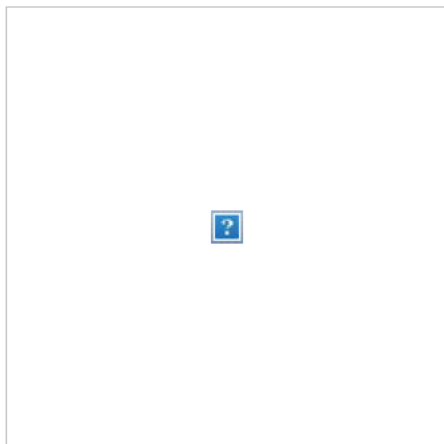
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment -
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 8:13:58 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-321.pdf](#)

Council Comment -

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

Name	
Phone number	
Email address	
Your comment	This is a very important program for those who don't know how to complete the forms and cannot afford to pay to have their taxes done. It's crucial that the program continues to exist.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

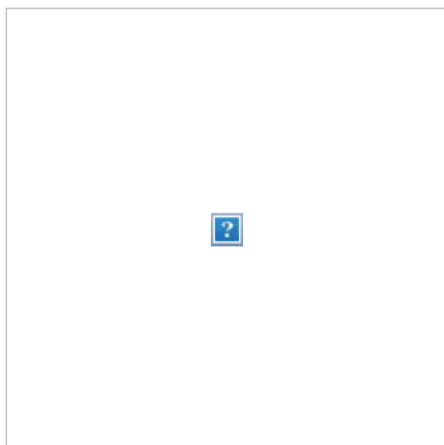
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Akemy N/A Montoya
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 8:29:48 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-322.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Akemy N/A Montoya

Akemy N/A Montoya has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Akemy N/A Montoya
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	VITA has made a positive impact in my life and all the volunteers at this department! It is very sad to hear that there's a possibility the city of Lincoln isn't protecting this benefit that really helps alot of their not only residents but veterans, elder seniors with no financial support, single parents trying to make it , please consider keep protecting this benefit that helps alot of Lincoln residents!



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Nathalie Fitzgerald](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Tax preparation
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 10:09:48 AM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Good morning,

I just want you to know what a disservice it would be to not fund VITA. MANY people use their wonderful services that without them would be a real burden. As a retired person on a fixed income they are a lifesaver come tax time. I do not have a computer to do it myself.

PLEASE think of all the people this service serves.

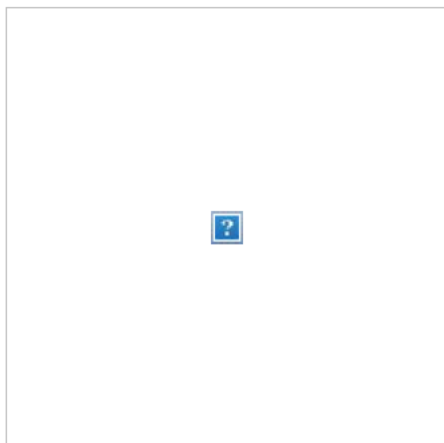
Nathalie Fitzgerald

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Jeff Barnett
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 10:13:17 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-323.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Jeff Barnett

Jeff Barnett has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Jeff Barnett
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	Vita is great please support vita



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

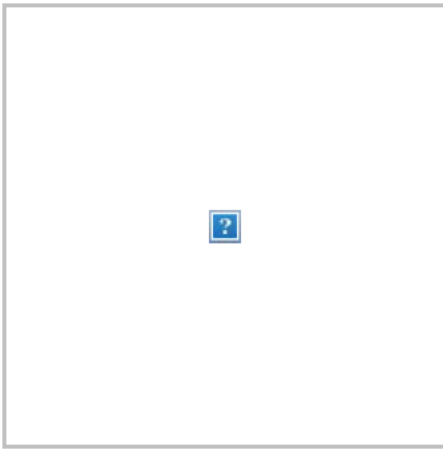
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Vicki Geisler
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 11:08:27 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-324.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Vicki Geisler

Vicki Geisler has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Vicki Geisler
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	I would like to comment on the VITA tax preparation program. I hope you will seriously consider funding this program. I started using this program 4 years ago. My husband had passed and it was now my responsibility. Not being able to afford our previous tax preparer on less income I looked for another option. My daughter has used the VITA program for years and recommend it to me. I have been extremely pleased. Making the appointment online, getting instructions online and getting a reminder email has made this very easy. I have never been disappointed. The staff is knowledgeable, willing to answer all questions and very kind. I have recommended this service to several of my senior friends and they are very grateful. Please consider the VITA request because it benefits ALL of the community.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

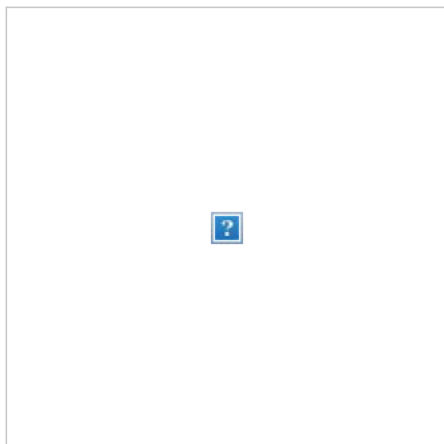
Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.

From: [Forms & Workflow](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Council Comment - Brad Thiel
Date: Friday, July 17, 2026 11:41:21 AM
Attachments: [SubmissionReceipt-SubmitAComment-325.pdf](#)

Council Comment - Brad Thiel

Brad Thiel has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Brad Thiel
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	The VITA program has been very helpful in doing my taxes the last 5 years. Especially if you have a fixed income. They are very deserving of funding.



[Help articles](#) | [Support portal](#)

Forms & Workflow is a [Granicus](#) product.